

Area Board Youth Transport Money

Project 1 - Transportation of young people using minibuses for special events from villages to towns and from one Youth Centre to another.

We have been unsuccessful in obtaining a minibus locally. This locality usually uses the Malmesbury Cartmell Community bus at 75p per mile. However this is not often practical in this area board region as it costs a 22 mile round trip just to get the bus to Bassett before we start a journey. However, we have been able to use The Wiltshire Council MPV, which is only a 7 seater, at a cost of 30p per mile.

Summer use

We used both the Malmesbury minibus and the MPV to transport young people from this Area to the three summer 'Dreamschemes' (a four day scheme, consisting of two days community work and two days residential experience for 'targeted' young people). Also, young peer mentors were transported to a training residential and then transported to the subsequent Dreamscheme projects.

Also we transported the Cricklade YP to Oasis in Swindon by mini coach at a cost of £110.

Lyneham YP to go to Bassett for 2 sessions of Graffiti Art.

Autumn Term use

We have used the MPV to transport:

- Lyneham young people to two CAYPIG meetings at Wootton Bassett.
- Bassett young people to Malmesbury for Dance.
- Purton young people to Bassett for a Leisure centre activity.

We have used a mini-coach to transport Cricklade young people to two trips in half-term.

In total we have transported young people to 46 sessions of activity, with a total attendance of 232.

Future use

We have organised a day trip for Bradenstoke YP to Stroud (with Mr White).

There is a plan to taxi the Lyneham YP to Cricklade for 3 evening sessions of activity.

We plan to transport Cricklade young people to a Leisure Centre activity at Wootton Bassett.

Project 2 - Bikability.

We have the finance to enable 22 young people to take a level 3 course at a cost of £75 per head. We are liaising with Wootton Bassett School to find the most appropriate participants. Braden Forest has already run a similar scheme.

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