

Grant officer update – 7th May 2025

1. GRANT APPLICATION UPDATE

Fund	Recipient	Programme	Date	Amount	Notes
Application					
Successful					
Salix Phase 4 Decarbonisation	CSNPC	Heat Decarbonisation scheme for 4 community centres buildings	22/11/24	£295,000	email circulate by AR to councillors
British Cycling Accelerate fund	CSNPC	Uniform for Volunteers	31/1/25	£350	
Hypertension fund	CSNPC	Hypertension Health awareness day at MSH	18/02/25	£1000	Changing suits also got £1k from the Parish so MSH/CS will be running events in 2025
Pending					
Peter Harrison foundation	Swindon Sports Forum	1 Adaptive side by side bike	26/03/25	£8000	
Unsuccessful					
GWR Community fund	Swindon Cycle campaign	• 12 Dr Bike/Travel awareness events • 6 Adult Bikeability courses • Running a direct marketing. • Waymark the route to/from Swindon Railway Station to Moredon Cycling Hub. • Producing information on routes to the Station. • Creating a bespoke integrated Swindon Bike-Rail journeys information booklet	30/1/25	£14440	Steam Museum were successful linked to the Rail 200 programme

2. Parish applications

Revenue

• Youth

Parkside Hub – Need to find about £20/£30k pa to run programme. Aaron/Tikara working on programme/budget for the centre including Sensory youth club x 2 per week. Looking at National Lottery Awards for All programme .

Youth service review – Louise/Aaron/Tikara have been working on this. Would like to restart the Reaching Community bid

• MSH

- Community Cycling programme . Will need to raise £x pa to continue delivery . Need to agree future sustainability, programme ownership
- BMX programme – SW Multisport fund

- **Minibus driver costs** – Leisure Trust could apply to Motability foundation for drivers cost supporting disabled passengers . Programme reopens Summer 2025

Capital projects.

Research Capital funds list (including Architecture Heritage fund (see LW email 29/4/24))

- Changing rooms at MSH
- Solar panels
- St Marks fountain - £40k
- Skatepark at MSH - £250k

3. Community applications

1. **Asda Community fund** – working with Jamie Reeves – Gorsehill Baptist church for funding to support the facility improvements at Pembroke. Up to £20k Deadline 26th May 2025
2. **Spar Community Cashback** – working with Swindon Cycle Campaign to apply for £10k to support Limitless programme at MSH.
3. **Clothworkers Foundation** – working with Swindon BATS to purchase adaptive bikes for MSH suitable for those with visual impairments.
4. **SE Movement fund - Swindon Cycling Collective** – initial operating costs.
5. **Arts fund** – Container at MSH with Swindon Paint Fest – did not work out.

4. Programme involvement

- Local groups night 13/11/25 – information from WCF, VAS, Parish – What we do, grants and grant support, Promote Pride of the Parish awards.
- Swindon Sport Forum - proposal written and submitted to WASP – linked to Place funding – to ensure there is an organisation that can fundraise for sport/physical activity project in the future.
- Older people programme – Leaflets/speakers
- Place based funding.
 - List of revenue and capital projects for Place funding
 - GP referral programme proposal - linked to Longevity games/Place Funding

5. Training

Sponsorship strategies – Sport Ed webinar – 29/4/25 - will share information with the team.

Wiltshire and Swindon Community foundation conference – 06/05/25 – main points

- National Lottery new strategy/ programmes
 - stressed the importance of community lead projects
 - priorities
 1. Supporting communities to come together
 2. Enabling Children and Young people to thrive
 3. Enabling Healthier Lives
 4. Environmentally sustainable communities
 - National Youth work Leadership programme coming soon – great opportunity for a partnership bid for Swindon.
 - Awards for all (will be applying to support Youth work at Parkside Hub_
 - Reaching Communities fund (Youth service review)
- Local insight tool – great resource held by WCF that we can use.
- Meeting with WCF to argue case for Parishes to be allowed to apply.
- VAS are going to do a report for me re Funding into Swindon over last few years and where it has gone.
- AI – importance for organisations to learn and utilise.

Meet the Expert Event: Local giving AI Grant Assistant. – 17/06/25