

Report To Corsham Area Board

Date of Meeting Thursday, 13 October 2022

Title of Report Corsham Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Corsham Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through subgroups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Young People Grants		Health and Wellbeing	
Opening Balance For 2022-23	£ 16,527.00	£ 13,816.00	£ 7,700.00	
Awarded To Date	£ 3,900.00	£ 7,674.00	£ 2,820.00	
Current Balance	£ 12,627.00	£ 6,142.00	£ 4,880.00	
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 12,627.00	£ 6,142.00	£ 1,355.00	

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG770</u>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Wiltshire Music Centre	Celebrating Age Wiltshire	£11065.00	£1500.00

Project Summary:

Celebrating Age Wiltshire (CAW) will use arts & heritage activities to reach the most isolated older people in Corsham, helping to tackle loneliness and aiming to improve their health and wellbeing through creative and artistic engagement. In particular, CAW will target those people who are vulnerable and socially isolated due to frailty, ill health, dementia, poor mobility or caring responsibilities. Our programme has developed four different strands of both live and online activity to meet the needs of this group. CAW is a partnership of community organisations across the county with Wiltshire Music Centre as lead organisation.

<u>ABG796</u>	Older and Vulnerable Adults	Corsham Connections	Corsham Connections	£4050.00	£2025.00
	Funding		Volunteer Test Run		

Project Summary:

CORSHAM CONNECTIONS, a social prescribing organisation, aims to advance the health and wellbeing of the general public in the Corsham area. Through volunteers, the aim is to reduce the social isolation of adult individuals by helping them to integrate into the local community through greater interaction with others at community activities, groups, and services, to mutual benefit. The money will be used to initiate and complete a Test Run to demonstrate and develop the processes and procedures of CORSHAM CONNECTIONS. We will recruit, train and support an initial body of approximately 20 volunteers, (DBS checked) who will work with referred socially isolated people with the aim of their participation in local community activities, groups and services. The money will enable CORSHAM CONNECTIONS to initiate, develop and prove its processes and procedures to serve the community of Corsham.

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 person's 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 subgroups 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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