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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 2024/25                               | £ 14,160.00           | £ 11,528.00  | £ 7,700.00                         |
| Awarded To Date   | £ 10,000.00           | £ 7,000.00   | £ 5,500.00                         |
| Current Balance   | £ 4,160.00            | £ 4,528.00   | £ 2,200.00                         |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 949.40              | £ 2,028.00   | £ 2,200.00                         |

**Grant Funding Application Summary**

| Application Reference   | Grant Type           | Applicant                                  | Project                                       | Total Cost | Requested |
|---|----------------------|--|---|------------|-----------|
| <a href="#">ABG1973</a>   | Community Area Grant | Atworth Village Hall and Recreation Ground | Lighting in the Atworth Village Hall Car Park | £6421.20   | £3210.60  |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b><br/>To meet Health and Safety Executive requirements, the AVH should provide a well lit car park for users. Currently the car park is in the dark and the surface is stony and uneven and can get wet in the autumn and winter. The installation of the lights will also give better security for those parking their cars in the car park as it will provide lights to park their car and walk to and from the village hall instead of walking in the dark. Therefore we propose to install five, one metre high light poles with a light that is only shows 180 degrees (so it only shines on the car park and not on neighbours gardens. Each light is only 2700 luminous which is the maximum acceptable by the local planning department so it is bat friendly. It took approx. six months to get to this stage and to get the agreement of the Wiltshire Planning Dept. Therefore we have now have Full Planning permission to install these lights.</p> |                      |  |   |            |           |

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| <a href="#">ABG1905</a>  | Youth Grant | Bradford on Avon<br>Community Area<br>Network | Young Futures | £6000.00 | £2500.00 |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b> Since 2022 BoaCan has supported THREE 2-Day Mental Health First Aid Workshops, run by Tracy Sullivan, of Open Minds Mental Health. Two of these workshops were funded by the BoA Area Board and the CWLPET, the third from BoaCan's own (limited) reserves. During 2024 BoaCan and Mighty Girls C.I.C. have co-funded 'Music Futures'; a series of 6 Workshops, plus a Showcase Event (in Westwood Social Club) attended by over 70 families and peers. These were run by Purple Noise C.I.C., a Music Education Company. We now wish to build on this work by coordinating a joint 'Creativity &amp; Wellbeing' programme, involving BoaCan, Mighty Girls, Open Minds Mental Health and Westwood Social Club. The content and timing of this programme will be shaped by and with the Young People themselves, but will include a preliminary Open Meeting during October half-term, workshops beginning Feb. ('25) half-term and a Showcase Event in late May'25. A 5 minute video will also be produced and will be submitted the National Lottery's Community Partnership Fund, seeking funding for 'Young Futures' over a three year period.</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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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.