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**Bradford On Avon Area Grant Report****Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Bradford On Avon Area Board.  
These could include:
  - community area grants
  - youth grants
  - older and vulnerable people grants
  - area board initiatives
2. To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

**Area Board Current Financial Position**

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2023/24	£ 14,160.00	£ 11,528.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 14,160.00	£ 3,525.00	£ 0.00
Current Balance	£ 0.00	£ 8,003.00	£ 7,700.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 0.00	£ -947.00	£ 5,950.00

**Grant Funding Application Summary**

<a href="#">ABG1376</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	The HUB at BA15	Continuing Support for Older And Vulnerable Residents	£2500.00	£1250.00
<b>Project Summary:</b> <b>The continuing support of older and vulnerable residents by: Maintaining a comfortable, non-threatening warm and safe space for greeting and talking to people in this group where trained and experienced volunteers provide advice and help with individual challenges in their lives. The HUB@BA15 is an accessible space in the centre of Bradford on Avon where we host meetings for 2 groups vulnerable to substance abuse. Older and vulnerable adults also visit us on a drop-in or appointment basis for help with form filling, whether on paper, computer or by internet. Benefits and debt advice are also offered by our volunteers as well as signposting to other resources with whom we have close ties.</b>					
<a href="#">ABG1381</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Wiltshire Music Centre	Strictly Seated Dance Class	£750.00	£500.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  A series of ten seated dance workshops for adults with limited mobility inspired by the dances seen on 'Strictly Come Dancing'. Annette Wilsher, experienced dance practitioner, will lead participants through a series of fun, friendly and social dance movements that will encourage well-being and increased physical health for those unable to walk or stand confidently for long periods of time. For a maximum of 16 people (a total of 8 people with limited mobility and up to 8 carers), the course will be able to respond directly to each participants capabilities and confidence, and provide new ways to exercise and express themselves in a comfortable and friendly environment. After each session, tea, coffee and cake will be served in our foyer by volunteers to encourage social interaction and friendship building.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1374</a>	Youth Grant	Mighty Girls CIC	Mighty Girls Projects 2024	£11325.00	£4500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Grant Proposal: Empowering Bradford On Avon's Youth Overview:</b> We are seeking grant funding to support five vital projects in Bradford On Avon over the year, dedicated to enriching the lives of local youth. <b>Self Defence Workshops x 2:</b> These workshops combine practical self-defence skills focusing on movement, breath work, relaxation, and posture. This holistic approach enhances self-awareness and equips them to cope effectively in various situations. We want to support girls and young women feel empowered and confident and strong! <b>Body-Positive Workshop &amp; Exhibition:</b> Promoting self-esteem and acceptance, this initiative includes a body-positive art &amp; photograph workshop and an empowering exhibition. <b>Summer Club (3 Days):</b> Our three-day summer club offers a safe and engaging environment for girls aged 7-15, with empowering, confident building and recreational activities. <b>Musical Gathering Event:</b> A vibrant musical event for local youth aged 11-18, will provide an exciting platform for young artists and celebrate our community's creative talents. <b>Collaborating with BOA Youth.</b> <b>Girls Skate Park Sessions:</b> Over the spring/ summer, we'll host regular girls' skate park sessions, for girls aged 8-18, encouraging physical activity and building confidence. <b>Your Support:</b> Your grant will directly impact the lives of Bradford On Avon's youth, empowering them through education, creativity, and physical activity. <b>Together, we can create a brighter future for our community.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1379</a>	Youth Grant	Bradford on Avon Town Council	youth club service expansion	£47000.00	£4450.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  The Town Council has commissioned a youth services which includes the running of the youth club in the community centre. The youth club provides two session per week 8-12 year olds 5.00 -6.30pm and 13+ (up to 18) 7.00 - 8.30pm. This means that the youth workers are on site prior to 5.00pm and after 8.30pm plus their preparation time and clearing time. The club is proving successful and needs additional youth worker to assist at the club, provide holiday and sickness cover. The extra capacity will also allow for addition activities on an evening.</p>					

## Background

3.

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.

4. 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)
  - Youth Grants (revenue)
  - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

### **Main Considerations**

6. 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.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

### **Safeguarding Implications**

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

### **Public Health Implications**

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

### **Environmental & Climate Change Implications**

11. 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.

### **Financial Implications**

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

### **Legal Implications**

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

### **Workforce Implications**

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

### **Equalities Implications**

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

### **Proposals**

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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