

Wiltshire Council

Warminster Area Board

10 May 2012

Warminster & Village Community Partnership (WVCP) Claim for Core Funding 2012/13

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To seek the Board's approval for core funding to WVCP covering the financial year 2012/13

2. Background

- 2.1. WVCP are entitled to apply for up to 20% of Area Board funding for their running costs each year. They are required to provide a workplan and a budget projection (Appendices 1 and 2).
- 2.2. There are normally two tranches of funding to community partnerships during a financial year (up to 50% of their total projected costs in each tranche). The Partnership Development Officer will advise WVCP that the second tranche can be requested at the November 2012 Board meeting when evidence is received that the first tranche has been spent effectively in meeting their objectives.
- 2.3. Warminster Area Board has been allocated a budget of £47,714 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives for 2012/13.

3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that core costs awarded in the 2012/13 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

- 3.2. WVCP have applied for **£6631.52** towards their running costs for 2012/13. This figure is within the 20% of Area Board funding allowed.
- 3.3. All partnerships funded by Area Boards are required to sign a Community Area Partnership Agreement (CAPA), which will be countersigned by the Chair of the Area Board. The CAPA is to be signed by both parties at this meeting if WVCP's core funding is awarded.
- 3.4. In order to show how the community area partnership aims to meet the commitments set out in the CAPA, WVCP are required to complete a work plan. This work plan has been reviewed and endorsed by Wiltshire Council's Partnership Development Officer and Community Area Manager as a workable document. Questions regarding the workplan have all been answered satisfactorily.
- 3.5. As detailed in 2.2 above 50% of the sum awarded can be considered as the first tranche. The area board can therefore award up to £3,316 at this meeting, to be paid immediately, with the second tranche to be paid in November subject to the conditions in section 5 below being met.

4. Implications

- 4.1. Environmental Impact of the Proposals
 - 4.1.2 The community partnership contributes to the continuance and improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon individual projects.
- 4.2. Financial Implications
 - 4.2.1 Core costs awarded to the community partnership must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Warminster Area Board.
- 4.3. Legal Implications
 - 4.3.1 There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.
- 4.4. HR Implications
 - 4.4.1 There are no specific HR implications related to this report.
- 4.5. Equality and Diversity Implications
 - 4.5.1 Community partnerships have agreed to the terms of the Community Area Partnership Agreement, which requires them to be fully inclusive.

5. Recommendation

1. To approve the whole year's core funding of £6631.52.
2. To release the first tranche of £3,316 immediately.
3. To agree the following conditions to be met before the second tranche should be released:

Warminster and Villages Community Partnership will:

- a. have engaged the services of a Partnership Administrator by September 2012; and
 - b. have produced the updated Community Area Plan by January 2013 as per their workplan.
4. To consider the release of the second tranche at the November Area Board meeting as long as conditions set by the Partnership Development Officer and agreed by the Board, as detailed above, have been met.

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Appendices:
Appendix 1 WVCP Annual Workplan, 2012/13
Appendix 2 WVCP Budget Form, 2012/13