

MINUTES

Meeting: TIDWORTH AREA BOARD

Place: Phoenix Hall, High Street, Netheravon, SP4 9PJ

Date: 21 November 2011

Start Time: 5.00 pm **Finish Time:** 9.20 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Christopher Williams (Chairman), Cllr Mark Connolly (Vice Chairman) and Cllr Charles Howard and Cllr John Noeken

Wiltshire Council Officers

Mary Cullen, Community Area Manager (CAM) Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer Alistair Cunningham – Service Director

Town and Parish Councillors

Tidworth Town Council – A Birch & H Jones Ludgershall Town Council – M Betteridge, J White & O White Enford Parish Council - K Monk & S Bagwell Everleigh Parish Council – D Bottomley

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Insp C Lange
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – M Franklin
Community Area Partnership – T Pickernell
Youth Service – Wendy Higginson
Extended Services – Julie Tremlin

Total in attendance: 45

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1.	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Tidworth Area Board and thanked Geoff Dyer, (Clerk of Netheravon parish council) for his help in setting up the hall for the meeting.
2.	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies for absence were received from: Christine Alexander – Aster Housing, David Wildman – Tidworth Chamber of Commerce, Col Paddy Tabor – Tidworth Garrison Commander, Andy Schofield – Wellington Academy.
3.	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
4.	<u>Minutes</u>
	<u>Decision</u>
	a. The minutes of the meeting on the 19 September 2011 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with the following amendments:
	Agenda Item No.3 – Should read Mark Connolly.
	Agenda Item No.7 – Answer to question from the floor should read, <i>around</i> £279 per young person.
	Agenda Item No.10 – Should read Cadley Road.
	Agenda Item No.11 – Tidworth Town Council update should read North East quadrant.
	It was also noted that the Stan Bagwell – Core Strategy Statement had been added to the 19 September 2011 Tidworth Area Board web minutes and was tabled at the 21 November Tidworth Area Board meeting.
	b.Shadow Operations Board, Tidworth community campus – four people had so far volunteered to sit on the SCOB, more were needed. For more information, contact Cllr Chris Williams or Mary Cullen.

5. Chairman's Announcements

11 – 19 Commissioning Strategy Outcomes – Wendy Higginson, (Youth Development Service) advised that savings of £550,000 would needed to be found next year through staff cuts. The Youth Development Service would be looking build on its band of volunteer helpers.

A Youth Advisory Group was to be set up, which would feed into the Area Board.

The Chairman thanked Wendy Higginson for her update.

Waste Strategy, Castledown Business Park – the Waste Strategy outcomes would be going to Wiltshire Council Cabinet in January 2012.

Olympic Flame – the Olympic torch would be passing through Ludgershall and Tidworth, local schools were to be invited to think of ways to celebrate the event. The Chairman advised that this could be looked into at the January 2012, Area Board meeting.

Household survey "What matters to you", attendees were invited to take away survey packs which invited comment on a range of topics that affect life in Wiltshire.

The Chairman then invited all in attendance to introduce themselves to the meeting.

6. Wiltshire Cabinet Member in Attendance

John Noeken – cabinet member for Resources gave an overview of his portfolio and answered questions that were raised.

Points made by Cllr Noeken included:

- Wiltshire Council are committed to maintaining frontline services, including Libraries.
- Wiltshire Council had cut 220 manager posts from its structure, this had cost around 8 million pounds but would save around 5 million pounds year on year.
- Wiltshire Council was now operating a single revenues & benefits IT system rather than the four that it had inherited from the district councils.
- Wiltshire Council IT services had now gone back in house, saving around 1million pounds per year.

- Systems thinking lean working, using our processes in a better way across the council.
- Transformation cutting down on the number of buildings that Wiltshire Council uses.

Comments & questions raised from the floor included:

- Well done Wiltshire Council for keeping the libraries open.
- How long can frontline services continue to take up the slack of the cuts?
 - a. lean working, using our processes in a better way across the council is a good example of managers managing staff and resources being well used and managed.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Noeken for attending the meeting.

7. Tidworth Community Service Changes

Kevin McNamara, Head of Marketing and Communications, Great Western Hospital, provided an update on changes to community health services in the Tidworth community area.

Points made included:

- Cost savings needed to be made to the Tidworth MOD/NHS services.
- The use of spare accommodation at the Castle Practice had been taken up.
- Dental services had moved to Amesbury, all other services had relocated into the Castle Practice.

Questions raised from the floor included:

- Were there any figures showing how many people travelling to the Amesbury dental practice?
 a. There were no figures as yet.
- Not much information was given on this change of delivery, good partnership working was being built up with the MOD in Tidworth, it would have been nice to have been involved in any consultation on this.
 a. Unfortunatley things moved very quickly and there was little time to

discuss the relocation. The Chairman suggested that the Great Western Hospital keeps the Health & Social Care Group, (TCAP) in the loop in the future.

The Chairman thanked Kevin McNamara for his update.

8. <u>Help For Heroes</u>

The Area Board meeting were shown a film on the work of the Help for Heroes charity and services provided locally at Tedworth House.

David Richmond, Chief Operating Officer introduced the film and then gave an overview of the work carried out at Tedworth House.

Points made by David Richmond included:

- That Tedworth House aimed to inspire service men and woman whom it helped to live active, independent and fulfilling lives.
- There was no fairy tale ending for the service personnel that it helped, they would continue to have needs for the duration of their lives.
- Tedworth House was entirely funded by charitable donations, and as such needed to raise the profile of the work that it was doing.

The Chairman thanked David Richmond for his inspirational presentation and invited Tedworth House to become a partner of the Tidworth Area Board.

9. <u>Leonard Cheshire Disability</u>

Rod Campbell and Caz Rowles gave an overview on the service provided by Leonard Cheshire Disability to enable people across our community area to continue to live at home.

Points made included:

- That Leonard Cheshire Disability works in partnership with Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire.
- They had been offering care throughout Wiltshire for about 25 years.
- They were looking to try and change attitudes to disability.
- They provided care to an age range spanning 3 90 years.

Questions from the floor included:

- Does Leonard Cheshire Disability have any links with Care Support Wiltshire?
 a.Not as yet, but would like to.
- Are your clients just physically handicapped?
 a.No, our clients have a full spectrum of disabilities.
- What backup arrangements have you in place if one of your carers doesn't turn up at a clients home?
 a.We are currently looking to establish a call monitoring system over the next 2/3 months. Please contact us if you feel that a person is not getting the care that they should.
- Do your carers have mobile phones?
 a.Most staff have their own mobile phones, and any work related call costs are reimbursed.

The Chairman thanked Rod Campbell and Caz Rowles for their presentation.

10. Community Area Transport Group Update

Cllr Mark Connolly requested that the Area Board support the recommendation of the CATG to fund an informal crossing point outside of Wellington Academy at a cost of £8250. The CATG only has £7400 left in this year's budget so the additional £850 will need to be requested from central LTP funds.

Cllr Connolly also asked the Board to support the recommendation that nine sites within the Community Area be assessed as Speed Indicator Device sites. The sites concerned are the C32, Enford; two sites on the A338/A346 Collingbourne Ducis; two sites on the A338/A346 Collingbourne Kingston; Bulford Road, Kennet Road and Ludgershall Road, Tidworth; and, Wellington Academy.

Decision

That the Tidworth Area Board agrees the CATG recommendations.

11. Your Local Issues

Mary Cullen, Tidworth Community Area Manager gave an update regarding the following issues raised.

1995 – Cat's eyes removed from surface of A346 from junction with A338 in Collingbourne Ducis to 30mph signs going to Ludgershall, causing holes which are a hazard to cyclists and motorcyclists. Officers did not consider that this presented a risk at this time but would keep the situation under review.

1994 – Complaints from Collingbourne Ducis residents regarding wheelie bins and recycling boxes obstructing footpaths and highways.

Cllr Charles Howard advised that residents should be encouraged to remove wheelie bins and recycling boxes from footpaths and highways as soon as they had been emptied.

Agreed that Alistair Cunningham, Service Director, Tidworth Area Board would follow this issue up with Tracy Carter, Service Director, Waste Management Services, Wiltshire Council.

12. <u>Updates from Town and Parish Councils, the Police, the Army, NHS and other Partners</u>

To receive any verbal updates, in addition the following written updates were attached to the agenda:

Police – Inspector Christian Lange.

The written update distributed with the agenda was noted with the following points:

- New Police shift patterns were more efficient, with more officers out on the beat at peak times.
- The new 101 Police contact number was bedding in well.

Questions from the floor included:

- The crime detection figures appear low on the report. a.Updated figures will relect a more positive picture.
- What are the current Police response times? a.20 minutes rural and 15 minutes urban.

Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Mike Franklin. The written update distributed with the agenda was noted. NHS Wiltshire.

The written update distributed with the agenda was noted

Reia Jones – Health & Social Care. Nothing new to report.

Tidworth Town Council.

Christmas lights were about to be switched on.

Community Speed Watch – Stan Bagwell.

Heavy Goods vehicles being re-routed onto the A345.
 Agreed that Alistair Cunningham, Service Director would follow this up.

4 Children – Betty Dobson.

 Good partnership working being carried out with Extended Services and welfare officers.

Youth Development Service – Wendy Higginson.

- Now fully staffed, two new starters are settling in.
- Ludgershall youth group engaging in the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

Extended Services – Julie Tremlin.

- Would be holding parenting courses for parents with teenagers, these courses would commence in February 2012.
- 2012 Olympics, Initial discussions were commencing.

Castledown Radio - Baz Reilly.

 The station will be hosting a live broadcast from the Wellington Academy Christmas fayre. Tidworth Community Area Partnership – Tony Pickernell.

- TCAP partners meeting on Saturday 10 December 2011.
- Looking forward to the forthcoming band concerts.
- Had attended the recent "Schools singing for Heroes" concert which had been an excellent event.

2012 Community Awards – Godfrey Tilney.

- This popular event would be held at the Wellington Academy on Friday 6 April 2012.
- The organisers of the event would be looking to approach the Area Board for a fund application in due course.
- Nominations forms had been sent to all the local parishes, and needed to be returned by 30 March 2012.

The Chairman thanked all partners for their updates.

13. Community Area Grants

The Wiltshire Councillors considered five applications seeking 2011/2012 Community Area Grant Funding:

Decision

Bluez "n" Zuz awarded £360 towards a foam party at Tidworth Youth Club. Area Board members agreed that as this application had been received too late to be included as a community area grant application, Mary Cullen, (Tidworth Community Area Manager) would fund the application under delegated powers from Area Board funds.

Decision

Ludgershall Sports Football Club awarded £609 towards purchase of team tracksuits.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Tidworth Community Plan 2003-13 which identified the need for leisure and sports which are enjoyed by people of all ages.

Decision

Collingbourne Petanque Club awarded £981 towards refurbishment of

petanque playing area.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Tidworth Community Plan 2003-13 which identified the need where leisure and sports are enjoyed by people of all ages.

Decision

Netheravon Parish Council awarded £1,842 towards an extension of Millennium Park.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Tidworth Community Plan 2003-13 which identified the need where leisure and sports are enjoyed by people of all ages.

Decision

Tidworth Community Area Partnership awarded £1,050 towards transportation of young people to Christmas band concerts. *Reason*

The application demonstrates a link to the Tidworth Community Plan 2003-13 through provision of leisure opportunities for people of all ages and supporting young people across the community area.

14. <u>Date of Next Meeting, Evaluation and Close</u>

The Chairman advised that the Board would like to hear from anyone with any local items or issues that could feature at forthcoming Area Board meetings.

The next meeting of the Tidworth Area Board will be on Monday 16 January 2012 – 6.00pm Wellington Academy.