

Report to	Amesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	29th January 2016
Title of Report	Area Board Funding

Purpose of Report

To ask councillors to consider the following grant requests:

1. St Michaels Primary School Figcheldean. - £500 for an early years topic project.
2. The Stonehenge School. - £2,974 towards a total project cost of £7,889 for a series of music workshops.
3. Winterborne Stoke Events Committee - £990 to purchase a generator.
4. Figcheldean Parish Council - £550 towards a total project cost of £1,100 to purchase new goalposts.
5. Durrington Town Council - £1,500 towards a total project cost of £3,103 to purchase and install a new boiler.
6. The Langford Tennis Club - £2,544 towards a total project cost of £5,088 to renew playing surface and fence.
7. Amesbury Community Group - £999.80 to purchase new equipment for community facility.
8. Wyvern Hall Committee - £1,497 towards a total project cost of £2,995 to purchase and install new industrial grade dishwasher.
9. D of E Open Award Centre - £992.93 to purchase new computers.

1. Background

- 1.1. Area boards will allocate their delegated funds in accordance with any rules and guidance issued by the Leader of Wiltshire Council.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. The Localism agenda supports the ethos of volunteering and community involvement and the nurturing of resilient communities. With this in mind Community Area Grants (CAGs) should be encouraged from and awarded to community and voluntary groups.
- 1.4. The area board may wish to link funding to local priorities, including those identified in their Community Plan, Community Area Joint Strategic Assessment and any other community based consultative work.
- 1.5. The community area grants budget has been approved for 2014/2015 for community area grants, digital literacy grants, community partnership core funding, area board operational funding and area board/councillor led initiatives.
- 1.6. In addition to CAGs and digital literacy grants councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor-Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle sticky community issues and/or community identified priorities. Cabinet have emphasised that they do not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls.
- 1.7. Applications of up to and including £1,000 can be made for a Community Area Grant, which do not require matched funding. Amounts of £1,001 - £5,000 will be required to find matched funding. The area board will rarely award more than £5,000.
- 1.8. A ring-fenced budget of £1,500 has been provided specifically for Digital Literacy Grants, although the area board may spend more. Up to £500 per project is available for capital projects.
- 1.9. There is a single on-line application process for Community Area Grants (CAG) and Digital Literacy grants, introduced to provide an easy step by step application process. The application process and funding criteria can be found [here](#).
- 1.10. Area boards will not consider CAG applications from town and parish councils for purposes that relate to their statutory duties or powers that should be funded from the local town/parish precept. However this does not preclude bids from town/parish councils, encouraging community projects that provide new opportunities for local people or those functions that are not the sole

responsibility of the town/parish council.

- 1.11. Officers provide advice on how the application meets with the scheme's criteria, but the decision to support applications is made by Amesbury area board councillors.
- 1.12. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting whilst there is money available.
- 1.13. All recipients of area board funding are expected to complete an evaluation form as soon as the project has been completed and provide receipts if requested. Groups are encouraged to up-load information and photographs about their project on to the Amesbury 'Our Community Matters' [blog-site](#). Failure to evaluate projects will preclude applicants/organisations being considered for future funding.

Background documents used in the preparation of this report	Amesbury Area's Community Plan Priorities Amesbury Area Joint Strategic Assessment
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2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation outlined in Section 1 of this report.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in 2014/2015 are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.3. This is the fourth funding round of the 2014/15 financial year.
There will be one further opportunity. This will take place as follows:
 - 12 February for consideration on the 26 March 2015

3. Environmental & Community Implications

- 3.1. Area Board Grants 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.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Amesbury Area Board. Budget allocated in 2014/15 is £67,670.01
- 4.2. If the grants are awarded Amesbury Area Board will have a balance £6,268.

5. Legal Implications

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

6. HR Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants and Small Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, town and parish council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications will be outlined in section 8 of the funding report.

8. Grant Requests

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1.	St Michaels Primary School Figheldean	To purchase equipment for an early years topic project.	£500

- 8.1.1. This application is for £500 towards a total project cost of £500.
- 8.1.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.1.3. The project will provide extra curricula activity to the children. It will focus on topics through the year and allow for role play activities to engage the children in more social activity with one another.
- 8.1.4. This is a request for capital funding.
- 8.1.5. This project goes some way to achieving targets in the JSA. Provide opportunities for YP.
- 8.1.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2.	The Stonehenge School	To purchase musical equipment for music workshops	£2,974

- 8.2.1. This application is for £2,974 towards a total project cost of £7,889
- 8.2.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.2.3. This is an extra curricula activity that will engage YP in music.
- 8.2.4. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.2.5. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. Provide opportunities for YP.
- 8.2.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.3.	Winterborne Stoke Events Committee	To purchase a generator	£990

- 8.3.1. This application is for £990 towards a total project cost of £990.
- 8.3.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.3.3. This is a not for profit group that organises many events throughout the year in the local community.
- 8.3.4. Winterborne Stoke does not have a village hall so relies on the use of a marquee for events.
- 8.3.5. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.3.6. This application goes some way to achieving targets in the JSA. Help arts and cultural groups to enable them to access cultural activities.
- 8.3.7. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.4.	Figheldean Parish Council	To purchase new goalposts	£550

- 8.4.1. This application is for £550 towards total project costs of £1,100.
- 8.4.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.4.3. Although this is a PC. There are wider community benefits in that the facility is open to the wider community.
- 8.4.4. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.4.5. This application goes some way to achieving targets set out in the JSA. Improving leisure facilities.
- 8.4.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.5.	Durrington Town Council	Purchase and install new boiler	£1,500

- 8.5.1. This application is for £1,500 towards a total project cost of £3,103.
- 8.5.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.5.3. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.5.4. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. Improve facilities that bring older and YP together.
- 8.5.5. The failure of the boiler has compromised the everyday functions of the hall that caters for approximately 6,000 local residents.
- 8.5.6. The replacement of the boiler was part of the 2016/17 plan and as such no current monies were allocated for the replacement of this boiler.
- 8.5.7. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.6.	The Langfords tennis Club	Replace surface on tennis court and fencing	£2,544

- 8.6.1. This application is for £2,544 towards a total project cost of £5,088.
- 8.6.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.6.3. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.6.4. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. Improve leisure facilities.
- 8.6.5. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.7.	Amesbury Community Group	To purchase new equipment for community facility	£999.80

- 8.7.1. This application is for £999.80 towards a total project cost of £999.80.
- 8.7.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.7.3. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.7.4. This project is run by a local not for profit group that is well respected in the area.
- 8.7.5. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. To improve community facilities and community engagement.
- 8.7.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.8.	Wyvern Hall Committee	To purchase and install a new dishwasher	£1,497

- 8.8.1. This application is for £1,497 towards a total project cost of £2,995.
- 8.8.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.

- 8.8.3. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.8.4. This project is run by a local not for profit group that is well respected in the area.
- 8.8.5. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. To improve community facilities and community engagement.
- 8.8.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.9.	D of E Open Award Centre	To purchase new computer equipment	£992.93

- 8.9.1. This application is for £992.93 towards a total project cost of £992.93.
- 8.9.2. The application has been appraised by the Community Area Manager and meets the grants criteria.
- 8.9.3. This application is for capital funding.
- 8.9.4. This project is run by a local not for profit group that is well respected in the area.
- 8.9.5. This application goes some way to meeting targets in the JSA. Provide opportunities for YP to demonstrate the positive contribution they can make to the community.
- 8.9.6. If funding is not granted this project will be delayed until alternative funding can be found.

Appendices	<p>Appendix 1 - St Michaels Primary School Figcheldean.</p> <p>Appendix 2 - The Stonehenge School.</p> <p>Appendix 3 - Winterborne Stoke Events Committee.</p> <p>Appendix 4 - Figcheldean Parish Council.</p> <p>Appendix 5 - Durrington Town Council.</p> <p>Appendix 6 - The Langford tennis Club.</p> <p>Appendix 7 - Amesbury Community Group.</p> <p>Appendix 8 - Wyvern Hall Committee.</p> <p>Appendix 9 - D of E Open Award Centre.</p>
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

other than those requested in the funding criteria e.g. estimates.

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