

Report To Pewsey Area Board

Date of Meeting Monday, 29 November 2021

Title of Report Pewsey Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Pewsey Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing	
Opening Balance For 2021/22	£ 33,487	£ 14,135	£ 7,700	
Awarded To Date	£ 24,523.43	£ 4,400	£ 300	
Current Balance	£ 8,963.57	£ 9,735	£ 7,400	
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 4,003.57	£ 7,335	£ 3,900	

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG315</u>	Area Board Initiative	Pewsey Area Board	Supporting Walking and cycling	£3000.00	£3000.00

Project Summary:

Pewsey Community Area is a beautiful and popular place for walking and cycling. Over the past few years, the area board has supported both the improvement of paths as well as projects to encourage walking and attract people to visit the area. Funding is required at various times for a number of pieces of work including replacing gates and styles, production of walks and supporting the "Walkers are Welcome" accreditation. It is both bureaucratic and time consuming to make separate applications for funding and this proposal is for £3k to be set aside for this project. Payments can then be made quickly and easily with the agreement of the CEM and Area Board Chairman

ABG234	Community	Burbage Village Hall	Burbage Village Hall New Chairs	£4000.00	£2000.00
	Area Grant	CIO			

Project Summary:

Once lockdown had ended but before we were able to re-open the Village Hall for normal use several of our Trustees took the opportunity to redecorate the interior of the Hall. This is part of an ongoing programme to upgrade the Village Hall generally and in doing so they observed all the Government guidelines concerning Covid. As well as decorating inside the building the very grotty floor coverings were replaced with good quality second hand carpet tiles and the dance floor area was repaired and made safe. The next step is to replace the dreadful old chairs which are uncomfortable and many are horribly stained from many years of use and the purpose of this application is to ask you to help us make that happen.

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested	
<u>ABG306</u>	Community Area Grant	The Coronation Hall	Broadband line installation to Coronation Hall Alton Barnes SN8 4LB	£960.00	£960.00	

Project Summary:

Broadband for our village hall is important. Having had several good quotations from phone companies for broadband they always have been cancelled due to BT Openreach wishing to charge them £800+VAT for just the line installation.

ABG314	Health and Wellbeing Grant	Alzheimers Support	Pewsey Arts project supporting local people living with dementia and their family carers	£6104.00	£2500.00
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Project Summary:

People living with dementia can still enjoy the process of painting, drawing and being creative, and feel a sense of achievement with their finished work. Creating art can be therapeutic in all stages of life and is particularly helpful for people living with dementia. Research shows the benefits of creativity and the use of colour and texture in dementia care. Creative and sensory abilities often remain strong after cognitive skills have been lost, and people can gain great pleasure and satisfaction from working with a range of media. To meet this need, our first art group started in Pewsey in 2013 and since then we have added groups in Holt, Lyneham and Warminster. Our art groups support people to retain skills and are also suitable for those with no artistic experience. The Pewsey Art Club offers a chance for people living with dementia and their family carers to explore creative projects under the guidance of a professional artist. All groups are led by experienced artists or art therapists. Family carers are encouraged to attend as full members of the group, creating their own pieces of art and benefiting from the creative group atmosphere. Each week, the artist prepares and leads a project in a variety of artistic media, including drawing, painting, sculpture, printing, craft, collage, 3D work and much more. Topics are planned in advance with members and we supply all necessary materials. Our groups are very much tailored to their needs and we make adaptations throughout. As a result, projects are chosen to boost and aid memory e.g. a life book project, or by using familiar local landmarks for inspiration. The initiative is very simple: the groups are facilitated by a specialist member of Alzheimer's Support staff and trained community volunteers; refreshments and the chance to chat over tea and cake is a key ingredient. People with dementia and their families drop in and the informal settings create a safe space where they can relax, offer mutual support and share experiences, seek specialist advice from the specialist support staff and help and share in a meaningful activity with their loved ones. Creating art also gives our members a real sense of achievement – the Pewsey group have staged 3 public exhibitions over the years – and in 2018, the Groups as a whole were finalists in the "Outstanding Art and Creativity" category at the National Dementia Care Awards. Most rewarding of all, however, there is something tangible to take home and look at, to prompt conversations and help relationships at home long after the Group itself has finished. Most importantly, the members themselves enjoy the sessions. The response from one of the Group's members says it all: "Mum really enjoys the Art group and her house is decorated with all the things she's made there. When the group isn't running Mum will ask about it, it's the one thing that's stays in her memory as a permanent fixture. " Kay, daughter of a member

<u>ABG265</u>	Youth Grant	Easton Royal	Easton Royal Basketball Key Court	£6000.00	£2400.00
		Playground			
		Fundraising Group			

Project Summary:

This basketball court is part of the overall new Playground Project in Easton Royal. This is a predominantly resident-funded project as the equipment exceeds the basic expectations of a playground in our small village. The cost of the hard surface (key court) area for the basketball goal is relatively high. All the new equipment for the under 12s has been in place since August and this court is the final item to complete our project. We aim to raise well over 50% of the total court cost ourselves and already have the goalpost. This basketball goal and court is specifically for the teenagers who have outgrown the play area equipment but would benefit enormously from this more age-adapted unit within easy access and without requiring transport to use it. It is important to offer something to attract the teenagers outside for both exercise and their general well-being.

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grants (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.
- 2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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