

Report to	South West Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	5 February 2014
Title of Report	Funding for Young People in the South West Wiltshire Community Area

Purpose of Report

For Councillors to consider 10 applications seeking funding for youth projects from South West Wiltshire Area Board.

Applicant	Brief description of project	Amount
Kilmington & Stourton Cricket Club Under 9 team	Starting an under 9 cricket team	£295
Fovant Youth Club	New fence along river bank and replaced kerbing	£2,976
Wilton Youth Centre	New youth group based in Barford St Martin	£1,000
LGBT+Q Support Group	Setup a support group for isolated young people that are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual or questioning their sexuality	£1,000
Wilton Community Garden	Create a community garden behind the Wilton Community Centre	£1,000
Hindon Playground For All	Provide a special needs nest swing in Hindon playground	£1,000
Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall Committee	Full size wheel-able football goal	£950
Tisbury Cub Scout Group	New camping equipment	£993
Seeds 4 Success	Hoodies and a sign to promote group	£319
Sunday Club	Equipment for new youth club in Tisbury	£930
TOTAL		£10,463

Background

1.1 South West Wiltshire Area Board has ring-fenced £10,000 from the 2013/14 budget for funding youth projects across the Mere, Tisbury and Wilton Community Areas. Any funding not allocated will be returned to the general allocation pot.

1.2 The criteria for applications is set out below:

- Groups of young people up to the age of 21 are eligible to apply.
- A group must be a minimum of 5 young people.
- Groups can apply for up to £1000 to take part in activities, buy equipment or other project costs; grants for more than £1000 will be considered on a case by case basis.
- The project ideas should come from young people themselves and they should be actively involved in the planning.
- The project should have a 'supporter' to help and hold funds for the project (e.g. youth worker, school, parish councillor).
- The project should show benefits for young people in at least one of the following areas:
 - Leading healthier lifestyles / keeping physically healthy.
 - Learning new skills.
 - Making a positive contribution.
 - Access to transport or other services.
 - Challenging bullying or discrimination.
 - Benefitting the local community.
 - Building on the legacy of events in 2012 (e.g. Olympic and Paralympic Games) – bringing communities together to deliver events and activities, getting more people active in sport.
- Young people should help to present their ideas to the Area Board.
- Young people should develop ideas for how they will know their project has been successful.
- Young people should be actively involved working out the project costs and benefits.

1.3 Young people, with assistance as required, will present their project to the Area Board during the Area Board meeting on 5 February 2013 in the form of a 2 minute presentation.

1.4 All awards will be subject to a suitable 'supporter' being in place to hold funds for the project and confirm that any necessary safeguards are in place. The supporter will ensure that funds are spent as outlined within applications and any unspent funds are returned within 6 months of the project starting. The supporter will confirm the project has run and will provide a simple account summary detailing how funds were used within 6 months of the project starting.

1.5 All awards are subject to quotes / estimates being provided as financial evidence; one quote is required for each element of the project.

1.6 A total of 10 applications are due to be considered, as shown below

a. Kilmington & Stourton Cricket Club Under 9 team

- The project is to buy equipment in order to start an under 9 cricket team.
- The group estimates 20+ young people will be involved.
- The amount applied for is £295.
- The project aims to encourage healthier active lifestyles, and enable young people trained as coaches to develop their skills.

b. Fovant Youth Club

- The project is to purchase and install a new high fence to prevent access to a stream and replace existing rotten wooden kerbing.
- The group consists of 25-35 young people.
- The amount applied for is £2,480 plus VAT (total £2,976).
- The project aims to improve the safety and environment of the youth club.

c. Wilton Youth Centre

- The project is to purchase tools and equipment to refurbish Barford St Martin pavilion in order for it to be used to run a youth session for young people aged 8-12.
- The group estimates 5 young people will be involved.
- The amount applied for is £1,000.
- The project aims to provide something locally for young people to do and provide good experience for the volunteers doing the refurbishment.

d. LGBT+Q Support Group

- The project is to set up a support group for isolated young people that are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual or questioning their sexuality. Funding will pay for transport costs.
- The group estimates 3 young people will be involved.
- The amount applied for is £1000.
- The project aims to offer a lifeline to young people in the area who identify as LGBT+Q and challenge bullying/discrimination.

e. Wilton Community Garden

- The project is to purchase equipment and materials to create a community garden behind Wilton community centre.
- The group consists of 5 young people.
- The amount applied for is £1,000.
- The project aims to teach young people new skills such as gardening, DIY and eventually cooking and encourage a healthier lifestyle.

f. Hindon Playground For All

- The project is to purchase a special needs nest swing for Hindon playground, which will be suitable for local children.
- The group consists of 9 young people, although the equipment can be used by all.
- The amount applied for is £1,000.
- The project aims to encourage play and recreation, development skills and a healthy lifestyle for those young people who cannot use the existing equipment.

g. Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall Committee

- The project is to purchase a full size wheel-able football goal to be placed on the field next to the village hall
- There are approximately 30 young people under the age of 21 in the village.
- The amount applied for is £950.
- The project aims to encourage socialisation, exercise and integration for young people in the village.

h. Tisbury Cub Scout Group

- The project is to purchase new tents and camping mats to enable the group to experience camping in a local setting.
- The group consists of 20 young people.
- The amount applied for is £993.
- The project aims to benefit the wider community through having an active Cub pack, and enable young people from different backgrounds to engage with their local community. Activities also teach young people key transferrable skills.

j. Seeds 4 Success

- The project is to purchase hoodies and a sign to raise awareness of the group.
- The group consists of approximately 12 young people.
- The amount applied for is £319.
- The project aims to challenge local perceptions, as previously the group have been confused with young offender programmes.

k. Sunday Club (or JAM – Jesus and Me)

- The project is to purchase equipment to start a new youth club in Tisbury, open to all young people regardless of faith.
- The group currently consists of approximately 10 young people.
- The amount applied for is £930.
- The project aims to provide a space for young people to engage in activities.
- The group run other Church based activities, which would also benefit from using the equipment.

Recommendation:

- 1) **To consider and approve funding as set out in the table above, up to a total limit of £10,000.**
- 2) **To delegate responsibility to the Community Area Manager, Stephen Harris, to ensure funds are only released once all financial evidence has been received and a suitable ‘supporter’ is in place for each project, as agreed by the Chairman.**

Appendices:	Youth project funding application 1 – Kilmington & Stourton Cricket Club Under 9 team Youth project funding application 2 – Fovant Youth Club Youth project funding application 3 – Wilton Youth Centre Youth project funding application 4 – LGBT+Q Support Group Youth project funding application 5 – Wilton Community Garden Youth project funding application 6 – Hindon Playground For All Youth project funding application 7 - Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall Committee Youth project funding application 8 - Tisbury Cub Scout Group Youth project funding application 9 - Seeds 4 Success Youth project funding application 10 - Sunday Club
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