

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Southern Wiltshire Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>15 December 2011</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider an application seeking 2011/12 Community Area Grant Funding:

<b>Application</b>	
Pitton Diamond Jubilee Event <b>Applicant:</b> Diamond Jubilee Committee - £500	Approve
Chalke Valley Historical Photographic Archive <b>Applicant:</b> Coombe Bissett Parish Council (on behalf of local history group) - £250	Approve
Improvements to access points and car park. <b>Applicant:</b> The Radnor Hall, Bodenham - £1,515	Approve
Public Access Defibrillator <b>Applicant:</b> Whiteparish First Responders - £1051	Approve

## Key figures so far:

Available funds for 2011/12 – **£41,815**

Amount spent/allocated on grants so far in 2011/12 - **£19,267**

Amount of funding sought for December 2011 - **£3,316**

Amount left if all awarded - **£19,232**

## **1. Main Considerations**

- 1.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2011/12 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 1.2. There will be at least 4 more rounds of funding during 2011/12, including this meeting. The deadline for submitting applications to the Community Area Manager is about 4 weeks prior to the meeting. For the actual date see:  
[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard)

## **2. Environmental & Community Implications**

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

## **3. Financial Implications**

Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. Grant applications totalling **£3,316** have been received for this meeting.

## **4. Legal Implications**

- 4.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

## **5. HR Implications**

- 5.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

## **6. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

- 6.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

## 7. Grants

1. Pitton and Farley Diamond Jubilee Event. <b>Applicant:</b> Diamond Jubilee Committee	£500
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### **Officer recommendation: Approve**

7.1.1. This application meets grant criteria 2011/12.

7.1.2. Application does not demonstrate a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15 however supports the Council's objectives of promoting community events to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

7.1.3. This project is to fund the costs of a Diamond Jubilee community event.

7.1.4. The Area Board recognises the value of community events as a way of bringing people together.

#### **Matters to consider:**

1. This event is ticket only event and states that only 100 people can attend.
2. The Parish Council are not contributing to the funding of this community event.

7.1.5. If the Board does not fund this project then the community would continue to fundraise.

2. Chalke Valley Historical Photographic Archive. <b>Applicant:</b> Coombe Bissett Parish Council (on behalf of local history group)	£250
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### **Officer recommendation: Approve (Jointly funded with South West Wiltshire Area Board who are asked to fund £250)**

7.1.6. Although the applicant is a parish council they are only heading this bid up on behalf of a group of villages and enthusiasts who will benefit from these archives. This application meets grant criteria 2011/12.

7.1.7. Application demonstrates a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15. Issue number 57 states "Encourage local initiatives to record and promote an understanding of local history, heritage and priorities for future conservation".

7.1.8. This project is to fund the costs of digitising historic photos of the Chalke Valley which will be made available online and used by the community.

7.1.9. The Area Board recognises the need to support local history initiatives and also recognises that these photos will be of benefit to the Archivists at Wiltshire Council.

7.1.10. The photos cover the Chalke Valley from Nunton to Berwick St John.

#### **Matters to consider:**

1. The parish councils are not contributing to the funding of this project.

7.1.11. If the Board does not fund this project then funding would have to be sought from

elsewhere.

3. Improvements to access points and car park. <b>Applicant:</b> The Radnor Hall, Bodenham	£1,515
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**Officer recommendation: Approve**

7.1.12. This application meets grant criteria 2011/12.

7.1.13. Application demonstrates a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15 as it promotes the improvement of a local facility.

7.1.14. This project is to fund the costs of the improvements to the access and driveway of the Hall.

7.1.15. The project has local support from the Parish Council who are considering if they contribute financially to this project and will update the Board at the meeting.

7.1.16. The Area Board recognises the need to support and enhance local facilities.

7.1.17. If the Board does not fund this project then the community would continue to fundraise.

4. Public Access Defibrillator. <b>Applicant:</b> Whiteparish First Responders	£1,051
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**Officer recommendation: Approve**

7.1.18. This application meets grant criteria 2011/12.

7.1.19. Application demonstrates a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15 through its support for Community First Responder schemes.

7.1.20. This project is to provide a public access defibrillator in Whiteparish. This project is supported by the ambulance service and Community Heartbeat Trust who will provide ongoing support.

7.1.21. The Area Board supports the development of First Responder Schemes and this serves to enhance the scheme already operating in Whiteparish.

**Matter to consider:**

1. The parish council is not contributing to the funding of this project.

7.1.22. If the Board does not fund this project then the community would continue to fundraise.

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