

Report To	Stonehenge Area Board
Date of Meeting	Thursday, 16 December 2021
Title of Report	Stonehenge Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Stonehenge 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	£ 49,663	£ 22,414	£ 7,700
Awarded To Date	£ 19,205	£ 5,662.13	£ 5,250
Current Balance	£ 30,458	£ 16,751.87	£ 2,450
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 9,226.85	£ 16,751.87	£ 950

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG250	Community Area Grant	Netheravon Parish Council	Adult Outdoor Exercise Equipment	£18500.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: The Parish Council would like to put adult outdoor exercise equipment on the Millennium Park which is accessible to all. There are many people in Netheravon who would benefit from healthy exercise including retired servicemen and women who have made Netheravon their home. The Parish Council are looking to improve facilities for disabled people who live in Netheravon and so there will also be equipment which the disabled will be able to use. It is a vibrant village, but lacks facilities for adults.</p>					
ABG275	Community Area Grant	South Newton Parish Council	South Newton recreation ground	£7500.00	£3750.00
<p>Project Summary: We have a large plot of sloped land that we wish to level and install a playing court (football, basket ball, etc) for the local Parish. We have many young families and they do not have access to such a facility within walking distance. There is an existing, small young children playpark that will remain and we wish to install picnic benches so that we create a family friendly, communal area. I have met with Jacqui Abbott, CEM for Wiltshire at the site and she supports our application.</p>					
ABG288	Community Area Grant	Shrewton Parish Council	Bus Shelter repairs	£1507.78	£753.00

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<p>Project Summary: The responsibility of the bus shelters was taken from Wiltshire Council some years ago, they are now in need of some repairs to keep them useable and safe.</p>					
ABG303	Community Area Grant	Durrington Town Council	Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations bring the community together	£11310.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: Over the last two years covid 19 pressures have severely impacted on our community this jubilee is perfectly timed for our community of all ages and diversities to be brought together. The Council is leading on a weekend of celebration where young people can experience a sense of nostalgia by taking part in 1950's type fete events. To deliver this we need to have a capital outlay to up grade our recreational facilities not only for the jubilee but for future use.</p>					
ABG317	Community Area Grant	I am a volunteer for South West Ambulance Foundation Trust	Razor chair for use by the Netheravon Community First Responder group Benefits all local villages	£6000.00	£3000.00
<p>Project Summary: I volunteer as a Community First Responder I attend 999 calls to people in the surrounding villages. This can be as far as Salisbury, Devizes or Marlborough. Sometimes I arrive find out the patient has fallen and can't get up, after completing a top to toe survey ascertain the patient just needs help off the floor and has no injuries apart from being on the floor too long. This is a marvelous piece of equipment that raises the patient up to either sitting or a standing patient without being touched. If I was successful in purchasing this equipment it would save taxpayers money and stress on the already busy ambulance service.</p>					
ABG322	Community Area Grant	Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council	Fittleton cum Haxton Speed Indicator Device	£3456.30	£1728.15
<p>Project Summary: We would like to erect a Speed Indicator Device on a stretch of road between Haxton and Netheravon to slow down through traffic</p>					
ABG336	Community Area Grant	Enford Parish Hall and Reading Room	Develop a community garden and three parking spaces	£9000.00	£2000.00
<p>Project Summary: The 100yr old Parish Hall has now been demolished and planning consent has been approved to develop the site in the centre of Enford into a community garden with bench seat, open to everyone, and three parking spaces for use by local residents to ease congestion on the narrow stretch of Longstreet.</p>					
ABG308	Health and Wellbeing Grant	God Unlimited Outdoor Therapy	Supporting mental health of Frontline Workers affected by COVID	£3120.00	£1500.00

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<p>Project Summary: This programme delivers 4 sessions of mental health support work using equine assisted therapy alongside a medical practitioner with specific training in overcoming trauma. Gul is seeking £1500 to support 8 additional candidates identified as vulnerable due to their mental health who are waiting for spaces in the Stonehenge area. The programme is simple in concept, individuals attend weekly, at the beginning of the course the mental health of the candidate is assessed using World Health Organisation and NHS approved standard questionnaires to measure well being and baseline trauma. The user then takes part in 4 sessions with a therapist, on horseback, during which they are given space to explore the source of their trauma with a professional. At the close of the sessions the assessment is repeated and results compiled. This programme was developed by Gul and is being piloted nationwide in partnership with the federation members of Horses in Education and Therapy International (HETI (UK)) including the RDA and Mare and Foal Sanctuary. In the results Gul has recieved from its own piloting and from other centres we have seen statistically significant improvements in wellbeing indicators that have allowed the participating individuals to return to or remain in work and seen 2 individuals take up volunteering in their local communities. While the number of individuals being supported by this funding is low, at £190 per candidate compared to an equivalent cost of £360 in the NHS (if there was availability for mental health support) this represents an opportunity to support local frontline workers, who in turn will support countless others while at the same time developing a project which can be rolled out much wider upon the completion of the pilot study. The data from the pilot study is being compiled for an academic paper by Plymouth University and will be available in spring of 2022.</p>					

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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