

# **AGENDA**

Meeting: CORSHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Corsham Town Hall

Date: Tuesday 14 March 2017

**Time:** 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Box, Corsham, Colerne and Lacock

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## **Wiltshire Councillors**

Alan MacRae (Chairman) – Corsham Pickwick
Sheila Parker – Box & Colerne
Dick Tonge – Corsham Without & Box Hill
Philip Whalley (Vice Chairman) – Corsham Town

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	Items to be considered	Time
1	Chairman's Welcome, Introductions, Apologies, Minutes, Declarations and Announcements (Pages 1 - 8)	7.00pm
	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19 January 2017.	
	To receive the following chairman's announcements:	
	Local Council Elections.	
2	Written Partner Updates (Pages 9 - 12)	7.05pm
	To receive any updates from the following partners:	
	<ul> <li>Wiltshire Police</li> <li>Dorset and Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service</li> <li>Health Services</li> <li>Town and Parish Council Nominated Representative</li> <li>Digital Corsham</li> <li>Chamber of Commerce</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Schools</li> </ul>	
3	Community Area Transport Group (CATG) - update and Area Board Highways Report - Corsham (Pages 13 - 58)	7.15pm
	To approve and sign the CATG notes dated 15 February 2017.	
	The Area Board area asked to consider the following recommendations from the report:	
	<ul> <li>Area Board Issue 4773, Abbey Road, Lacock: That the Area Board should fund 75% of the costs of replaceing the temporary signs with permanent ones. This will be up to £1,600. The National Trust will pay for the remaining 25% of the costs.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Speeding and volume of traffic in Lacock – That the Area board fund (up to £500) the cost of the survey work on installing white gates at the entrances to the village.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>That the remainder of the CATG unallocated funding be allocated to addressing issue 4364 - Hither Way, Lacock.</li> </ul>	

The Area Board are asked to note the update on progress on the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and to consider future road resurfacing sites.

#### Petitions Received:

- Speed limit reduction Colerne Primary School.
- Speed Limit reduction Thickwood Estate.

#### 4 Review of the Area Board Year

7.20pm

Cllr Alan MacRae and Richard Rogers.

To include feedback from recipients of Area Board funding during 2016/17.

# 5 **Grants and Funding** (Pages 59 - 68)

8.10pm

The Wiltshire Councillors will consider the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:

- Colerne Village Hall requesting £1,000 for village hall tables.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Neston and Box Scout Group requesting £4,000 for camping equipment.
- Corsham Cricket Club requesting £5,000 for mower and store roof.
- Brunel Shed requesting £1,000 for storage Unit.
- Leafy Lane Playing Fields Ltd requesting £882.20 for mini goals.

#### **Cllr Initiatives**

- Cllr Alan MacRae requesting £3,000 for Corsham Railway Station project.
- Cllr Philip Whalley requesting £693 + VAT for Corsham pedestrian underpass CCTV cameras.

Funding taken under delegated authority by the Community Area Manager.

 Great British Clean Up – Expenditure under delegated authority of £238.15 for litter picking equipment.

6	Farewell to Clir Tonge	8.30pm
7	Close	9.00pm



# **MINUTES**

Meeting: CORSHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Springfield Campus, Corsham

**Date:** 19 January 2017

**Start Time:** 7.30 pm **Finish Time:** 9.45 pm

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# In Attendance:

## **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Alan MacRae (Chairman), Cllr Dick Tonge, Cllr Sheila Parker and Cllr Philip Whalley (Vice Chairman)

# **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Richard Rogers - Community Engagement Manager Kevin Fielding - Democratic Services Officer Richard Williams - Community Youth Officer

# **Town and Parish Councillors**

Corsham Town Council – David Martin Box Parish Council – Dave Wright

## **Partners**

Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Mark Unwin & Darren Nixon Corsham Chamber of Commerce – Sue Stockley Healthwatch Wiltshire – Anne Keat Transcoco – Nikki Kenna

**Total in Attendance: 34** 

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Corsham Campus and the meeting of the Corsham Area Board.
2	Apologies for Absence
	There were no apologies.
3	<u>Minutes</u>
	Decision
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2016 were agreed as the correct record with the following amendments:
	Item 5 –Corsham Town Council partner update
	That the Batters woodland which runs along the railway line between Prospect and Brook Drive and was used by soldiers to prepare for the Western Front, had been unveiled as the first Centenary Field in Wiltshire.
	Item 5 –Chamber of Commerce partner update
	That preparations were being made for an event to be held during March 2017 entitled "Corsham means business".
	Item 12 –Community Area Transport Group update
	Area Board Issue 4965 - Corsham, Leafield Industrial Estate Concerns regarding HGVs turning left out of the northern junction of the industrial estate and contravening 7.5T weight restriction
	Agreed – That the Area Board contribute £750 to the cost subject to the Town Council paying the remaining 25% for improved signage.
4	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.

# 5 Chairman's Announcements The following Chairman's Announcement was noted: The Rural Crime Partnership for Wiltshire and Swindon. The official opening of the Springfield Campus and renaming of the swimming pool on 16 February 2017. 6 Partner Updates The following partner updates were noted: Wiltshire Police – Written report. Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Written report. Healthwatch Wiltshire - Written report. Town and Parish Council Nominated Representatives **Box Parish Council** That the lift in the Selwyn Hall had now been installed. That footpaths in Rudloe woods were to be re-established. Corsham Town Council – Written report. Chamber of Commerce That the "Corsham means business" event would now likely be held during May/June 2017. That Sue Stockley would be stepping down as the Chamber of Commerce Chairman at the next AGM. The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates. Precept Consultation - Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner 7 A video outlining the OPCC priorities and precept proposals for

	2017/18 was shown.
8	Springfield community garden
	Richard Rogers – Community Engagement Manager gave a short update regarding the Springfield Campus community garden including a member initiative request for funding.
	When Springfield Campus was designed, it included a communal outside space and wildflower area. However the required maintenance and development of this area, either provided by the community or the grounds maintenance contract had not been sufficient.
	The result was an area that was increasingly becoming untidy and in need of vital work. In addition the current maintenance contract would end during 2017 and there was no money identified to renew it let alone improve it.
	Points made included:
	The need to improve the outside space at the campus.
	That the area was under-utilised and in poor upkeep.
	An area that could a focal point of the campus.
	Thanks to Nikki Kenna – Transcoco for her help in moving the project forward.
	Decision
	That the Area Board assigns up to £5,000 to improve the outside area around Springfield Community Campus.
	That the current area was adapted to make it more attractive and sustainable, involving the community to get involved and look after it.
	The Chairman thanked Richard Rogers for his presentation.
9	Transcoco - update
	Nikki Kenna – Transcoco gave brief update on the work of Fairtrade locally and news of two recent community orchards.
	Points made included:

- The next Transcoco meeting would be held at the Pound Arts Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday 24th January. The topic would be ideas and plans for 2017.
- That Transcoco were on the lookout for volunteers.
- A big thank you to the Area Board for its help and support.

The Chairman thanked Transcoco for the good work being carried out in the Corsham community area.

# 10 Warm and Safe Wiltshire

Philip Morris - Senior Development Manager, Warm and Safe Wiltshire gave a presentation on fuel poverty and ways residents can be supported to live better in their homes.

Points made included:

What Warm and Safe Wiltshire do

- Free-phone based energy advice and support.
- Home visits.
- Fitting simple energy saving draught proofing measures for free.
- Supported referral on for other relevant services.

How can Warm and Safe Wiltshire help

- Practical advice setting heating controls, managing damp, understanding your energy bill.
- Advice on improvements that will save money and make patients homes warmer.
- Identifying issues and finding solutions to high energy bills.
- Support in accessing discounted or free; boiler/boiler repair, insulation and essential maintenance for vulnerable customers.
- Energy debt support and income maximisation.
- Energy switching support.

- Financial maximisation, support with accessing grants.
- Referrals for other support.

The Chairman thanked Philip Morris for his presentation.

# Joint Strategic Assessment (JSA) Feedback from 7 December 2016

Richard Rogers – Community Engagement Manager gave a short presentation on the Corsham 'Our Community Matters' event which was held on the 7 December 2016. Members of the public and partner agencies had attended and participated the event.

A short film was then shown, highlighting community priorities for 2017.

#### Decision

- That the Area Board adopts the priorities identified by the 'Our Community Matters' event and works to facilitate local action to tackle those priorities.
- That the Area Board requests the Local Youth Network, the Health and Wellbeing Group and the Community Area Transport Group (and any other local task groups established by the Board) to adopt and take forward the priorities identified in the relevant theme areas.
- That the Area Board requests the Community Engagement Manager to work with key partners, agencies and community groups to coordinate action around the priorities identified.
- That the Board considers whether it wishes to champion a particular theme or priority and to earmark funding to promote, initiate and support community-led action around the selected priorities.
- That the Board considers appointing a lead member to champion any priority (priorities) adopted.
- That reports are submitted to the Board on progress made to address the priorities to ensure that positive outcomes are delivered and that this be made a regular item on future Board meetings.

The Chairman thanked Richard Rogers for organising such a successful event and expressed the Area Board's thanks to the people who gave their time to participate in the event.

# 12 CEM Update

Kevin Gaskin presented the Health and Wellbeing Group update which was contained in the agenda pack.

Health & Wellbeing funding applications:

## **Decision**

Springfield Arts Group awarded £350 for help with running costs.

## **Decision**

Centre for Sustainable Energy awarded £1,000 for cookery and advice sessions.

The Chairman thanked Kevin Gaskin for his update.

# 13 <u>Local Youth Network (LYN)</u>

Richard Williams – Locality Youth Facilitator introduced five applications requesting youth funding for the Area Board members to consider:

#### **Decision**

Open Blue Bus awarded £3,000 for youth engagement and outreach in rural and outlying areas.

#### **Decision**

KIK Radio awarded £4,479 for accredited introduction courses.

# **Decision**

Last Baguette Theatre awarded £2,640 for youth theatre outreach work Corsham.

#### **Decision**

GoActiv awarded £3,000 for parkour event.

#### **Decision**

Pound Arts awarded £3,400 for a project for 13-19 year olds in and around Corsham.

14	Community Area Grants		
	The Wiltshire Councillors considered the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:		
	Decision The Open Blue Trust awarded £3,898 towards the conversion of the bus. Reason The application meets grant criteria 2016/17		
	Decision Colerne rugby Football Club awarded £5,000 towards new changing rooms. Reason The application meets grant criteria 2016/17		
	Decision 1st Lacock Scout Group awarded £1,337.50 towards a new trailer. Reason The application meets grant criteria 2016/17		
	Decision FRESCO awarded £500 for dry stone wall project Reason The application meets grant criteria 2016/17		
15	Future Meeting Dates  The next meeting of the Corsham Area Board will be held on Tuesday 14 March 2017, at Corsham Town Hall.		
16	Urgent items There were none.		
17	Close		

# Agenda Item 2



# Community Policing Report Area Board - 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017

# Corsham

Hello and welcome to this Community Policing report.

As many of you may have seen in the news over recent months, a number of police services nationwide have invested in body worn video cameras. Wiltshire Police is currently conducting a trial of this technology and will, further to evaluation, look to roll it out to frontline officers and staff over spring and summer.

The technology has had proven benefits in other forces and we are confident that it will help us bring offenders to justice and serve our communities more effectively and efficiently. Body worn cameras are as much about the people behind the lens as they are the people in front of the lens and they will help us to further improve openness and transparency as well as upholding the high standard of service we always aim to deliver.

Throughout March, you may notice Wiltshire Police taking a more in-depth look at equality, diversity and inclusion. At a recent conference for the South West Black Police Association, hosted at Police HQ in Devizes, Chief Constable Mike Veale discussed the importance of recognising and celebrating difference. Having a diverse organisation not only makes the police service more representative of the communities it serves, but also culturally richer and more receptive to different perspectives. We encourage you to keep an eye on our Wiltshire Police social media accounts as we offer an insight about this very important aspect of policing during March.

In addition we will be supporting a national campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of using a mobile phone while driving and to highlight the changes in legislation that come into effect in March. Thank you for your continued support to Wiltshire Police. Please follow us on:

Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice">https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice</a>
Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/">https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/</a>
Or sign up to Community Messaging <a href="https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/">https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/</a>



#### **COMMUNITY MESSAGING**

We are constantly reviewing our visibility and how we can develop this and work with our communities.

We cannot physically be everywhere all of the time and we want to ensure consistent information with our communities and to be able to provide the information that matters to you when you need it. There has been some good feedback from our new way of working using Community Messaging so please sign up and use it.

https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/

#### **CONTROL STRATEGY**

Below is our control strategy for your reference. This focuses on where how we conduct our operational Policing based on the Police & Crime Plan. We will continue to align our resources with the threat/harm/risks presented in line with the control strategy.

• Domestic abuse / Cyber Crime / High risk offenders / High risk victims



# Our CPT priority: ASB at Springfield Recreation Ground and Colerne Skatepark

To conduct additional patrols to tackle ASB at the Youth Shelter and Skatepark, Springfield Recreation Ground, Corsham, also at Colerne Skatepark due to alcohol and substance misuse.

Also persistent offenders and ongoing issues affecting the Community in line with our Force Control Strategy. Priority Offenders are established at a fortnightly Sector Meeting, as a result, 5 sector priority taskings are raised as a way to effectively manage live intelligence and priorities that are developing in the northern hub.

#### **LOCAL CRIMES**

On 16<sup>th</sup> Jan between 07.40 and 14.10 hours unknown person(s) have attempted to gain entry to a dwelling on DICKENS AVENUE, CORSHAM by forcing the lock. No entry was gained.

On 21<sup>st</sup> January at 00.53 hours, a window of a white Ford transit van was smashed which was parked on WELLER ROAD, a petrol strimmer was stolen from within.

Overnight on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, entry was gained to H MERRETT, Funeral Directors, Pickwick Road, Corsham, a computer was stolen, enquiries are ongoing.

Overnight of 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan Suspect unknown has stolen front and rear number plates from a grey Renault Scenic Sport which was parked on Bences Lane, Corsham.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> Jan, an unknown customer has attended Tongs Chip shop and handed over a fake £20 note. A further fake note has then also been found in the till. This has also happened at Dominos Pizzas and the Co-op. Could I remind all local businesses to be extremely vigilant when a customer uses £20 notes to pay for good or asks for change of £20 notes.

Overnight of the 25<sup>th</sup> Jan Unknown suspect has gained entry a grey Nissan which was parked on Pickwick Road a search of the glove box has been conducted and money has been stolen.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> Jan between 10.15 hours and 15.05 hours, entry has been gained to a garage on Hatton Way, a computer has been stolen from within.

Between 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> January, unknown person (s) have attempted to gain access to a property on Coulston Road.

Between 1700 hours on 28<sup>th</sup> Jan and 1300 hours on the 29<sup>th</sup> Jan Unknown suspect have gained entry to a secure shed in Nine Acre Drive, Katherine Park, and have stolen an orange motorbike from within the shed.

Between 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Jan Unknown suspect has stolen the rear casing of both wing mirrors on a silver Vauxhall Astra which was parked on Charles Street, Corsham.

On 30<sup>th</sup> Jan at 17.20 hours Unknown male and female suspect have entered the Co-op and headed straight to the spirits isle, selected some spirits and placed these in their jogging bottoms and left the store making no attempt to pay. Property stolen - approx £200 worth of spirits. They are described as white male, 6ft, thin build, in his 30's short dark hair - wearing a white zip up tracksuit top, grey joggers with number 68 on top left pocket, dark trainers with white laces. White female, 5ft 6 in her 30's Long, straight strawberry blond hair, glasses wearing red coat, white blouse and dark joggers.

At 16:58 on 31/01/2017 a male suspect enters the store and picked up a basket. The suspect has then made his way to the meat chillers in the store and has taken a selection of meet from 4 of the chillers. The suspect has then exited the store with the meat and basket and made no attempt to pay, described as a white male, 5'5, medium build, cropped brunette hair, tattoo on right side of neck, light blue water proof jacket with navy stripe, jeans, clean shaven.

Between 31<sup>st</sup> Jan and 4<sup>th</sup> Feb Unknown suspect has stolen sheets of cladding TVO £1000 from a building site on Park Lane, Corsham, it is believed that the same suspect have returned within 24 hours and the suspects have broken the fence to steal further sheets of cladding.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb between 10.30 and 13.30 hours Unknown suspect have smashed the rear windscreen of a red Seat Ibiza which was parked in Lacock, they have stolen a brown leather shopper bag from the boot of the car, containing 2 x purses, one of which was a flowery Cath Kidston containing a bank card and £10 in cash and a driving licence. The other purse is a cream coloured plastic with a bow on the front containing a bank card and £20 cash.

Overnight of the 4<sup>th</sup> February, unknown person(s) have gained entry to a black Landrover Defender parked on Priory Street and stole the following items; a canopy, rear seat, bonnet and spare wheel.

On Feb 9th at 2.20pm unknown suspect has entered the Co-op store in Martingate centre and stole steak TVO £50. Described as a white male, late 30's, grey hair, fleece lined dark jacket, jeans. CCTV enquiries are ongoing.

Between 10th and 11th Feb a burglary occurred at The Little Kitchen, Martingate centre. A quantity of money was stolen. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 11th Feb at approximately 08:30 am a burglary occurred at the Red Cross shop Martingate, centre, approximately £550 stolen within the safe that has also been stolen. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 11th Feb at approximately 06:40am an unknown male suspect has entered the bar area at Kingsdown Golf Club and stole a lap top and bottle of champagne from behind the bar. Enquiries are ongoing.

Between the 5<sup>th</sup> March and 7<sup>th</sup> March, unknown person has gained access to a garage in Kings Avenue, Corsham. The garage was believed to be insecure and items were moved but nothing was taken. Please ensure that you keep secure any outbuildings/garages.

# **Community Protection Warnings/Notices and ABC's (Acceptable Behaviour Contracts)**

The Community Protection Warning/Notices are intended to deal with particular ongoing problems or nuisances which negatively affect the community's quality of life in the locality by targeting those responsible. A Community Protection Warning (CPW) has been issued to a local male.

<u>Other</u> – Inspector David Hobman and Sgt Gill Hughes have moved to other stations with effect from the 6<sup>th</sup> March, they have been replaced by Sector Head Inspector Mark Luffman and Deputy Sector Head Sgt Donna West.

PCSO Shaun Redmond and PCSO Barbara Young have also been busy attending local schools and various clubs to give them talks on the topics of their choice, assisted by PCSOs from Chippenham who attended the Careers Fair recently at St Patricks school and school talks at Corsham Primary (both sites) on 'Rule and Law'.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...

https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/

Prepared by PC 1552 Hazel Anderson Community Co-ordinator Corsham, Chippenham and Calne

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#### **Burglaries**

We have had a small amount of burglaries reported to us across Corsham and rural villages in the last few months, some residential and some commercial properties. When entry was gained, almost all incidents seem to have been targeting cash or jewellery. We are thoroughly investigating each incident and additional patrols are being carried out to deter further incidents. Reports of suspicious behaviour are being taken seriously and the Bobby Van has attended various properties to make them more secure.

We also take every opportunity to remind members of the public to keep their properties secure and valuables safe to prevent further people becoming victims of crime.

We have pulled together some top tips to prevent becoming a victim of burglary:

- Always close and lock all windows and doors when leaving your home.
- Invest in a light timer and leave lights on inside your house in more than one room.
- Remove any cover for a burglar to work unseen, such as shrubbery, and give your neighbours every chance to spot something suspicious.
- Ensure valuable or sentimental items of jewellery are suitably insured.
- Take photographs of all such items (laid beside a ruler) and store these in a safe place.
- Register all valuable items on www.immobilise.com
- Large quantities of cash should never be kept at home.
- Keep keys and valuables out of sight, and reach from cat flaps, letterboxes, and downstairs doors and windows.

For a detailed breakdown of the crime in your area visit...https://www.police.uk/wiltshire/

#### Preventing vehicle crime

Most vehicle crime is preventable. It can take as little as 10 seconds for a thief to steal something from your car. The best way to protect your belongings is to lock your car whenever you leave it.

Other things you can do include:

Removing everything from the car; don't even leave a jacket where it can be seen.

Closing the sunroof along with the windows when you leave.

Not storing things in the boot; take them with you.

Storing car ownership information in your home, not your car.

Having a routine to ensure you always take the keys out of the ignition.

Taking removable stereos and sat nav equipment with you.

In addition, using secure (theft resistant) number plates can make your plates less attractive to thieves.

Where you park can make a big difference to the safety of your car and your belongings. Look out for car parks approved by the police Safer Parking (opens in a new window) scheme. You can find them by looking for their distinctive 'Park Mark' signs.

#### How to keep your car safe at home

Thieves sometimes break into houses looking for car keys. They can also use wires and hooks 'to try and drag' your keys through the letterbox.

Keep your keys away from doors and windows, and tucked away out of sight.

Have your vehicle's windows etched with its registration number or the last seven digits.

#### Article taken from police.uk



#### Cyber Crime—We are all vulnerable both businesses and individuals

I was fortunate to be sent on a mornings training regarding cyber crime. I realised how prevalent this crime is and how easy it is to become a victim, but also how easy it is to make yourself less vulnerable. The trainer was from an organisation called Get Safe Online and there website is <a href="https://www.getsafeonline.org/">https://www.getsafeonline.org/</a>

If you shudder at the thought of technology and it's all a bit too much please just visit the site—it's excellent and if you find this button and click here even a complete newbie will find easy to follow information.



We were told there are three simple steps to take that will protect you from 80% of cyber crime

- Update your operating system regularly (or apps)
- Have a strong password (and a different password for each site you visit)
- Have up to date virus software



For small businesses the biggest threat is ransomware—this is where your files are encrypted and you are charged a fee (ransom) to unlock them, this can be devastating to a business. Please visit get safe online website and look at the instructions on how to protect your business.

Taken from the https://www.getsafeonline.org/ website

feedback@wiltshire.police.uk

#### **POLICE COMMUNICATION**

#### In an emergency call 999

Call 999 if you need an immediate response because:

- A crime is in progress.
- You or someone else is injured or there is a threat to life.
- A serious road traffic collision has taken place.
- Violence is being used.

#### Call 101 for less serious matters

- To report a crime or issue that does not require an immediate emergency response
- You or someone else are not in immediate danger
- You would like to speak to your local police officer
- You want to provide information about a crime

#### Stop a police officer or PCSO

Although we cannot take reports of crime on the street we are happy to receive information and give advice.

#### E-mail

Your local officer can be contacted by e-mail <a href="mailto:CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">CPTNorthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a>

#### Website

There are a number of forms available on <u>www.wiltshire.police.uk</u> where you can pass information.

#### Crimestoppers

Information can be passed anonymously via Crimestoppers. They can be contacted at crimestoppers.org.uk or via telephone on 0800 555 111. Their website also provides useful information and crime prevention advice

#### **Facebook**

Each town within the Community Policing Team has its own Facebook page, where you can find information about what has been happening in the area. We are unable to take reports of crime through Facebook.

The e-mail address for the Wiltshire North Community Policing Team is cptnorthwiltshire@wiltshire.police.uk

Please phone 101 (non emergency) or 999 (emergency) to report any incidents or crimes, reports cannot be taken via the above e-mail address.

Sector Head Insp 364 Mark Luffman: mark.luffman@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Deputy Sector Head Ps 1201 Donna West : donna.west@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk



# Corsham Area Board - Report, 6th March 2017

# **Community Engagement**

Staff have now started collecting and carrying out Safe & Well visits in Corsham and the surrounding areas. If you need a smoke alarm, some advice or are worried about what you would do in an emergency, contact us for a free Safe and Well visit; <a href="http://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/">http://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/</a>

The importance of fire safety is a message that can't be delivered too soon, which is why we have a team of education advisors who work with young people across Wiltshire, Bournemouth, Dorset, Poole, Swindon.

At primary school level, education advisors visit classes with structured lesson plans that focus on issues such as the work of the Fire & Rescue Service, the dangers of playing with matches, the importance of smoke alarms, having a fire plan, and dialling 999 in an emergency. Older children are also taught why you should never make hoax calls.

We can also arrange visits to our fire stations or one of our safety centres. For more information or to make a booking for your school or pre-school, please visit our webpage; https://www.dwfire.org.uk/school-visits/ or email enquiries@dwfire.org.uk

#### Response

#### Total Calls for Corsham Fire station, 01/11/16 – 31/01/17:

Category	Callsign	Total Incidents
False Alarm	60P1	23
Fire	60P1	19
RTC	60P1	4
Other	60P1	42
Total	60P1	88

Category	Callsign	Total Incidents
False Alarm	60P2	0
Fire	60P2	3
RTC	60P2	2
Other	60P2	2
Total	60P2	7

#### Availability of On Call (1st) appliance:

Appliance	Day (06:00 - 18:00)	Night (18:00 - 06:00)	Total
Corsham On Call (1st) January 2017	99.19%	100%	99.60%





## Availability of On Call (2<sup>nd</sup>) appliance:

Appliance	Day (06:00 - 18:00)	Night (18:00 - 06:00)	Total
Corsham On Call (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) January 2017	32.19%	74.46%	53.33%

### **On-Call Recruitment**

Recruitment events were held in Corsham in 2016 resulting in two new personnel at Corsham, both of which are currently undertaking their initial training.

We are always looking for new On Call Firefighters to support Corsham Fire Station.

If anyone is interested in becoming an On Call Firefighter, visit the webpage; <a href="https://www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/">https://www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/</a> or pop into the station for a chat on Wednesday evenings between 7pm and 9pm.

# **Recent Notable Incidents**

There were no significant incidents of note attended in Corsham, or the surrounding areas in January 2017.

## Community Safety Plan

The DWFRS Community Safety Plan can be found on the DWFRS website; <a href="http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/">http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/</a>

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# Area Board Update - March 2017

Healthwatch Wiltshire is a local independent organisation which exists to speak up for people on health and care. If you have used a service recently then we would like to hear from you. We use what people tell us when we meet with the commissioners and providers of services to make sure that they take account of your views and experiences.

# **End Of Life Care**



New End of Life Care pages are live on the Your Care Your Support Wiltshire Website:

Your local information and support site for Health and Social Care

www.yourcareyoursupportwiltshire.org.uk/endoflifecare. We have consulted with the Wiltshire Carers Action Group, Wiltshire End Of Life Programme Board and end of life specialist staff at Bath RUH and Wiltshire Health & Care. The pages are a good starting point for people who have questions about end of life care.

We are working on listing providers of end of life services for the service directory, which does include providers of palliative medicines. If anyone has any suggestions about other providers to share, then please let us know.

During the course of our research, we have found that Marie Curie have also drafted pages which will help health and social care workers expand their knowledge of palliative care - www.mariecurie.org.uk/professionals/palliative-care-knowledge-zone

Similarly, Facebook have addressed the digital legacy issue by allowing you to nominate someone who can be your legacy contact. You can add, change or remove a legacy contact on Facebook through this link: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/help/1070665206293088?helpref=related">www.facebook.com/help/1070665206293088?helpref=related</a>, but chat to the person you're nominating first though!

Finally, March 2017 is Free Wills Month. Members of the public aged 55 and over can contact one of the firms of solicitors participating in the Free Wills Month campaign to request an appointment. There is also a downloadable will planner at <a href="https://freewillsmonth.org.uk/">https://freewillsmonth.org.uk/</a>.

These links will be worked into the end of life pages shortly.

# Would you like to join the Healthwatch Wiltshire board?

Change is an inevitable part of the successful development of any organisation, and Healthwatch Wiltshire is no exception. Since it was set up in March 2013, Healthwatch Wiltshire has evolved to become a trusted and valued part of the local health and social care scene.

The original directors were appointed for a period of three years, with an option



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to extend their terms of office for a further two years. This ensures that membership of the Board is periodically refreshed, at the same time as ensuring continuity and a smooth handover of responsibilities. We are always on the lookout for local people who would like to use their passion and commitment to support others to speak out and influence the future of health and care in Wiltshire! If you would like to be considered, please download the recruitment pack from the Healthwatch Wiltshire website <a href="https://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Board-Pack-Final.pdf">www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Board-Pack-Final.pdf</a>

# Partner Update

Update from	Corsham Town Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	14 March 2017
Headlines/Key Issues	

- Free Parking Fridays are back for April. The Town Council and the Martingate Centre are funding free parking every Friday next month, from 9.30am. It is the latest in a number of initiatives to help town centre businesses.
- Above and Beyond, the exhibition commemorating the Red Cross hospital based at the Town Hall during WW1, formed part of a larger display Roads to Recovery that was held at the Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution during half-term. It was of great interest to a number of visitors and certainly helped to put Corsham on the map again. So successful was the display, which was put together by a number of local organisations including The Natural Theatre Company, that the event was extended by a week.
- Plans are well underway for Festival Fortnight, which will incorporate the Walking Festival (9-11 June, <a href="www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk">www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk</a>), The Pound's Blue Sky festival, (15-18 June, <a href="www.blueskyfestival.org.uk">www.blueskyfestival.org.uk</a>) and the Town Council's first ever Taste of Corsham food festival (17 June, <a href="www.corsham.gov.uk/visit">www.corsham.gov.uk/visit</a>). Lots more details coming soon.
- The Town Council is delighted to announce that the town centre is now home to a community defibrillator. The machine has been installed on the exterior wall of the public toilets in the Newlands Road short-stay car park. The Town Council has worked with The Community Heartbeat Trust to ensure the right type and site has been chosen. The defibrillator is completely self-explanatory and easy to use, although it is hoped that no one ever needs to use it.
- The Town Council's Annual Town Meeting will take place on Thursday 6 April, 7pm for 7.30pm, at the Town Hall. Everyone is invited to listen to reports on the Town Council's work over the previous year, as well as Arts-related talks by our guest speakers.

# Partner Update

Update from	Corsham Chamber of Commerce
Date of Area Board Meeting	14 March 2017

### Headlines/Key Issues

- The Corsham Chamber of Commerce AGM is being held on <u>Thursday 30 March 2017</u> at 17.30hrs at The Methuen Arms, 2 High Street, Corsham, SN13 0HB, at which the treasurer and president will be providing their annual reports.
- Sue Stockley, our current president, will be retiring and the new executive committee members
  and officers for 2017/18 will be elected. New members to the Exec committee are always
  welcome and nominations are currently being sought for this year's committee. Please email
  president@corshamchamber.co.uk if you are interested in getting involved in the team.
- We do not expect the AGM to take longer than 15 minutes after which the speaker will be our local MP Michelle Donelan. Please click on the Corsham Chamber website events link to buy tickets which are free, but attendee numbers are required for catering purposes.
- We are putting together the plans for the next Corsham Means Business Show and are looking for a
  marketing partner, as we do not have anyone with such capabilities within the Chamber. So if you
  know of anyone who might be interested in joining the team please email
  events@corshamchamber.co.uk.
- With two events in March and Easter intervening the next Corsham Chamber networking session will be on Wednesday 10 May 2017, which is being held at the Rudloe Stoneworks, The Stoneworks, Potley Lane, Corsham, SN13 9RS (just past the Leafield Trading Estate entrance) at 07.30hrs. Refreshments will be provided. Paul Baker MD will be providing an insight into the business and we may be able to view some of the working areas. There will be a small charge for this event.

Anyone is welcome to attend the regular monthly networking events at a small cost. Please email <a href="mailto:events@corshamchamger.co.up">events@corshamchamger.co.up</a> for details or go to the Chamber web site.



	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who		
	Date of meeting: 15 <sup>th</sup> February	2017				
1.	Attendees and apologies					
	Present:  Apologies:	Chris Doel Lacock PC Spencer Drinkwater Wiltshire Council Alan Macrae Wiltshire Council Richard Rogers Wiltshire Council Simon Scott Corsham Town Council Dick Tonge Wiltshire Council Phil Whalley Wiltshire Council Kate Wysocki Wiltshire Council Dave Wright Box PC Rod Taylor Corsham Town Council Stuart Gregory Lacock  Paul Bollen Wiltshire Council Gareth Rogers Wiltshire Council Cllr Sheila Parker Wiltshire Council				
2.	Notes of last meeting					
		The notes of the last meeting held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2016 were accepted as a true record.				
3.	Financial Position	Financial Position				



		The finance sheet was presented.		
		The CATG were asked to allocate unspent money this year as it may not be rolled over into next year's budget.		
		The CATG were reminded that the underspend needs to be allocated for this financial year		
4.	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	Skynet Drive	The MOD has confirmed that they intend to close the road to traffic in 16/17 at recent meeting with Corsham TC. Cllr P Whalley to contact MOD to request further details.  SD has been advised that the MOD have put forward a business case to close part of the road to traffic.  £50k has been allocated to place barriers at the end of Skynet Drive and to improve visibility  The MOD wishes to reduce the speed limit but they have been advised that this is not going to be possible.  SD spoken with MOD and they wish to promote a permissive right of way but still waiting on them to supply plans of the proposed route.	Action – PW to sort out another meeting to try and find out the MOD plans and to push forward this issue	PW
b)	Issue No: 4482 Devizes Road, Box	Proposal to provide an enhancement to the A365 Gateway, with the introduction of Village Gate. PC have confirmed 25% contribution. (Max. £750)		
	Installation of white gates. The	Revised proposal for a double gate option provided to SP,		



	Box Parish Council would like to see this funded by CATG.	awaiting confirmation from PC on preferred option. The cost of this second option where 2 gates are provided would be £5,200 rather than £2,500  Revised design and estimate (2 number gates £4,617.49) submitted to Box PC for consideration. CATG confirmed 75%		
		contribution of installing double gates, awaiting PC to confirm remaining 25%.		
		Box PC have not yet had an opportunity to discuss it but will do so on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb at their next meeting. The Area Board has already decided to support this		
c)		Pedestrian crossing assessment has been completed.		
	Issue No: 4364 Hither Way Lacock	A meeting was held with TC and National Trust (NT) to discuss options available. The recommendation in the report supports	Action Fine ve counts costs	1004
	Dangerous crossing across	TC and NT preferred option i.e. a zebra crossing.	Action – Firm us accurate costs (KW)	KW
	Hither Way from National Trust visitor car park into Lacock.	It was noted that there is no street lighting at the moment which is required by national regulation when a crossing is	Action – Speak to National Trust	
	With traffic having to use Hither Way instead of coming through the village and	installed. A basic cost will be @£40k but a more suitable lighting system for the environment may be required	about funding the work (Lacock PC)	Lacock PC
	reduced visibility for pedestrians crossing at this	The CATG discussed the report.	<b>Action</b> – Corsham Area Board to consider putting remaining capital	AM
	point a lower speed limit at present 40mph and a proper pedestrian crossing is	The NT reported that number visiting is continuing to increase as is traffic and speed.	money towards this project and taking a member initiative to the next meeting in March (AM)	
	required.	GR recommended that the project should be done in stages. The first part is asking the CATG to approve the cost for the design stage. (@£2k in total). Area Board £1,500 & Lacock PC £500.		



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		Funding to carry out design confirmed and surveys have been requested. Work has commenced on the design of this scheme.		
		Accurate costings will be available for the next CATG meeting. A substantial bid may also be required as well as further discussions with the National Trust.		
		Area Board issue needs to be formally logged on the system.		
	Area Board Issue 4965 Corsham, Leafield Industrial Estate Concerns regarding HGVs	Concerns regarding HGVs turning left out of the northern junction of the industrial estate and contravening 7.5T weight restriction.		
d)		The key issue is that vehicles exiting do not know which way to turn and then contravening the weight limit. This would become a police enforcement issue	Action – Send drawings to Cllr Tonge (KW)	KW
	turning left out of the northern junction of the industrial estate and contravening 7.5T weight	However it was agreed that the signage was not clear and a sign should be erected.	Tonge (KW)	
	restriction	Confirmation received by TC and order for new signs has been placed with our contractor, expected completion by end of financial year. Total cost £1,100.		
		Keep on the agenda to work is complete		
e)	Area Board Issue 4773: Abbey Road, Lacock	Following introduction of the permanent restriction request to remove temporary signage and replace some with permanent structures.	Recommendation – That the Area Board fund the remaining	RR
<b>C</b> )	Replacement of temporary signs	The temporary signs were put in for the experimental speed limit which has now become permanent.	75% of the costs for permanent signs (Up to £1,600)	



		Design attached below, approximate cost of £2,100 to complete this work.  National Trust has agreed a 25% contribution and the Parish Council is supportive of permanent signs  The CATG agreed to fund the remaining 75% of the costs		
f)	Area Board Issue 4911: Pickwick, Corsham  Various traffic management requests.	Pickwick Association requesting white gates, speed limit extension and potential reduction, traffic calming and a vehicle activated sign.  The advice from the highways engineer is that the only possible actions that can help are White Gates and the use of SID's.  Design for gates attached below, approximate cost of £5,500 to complete this work.  The TC reported that they would not provide the 25% of the costs. However they are not opposed to the project. The Pickwick association will be approached to see if they can provide the funding themselves.	Action – Speak to the Pickwick Association to see if they will find the remaining funding (AM)	AM
5.	Other Priority Schemes			
g)	Issue 4105 HGV's Speeding on A365 Box	Following the local consultation exercise the Parish Council are considering available options.  The freight assessment has been completed and the results can be viewed in a Cabinet Member report on the website.	Action – Keep on the agenda for consideration when results have come back	RR



		https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=1135		
		Consultant has been commissioned to undertake survey which is planned to happen during Feb/March.		
		The survey has not been completed yet so will be considered at the next meeting		
	Area Board Issue 4820: The Stoneworks, Neston, SN13	Request for issues relating to street name plates which should be dealt with through the Area Office.		
h)	9YJ	Corsham TC to feed back at meeting.	Action – Speak to developers (KW)	KW
	Request for amendment to street nameplate.	This should have been by the developers but as it was 2 years ago, it may be difficult to persuade them to do it.		
		Request for additional street light on The Cleeve on front of houses 14-15 and review existing lighting along footpath.		
i)	Area Board Issue 4807: The Cleeve, Corsham	This has not yet been considered by the Town Council. The request is part of a list of various concerns raised.	Action – close issue and	
')	Request for additional street lighting.	Corsham TC to feed back at meeting.	remove from the agenda	
	grgr	Corsham TC has a policy for no more town lighting except on safety grounds. As there is no evidence that this is particularly unsafe the issue will have to be closed		
6.	New Requests / Issues			
a)	Area Board Issue 5118: Church Rise, Neston	Request for road safety improvements on Church Rise near to Neston Primary School – replace warning signs, install safe crossing point, flashing lights and 20mph speed limit.	Action – Ask issue raiser to contact the school and consider it in their travel planning who have	
	Road safety issues near to Neston Primary School.	To be discussed at meeting.	access to funding and travel advisor (Ruth Durrant). (RR)	RR



		In the first instance the school needs to consider this as part of their travel planning.		
	Area Board Issue 5046: Gastard Lane, Gastard	Request for weight restriction along Gastard Lane from C153 to where the lane forks at Thingley and to join the Corsham/Lacock Road.		
b)	Request for weight limit on Gastard Lane from C153 to Thingley.	To be discussed at meeting.  A metro count has been put in to measure the speeds. This issue is being considered alongside issue 5020	Awaiting metro count results	
с)	Area Board Issue 5020: Coppershell Road, Gastard Request for extension of 30mph speed limit and weight limit.	Request for 30mph signs to be erected at junction of B3353/Coppershell Road, Street lit restriction therefore no repeater signs are allowed in the regulations. Request for extension of 30mph limit on Coppershell Road.  Request for weight restriction on Coppershell Road to stop HGVs using it as a cut through.  To be discussed at meeting.  Being considered alongside issue 5046	Awaiting metro count results	
	Area Board Issue ?: Alcombe, Colerne	Needs to be logged as an issue on the system to get an area board issue number.	ACTION – Check that signs are in place HGV's in the right direction (KW)	KW
d)	Request for improved signage to deter lorries from using lane through Alcombe to get to Colerne	Resident's concerned over HGVs using lane through Alcombe to get to Colerne (Octavian) at Colerne Hangers – recent incident outside Stable Cottage, Alcombe as well as similar incidents in the past. Request for improved signage on A4 to deter HGV's from using this lane.	ACTION – Box and Colerne Parish Councils to work with Octavian on the route taking by their HGV's	Box / Colerne PC



		be discussed at meeting.  There is a sign already that tells HGV's to not go down Alcombe. However BANES have not put up signs.		
е)	Area Board Issue 5145: Doncombe Lane / C151, Colerne  Safe crossing point & speed limit reduction near Colerne Primary School	Request for safe crossing point along Doncombe Lane and pedestrian crossing on C151 at existing traffic island and near to Luckham Park. Reduction of speed limit to 30mph on C151 & Doncombe Lane.  To be discussed at meeting.  This needs to be considered by the school and be reflected if necessary in their travel plan	Action – to ask the issue raiser to contact the school (RR)	RR
7.	Other items			
a)	Colerne – Village Hall to Play area footway.  Colerne PC I was given to understand that WC had in the past patched the path but it was now beyond patching. John had decided that he would ask for part of the funding from CATG and offer to pay for the balance from the Highways pot.	Path is a Right of Way and maintenance responsibilities lie with Area Highways. P Bollen to update.  Cllr Tonge is looking at this with the PC to explore possible funding sources  Keep issue open but no further action required  This is not a priority and can be closed	Action – Close the issue as not seen as a priority	RR



b)	Beechfield Road parking issue.	Issue discussed with Network Management and it is recommended the most appropriate action would be additional	
	Concerns raised regarding parking along Beechfield Road outside the Community Campus parking entrance. Problems have been reported of near misses on the corner.	waiting restrictions in this area. This can be incorporated within the Corsham Town Review which is currently ongoing. Suggested TC/Local Member undertake consultation with affected businesses/properties before this is taken further.  It was agreed that this is an issue but the only option would be waiting restrictions but these are not without challenges. Corsham TC confirmed this with Network Management and it has been added to the Corsham Review.	
		This scheme for double yellow lines is being drawn up with the Town Council for a TRO. Keep issue open to the work is complete	
c)	Top priorities from the Community matters event	Discuss the top priorities of the Community Matters Event:	
		The CATG noted the priorities and agreed that they were already the main thrust of the work of this group.	



#### **AOB** Recommendation - To fund up Lacock Parish Council is concerned with the amount of traffic that comes through the village particularly as a result of the to £500 an investigation into RR surrounding development. A report has been carried out and where the White Gates should go. the question was asked of how this should be taken forward. **Action** – Request a metro count Lacock PC GR responded that he has met with those who have carried out the report. They have been asked to prioritise their requests so that that issue can be brought to the CATG. Lacock Parish Council asked to raise this on the issue system & Stuart Gregory will be attending this meeting to discuss the report and prioritise their requests. Stuart spoke to the CATG and highlighted the 70% increase in visitors over the last 7 years. This has resulted in a large increase in traffic and this is likely to increase with the new developments planned. The Melksham Bypass is not imminent and so some solutions are being looked at. A plan has been put together along the key priorities of: · Reduce quantity of traffic Reduce speeds Protect pedestrians The plans were sent though to WC and comments have started to come back. Cllr Philip Whitehead suggested the creation of an environment where drivers would be encouraged to drive safely and respectively. The first request is the installation of white gates with consideration later of a 20mph limit. The CATG agreed to recommend funding the White Recommendation - That the Gates location survey. FREIGHT PRIORITIES B3353 (The Linleys, Corsham) and Tutton Hill (Colerne / Box) will The officer recommended 1 and 3 as it is hard to do much be the two freight priorities for the Roebuck to Sandpitts about a 'B' road. However, the Linleys is seen as very heavily Lane, Gastard coming year used. The CATG agreed to focus upon 2 and 3 as the priorities B3353 The Linleys, for the coming year Corsham Tutton Hill, Colerne/Box



8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 10 May 2017

#### **Corsham Community Area Transport Group**

**Highways Officer - Kate Wysocki** 

#### 1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the CATG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

#### 2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Corsham Area Board.
- 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with CATG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Corsham Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of approximately £

#### 3. Legal Implications

3.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

#### 4. HR Implications

4.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

#### 5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

#### 6. Safeguarding implications

#### 7. Recommendations to Corsham Area Board



- I. Area Board Issue 4773, Abbey Road, Lacock: That the Area Board should fund 75% of the costs of replacing the temporary signs with permanent ones. This will be up to £1,600. The National Trust will pay for the remaining 25% of the costs
- II. Speeding and volume of traffic in Lacock That the Area board fund (up to £500) the cost of the survey work on installing white gates at the entrances to the village
- III. That the remainder of the CATG unallocated funding be allocated to addressing issue 4364 Hither Way, Lacock

#### Wiltshire Council

#### **Corsham Area Board**

#### DATE

Subject: Area Board Highways Information

Cabinet Member: Councillor Philip Whitehead – Highways and Transport

**Key Decision:** No

#### **Executive Summary**

The local highway network is vital to providing connectivity for businesses and communities, and effective maintenance to ensure its availability is essential to the economic development of the county. Wiltshire Council recognises the importance of maintaining and managing its highway network effectively.

The 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020' is addressing the long standing under investment in highways maintenance, which has been a problem nationally for many years.

The significant investment of £21 million annually for six years by Wiltshire Council has already seen a substantial improvement in the condition of the county's road network, with a 30% reduction in the carriageway maintenance backlog in the first two years of the investment.

Information has been prepared for each Area Board (see **Appendix 1**) showing the schemes completed in recent years, and a summary of road condition information.

An indicative list of priority sites for treatment in 2017/18 has been developed (see **Appendix 2**). The list includes skid resistance improvements at a number of key locations.

#### **Proposals**

It is recommended that:

(i) It is noted that good progress has been made on implementing the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and there has been a substantial improvement in road conditions in Wiltshire.

(ii) The list of proposed are reviewed and any amendments or potential future sites for treatment are forwarded to the Highways Asset Management Team for further investigation.

#### **Reason for Proposals**

The highway network forms the Council's largest asset, and it is important that it is maintained in the most cost-effective way in order to show value for money. This includes the use of asset management and whole life costing approaches to inform investment decisions.

Asset management principles have been applied for many years in Wiltshire to ensure appropriate investment with longer term planning. The list of proposed sites for treatment in 2017/18 should further improve the condition of the Council's roads.

Parvis Khansari Associate Director Highways and Transport

#### Wiltshire Council

#### **Corsham Area Board**

#### DATE

Subject: Area Board Highways Information

Cabinet Member: Councillor Philip Whitehead – Highways and Transport

**Key Decision:** Yes

#### **Purpose of Report**

1. To provide an update on progress on the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and to consider future road resurfacing sites.

#### Relevance to the Council's Business Plan

- 2. The highways service supports three priorities of the Council's Business Plan:
  - Outcome 2 People in Wiltshire work together to solve problems locally and participate in decisions that affect them
  - Outcome 3 People in Wiltshire have a high quality environment
  - Outcome 6 People are as protected from harm as possible and feel safe

#### **Background**

- 3. The local highway network is vital in providing connectivity for businesses and communities; effective maintenance to ensure its availability is essential to the economic development of the county. Wiltshire Council recognises the importance of maintaining and managing its highway network effectively.
- 4. The highway network in Wiltshire comprises 4,400 kilometres of road, 3.9 million square metres of footway, 981 bridges and over 50,000 street lights and illuminated signs. The replacement value of the assets is over £5 billion, and it would cost over £330 million to resurface all of the Council's roads.
- 5. The condition of the county's roads is important to the public. This is demonstrated by the results of the Council's People's Voice and the National Highways and Transportation (NHT) surveys, which indicate low levels of public satisfaction with road conditions nationally.
- 6. In October 2013 Cabinet agreed to increase highway maintenance funding to £21 million for six years. This was subsequently included in the Council's future budget, and forms the basis of the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020'. The increased investment in highways maintenance has enabled a large

- number of schemes to be progressed to improve the condition of the network and its infrastructure.
- 7. The Council has applied the principles of asset management to the maintenance of the highway network, which involves taking into account the lifecycle of the assets and monitoring performance of the intervention and investment strategies. The Highways Asset Management Policy and Strategy were reviewed by the Environment Select Committee in October 2015 and subsequently adopted by Cabinet.

#### Main Considerations for the Council

#### <u>Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020</u>

- 8. The 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020' is addressing the long standing under investment in highways maintenance and consequent backlog, which has been a problem nationally for many years. The proposed significant investment of £21 million annually for six years by this Council is delivering substantial improvements in the condition of the highway network in Wiltshire.
- 9. A range of investment options was initially considered, which ranged from spending the minimum necessary to keep road conditions unchanged to treating the whole of the network. It was intended that the investment should be used to improve approximately 664 kilometres of the network (about 15%), and that annually up to 238 Kilometres of road could be surfaced, depending on the treatment required and the deterioration of the network.
- 10. In the first two years of the investment there were a number of sites which needed substantial reconstruction work and, as expected, the lengths of road treated were consequently less than the indicative target. In 2016/17 a substantial programme of surface dressing has been undertaken and the total length of road resurfaced has increased considerably.

Year	Length treated (km)
2014/15	148
2015/16	182
2016/17	250

- 11. A total of 580 kilometres of road has been resurfaced to date, and the Council is currently on target to achieve the anticipated improvement by 2020, subject to funding continuing at current levels. There have also been a significant number of smaller sites treated with hand patching, which has addressed localised areas in poor condition.
- 12. The detailed calculation of the backlog carried out by the Council's specialist consultants WDM indicates that there has been a significant reduction in the highways maintenance backlog in the first two years of the investment:

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Calculated backlog	£69.4 million	£63.3 million	£48.2 million

- 13. The backlog has decreased by 30% since the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020' started. Good progress has been made in reducing the backlog, but continuing investment, as originally planned, would be required to remove the remaining backlog.
- 14. A summary of road conditions and other highway information has been prepared for the Area Board (see **Appendix 1**). This information will form the basis of data to be made available on the Council's website, including regularly updated information on potholes and other reports through the My Wiltshire app, the website and by telephone. The website will also be developed to explain the Council's highway maintenance policies and strategies in greater detail.
- 15. The Council's highways maintenance investment strategy was developed using the Department for Transport funded Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme (HMEP) toolkit, which identified that timely investment in surface dressing of the minor rural roads would be cost-effective given the current condition of the local road network.
- 16. The individual sites for treatment were identified from the technical surveys of the road conditions, and were assessed and confirmed by the highway engineers. The lists of proposed sites for treatment have been reviewed by the Area Boards where representatives of the town and parish councils have been given the opportunity to consider local priorities.
- 17. Surface dressing work was carried out on a number of minor roads across the county last summer. This work sometimes known as 'tar and chippings' is preventative maintenance to seal the road construction and restore skid resistance. It is a cost effective way of extending the useful life of the roads.
- 18. Not carrying out any maintenance on these minor roads may initially appear attractive in order to save money, but in the longer term that would be a false economy as the repairs would be substantially more expensive if the roads were allowed to deteriorate, and there would be an increasing risk of claims as a result of accidents. The cost of injury compensation claims can be significantly higher than the repair costs, and the cost of doing repairs once a road is in bad condition would be much higher.
- 19. The overall condition of the road network in Wiltshire is now broadly similar to other authorities in the south west. However, based on the 2015 survey results, which are the latest available nationally, the condition of Wiltshire A roads is the same as the national average, but is below the south-west average. The B and C road conditions in Wiltshire are better than both the national and south west averages, but still not as good as in some of the other authorities in the south west.

- 20. The condition of the unclassified roads is more difficult to compare as the assessment methods are not necessarily consistent across authorities. In general terms the condition of the more important unclassified roads in Wiltshire compares well with similar authorities, but further assessment will be required to get a better understanding of conditions across the south west.
- 21. The National Highways and Transportation (NHT) surveys indicate that public satisfaction with road conditions in Wiltshire is below the national average, and for some years has been consistently lower than for similar authorities in the south west. It is anticipated that the effects of the current investment strategy will improve the results of future public satisfaction surveys.

#### Proposed Surfacing Programme 2017/18

- 22. Road safety is the top priority, and it is important to treat those sites identified as having reduced skid resistance in accordance with the Council's Skid Resistance Policy. It is necessary to have adequate skid resistance in order to reduce accidents and avoid claims against the Council.
- 23. There are a number of processes used to improve the road surface:
  - a. Retexturing- the surface is roughened by high pressure steel shot or water to abrade the surface to produce a rougher surface texture. This is cost-effective and avoids the substantially more expensive resurfacing which would otherwise be required.
  - b. Surface dressing the traditional 'tar and chip' where the road is sprayed with hot bitumen and stone chippings are spread and rolled in. This is a cheap solution to seal the road surface and protect the underlying construction. This process should ideally be repeated every six or seven years.
  - c. Resurfacing the existing road surface is usually milled off and a new layer of bituminous material is laid. In many cases stone chippings are rolled in to provide additional texture. This is the most durable surfacing but is expensive compared to the other treatments.
- 24. Careful consideration is given to which treatment to use, taking into account the condition of the existing road surface, volume and type of traffic. In some cases deeper reconstruction is required on sections of road to ensure there is a suitable foundation for the new surface.
- 25. There are a number of sites which were identified for treatment in previous years which for various reasons it has not yet been possible to complete yet. These have been included in the proposed programme for 2017/18, and will generally be programmed for the start of the programme.
- 26. There was an extensive programme of surface dressing of rural roads across the county this year. Within the villages and the more built up areas this treatment can be less robust, especially where there are significant vehicle turning

- movements, and other surfacing materials can be more effective in these locations. It is intended to carry out surfacing in many of the built up areas adjacent to these recently surface dressed roads.
- 27. It has been some years since there has been surface dressing on many of the county's minor roads and this is a process which should ideally be repeated every six or seven years. It is proposed to continue the programme of surface dressing in 2017/18, with a large number of sites in the south of the county identified for treatment.
- 28. A list of priority sites for carriageway resurfacing work has been identified for the Area Board in 2017/18 (see **Appendix 2**). The list of sites will be reviewed and developed in more detail following consideration by the relevant Area Board.
- 29. The condition of many of the footways in residential areas has been a concern for some years. It has been possible to treat some of these in conjunction with adjacent carriageways when they have been resurfaced, but there are many footways which would benefit from treatment even though the road is in reasonable condition.
- 30. A survey of the condition of the county's footways is approaching completion and is being used to develop a list of sites for treatment. In view of the amount of footway in need of treatment it is proposed to prioritise the renewal or resurfacing of those areas identified as being in worst condition. The local Highways Engineers are reviewing the sites for treatment, taking into account the survey data.

#### **Safeguarding Implications**

31. None.

#### **Public Health Implications**

- 32. The condition of roads and related infrastructure can have serious safety implications. Improving the condition of highways contributes to reducing accidents, especially with regard to improving skid resistance. Roads, bridges, highway structures, signs and street lighting need to be kept in good condition in order to protect the public and those maintaining the assets.
- **33.** The investment through the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020' is improving the condition of the highway network and safety.

#### **Corporate Procurement Implications**

34. There are no procurement implications at this stage.

#### **Equalities Impact of the Proposal**

35. The improved maintenance of the highway network, its management using sound asset management principles, and good performance by the highways

contractors, should benefit all road users, including public transport, and vulnerable road users such as cyclists and pedestrians.

#### **Environmental and Climate Change Considerations**

- 36. The effects of climate change could be significant for the highway network as was seen in the flooding of 2014, and the consequent damage to the roads, footways and drainage systems. Having robust maintenance strategies to improve the condition of the network helps build resilience into the infrastructure.
- 37. Where possible, suitable materials arising from road resurfacing schemes are recycled. Large quantities of road planings are used to repair damage on rights of way and on county farms, or provided to community groups. The presence of tar bound materials in older carriageways has caused problems on some sites as it has to be disposed of as contaminated waste, with consequent cost implications. Options for in-situ and other recycling processes are being examined in order to increase the recycling of highway materials.

#### **Risk Assessment**

38. The application of good asset management principles, including the planned maintenance of the highway infrastructure and the establishment of formalised asset management policies, helps reduce the risk of incidents and claims.

#### Risks that may arise if the proposed decision and related work is not taken

39. There is a risk of increased accidents, claims and public dissatisfaction if the programme of highway maintenance is not delivered or delayed. The principles of asset management have been followed by this Council for many years, but as future DfT funding will be dependent on demonstrating the application of good practise and asset management principles. Failure to do so will result in reduced funding in future years.

## Risks that may arise if the proposed decision is taken and actions that will be taken to manage these risks

40. It is important to ensure that highways asset management and service delivery are implemented effectively. Processes are currently in place with Service Delivery Teams established. These include representatives from the Council, consultants and contractors involved in delivering the services, and report to the Contract Management Meeting comprising senior managers from those organisations.

#### **Financial Implications**

41. The highway network and related infrastructure forms the Council's largest asset, and has a replacement value of over £5 billion. It is important that they are maintained in the most cost-effective way in order to achieve value for money. This includes the use of a whole life costing approach to inform investment decisions.

- 42. The increasing drive for asset management from DfT will mean that failure to demonstrate the application of this approach will result in reduced funding from central government. An increasing proportion of available funding will be potentially withheld as an incentive. By 2020/21 Wiltshire could lose out on £2,782,000 of DfT funding if good asset management is not followed.
- 43. The financial pressures on the Council are well understood, and it may be necessary to reduce investment in the future. This would reduce the scope for consultation with the Area Boards as resurfacing work would need to be concentrated on those sites with serious safety defects.

#### **Legal Implications**

44. The Council has a duty under the Highways Act to maintain the county's roads. The highway inspection procedures, policies and improvement plans ensure that this duty is fulfilled. The increased investment and improved road conditions is helping the Council meet its responsibilities with regard to road maintenance.

#### **Options Considered**

45. There is a need to continue to apply asset management principles to the highway network and to ensure the performance of the contractors involved in delivering the service is good in order to keep the network in good condition and to ensure value for money.

#### Conclusions

- 46. The highway network forms the Council's largest asset, and it is important that it is maintained in the most cost-effective way in order to show value for money. This includes the use of whole life costing approaches to inform investment decisions.
- 47. The 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020' has provided the opportunity to address the long standing under investment in highways maintenance, which has been a problem nationally for many years. The significant investment of £21 million annually by Wiltshire Council is seeing a substantial improvement in the condition of the highways network.
- 48. Good progress has been made in delivering the programme of highway maintenance and has included the involvement of the Area Boards to help set local priorities. It is intended that this process should continue in future years.

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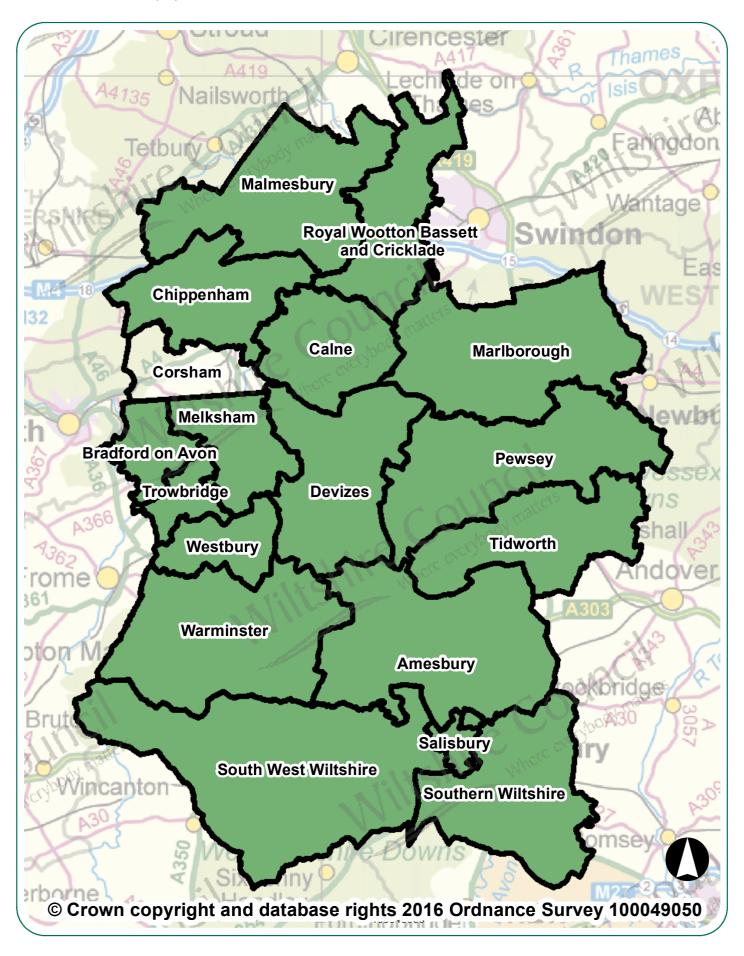
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#### **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Local Highways Information Appendix 2 – Proposed priority surfacing sites for 2017/18



# **Corsham Area Board Highway Information**



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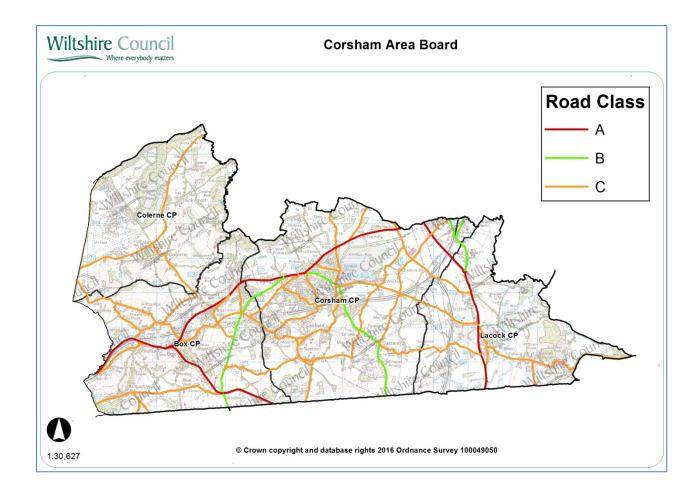
#### Introduction

This document summarises highway information for your area board. It lists the recent highway and related work carried out by Wiltshire Council, including the road resurfacing carried out during the first two years of the 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and includes other information which should be of interest.

Further information on the Council's activities is available at the website <a href="www.wiltshire.gov.uk">www.wiltshire.gov.uk</a>. If you wish to report a specific highway issue please use My Wiltshire. Details are provided at the end of this document.

#### Parishes in the community area are:

Colerne, Box, Corsham, Lacock



#### **Network statistics in your area**

## Road length by class

Road type	Urban (km)	Rural (km)
A Class Roads	4.18	14.67
B Class Roads	5.04	7.08
C Class Roads	25.08	53.01
Unclassified Roads	48.98	45.76
Total	83.28	120.52
	Overall Total	203.8

The council categorises its roads to reflect their importance. This enables an effective assignment of highway inspection frequencies and maintenance standards.

#### Highway assets in your area

The council keeps an inventory of its highway assets in order to assist planning its highway maintenance. Important statistics relating to your board area are:

Asset Type	Measure
Carriageway	203.8 km
Footways adjacent to road	118 km
Footways (linked)	9.54 km
White road centre lines	73 km
Road kerbs	143 km
Grass verge (maintained)	297 km
Drainage grips	644 number
Drainage pipe grips	94 number
Drainage gullies	4,011 number
Road signs	1, 666 number
Street lights	2,512 number

#### Major highway maintenance

#### Road resurfacing

Wiltshire has over 3,000 miles of road. The Council's 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020' is making a massive investment to improve the condition of the roads in Wiltshire over six years. The programme of work started in April 2014, and is designed and supervised by the Council's consultants Atkins, with the work carried out by our main highway contractors Tarmac and Eurovia.

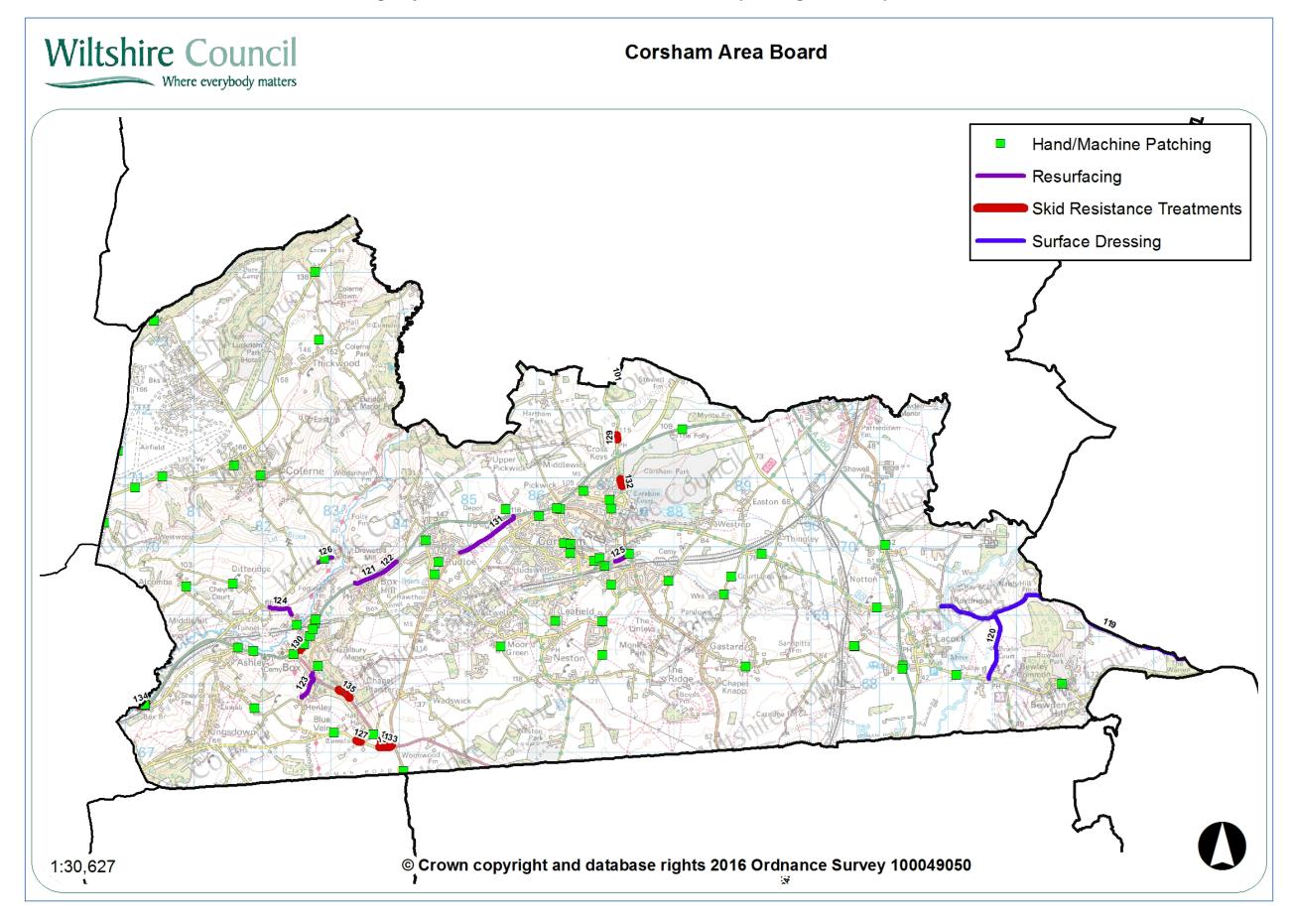
The work carried out in the first two years of the programme has improved a considerable number of the roads in previously poor condition. The locations of sites treated in recent years are shown below.

#### **Carriageway repairs**

As well as resurfacing roads other works are undertaken to make localised repairs to keep the roads safe. The works undertaken in your area since 2014 are shown on the map below.

The wet winter and flooding in previous years has resulted in substantial damage to the road network. It is important that serious defects are treated promptly to keep the roads safe. The Council currently operates four Pothole teams that respond to urgent issues to keep the roads safe.

## Plan showing major maintenance schemes & hand/machine patching sites completed since 2014



## Major maintenance completed since 2014

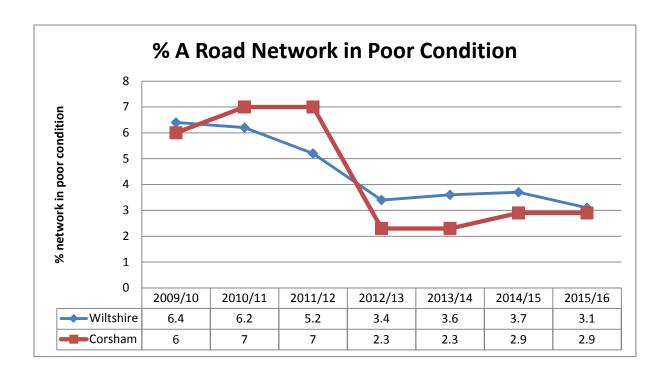
No	Location	Works
119	Mons Lane east to Bewley Lane junction to A342 Devizes Road	Surface Dressing
120	Bewley Lane (junction with Mons Lane east to Bowden Hill)	Surface Dressing
121	Beech Road, Box	Resurfacing
122	Beech Road, Box	Resurfacing
123	Henley Lane, Box	Resurfacing
124	Mill Lane, Box	Resurfacing
125	Stokes Road, Corsham	Resurfacing
126	Tutton Hill to Mill Lane, Colerne	Resurfacing
127	Unclassified Road Longsplatt To A365	Skid Resistance Improvements
128	Unclassified Road Longsplatt To A365	Skid Resistance Improvements
129	A4 Cross Keys To South Boundary Of Wood	Skid Resistance Improvements
130	High Street And London Road (30mph To 30mph) Box	Skid Resistance Improvements
131	B3109 Corsham Bradford Road, close to caravan park	Resurfacing
132	Newlands Road To A4 (Cross Keys Corsham)	Skid Resistance Improvements
133	A365 Henley Lane to B3109 (Fiveways)	Skid Resistance Improvements
134	Bath Road, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements
135	A365 Devizes Road, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements
136	At Five Lanes Crossroads, East of Old Jockey, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements

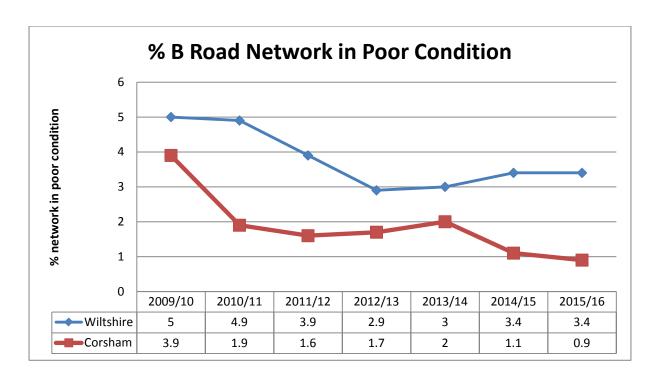
#### Highway conditions and technical surveys in your area

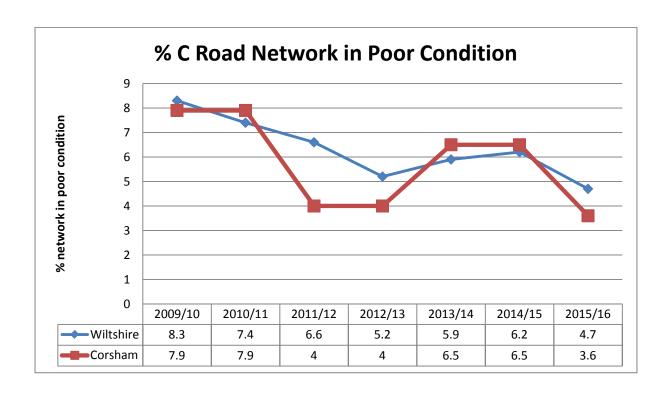
Roads deteriorate in condition because of various factors, including traffic volumes, ground conditions, and weather and drainage issues. Technical surveys of the condition of the highway network are carried out annually and the information is used to help prioritise schemes. Road safety is the priority, and maintaining adequate skid resistance on the busy high speed roads is vital.

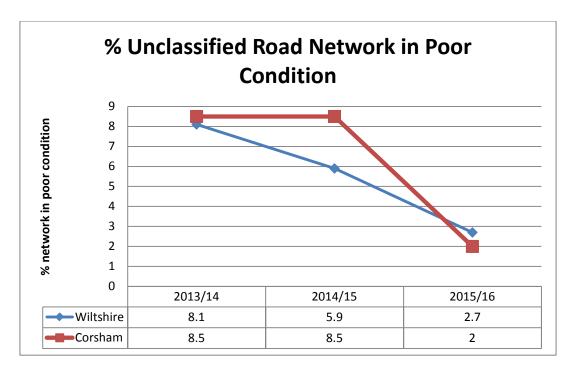
The surveys include the use of a vehicle equipped with lasers and cameras to record road surface condition, which allows us to report on road conditions to the Department for Transport and to prioritise maintenance work. Other surveys include measuring skid resistance on the busier roads.

The road conditions in your area are shown below. It should be noted that low numbers are good because it indicates that less road length should be considered for treatment. More detailed information is shown in Appendix A.









#### Integrated transport, bridge and drainage works

#### **Integrated transport**

The Council's traffic engineering team work with our contractors to plan and deliver a range of projects to the local community, most notably through the Area Boards and Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs). The schemes range in size and complexity from simple sign installation through to more complex road safety and improvement schemes.

#### **Bridges**

The Council regularly inspects its bridges and other highway structures. There is a programme of renewal and refurbishment works to keep them in good condition, as well as having to respond to damage caused by collisions.

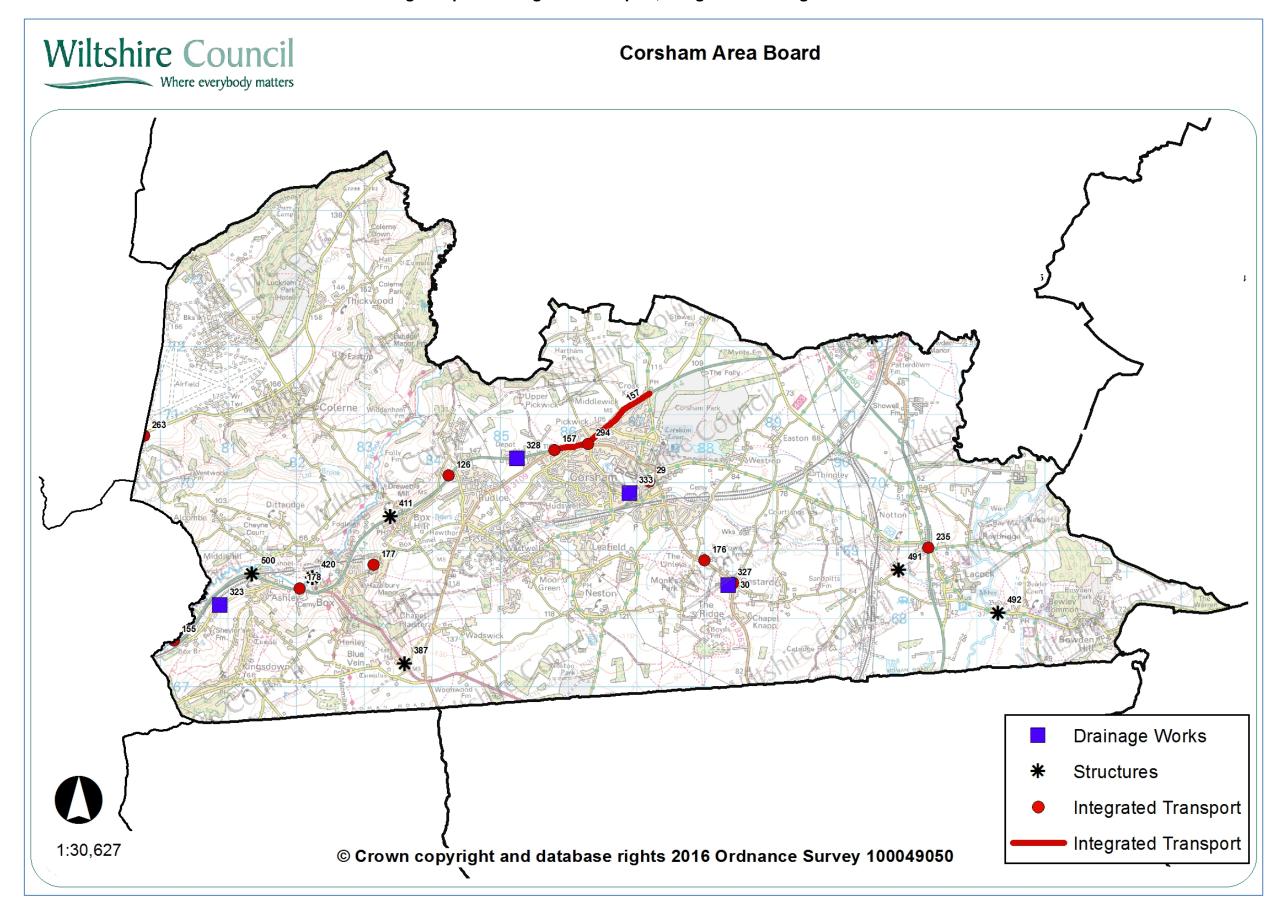
#### **Drainage**

Programmes of drainage investigations, repairs and flood alleviation schemes are undertaken throughout the year, but the flooding in recent years has meant that there has been a need to respond immediately to flooding issues, as well as dealing with previously identified problem sites. The drainage improvement and flood alleviation work is co-ordinated through the Council's Operational Flood Working Groups that include the Environment Agency, Wessex Water, other organisations and stakeholders.

#### Recent work in your area

The Integrated Transport, Bridge and Drainage schemes carried out in your area since 2015 are listed below.

## Plan showing completed integrated transport, bridge and drainage schemes since 2015



## Integrated transport schemes since 2015

No	Location	Description
176	Corsham	The Linleys Gateway (coloured surfacing)
177	Quarry Hill, Box	Relocate 40mph Sign
178	Box	A365 Village Gateway
235	A350 Lacock	Substantive scheme A350 Lacock traffic signals
263	Colerne	Hunters Hall signs
294	Pickwick	De-cluttering
29	Station Road/Grove Lane, Corsham	Junction improvement
30	B5353, Gastard	Road markings roundels
126	A4 Rudloe	Replacement advance direction sign on optimast post
155	A4 Box	County boundary Sign

## Bridge schemes since 2014

No	Location	Description
387	Вох	Washwell bridge, Box. Masonry repair and repointing
411	Вох	Ivy Cottage Wall Box - Repair highway retaining wall
420	Box	Wilderness Bridge, Box. Replace Parapets
491	Lacock	Wick Lane Footbridge - bagwork to wingwall
492	Lacock	Stroud Farm Bridge, Lacock - Bridge drainage maintenance
500	Box	Box Station Drainage work

## Drainage works since 2015

No	Location	Description
323	Corsham	Work on SW system
327	Corsham	minor works to watercourses
328	Corsham	Replacement of carrier
333	Corsham	Installing EA monitoring equipment

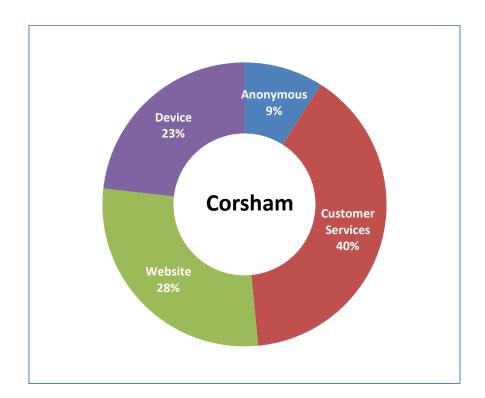
#### **My Wiltshire**



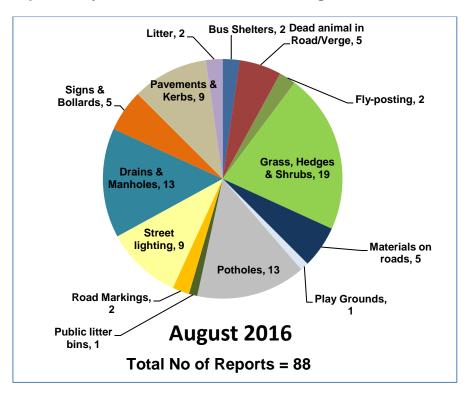
My Wiltshire provides an easy way to report highway issues, including using the Council's website. We have an app so you can report on the go using your smartphone. The My Wiltshire app is available to download at both the <u>App Store</u> (for iPhones and iPads), from <u>Google Play™</u> (for Android phones) and Windows Store. You can attach information such as photos or videos and pinpoint the location of your report using the mapping software on your phone.

A summary of recent reports in your area is shown below, and further details are shown in Appendix B.

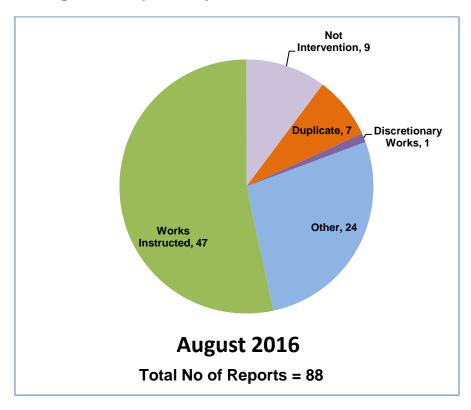
#### Customer reporting methods in your area



#### Customer reports in your area for the month of August 2016



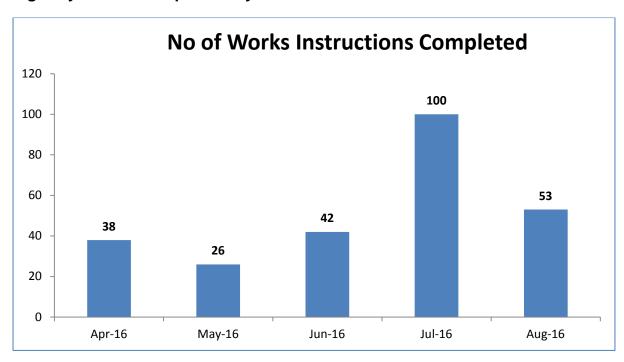
## Actions following recent reports in your area

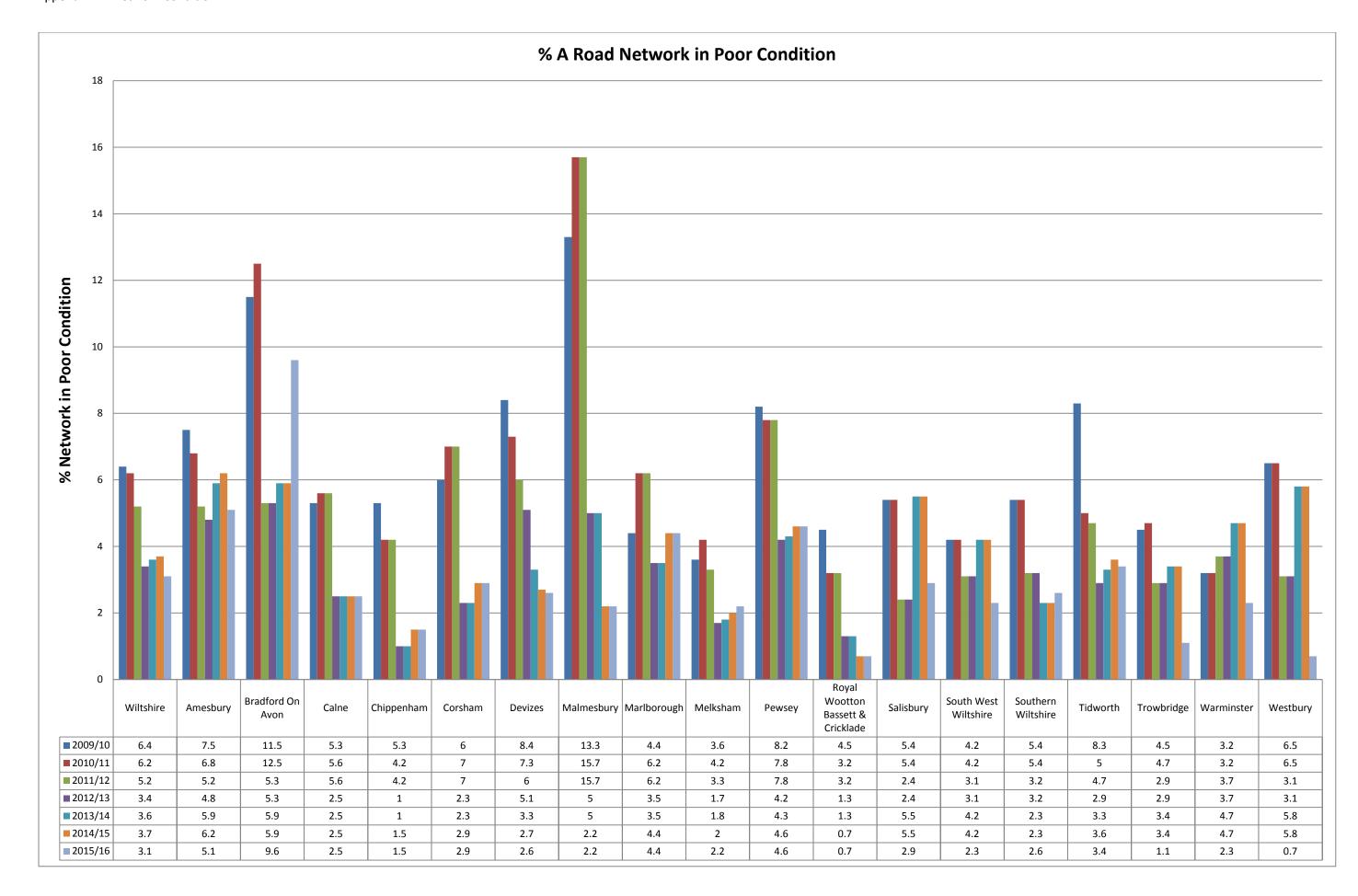


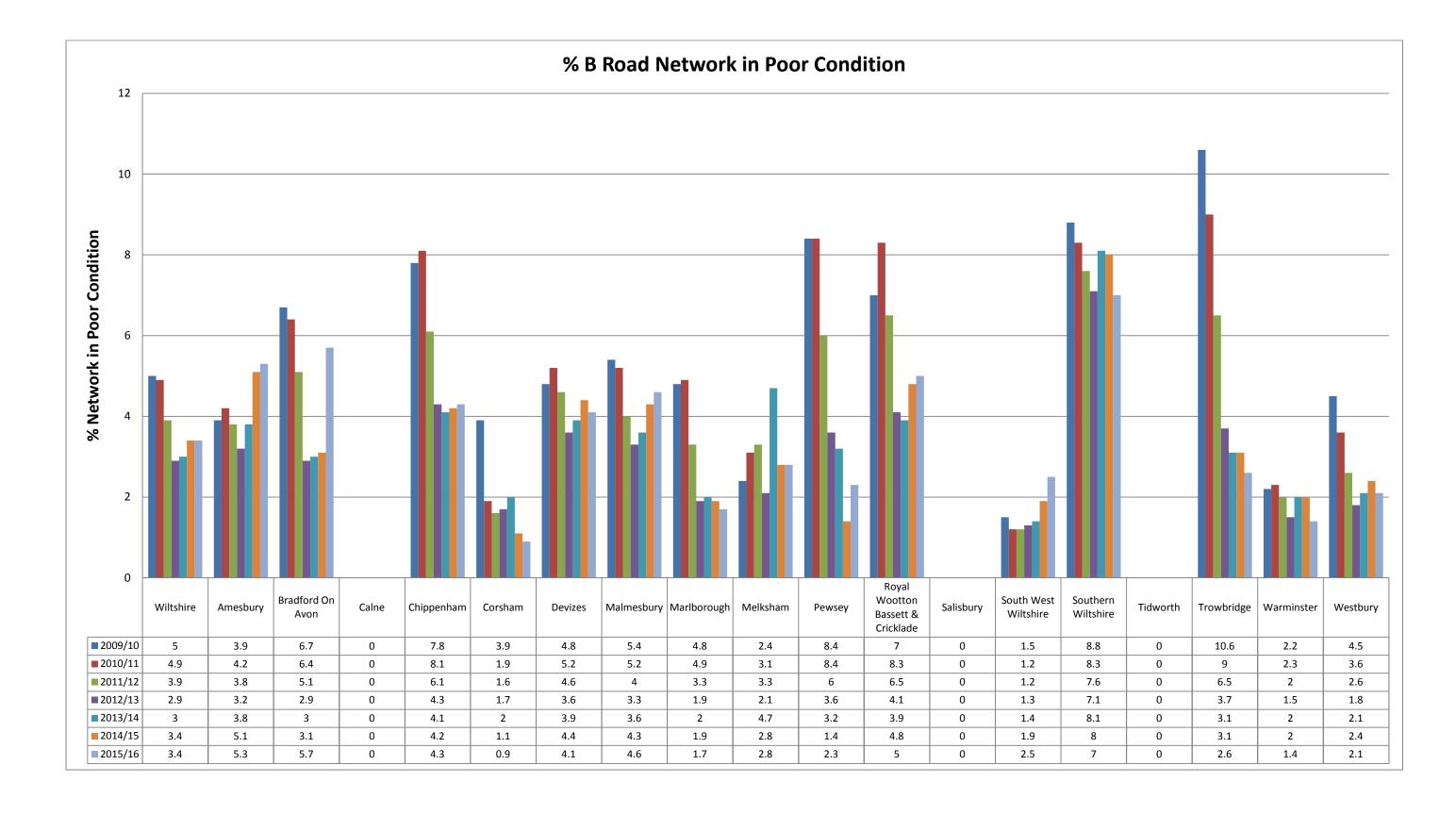
#### **Action definitions**

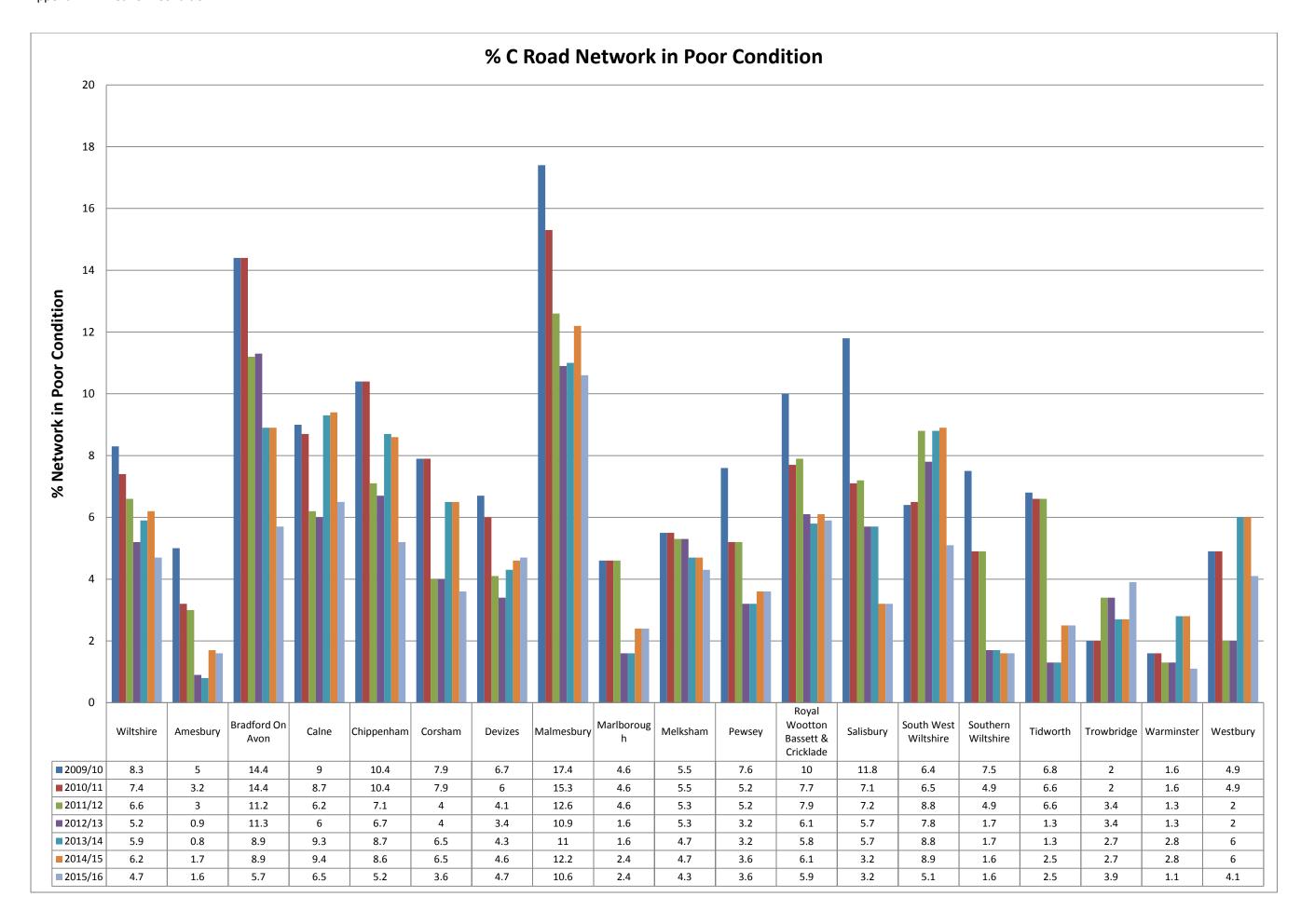
- 1. **Not Intervention** the technician has attended site and classified the defect as not meeting intervention levels as per the Highway Inspection Manual 2013 or in the case of streetscene reports, service level agreements.
- 2. **Duplicate** a report has already been received in relation to this issue and a works instruction has previously been passed to the contractor to undertake a repair/carry out the necessary works.
- 3. **Under Investigation** this issue is currently with a Highways technician or engineer they may be awaiting information from the customer or the issue requires further investigation e.g. wet weather inspection, drainage survey, exploratory excavation, ownership query.
- 4. **Discretionary works** this issue is not a highway safety issue and has been identified as one which falls within the remit of the parish steward scheme.
- 5. **Other** the issue has been identified as one which does not require any action by Local Highways. This could be for a number of reasons
  - the report has been cancelled by the user,
  - there is insufficient information provided to assess the issue and the customer has not provided contact details,
  - the issue is not the responsibility of Wiltshire Council e.g. un-adopted highway, gas/electricity/telephone/water/cable company, Highways England, housing association,
  - the technician attended site and nothing was found at the stated location
  - the issue has been passed to another service within Wiltshire Council e.g. rights of way, bridges.
- 6. **Works Instructed** the technician has assessed the issue as requiring works to be carried out and has either dealt with the issue personally or has referred it to the contractor for repair.

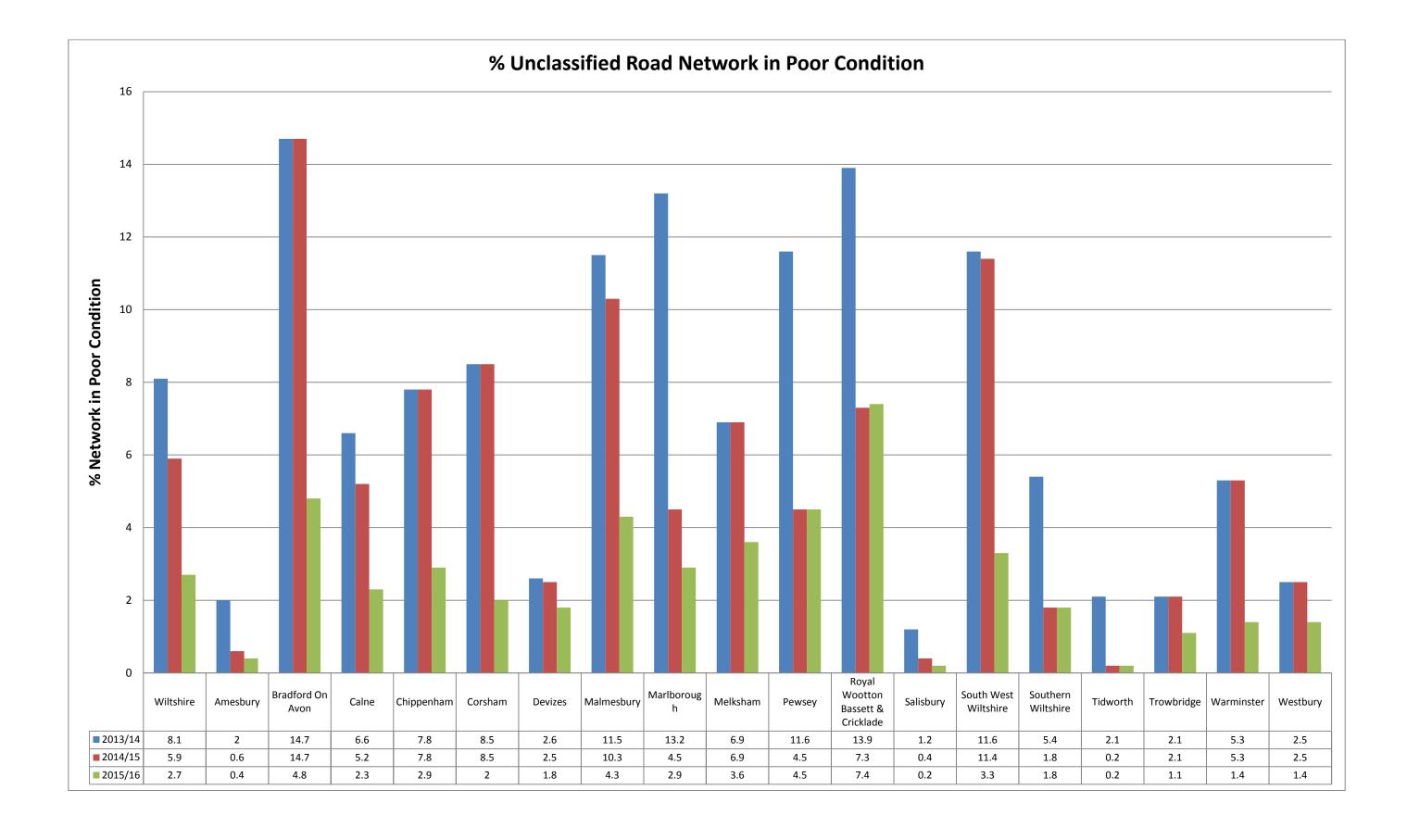
## Highway defects completed in your area in recent months











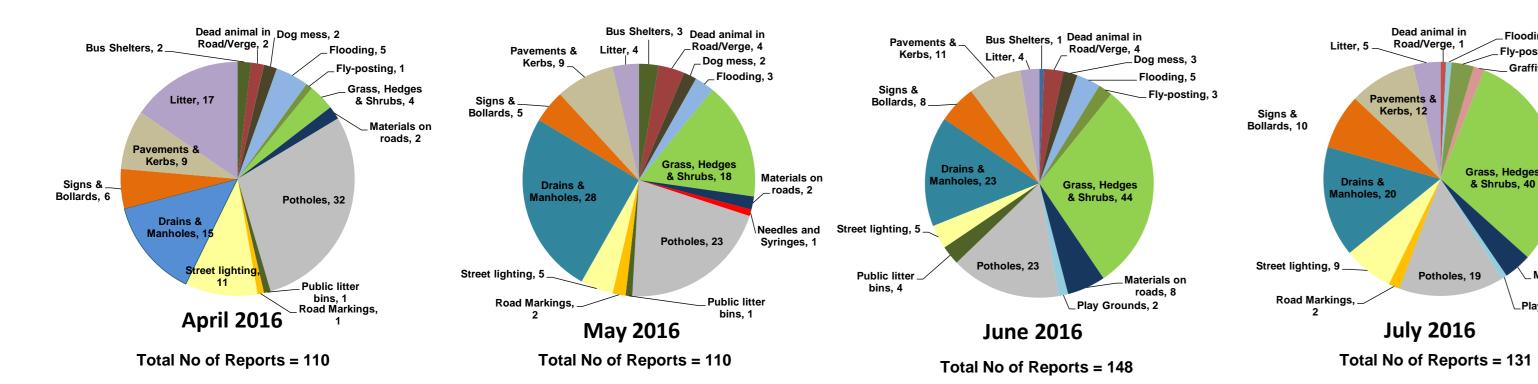
# Appendix B: My Wiltshire Statistics

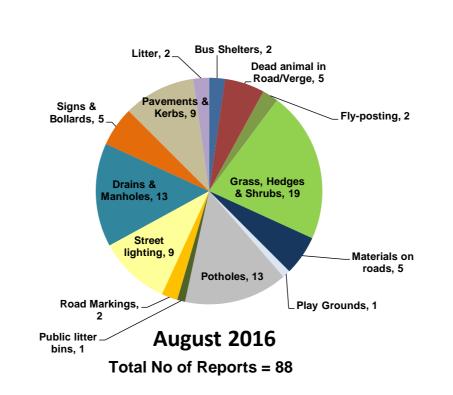


## Corsham Area Board

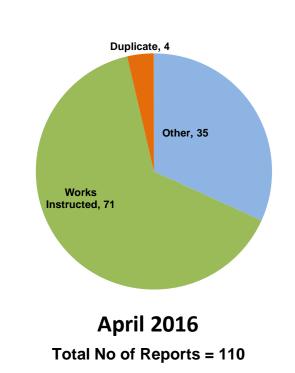


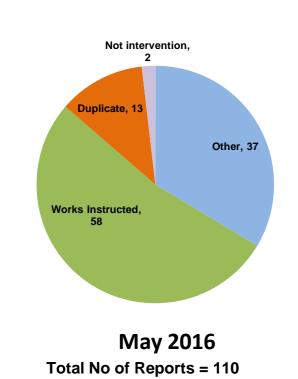
## **Customer Reported Issues**

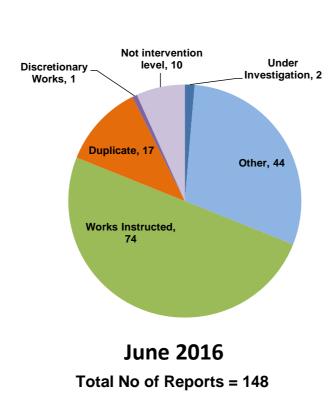


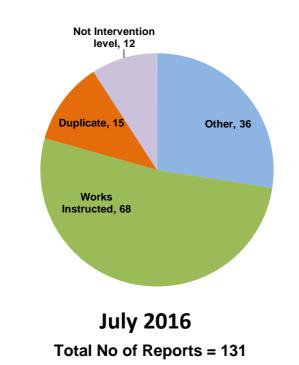


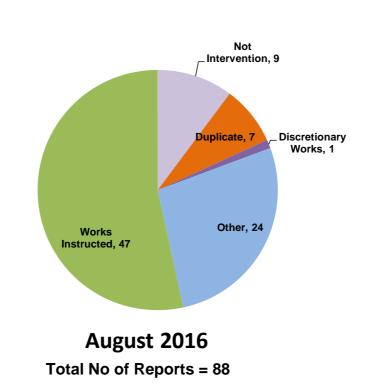
## **Customer Call Outcomes**



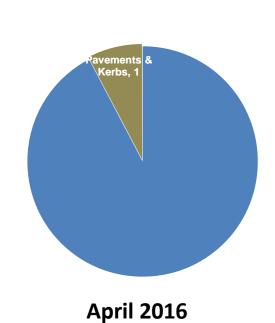




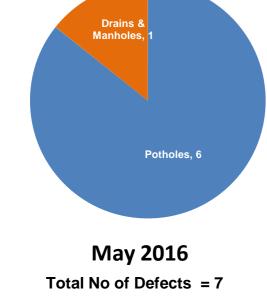


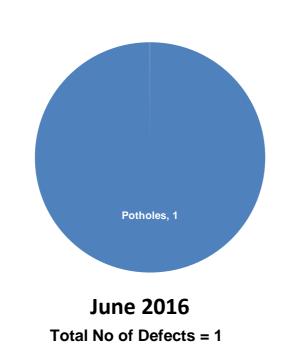


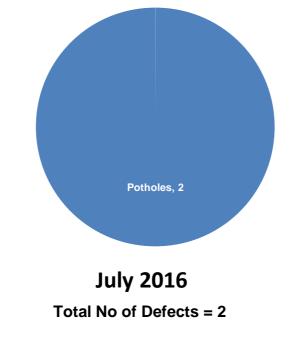
## **Safety Inspections**

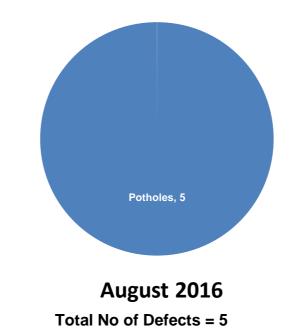


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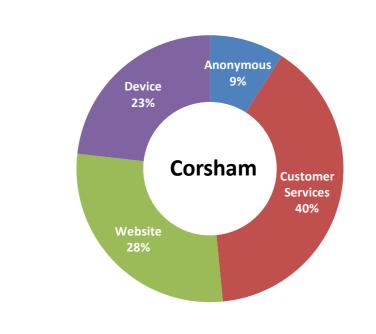


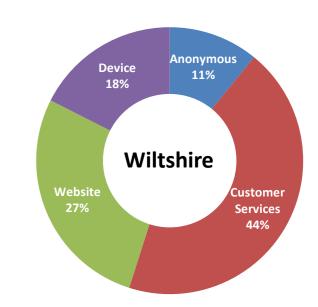






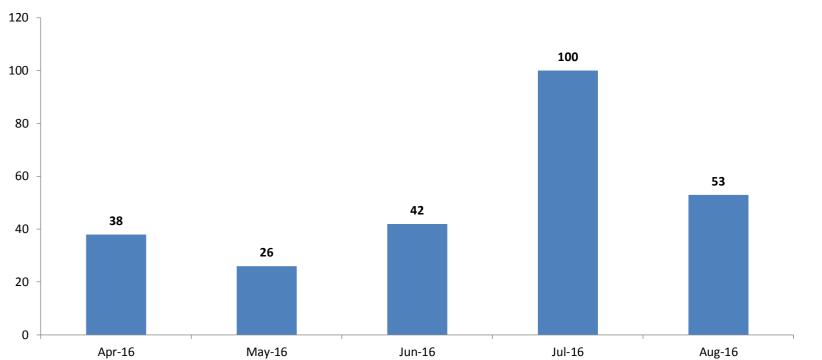
## **Reporting Channels**





## **Completed in Month**

## **No of Works Instructions Completed**



#### APPENDIX 2

Road	Corsham	Recommended Treatment	Estimated Length (m)	Est Area of Site (m²)
A4	A4 Bath Road Box at County Boundary	Retexture	120	468
B3353	Cross Keys Road, Corsham	Surfacing	141	878
B3109	B3109 Bradford Rd near Chapel Plaister	Retexture	110	352
B3109	B3109 Bradford Rd Corsham at Westwood Road	Retexture	393	1,336
B3353	B3353 Cross Keys Road, Corsham at Bences Lane	Surfacing	50	290
C48	C48 Longsplatt, Kingsdown	Retexture	120	384



Report to	Corsham Area Board
Date of Meeting	14/03/2017, 7pm
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:
To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: AFC Corsham Project Title: Mini Goals  View full application	£882.20
Applicant: Colerne Village Hall Association Project Title: Colerne Village Hall Table Replacement  View full application	£1000.00
Applicant: 1st Neston and Box Scout Group Project Title: Camping Equiment and Minibus Training View full application	£4000.00
Applicant: corsham cricket club Project Title: Corsham Cricket Club - purchase of new outfiled mower repair of ehuipment store roof  View full application	£5000.00
Applicant: The Brunel Shed Project Title: Brunel Shed Storage Extension by Container View full application	£1000.00
Applicant: Transcoco Project Title: Interpretation Boards for two Corsham Community Orchards  View full application	£375.00

#### 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 <u>Area Board Grants Guidance</u>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website.

#### 2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2016/2017 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. Safequarding 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		
<u>2329</u>	AFC Corsham	Mini Goals	£882.20		
Project Description:					
To provide an additional set of mini goals to support expansion of AFC Corsham					

## How does this help deliver the community priorities as identified through the 'Our Community Matters' event 2017?

- Healthy lifestyles was the second highest priority for Health, wellbeing and leisure
- Providing positive activities for young people is a priority for Wiltshire Council

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

With the growth of AFC Corsham in the younger age teams has put pressure on existing pitches. Working with their pitch provider Leafy Lane Playing Fields Ltd, AFC Corsham now have access to an additional mini pitch. They would now like to provide this pitch with a set of goals. The goals are made from aluminium with no steel components which should last for 10 years so giving potentially 300 plus young players the use of these goals

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID			Requested
<u>2304</u>	Colerne Village Hall Association	Colerne Village Hall Table Replacement	£1000.00

#### Project Description:

We wish to purchase 20 square tables for use in the Village Hall by any group or individual. These tables measure 750x750mm square and are 710mm high. Two types of sample tables have been tested over a two week period and these tables have been chosen by our regular user groups.

## How does this help deliver the community priorities as identified through the 'Our Community Matters' event 2017?

 Diversity and social inclusion, as well as affordable access to cultural activities were the top 2 priorities from the culture theme

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Any resident or regular user group in the Parish of Colerne who hires the Hall will be able to use the new tables. At present the existing tables are unstable and are cumbersome to move around the Hall especially for our older users groups. The new tables are not only stronger but much lighter therefore easier to move not only for the elderly users of the Hall but for any hirings involving children's use.

Colerne Village Hall have received funding awards previously but this does not prevent them from applying for an award

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### **Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
12278		Camping Equipment and Minibus Training	£4000.00

#### **Project Description:**

We are looking at purchasing new camping equipment such as tents and cooking utensils as well as training leaders for D1 and D1E minibus and trailer to enable the group to take scouts in larger numbers to more camps

## How does this help deliver the community priorities as identified through the 'Our Community Matters' event 2017?

- Healthy lifestyles was the second highest priority for Health, wellbeing and leisure
- Providing positive activities for young people is a priority for Wiltshire Council
- Addressing deprivation and poverty was a constant priority

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Children of various ages within the scout group from 6 to 18 will benefit by use of camping equipment on different events such as the planned group camp in June and week long summer camp in July. With minibus training it will enable a larger number of scouts to access camping and weekly meetings out for different activities.

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

<b>Application ID</b>	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>2283</u>	Corsnam cricket club	Corsham Cricket Club - purchase of new outfield mower repair of equipment store roof	£5000.00

#### **Project Description:**

Our outfield mower has been used by us to cut the outfield for the last 25 years but has now stopped working and needs to be replaced. The roof of the equipment store has started to leak and is also unsafe which will cause deterioration of the equipment stored there. We also store within all of the potentially harmfull chemicals used on the site which need to be stored in a secure place.

How does this help deliver the community priorities as identified through the 'Our Community Matters' event 2017?

- Healthy lifestyles was the second highest priority from Health, Wellbeing and Lesiure
- Providing positive activities as an alternative to ASB was the third highest priority for safe communities

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The club now has 460 paid up members of CCC all of whom will benefit in various ways.

- The main groups are the academy of 147 boys and girls who are all actively involved during the cricket season, many of whom play for county and district sides.
- The playing members numbering nearly 100 who use cricket as one of their main areas of activity within their health and wellbeing regime.
- The remaining non-playing members for whom the cricket club is a very important focus for six months of the year.

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>2313</u>	The Brunel Shed	Brunel Shed Storage Extension by Container	£1000.00

#### **Project Description:**

The Brunel Shed runs every week with an average daytime attendance of 16 members. Our current building is well equipped with benches and machinery mainly woodworking. We do not have currently have sufficient space to organise the storage of timber to take advantage of recycling opportunities or the storage of projects and materials before and during the required repair or build. We propose to install a shipping container on blocks in one of the four carpark spaces which forms part of the community centre property. We have started the design work to obtain approval from the local residents and also have started the process of applying for planning consent

## How does this help deliver the community priorities as identified through the 'Our Community Matters' event 2017?

- Mental Health and support for carers were two of the top three priorities for health, wellbeing and leisure
- Tackling isolation and loneliness is a constant priority for the community and Wiltshire Council

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The Brunel Shed provides a means of bringing together men and women to spend time together working on community and private projects. It is of particular benefit

to the isolated and lonely e.g. carers and retired people who feel in need of other company after retirement. There are also opportunities for the exchange of knowledge and skills in addition to coffee and chat. The best way of reaching these goals is in an active environment and the shed is equipped with benches and tools to carry out a variety of tasks to suit the individual member The additional space will allow them to organise the workshop more effectively giving a more satisfying experience for members with less frustration due to lack of space.

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>2350</u>	Hranscoco	Interpretation Boards for two Corsham Community Orchards	£375.00

#### Project Description:

Transcoco have planted two community orchards at Corsham Primary School Pound Pill and Corsham Primary Rudloe Site. We have planted and maintained the trees with the help of the school and local community members. We would like to enhance the use of these orchards by putting up interpretation boards on the orchard sites two at Pound Pill Site and one at Rudloe site.

 Protecting the countryside as well as wildlife and diversity are two of the three top priorities for the environment

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The main people to benefit will be the Corsham Community members as well as children and adults who work in the orchard relax in the orchard and use the orchard for educational purposes

The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

#### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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### Area Board Project – March 2017 Clir Alan Macrae

#### 1. What is the project?

To use any remaining Area Board funding from its grants budget to help take forward the establishment of a railway station within Corsham

#### 2. Where is the project taking place?

Within the Corsham Community Area

#### 3. When will the project take place?

The project is currently under way but there are a number of different stages that it must go through before a station can be built. It is likely to be a long and challenging process

#### 4. Background Information

It has been an ambition of Corsham Area Board and its partners to see a railway station established within Corsham. Last year, Wiltshire Council commissioned Atkins to carry out initial feasibility wok on a possible station in the town.

The main findings include:

- There is an identified market for a rail station at Corsham particularly in relation to journeys to and from Bath and Bristol
- Forecasts indicate Corsham station could carry up to 400,000 passengers per year and that future development plans would be expected to further increase this number
- A railway station at Royal Wootton Bassett would generate up to a further 330,000 passengers per year
- Initial analysis indicates it could be viable to introduce a new hourly train service between Bristol and Swindon to serve a new Corsham Station, with possible extensions to Oxford or Cardiff. (Four possible service options have been tested: a new service from Bristol Temple Meads to Swindon; a new service from Bristol Temple Meads to Oxford; a new service from Cardiff Central to Swindon; and an extension of the MetroWest service from Bath Spa to Chippenham).
- The main obstacle to a Corsham railway station is the provision of a suitable and viable train service:
- A regular direct London service is not considered to be feasible primarily due to incompatibility with wider rail industry goals to improve the quality of intercity services on the Great Western mainline
- For each of the four train service options considered, the estimated annual operating costs exceed the forecast annual revenue generated (to at least 2033/34)
- The addition of stops at Corsham and Royal Wootton Bassett significantly improves the revenue generation of each train service option and in particular the Bristol to Oxford

- service option (although there is still the requirement for an initial eight year service subsidy of around £1.8m).
- Consideration of other economic benefits, such as journey time benefits and environmental benefits, may enhance the overall case for each service option.

The report suggests the next steps should be to focus on demonstrating a suitable service could operate to serve Corsham station (and potentially a Royal Wootton Basset station) through engagement with key partners and further detailed analysis.

#### 5. What are the key issues that need to be addressed?

Further work needs to be done to explore a possible new line linking Corsham with Oxford and then to Cambridge. This means working with the various councils, the LEP, the MP's, First Great Western and others

#### 6. Who has been involved?

All key partners at local, regional and national level. There is agreement to take this project forward.

#### 7. What is being proposed

The next stage is to carry out significant further work to develop the feasibility into a fully worked out proposal. The end product will hopefully be a station at Corsham

#### 8. What are the community benefits and evidence of need

Corsham Station could carry up to 400,000 passengers per year. There are numerous benefits including:

- Environmental
- Providing an alternative to car use
- Improving access and connectivity to other areas and services
- Help attract investment and boost the economy

#### 9. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?

Corsham Area Board will be responsible for this funding which will be used as a contribution towards the cost of developing the project

#### 10. How much funding is being requested

To develop and build a station will need considerable investment for it to occur. The proposal is that the remaining balance of the Area Board's capital grants pot is allocated towards a local contribution to driving this forward. Other funding will come from partner organisations.

If all grant requests are granted at the March Area Board meeting, it is expected that the remaining balance will be in the region of £3k

#### 11. Additional information

The project is deemed to be capital as long as the funding is directly being used to deliver a station



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## Area Board Project – March 2017 Cllr Philip Whalley

#### 1. What is the project?

To install CCTV in the underpass on Valley Road, Corsham

#### 2. Where is the project taking place?

Valley Road, Corsham

#### 3. When will the project take place?

If the funding is agreed, the equipment will be purchased and installed over the next few months

#### 4. Background Information

The underpass on Valley Road, Corsham has been a longstanding issue with many residents complaining of obscene graffiti on the walls and litter issues especially as this is a route used by many families and young people on their way to local schools. It is also a regular gathering point for anti-social behaviour with young people smoking marijuana and drinking here. On occasions they have even started fires in the underpass.

#### 5. What are the key issues that need to be addressed?

The key issue is one of ASB that is preventing people from safely accessing the underpass.

It appears that police surveillance of other more open local sites has led this location to become a favoured meeting point. It has been arranged for the walls to be repainted as part of a community service scheme but the installation of a security camera will act as a deterrence against further problems and reassure local residents

#### 6. Who has been involved?

Local Councillor, Police, Wiltshire Council, residents

#### 7. What is being proposed

Installation of:

2 camera's

2 Fixing brackets

Electrical and fitting

Cherry picker to access lamp columns

2 signs

#### 8. What are the community benefits and evidence of need

The main community benefit is that this will become a safer and cleaner underpass that all residents will be able to use without fear.

#### 9. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?

Cllr Whalley working in association with highways and streetscene at Wiltshire Council

#### 10. How much funding is being requested

The cost of installing the cameras will be £693 + VAT

#### 11. Additional information

This is a capital project that is responding to a community need and can't be taken through the grants process