

Background information to assist with Eastern Area Committee funding considerations

Eastern Area Committee have £47,163.00 left to allocate from their 2020-21 allocation. They have received 11 applications for funding which total £100,497.20. At the request of the Chair and Vice Chair, officers have put together the table below which provides an objective scoring* of the applications against criteria set out in the guidance notes, along with other background information which may assist with the Committee's deliberations. Equally members may prefer not to take this information into account when considering the applications.

** Notes on scoring - applications were scored against 3 criteria which were (1) fitting with SBC objectives (the 4 priorities set out in the guidance notes), (2) level of support from councillors and (3) how much of the Eastern Area would benefit from the project. Each criteria could receive a score of high - 3, fair - 2 and low - 1. The scoring process was carried out by 3 officers independently, an average overall score is presented in the table below.*

Application	Funding requested	Running total of bids	Score (average)	Comments
FTC Parishes to Town Project	£12,500.00	£12,500.00	8.3	
Expansion of West Faversham Community Centre	£25,000.00	£37,500.00	7.3	Have received £25,000 from Swale BC from the Special Projects fund in this financial year.
Citizens Advice Swale - update premises	£5,000.00	£42,500.00	7	Receive £130,000 a year in the form of a grant.

Gem72 - mobile youth provision	£10,000.00	£52,500.00	6.6	Received £1,605 from Members' Localism Grant in the current financial year.
Faversham Swimming Pools - sail for outdoor pool	10,000.00	62,500.00	6.6	Receive a core grant of £75,000 a year from the base budget plus another £75,000 one off fund this year. They are also going to receive approximately £30,000 from the National Leisure Fund administered by Swale BC.
Boughton-under Blean outdoor gym	£16,495.00	£78,995.00	6.3	
Oare PC - regen and rewild the village	£5,000.00	£83,995.00	5.6	

Lynsted with Kingsdown PC - AQ monitoring	£5,707.20	£89,702.20	5.3	<p>The Council's Air Quality Team has been consulted on the proposal. Their comments are: There are significant concerns over some of the technical aspects of the proposal. For example:</p> <p>Out of date data- reference is made to 2019 Annual Status Report (ASR) as being the latest report representative of pre-covid times. 2019 ASR contains data/results from 2018. The 2020 ASR containing data/results from 2019 should have been referenced/used.</p> <p>Levels- 39.3ug/m3 is the average for 2018. Average at same site for 2019 was 32.8ug/m3 so well below Air Quality Objectives (AQO).</p> <p>Area covered- AQMA 5 was declared where there were exceedances of the AQO – areas beyond the AQMA were not exceeding. Monitoring since has not shown exceedances so there has been no requirement to extend the boundary of the AQMA.</p> <p>New developments- the existing tubes provides sufficient evidence for air quality assessments for measuring NO2 impacts of developments on receptors.</p> <p>Additional DT monitoring- would need to ensure all sites are compliant with Defra's site selection criteria & technical guidance. It may be preferable for additional tubes to be added to our monitoring network so they undergo the same correction process to ensure consistency and accuracy for reporting (in the ASR).</p> <p>Clarity monitor- this is not DEFRA approved equipment for monitoring particulates – as such results can only be used as 'indicative'.</p>
Abbey Physic Community Garden - repair/refurbish APCG entrance	£5,000.00	£94,702.20	5	Received £495, £500 and £400 from the Members Localism Grant since October 2020
The bids below do not meet the criteria of a minimum spend of £5,000.00				
Friends of Oare GunpowderWorks - storage	£1,795.00		6.6	Application previously included interpretation boards but their bid to the Special Project Fund was successful, therefore that item has been removed from this bid, bringing it under the minimum spend of £5,000 set out in the criteria.

Cinque Ports Rowing CIC	£4,000.00		7	Received £500 from the Members' Localism Grant in this financial year.
TOTAL	£100,497.20			