

Salisbury Area Board Councillor Initiative

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| 1. What is the project? |
| A Youth Advisory Group is being piloted in Salisbury and funding is required to cover the cost of venue hire |
| 2. Where is the project taking place? |
| Salisbury. Although Youth Advisory Groups will be formed in all community areas by June 2012, pilots will take place in Salisbury, Malmesbury, Melksham and Southern Wiltshire. |
| 3. When will the project take place? |
| January – March 2012 |
| 4. Please outline: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community benefits • Evidence of need • Links to Community Plan • Community Issue |
| <p>Following the approval of the Commissioning Strategy for 11 to 19 year olds, Wiltshire Council Cabinet approved a Wiltshire Youth Work Offer and part of this will include the formation of Youth Advisory Groups. These groups will play a key role in improving the coordination of positive activities for young people in local areas.</p> <p>This provides an opportunity for young people to have a say, plan and shape local services for young people and share their ideas, aspirations and hopes with others.</p> <p>Providing local services such as transport that meets the needs of young people, local meeting places such as youth cafes, activities such as skateboard parks and sharing information for young people have been raised within our Issues Log. Salisbury Area Board has funded projects specifically targeted at the young such as The Unit (information sharing for young people), music sessions in The Friary, play equipment for young disabled people but it could do more.</p> <p>Youth Advisory Groups will provide pooled local knowledge of what young people are saying and help the Area Board and partners to focus on what they prioritise. They also fit the ethos of the Localism agenda which emphasises volunteering and community involvement.</p> |

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5. What is the desired outcome/s of this project?

Progress of the pilots will be reported to the Youth Services Implementation Group, Chaired by Julia Cramp, Service Director, Commissioning & Performance, Wiltshire Council.

All Pilots will be evaluated in early 2012 and the learning from these will be used to support the roll out of Youth Advisory Groups to other community areas.

6. Who will Project Manage this project?

The Salisbury Pilot will be coordinated by the Integrated Youth Service, and Voice and Influence team with a link to the Salisbury Area Board

7. Please confirm costs and provide quotes

- Total project costs up to and including £5,000 - 1 quote
- Total project costs over £5,000 - 3 quotes

Venue Hire costs range from £12 per hour to £150 for half a day. Suitable venues would be sourced in line with availability, number of meetings, cost and requirements such as accessibility, particularly in relation to young people's travel needs.

8. Additional information in support of the project