

Report to Devizes Area Board
Date of meeting 28 September 2015
Title of report Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Bromham Parish Council	£5,000
Devizes School	£4,904
Bromham Social Centre	£5,000
Caenhill Countryside Centre	£5,000
Rowde Community Shop	£850
West Lavington Village Hall	£2,350

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance available here: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-area-grants-criteria-2015-16-april.pdf>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/areaboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

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

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area 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.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 1152	Bromham Parish Council	Bromham Village Community Play Area	£5,000
<p>Project description The project is to provide additional play equipment which is primarily aimed at the 13-21 age groups. We will install two new activity walls at either end of the existing hard surface and mark out a basketball court. Additionally we will replace the worn-out surface beneath the play equipment which has been identified as high risk in the annual inspections and risk assessments and needs replacing.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Bromham Parish Council for £5,000</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 941	Devizes School	Disabled toilet facility	£4,904
<p>Project description To provide a disabled toilet facility adjacent to the Main Hall of the school. This is the primary location of many out-of-hours school and community events. The nearest other disabled facility is on the other side of the school quad which is some distance to travel, particularly at night. In addition the project will provide improved accessibility into the school grounds and around the school site for students and visitors who are wheelchair users. The work includes the installation of ramps, level transit and kerb alterations which will improve access to the whole campus area as well as to the school site.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Devizes School for £4,904</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 1274	Bromham Social Centre	Solar Panels for roof	£5,000
<p>Project description Installation of a 10kw array on roof of village hall at approx. cost 12000.00 - 13000.00 The Social Centre belongs to the village parishioners and the Parish Council are the Trustees. Parishioners are given preferential rates for hiring's. The Village Hall is the focal point for many clubs and other organisations and is well used and valued by the village and its occupants.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Bromham Social Centre for £5,000</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 1314	Caenhill Countryside Centre	Caenhill Countryside Centre	£5,000
<p>Project description The Caenhill Countryside Centre is a rural learning centre where farming links to education, rural skills and countryside life. We work with schools and children's groups to encourage learning outside the classroom. We support children through their schools and youth groups to encourage a learning pattern and personal development. Our curriculum supported programme works with teaching staff to encourage the student. We also support community groups with crafts projects and learning. A key area is with Help 4 Heroes personnel on rehabilitation following on from active service. A new direction in a peaceful environment to help with future choices. Our project works in the rural communities which benefits many young people youth groups D of E students and communities. Youth leadership programmes educational foundation courses - for those struggling with their basic education. We are currently supporting soldiers from H4H with their rehabilitation programme to find new pathways in their lives following on from active service. The work we have begun so far has proved a strong local asset for those taking part. A dedicated area to improve the knowledge and skills base would be a valuable asset which would also link into the rural heritage of skills which are rarely heard about. The farm has a run-down stable which will be used as a ruralcraft area. Some building work is needed to make the roof watertight and safe and to replace doors and window frames. It will then be an invaluable resource where participants can take part in some of our traditional crafts - willow weaving thatching spinning and weaving and other countryside crafts. The stable once repaired will be available for the use of crafts and a wider learning experience on the farm. This will generate an income for the use of the premises link with local crafters and ensure a sustainable future for the repaired stable.</p>			
<p>Proposals That the Area Board determines the application from Caenhill Countryside Centre for £5,000</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 1313	Rowde Community Shop	Rowde Community Shop new Computer System	£850
<p>Project description Our office computerised system is in danger of melt down owing to its age. We have been trading for five years and have grown a great deal since its installation. The system we use has grown with the business and has become increasingly stretched. We need an upgraded computer system to make sure we can continue to have a reliable back office system.</p>			
<p>Proposals That the Area Board determines the application from Rowde Community Shop for £850</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 1423	West Lavington Village Hall	New Wall Pannelling	£2,350
<p>Project description Most of the panelling below the dado rail in the Main Hall is hardboard routed to look like tongue and groove timber. In several places the fifty year old hardboard is damaged beyond repair. We hope to replace all the old panelling with routed MDF to match repairs carried out some time ago. Once the carpentry is complete and also improvements to heating and lighting the Hall require redecoration. The kitchen is also in poor condition and requires decoration</p>			
<p>Proposals That the Area Board determines the application from West Lavington Village Hall for £2,350</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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