
Warminster Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Warminster 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 | £ 21,559.00 | £ 19,457.00 | £ 7,700.00 |
| Awarded To Date | £ 9,476.41 | £ 6,000.00 | £ 4,300.00 |
| Current Balance | £ 12,082.59 | £ 13,457.00 | £ 3,400.00 |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 2,182.60 | £ 3,457.00 | £ 3,400.00 |

Grant Funding Application Summary

| Application Reference | Grant Type | Applicant | Project | Total Cost | Requested |
|--|----------------------|--|--|-------------------|------------------|
| ABG2011 | Community Area Grant | Bishopstrow and Boreham Parochial Church Council | New gas boiler for St Johns Hall | £5000.00 | £2500.00 |
| Project Summary: St John's Hall has a boiler which needs urgent replacement. It provides heating and hot water for the kitchen and WCs. St John's Hall is used almost every day of the week as a hub for community groups as well as private/commercial activities. Examples are: The Partially-sighted Club; Brass Band practice; Puppy School; Lunch Club for the elderly and lonely; Talking Newspapers recording; Philatelic Club; parish coffee mornings; children's parties; post-funeral teas; charity fund-raising events; over-flow for Barley Burrow nursery school; and the WCs are used for various local events | | | | | |
| ABG2028 | Community Area Grant | South Western Ambulance Service Trust Fund | Community First Responder Raizer Chair and Observation Kit | £8160.00 | £4080.00 |
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| <p>Project Summary: The South West Ambulance Service Foundation Trust (SWASFT) has a number of active Community First Responders (CFRs) who respond to emergencies in Warminster and the surrounding area. Our work is voluntary and completed in our own time. We are called to respond to a number of 999 ambulance calls, which means attending the most serious of medical emergencies where patients need to receive immediate life-saving care, but we are also sent to patients who have (in many cases) fallen and are unable to get up. The majority of these patients are elderly and/or vulnerable adults. This request is for Wiltshire council to contribute 50% of the funding for the following kit items. 1) Two Raizer Chairs (cost £ 3600 each - excl VAT). In many cases, patients are uninjured but are unable to get up off the floor. In such cases, it is possible to use a Raizer Chair to lift the patient off the floor, and completely remove the need for an emergency ambulance/hospitalisation. Unfortunately, the CFRs in Warminster do not carry Raizer chairs in Warminster, resulting in us attending fallen patients, and being unable to provide immediate help. We have to remain on scene (often for many hours at times), waiting for an ambulance crew to turn up with their own lifting devices. Obviously this is an extremely inefficient process which keeps valuable staff and volunteers from attending to the highest priority patients. Most importantly, this means that our patients (often elderly/vulnerable) spend longer on the floor than necessary, and the longer they stay there, the more likely this results in hospitalisation. The emergency lifting chair can be used to automatically raise a patient to their feet in as little as 20 seconds, removing any need for the CFR/others to strain themselves unnecessarily. A Raizer chair is easy to use by just one person and can lift someone up to 150 kg. A CFR can then safely discharge a patient on scene, with no need for additional support. 2) Two Handheld Pulse Oximeter (Adult and Paediatric) (cost £480 each). CFRs are issued with small finger-clip pulse oximeters. This device measures Oxygen saturation levels and pulse rate. These are critical observations which we do in every patient, as they can tell us a lot about how well a patient is, and what treatment is required. Unfortunately, the issued devices can be extremely unreliable, do not work on paediatric patients and are difficult to read, particularly e.g. when a patient is having a seizure. The handheld pulse oximeter is everything that the fingertip one is not! There are times when it is absolutely critical to see a reliable set of observations at a glance – e.g. being able to tell whether a patient has a heartbeat, or saturation levels are going up or down. This device is reliable, time saving and will allow us to make better decisions about patient care. These items will be stored and used byt the Warminster Community First Responders only.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG2062 | Community Area Grant | Heytesbury and Codford FC | Football Pitch Dugouts | £6639.98 | £3319.99 |
| <p>Project Summary: I am the Chairman of Heytesbury and Codford FC and we are trying to get funding for some 7 seater home and away dugouts. We don't mind second hand, if there are any clubs selling some but the important thing is, we definitely need help in the funding department. The cost is around £15,000 for new and this is too much for the club to afford alone, especially with all the other aspects of running 3 teams. So any sort of support would be much appreciated as the club will purchase second hand if necessary. We are trying to resurrect football in the village of Codford. Our team used to be called Heytesbury but after we had to move out of the village of Heytesbury due to the selling of the land for housing, we moved to the next village and renamed the team Heytesbury and Codford FC. We have settled in well and are getting a lot of local interest, in many ways, it's a success story but it has come with extra costs. We now have 3 teams, Adult, U18 and this year we have introduced an U13 mixed team of boys and girls, hence the request for proper dugouts. Your help advice and support in this matter will be greatly appreciated, many thanks. Tom O'Brien Heytesbury and Codford FC Chairman.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG2004 | Youth Grant | Warminster youth club | SEN youth club | £13191.50 | £5000.00 |

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| <p>Project Summary: A term time SEN youth club for young people. The youth club will offer a calm environment with sensory activities along side weekly activities to allow the young people to develop social and educational skills they need. The sessions will be 45 minuets each week and will split in to two sessions each week the first being for 11-13 year old's and the second for 14-16 year old's.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG2076 | Youth Grant | Warminster Town Council | Warminster Town Councils Youth Activities Programme | £10000.00 | £5000.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: Warminster Town council will work with Wiltshire Outdoor Learning team to provide free activities for youths during the year. The activities will include canoeing sessions, climbing, archery and axe throwing and will be delivered in various locations around Warminster.</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.