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**Salisbury Area Grant Report**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Salisbury 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**

	<b>Community Area Grants</b>	<b>Youth Grants</b>	<b>Older and Vulnerable People Grants</b>
<b>Opening Balance For 2024/25</b>	£ 31,653.00	£ 24,422.00	£ 7,700.00
<b>Awarded To Date</b>	£ 16,994.00	£ 3,000.00	£ 1,848.00
<b>Current Balance</b>	£ 14,659.00	£ 21,422.00	£ 5,852.00
<b>Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations</b>	£ -2,868.50	£ 6,822.00	£ 3,852.00

**Grant Funding Application Summary**

<b>Application Reference</b>	<b>Grant Type</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Requested</b>
<a href="#">ABG1917</a>	Area Board Initiative	Salisbury Area Board	Salisbury Area Board Disability Event 2024	£500.00	£500.00
<b>Project Summary:</b> <b>The event will provide a one stop shop of support, services and advice for people living with disabilities in Salisbury. It will help to raise the profile of disability organisations and provide for them a forum to network and learn from each other. We especially hope to assist the Salisbury Disability Interest Group to recruit new members, volunteers and expertise.</b>					
<a href="#">ABG1890</a>	Community Area Grant	God Unlimited Outdoor Therapy	Gul Riverside Classroom Installation	£30000.00	£5000.00

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<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  Gul has grown to support a large number of young people from across Wiltshire. Its facilities at its Riverside site are not sufficient to provide indoor spaces for its beneficiaries and so it plans to replace some existing outbuildings with a purpose built building to house a large classroom/ conference area and administrative functions. By doing so Gul can offer a wider range of content to its beneficiaries and improve it's administrative efficiency and allow the conversion of other buildings to make them fit for purpose.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1927</a>	Community Area Grant	Community Transport South Wiltshire	Community minibus replacement	£70000.00	£5000.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  Our project is to replace an older non accessible bus used on our shopper services for our elderly and disabled users with a more reliable, up to date eco-friendly vehicle with wheelchair access. This will enable us to continue the service we provide into the future. The figures indicate that we have some funds put aside for this and are seeking a contribution from different sources to build on them. We at the Community Transport South Wiltshire charity have been serving the community for 28 years, making an average of 50k passenger journeys per year to provide transport for those most in need. We continually evaluate what we do, build on what we have learnt and move forward into the future in a positive way. We run 18 door-to-door minibus 'Shopper' services, a volunteer car service and a scheduled town bus service. We make our minibuses, with their qualified drivers available to community groups to enable them to achieve their objectives. The demand for our buses to be wheelchair accessible is increasing so the need to replace the non-accessible bus is imperative to reach all those in need. We work closely with other organisations both statutory and voluntary to ensure our services are well known. We want to continue doing this despite the rising cost of replacing vehicles</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1928</a>	Community Area Grant	Broken Bridges Nature Reserve Ltd	Broken Bridges Nature Reserve purchase of land	£218000.00	£5000.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  Broken Bridges Nature Reserve Ltd was set up in order to purchase the 30+ acres of land situated between Lower Bemerton and Harnham and to manage it in the local community's interest so as to restore and enhance biodiversity, provide access to nature and wildlife for local people, providing access between outlying parts of the City and improving access for people with restricted mobility. The site lies on the flood plain of the river Nadder and forms part of the green corridor of land extending along the valley from Wilton into the heart of the city. Historically it was managed as a water meadow system and withy bed. The water meadow ditches fell into disuse at the end of the 19th C but remain evident on the ground with relic concrete bridges and structures and typical wetland vegetation marking the former ditches. The woodland is predominantly salix carr, a rare and nationally important species, which has not been managed over recent years, with many fallen trees and natural re-growth having occurred. Public footpath No 12 which crosses the site is a well-used route between Lower Bemerton and Harnham, though often impassable at times due to flooding. It forms a link between the north and south of the city on the western side and is used for access to employment areas, transport and schools.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1957</a>	Community Area Grant	10th Salisbury Scout Group	10th Salisbury Scout Group Equipment Store	£3000.00	£1500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  Wooden storage shed for the group's outward bound activities, including tents and other camping equipment. The equipment store is to be installed in Rack close, in Salisbury cathedral close (postcode SP1 2ES), by the pavilion where the scouts hold their meetings.</p>					

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<a href="#">ABG1967</a>	Community Area Grant	HCSC	Purchase of a Defibrillator	£899.00	£449.50
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>I am secretary of Harnham Community Sports &amp; Social Club SP2 8LA in Salisbury. Myself and my fellow committee have been discussing the purchase of a defibrillator for placement at the club for the Harnham Community. If we are able to get help purchasing this we would be very grateful.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1968</a>	Community Area Grant	Parochial Church Council of Harnham St George and All Saints	Harnham Parish Hall Environmental Improvement	£1157.00	£578.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Over the last three years, we have made huge improvements to Harnham Parish Hall, including installation of a new catering grade kitchen, installation of new underfloor heating using air source heat pumps (supported by a grant from the Community Area Board in 2021), creation of a new insulated Main Hall ceiling and replacement of the external roof covering. Volunteers are currently redecorating the interior and exterior of the building. We are now collaborating with Harnham Scouts (with whom we share the overall site), and Harnham Community Network's Green Corridor Project, to enhance the environmental nature of the whole site for the benefit of Parish Hall and Scout Hall users, and also local residents who make regular recreational use of the Parish Hall field and car park. The first necessary stage is to replace 45 metres of stock fencing, which is collapsed and ineffective, along the southern boundary of the site with a new native hedge, and a new stock fence to mark the boundary and protect the young hedging plants as they grow. The planting and management of the hedging will be undertaken by volunteers, and the removal of overgrown ivy from the line of the hedge has also been undertaken by volunteers in preparation. This project will have the benefits of: creating additional wildlife habitat on the site (which forms part of the Green Corridor stretching from Harnham Hill to the river, identified by the Harnham Community Network), and greatly improving the appearance of the site to residents, neighbours and users.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1954</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Wiltshire Music Centre	Celebrating Age Wiltshire	£10809.00	£1500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Celebrating Age Wiltshire is a Creative health and wellbeing project that delivers high quality professional creative arts, music, theatre and heritage events and activities on a monthly basis for older, vulnerable adults in local daytime settings.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1853</a>	Youth Grant	Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	Blue Influencers Scheme	£29200.00	£4600.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>We have received funding from #iwill Ernest Cook fund to host a Blue Mentor who will enable young people to champion blue environments within their communities. The Blue Mentor will work with local partners to engage with young people (In years 7 &amp; 8 of secondary school) to identify actions and activities they would like to take to increase awareness and take action for freshwater habitats within their communities. The mentor will also help to establish the groups and enable them to access funding for their projects and community activities.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1937</a>	Youth Grant	Kingdom Barbell Youth Development Programme	Kingdom Barbell Youth Weightlifting	£10000.00	£5000.00

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<p><b>Project Summary:</b></p> <p>Bemerton Heath is home to over 1,200 children, many of whom are affected by the complex socioeconomic issues which are prevalent in areas of deprivation. Young people who experience a disadvantaged start in life are less likely to be active and more likely to experience poor physical and/or mental health, which often continues into later life and affects subsequent generations. Alongside the current work of local organisations like Wiltshire Council, Rise:61 and Sarum Academy, our project aims to initiate a cycle of positive change for young people in Salisbury, with a focus on those living in Bemerton Heath. Kingdom Barbell Youth Development Programme is a newly established charity, operating from a community gym who share our values and community-focussed ethos and are situated adjacent to Bemerton Heath. Our mission is to address health inequalities in our local community by removing financial barriers to exercise, through provision of coached Olympic Weightlifting classes for young people. The sport of Olympic Weightlifting is accessible to young people of all abilities. It involves development of skill, determination, self-discipline and of course, physical strength. Participation in resistance training and sport has been shown to result in numerous physical and mental health benefits for young people and we plan to make these benefits accessible to young people in our local communities. We will collaborate with other local organisations to promote and run free, coached Olympic Weightlifting sessions. We have already established a strong partnership with the deputy headteacher of Sarum Academy who will support us to promote our project to the young people he serves. Our local weightlifting club will run weightlifting taster sessions and we will then provide free, coached weightlifting classes for young people interested in continuing the sport. We have made good connections with other local partners to collaborate with, including Public Health Wiltshire’s Community Health and Leisure team and local youth charity Rise:61. We are hoping to commence the project in the 2024/25 school year and are expecting to receive initial funding in the next few months. A team from a national engineering firm are completing a sponsored bike ride and aim to raise £3,000 for our charity. We seek to raise an additional £2,000 through other sources, including individual and corporate sponsorship and potentially a Community Development Grant from Salisbury City Council. This would enable us to run three sessions a week for half a year (term-time only). Match funding of £5,000 from Wiltshire Area Board will ensure that the programme is fully funded for the entire year (total project cost £10,000), so we can be confident it will run for its full duration, maximizing the overall positive effect on the young people. Our aim is to work alongside young people for longer periods of time in order to invest in their development and have a lasting impact. Each session will cost £80, including facilities and coaching. If we can raise £10,000 for the year (including £5,000 from Wiltshire Area Board), we will be able to run three sessions a week during term times (39 weeks x 3 sessions x £80 = £9,360). We will raise further funds from other sources to enable us to run additional sessions and to support young people wishing to attend competitions. From experience, we expect that there will be a core of young people who will attend multiple sessions a week and the other availability for each session will be filled with different young people who attend less frequently. We would expect to support around 30 young people with this initial funding and hope to build a community where all young people are well supported to grow personally and develop their skills through regular input and support from coaches. Assuming we have a good level of interest from young people in these initial stages of the project, we will seek to increase the capacity by obtaining additional funding and running more sessions per week. We will use this first year of the project as a pilot. We plan to work collaboratively with young people and their families to evaluate our activities and outcomes, make improvements and gather data to demonstrate our effectiveness to organisations who can provide long-term funding. Over time, we hope to grow our organisation to support young people in Salisbury to improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing for life. With the support of the Wiltshire Area Board grant this programme will initiate cycles of positive change for young people and their families in our community. Thank you for considering supporting our first steps in this long term vision.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1964</a>	Youth Grant	Wiltshire Creative	Wiltshire Creative Youth Music	£10375.00	£5000.00

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<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Wiltshire Creative Youth Music programme has been developed in consultation with young people and music educators to address the gap in extra curricular contemporary music provision and technical career pathways. The Youth Music programme consists of learning opportunities for young technicians, rehearsal space and performance platforms for young performers with professional support. The young technicians programme offers practical learning sessions for young people with an interested in a technical creative careers. The range of performance development opportunities include: Rehearsal Space (4 days) – free space with technical support for young people to practice without an audience Jam Night (2 events) – these events invite young people to play with others in a professional environment. Supported by a facilitator and technician young people can gain experience in performance with full lightling and sound rigs but without the pressure of an audience. Access to recording kit and technical support is also available in order to offer a broad range of music production opportunities. Band Night (1 event) – a live music event providing the opportunity for young bands to perform in a professional venue. A well supported event offers the opportunity for young people to enjoy a safe night out with their peers. Young tech sessions (8 sessions) – the young technicians programme provides an opportunity for those with an interest in a technical career to learn through hands on opportunities and shadowing. Facilitated sessions lead to supporting live events including Jam night and band night These sessions are supported by a series of workshops in city schools and colleges in order to bridge the gap between education settings and professional venues.</b></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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