

**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   | £ 13,300.00           | £ 11,528.00  | £ 7,200.00                         |
| Current Balance   | £ 860.00              | £ 0.00       | £ 500.00                           |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 436.50              | £ 0.00       | £ 0.00                             |

**Grant Funding Application Summary**

| Application Reference   | Grant Type            | Applicant      | Project                                  | Total Cost | Requested |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|--|------------|-----------|
| <a href="#">ABG2110</a> | Area Board Initiative | BOA Area Board | Warm Space activities for young children | £100.00    | £100.00   |

**Project Summary:**

**Many young families access the library as a warm space and the staff have noticed that they stay for increasing longer periods of time. Whilst between the library and the family navigator there are puzzles and games there are not sufficient and buying more means that the young children can be kept entertained in a warm space for longer.**

| Application Reference   | Grant Type           | Applicant        | Project  | Total Cost | Requested |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--|------------|-----------|
| <a href="#">ABG2113</a> | Community Area Grant | Share and Repair | Bradford on Avon Repair Cafe<br>new PAT test machine | £423.50    | £423.50   |

**Project Summary:**

We run a monthly Repair Cafe at Wallington Hall on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Our team of volunteers work with local residents to repair their items to give them a longer lease of life, to save them money and to reduce the amount of landfill created in the town. We manage to repair on average 75% of the items we see. We also try to involve the owner in the repair in an attempt to educate them and to inspire them to repair more of their belongings in the future. With electrical items we always PAT test them before allowing residents to take them home and use them. We would really benefit from a new PAT testing machine to use during the cafe sessions. This would give us additional capacity when it is busy. The model our repairers prefer is the Seaward Primetest 100 PAT Tester, which is easy to use and reliable. They cost £423.50 currently on Amazon [https://www.amazon.co.uk/Seaward-PrimeTest-Tester-KIT61-Basic/dp/B00L1AWR2M/ref=asc\\_df\\_B00L1AWR2M?tag=bingshoppinga-21&linkCode=df0&hvadid=80470564181933&hvnetw=o&hvqmt=e&hvbmt=be&hvdev=c&hvlocint=&hvlocphy=&hvtargid=pla-4584070140592740&pssc=1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Seaward-PrimeTest-Tester-KIT61-Basic/dp/B00L1AWR2M/ref=asc_df_B00L1AWR2M?tag=bingshoppinga-21&linkCode=df0&hvadid=80470564181933&hvnetw=o&hvqmt=e&hvbmt=be&hvdev=c&hvlocint=&hvlocphy=&hvtargid=pla-4584070140592740&pssc=1).

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|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|----------|----------|
| <a href="#">ABG2124</a> | Community Area Grant | Westwood Social Club | Westwood Social Club Enfield<br>Room Insulation | £2765.00 | £1000.00 |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|----------|----------|

**Project Summary:**

The rear of the club was derelict and in need of demolishing and total rebuilding. It was structurally unsound and unusable and it was essential work to ensure the longevity of the club building. When the derelict buildings were demolished it was established that the rear wall of the main hall building was also unsound and in bad repair. Additional funding was required (provided by club funds) to renovate. Therefore, the insulation and interior walls was no financially possible. We are now looking to complete with the assistance of a grant. This will enable the rear new extension to be used more; to retain heat; be comfortable and be used by smaller members groups within our community.

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|---------|---------|
| <a href="#">ABG2174</a> | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | Floaty Boat | Pay it Forward fuel scheme for Boaters | £800.00 | £500.00 |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|---------|---------|

**Project Summary:**

We as a charity run a Pay it Forward scheme for Boaters in and around Bradford on Avon on the Kennet and Avon canal. People are able to donate into the scheme and/or nominate neighbours who may be in need. We then distribute eco-friendly smoke free fuel to Boaters through merchants on the canal to keep those most in need warm during winter. The need for fuel always by far surpasses the donations we receive.

## 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

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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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