

Report To Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Date of Meeting Thursday, 25 May 2023

Title of Report Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire 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 2023/24	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 0.00
Current Balance	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ -4,825.69	£ 15,821.00	£ 4,700.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG981	Community Area Grant	Alderbury Preschool	New Alderbury Preschool Building	£16239.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: Vistry are building us a new brick preschool as part of their Pembroke Gardens Development in Alderbury. This will allow the current preschool to move from a temporary structure with a daily capacity of 29 children across 2 rooms into a permanent structure, housing 42 children across 3 rooms (Babies 7, Toddlers 10, Preschool 25). This will allow us to give more focused care to each age group supporting them to grow and develop. As a charity preschool we have to rely on donations of resources and furniture from our local community due to our financial position and these are all now in desperate need of replacement. We will also need to spread our current resources from a two room setting into a 3 room setting. To allow us to move into our new building we are currently funding raising £50,000 this will allow us to kit our building out with some new adaptable enrichment resources to support all our children as they move through our rooms. We would also like to purchase some specific sensory resources to support special educational needs. Our new building will be situated alongside our current preschool gardens, which will also need to be adapted so that they function correctly alongside the building and the target age groups. While doing this, we would also like to put up a covered outdoor structure which would allow us to spend more time outside during the year, expanding our children's exposure to the outdoors and everything it has to offer.</p>					
ABG1094	Community Area Grant	East Grimstead Reading Room	East Grimstead Reading Room Courtyard Refurbishment	£15973.00	£3000.00

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Project Summary: Refurbishment of the front entrance courtyard, which will result in a useful outdoor space for community activities, and a safer surface for users of the space and the Reading Room itself.					
ABG1146	Community Area Grant	Pitton Community Store Limited	Pitton Community Shop	£12125.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: We require capital funding to cover professional fees for the review of legal documents and for the creation of architect's drawings and plans that will be used to assist in the creation of a community shop in Pitton.					
ABG1153	Community Area Grant	Phoenix Stars	Gymnastics equipment for new gymnasium at Old Sarum	£15105.40	£5000.00
Project Summary: We are seeking assistance to help fund the purchase of new or second hand gymnastics equipment for our new gym at Old Sarum. The gym will be attached to the existing cheerleading gym which is there but will focus on pure gymnastics.					
ABG1154	Community Area Grant	River Bourne Community Farm CIC	Improved Toilet and Wash Facilities	£15500.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: Our visitor numbers are increasing year on year and currently stand at around 23000 per annum. We need to provide increased numbers of toilet units and wash facilities. We also provide alternative outdoor education to increased numbers of primary and secondary students (currently around 80 pupils per week) who require improved washing and shower facilities. In addition to this we generally have up to 10 volunteers a day who need improved facilities. Our existing facilities installed 13 years ago, are no longer fit for purpose.					
ABG1162	Community Area Grant	Winterbourne Cricket Club	Winterbourne Cricket Club Equipment Uplift	£3935.38	£1967.69

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<p>Project Summary: Winterbourne Cricket Club (WCC) is a volunteer-led community club that delivers seven teams; All Stars, Dynamos, U11, U13, U15, 2XI (Academy) & 1XI) and directly benefits c. 75 juniors & c. 50 adults. These essential equipment bids will: • significantly enhance junior & senior batting techniques by: - mitigating bowling irregularity, - increasing [repeatable] bowling cadence, • ensure shot visibility, maximise safety and guard against serious injury, • support expansion of the junior & female playing network - with a 20% increase target for 2024, • further enhance the club as a positive local community hub – enabling strong communities in Wiltshire, • further enable community and personnel well-being, • continue to enable the provision of a safe environment for the local community. 1. Bowling machine, battery & balls. £951.40. One of the greatest impairments to junior batting development is the quality, frequency and accuracy (line & length repetition) of the bowling faced. A portable (battery operated) bowling machine would significantly enhance junior & senior batting techniques by providing this. Research also shows that c. 20%-33% junior (<19 years of age) pace bowlers develop a lower back (lumbar) bone stress injury (typically a stress fracture) each season. A bowling machine would reduce the need for over-bowling and protect the health of junior members. 2. Lenovo scoring tablets (x4). £396.00. The use of cricket scoring & management software (i.e. Teamo, Play Cricket, Live Score) is becoming increasingly vital for player understanding of the game, insight & tracking of individual statistics, player & parent visibility of results and live game tracking. To enable this, WCC needs 4 x scoring tablets for the youth & senior managers. This will directly support expansion of the junior & female playing network. 3. Replacement of existing sight screen meshes (x2). £354. Our existing sight screen meshes are damaged (ripped) in multiple areas and no longer bright enough to provision effective sighting of a ball. Replacement will ensure shot visibility, maximise safety and guard against serious injury. This is vital for the delivery of club safeguarding and safe play policy. 4. New sight screens (x 2). £1999.98. Due to the significant number of trees & extensive foliage sited on the boundary and within the batsman’s line of vision, a single sight screen provides insufficient sighting of a bowled cricket ball. We are unable to remove sufficient foliage, nor is it practical to continuously re-sight the second sight screen. Purchase of two additional sight screens (one at each end) will ensure full shot visibility, maximise safety and guard against serious injury. This is vital for the delivery of club safeguarding and safe play policy. 5. Vermin skirt for existing cricket nets. £234. Due to the proximity of neighbouring farm fields, the WCC cricket ground netted square is frequently damaged by borrowing wildlife. To safely and humanely prevent that, a vermin skirt needs to be installed at the base of the existing nets. Total cost: £3,935.77 Grant requested: £1,967.89 Club funding: £1,967.89</p>					
ABG1180	Community Area Grant	Old Sarum and Longhedge CIO	LED light installation	£5884.35	£2500.00
<p>Project Summary: Old Sarum and Longhedge Community Centre wish to change existing fluorescent light fittings, which are expensive and environmentally damaging to run, to more energy efficient LEDs.</p>					
ABG1125	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	The Winterslow Friendship Day Centre	Provision of a hot homecooked meal for the elderly	£8000.00	£3000.00
<p>Project Summary: The Winterslow Friendship Day Centre, known as the Tuesday Club, meet every Tuesday between 10am and 3pm for friendship, support, mental and physical stimulation, entertainment and a home cooked lunch. Approximately 25 elderly members from Winterslow and the surrounding area benefit from this facility, the majority of whom are in their 80s and 90s, live alone and for many it is their only outing in the week. The Tuesday Club helps to alleviate loneliness and build friendships and mental wellbeing. The hot homecooked meal is a vital element of the day. The meals are varied, nutritious and delicious and for many a welcome change from ready meals eaten alone.</p>					
ABG873	Youth Grant	Buzz Action Foundation CIO	Nomansland Landford and Hamptworth Youth Club	£8720.00	£3000.00
<p>Project Summary: An open access youth club set in a remote rural setting delivering a regular safe space, premium activities on site, and access to external activities. Encouraging the Youth Club to engage full with the village and enabling social mixing from all backgrounds, especially as the YP go to a variety of different secondary schools, this club re unites freindships and bonds established in the primary years.</p>					

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ABG1164	Youth Grant	Alderbury Parish Council	Circus Skills	£1875.00	£500.00

Project Summary:

1. Pop Up Activity events in Alderbury, 3 during the Summer holidays, 1 at October half term & 1 during the Christmas Break, each 2 -4 hours long The programme will feature mainly outdoor activities, including some fireflow arts workshops, aerial activities, circus activities and wheeled activities. 2. Development of a social media group for the Alderbury Youth and invite them to other activities in Nomansland, Amesbury and elsewhere as part of the Buzz Action Roadshow. Forming links and offering access to residential activities and other events throughout the year.

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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