

# **AGENDA**

Meeting: TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD

**Place**: The Atrium, County Hall, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

**Date**: Thursday 17 January 2013

**Time:** 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Hilperton, North Bradley, Southwick, Trowbridge and West Ashton

The Area Board welcomes and invites contributions from members of the public. The chairman will try to ensure that everyone who wishes to speak will have the opportunity to do so.

If you have any requirements that would make your attendance at the meeting easier, please contact your Democratic Services Officer.

Tea, coffee and the opportunity to talk informally from 6:30pm.

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# **Wiltshire Councillors**

Ernie Clark – Hilperton (Vice Chairman)

Peter Fuller – Park

Tom James MBE – Adcroft

John Knight – Central

Francis Morland – Southwick

Stephen Oldrieve – Paxcroft

Helen Osborn – Lambrok Jeff Osborn – Grove

Graham Payne – Drynham (Chairman)

# Items to be considered

Time

# 1 Chairman's Welcome and Introductions

7:00pm

- 2 Apologies
- 3 **Minutes** (Pages 1 8)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15 November 2012.

# 4 Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

- 5 Chairman's Announcements
  - 5a Our Community Matters blog site (Pages 9 10)
  - 5b Legacy for Wiltshire (Pages 11 12)
  - 5c Draft Police and Crime plan (Pages 13 14)
- 6 Partner Updates (Pages 15 28)

To note the written reports and receive any updates from the following:

- i. Wiltshire Police
- ii. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service
- ii. NHS Wiltshire
- iv. Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF)
- v. Town and Parish Councils
- vi. Youth Advisory Group (YAG).

# 7 Outside Body Updates

7.10pm

Wiltshire Councillors appointed as representatives to Outside Bodies will report on any recent news, to include:

- i. Transforming Trowbridge
- ii. Collaborative Schools
- iii. Trowbridge Shadow Community Operations Board.

# a. Community Area Grants

To consider the following applications:

- i. The Big Community Grow Trowbridge Apple Festival£2,286 requested
- ii. The Big Community Grow Lets Grow at the Children's Centres £880 requested
- iii. The Sunday Club Sunday Club Revamp Project £992 requested
- iv. Trowbridge in Bloom South West in Bloom Seminar 2013 £1,720 requested
- v. Trowbridge Initiative Supporting Tourism in Trowbridge £5,000 requested

# b. Area Board Projects

To consider the following applications:

i. Councillor Helen Osborn – Defibrillator Trowbridge Civic Centre - £2,100 requested

# 9 Trowbridge Joint Surgery

7.45pm

To receive an update from Dr Steve Rowlands on the Trowbridge Joint Surgery.

# 10 Youth Service Update (Pages 35 - 36)

8.00pm

Kevin Sweeney (Youth Service Area Manager, Wiltshire Council) to provide an update on the changes to the Youth Development Service.

# 11 Trowbridge Transport Strategy

8.15pm

To receive a presentation from Martin Aldam (Senior Transport Planner, Wiltshire Council) on the draft Trowbridge Transport Strategy. The Area Board is asked to consider the draft Strategy for adoption as a supporting document to the Wiltshire Core Strategy.

The document is available for viewing on the Council's website (link below) and paper copies will be available at the meeting.

http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/trowbridge-transport-strategy-report-onemerging-strategy

# 12 Trowbridge Master Plan and Future of the Peter Black site (Pages 37 - 38)

8.35pm

To receive an update from Georgina Clampitt-Dix (Head of Spatial Planning, Wiltshire Council) on the development of the Trowbridge Master Plan, including details of the planned consultation events. Also, to receive an update from Alistair Cunningham (Service Director - Economy and Enterprise, Wiltshire Council) on the Future of the Peter Black site.

# 13 Consultation on new Primary School for east Trowbridge - proposed consultation event

8.50pm

To receive a presentation from Nick Glass (Manager for School Strategic Planning, Wiltshire Council) on the plans for a new Primary School in east Trowbridge, including details of a proposed consultation event to seek the community's views on what type of school it should be.

# 14 Any Urgent Business and Forward Plan

9.00pm

The Chairman will take any items of urgent business.

The meeting is asked to note the future meeting dates below and the Forward Plan attached.

15 **Close** (Pages 39 - 40)

9.05pm

# **Future Meeting Dates**

Thursday 14 March 2013 – 7.00pm The Atrium ,County Hall, Trowbridge

**Thursday 11 July 2013** – 7.00pm The Atrium ,County Hall, Trowbridge

**Thursday 12 September 2013** – 7.00pm The Atrium ,County Hall, Trowbridge

Thursday 14 November 2013 – 7.00pm The Atrium ,County Hall, Trowbridge

**Thursday 16 January 2014** – 7.00pm The Atrium ,County Hall, Trowbridge



# **MINUTES**

Meeting: TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD

Place: Civic Centre, St Stephens Place, Trowbridge, BA14 8AH

Date: 15 November 2012

**Start Time:** 5.30 pm **Finish Time:** 8.45 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

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# In Attendance:

# **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Peter Fuller, Cllr Ernie Clark (Vice Chairman), Cllr Stephen Oldrieve, Cllr Tom James MBE, Cllr John Knight, Cllr Francis Morland, Cllr Helen Osborn and Cllr Graham Payne (Chairman)

# **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Rachel Efemey, Trowbridge Community Area Manager Michael Hudson, Service Director of Finance Kirsty Butcher, Democratic Services Officer Stephen Hawkins, Lead Principal Enforcement Team Leader Neil Ward, Head of Strategic Property Services

# **Town and Parish Councillors**

Trowbridge Town Council - Bob Brice

# **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Lisette Harvey
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Mike Franklin
Trowbridge Community Area Future – Tracy Sullivan and Colin Kay
Community Area Young Peoples' Issues Group – Becky Bignold, Josh Brackstone and
Joseph Stephenson

Total in attendance: 61

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman, Councillor Graham Payne, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Trowbridge Area Board.
2	Grant Recipient Feedback
	Grant feedback was received from the following:
	<ul> <li>Trowbridge Academy of Boxing</li> <li>Trowbridge Wanderers Youth Football Club</li> <li>Alzheimer's Support</li> <li>Splash</li> <li>The Amber Foundation</li> <li>Seymour TARA Hub</li> <li>Trowbridge Town Hall</li> <li>West Ashton Village Hall</li> <li>Wiltshire Marching Youth Band</li> <li>Trowbridge Town Council Olympic celebrations</li> <li>Trowbridge Town Council Jubilee celebrations</li> <li>War Memorial upgrade</li> <li>Wiltshire Islamic Cultural Centre</li> <li>Trowbridge Amateur Swimming Club</li> <li>Trowbridge Arts Festival</li> <li>Monday – Wednesday Club</li> </ul>
	The Chairman thanked everyone for their feedback and wished them every success with their projects.
3	<u>Apologies</u>
	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jeff Osborn, Councillor John Brady, North Bradley Parish Council and Gaynor Polglase – Southwick Parish Council / PCLG.
4	<u>Minutes</u>
	In the minutes from the 13 September 2012 meeting David Baker had been incorrectly listed as a Trowbridge Town Councillor, and it was agreed that this be amended.
	In the minutes from 18 October 2012 meeting, a correction was made to item 9 "Ask the Panel". In the second set of bullet points at the end of the minute one point read:

 In response to the comment above, Councillor Thomson announced that Wiltshire Council had taken the bold step to provide the first 6 weeks post-hospital care free of charge.

It was agreed that this be corrected to read:

 In response to the comment above, Councillor Thomson announced that Wiltshire Council had taken the bold step to fund up to 6 weeks posthospital care free of charge, for those who meet the council's eligibility criteria. This was also available to people not in hospital, where it could prevent an admission.

The themed 'Senior Citizen' meeting on 18 October 2012 was highlighted as very informative and it was felt that this type of meeting should be held regularly.

# **Decision**

The minutes of the meetings held on 13 September 2012 and 18 October 2012, subject to the amendments above, were agreed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

There were no declarations of interest.

# 6 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman advised that Item 11, Youth Services and Youth Advisory Group update and the Understanding Autism film would be deferred to the next meeting being held on 17 January 2013. Councillor John Brady, Cabinet Member – Finance, Performance and Risk would also be invited to attend.

The Chairman drew attention to the announcements that were contained within the agenda for information.

Congratulations were given to Trowbridge Town Council and Hilperton Parish Council for work on the "Best Kept Large Wiltshire Village 2012" campaign.

It was noted that the Community Infrastructure Levy consultation deadline had passed, however it was confirmed that the deadline had been extended for Town and Parish Councils.

The Chairman advised that a petition had been received from the Moroccan Community Centre and confirmed that a meeting would be arranged to discuss their expectations.

# 7 Partner Updates

Updates from partners were received as follows:

# i. Wiltshire Police

The written update was noted. Inspector Lisette Harvey reported that work on the new team structure was now complete, ensuring the team had the right skills to support the community. Concern was raised over the size of the Adxcroft / Paxford area, however it was confirmed that recent changes had only been to personnel and any boundary changes had been made prior to her taking office at the end of May 2012. Inspector Harvey welcomed feedback on any issues and confirmed she would provide an up to date list of staff members and roles / responsibilities.

# ii. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service

The written update was noted. Mike Franklin highlighted that the drop seen in the total number of fires was reassuring. He confirmed that home fire safety checks are being carried out and encouraged people to contact the service to make a booking. In response to a query on smoke alarm batteries he confirmed that the smoke alarms they supplied had a sealed battery unit.

With reference to item 12 – Peter Black site he explained that they were aware that squatters were back on the site and expressed concern as it was a dangerous building. He understood that Wiltshire Council was taking action and had written to the receivers.

The statutory need to have an Integrated Risk Management plan was highlighted and, if signed off by the fire authority on 14 December 2012, this plan would go out for consultation. He invited organisations to register to be consultees by visiting the website <a href="www.wiltsfire.gov.uk">www.wiltsfire.gov.uk</a> and clicking on the icon.

# iii. NHS Wiltshire

The written updates were noted. There were no further updates.

# iv. Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF)

The written update circulated at the meeting and attached to these minutes was noted. There were no further updates.

## v. Town and Parish Councils

The written update from Trowbridge Town Council was noted. Lance Allan confirmed that there would be free parking in Wiltshire Council car parks on 24 November 2012 and 15 December 2012 for Christmas events, and a 1 hour voucher would be available from week commencing 17 December 2012. He confirmed that the figure they had received for Band D Council Tax was queried with Wiltshire Council as there had been no change despite there being 400 more houses in the Town. Michael Hudson, Service Director – Finance confirmed that he would take any queries back.

# vi. Community Area Young Peoples' Issues Group (CAYPIG)

The Board heard that the CAYPIG had now ceased to operate and would become a part of the newly formed Youth Action Group (YAG). Councillor Helen Osborn was appointed as the Area Board representative to the YAG). An information and recruitment event held last week was well attended and resulted in 3 new members and more expressions of interest. The Board encouraged them to become more involved in shaping the Area Board work and an invitation was given to the YAG for a representative to attend future Area Board Coordinating meetings.

### vii. Wiltshire Involvement Network

The written update was noted. There were no further updates.

# 8 Outside Body Updates

Updates from the Outside Bodies were received as follows:

# i. Transforming Trowbridge

Concerns were raised over the idea of changing Trowbridge from a county town to a family town. It was agreed to add this to the January agenda for discussion.

# ii. Collaborative Schools

An update on the Parish's and Collaborative schools can be found in the TCAF written update circulated at the meeting and attached to these minutes. Tracey Sullivan confirmed that the next meeting would be held in the Town Hall on 23 November 2012 and she would report back to the next Area Board meeting.

# iii. Trowbridge Shadow Community Operations Board

The update report from the Shadow COB was received and noted. Thanks were given to all who completed the survey and to Rachel Goff for her hard work. The Shadow COB will use the results to bring a specific proposal to the Area Board in the New Year.

# 9 Funding

The Area Board considered the following applications to the Community Area Grant Scheme 2012/13:

#### i. Trowbridge Rugby Football Club

The sum of £5000 was requested towards additional sports pitches

# **Decision**

The Area Board awarded the sum of £5000 to Trowbridge Rugby Football Club to create two additional sports pitches on the condition that the additional facilities are not strictly reserved for rugby.

Reason: The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria

2012/13 and demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 5 Sport and Active Leisure.

# Councillor Morland left the room.

# ii. Gloucester Road Allotment Association

The sum of £800 was requested for improvements to the drainage of the allotments.

During the debate concern was raised over the requirement to pay for work completed by people on the community pay-back scheme. It was explained that this had been raised as a question to the Leader at the last council meeting and that it can be waived on a case by case basis by the Wiltshire Probation Trust. The question and response was circulated at the meeting and is attached to these minutes.

# Decision

The Area Board awarded the sum of £800 to Gloucester Road Allotment Association to improve the drainage of the allotments on the condition that the applicant does not apply for any other maintenance related grants from the Area Board.

<u>Reason:</u> The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2012/13 and demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 6 Environment.

# **Small Grants**

The Area Board considered the following applications to the Small Grants Scheme 2012/13:

# i. Hilperton School & Community Recorder Consort

The sum of £350 was requested for development of a recorder music library

# **Decision**

The Area Board awarded the sum of £350 to Hilperton School & Community Recorder Consort to develop a recorder music library. <u>Reason:</u> The application met the Community Small Grant Criteria 2012/13.

# 10 <u>Margaret Stancomb School Affordable Housing Proposal</u>

Neil Ward, Head of Strategic Property Services gave an update on the current position of the former Margaret Stancomb School House. He explained that another party had expressed an interest in the site, that he was happy to work with any group under the Community Asset Transfer policy however he expected any interested party to demonstrate engagement with The Trowbridge Town Hall Trust.

	Interest in the school house as a separate issue was noted however it was felt there was a need to provide adequate parking facilities with the building.
	The Board noted the report.
11	Youth Services and Youth Advisory Group Update
	This item has been deferred and will now be heard at the 17 January 2013 meeting.
12	Update on Peter Black Site
	Councillor James left the room.
	Stephen Hawkins, Lead Principal Enforcement Team Leader introduced the report which provided an update on the progress on investigations regarding remedying the poor condition of the site. He explained that there had been attempts to start improvement works and he was aware of the concerns of the WFRS. The deadline of 30 November 2012 was to review, see if the works completed were sufficient or whether formal action was needed.
	The Board noted the report.
13	Dog Warden Service
	Councillor James returned to the room.
	The Board considered the report from Yvonne Bennett, Public Protection Manager. It noted that this was a real problem and expressed disappointment at there being only 2 full time wardens for the county after 31 December 2012. Although powers had been extended to Town and Parish Councils and individuals identified it was very difficult to prove and prosecute anyone.
	Seymour Park was highlighted as a problem area for dog fouling and the Board agreed to feedback to Yvonne their disappointment over the number of wardens for the county and ask her to look at Seymour Park.
14	Community Area Transport Group
	Councillor Morland returned to the room.
	Councillor Graham Payne introduced the report and drew attention to the amendment tabled in the agenda for paragraph 2.1 and shown below:
	2.1 It was agreed to recommend that: Trowbridge Area Board asks Wiltshire Council; that in considering the relief of communities between Semington and the A36 from HGV and other through traffic, only those options which provide significant relief to

West Ashton, North Bradley, Southwick and the town of Trowbridge should be adopted.

The Board heard that the recommendation in paragraph 2.2 for the funding of dropped kerbs would aid wheelchair users.

# **Decision**

The Board agreed to replace paragraph 2.1 of the CATG report with the amendment shown above.

**Councillor Graham Payne abstained from voting.** 

# **Decision**

The Board agreed to the recommendations in paragraph 2.1 as amended above and paragraph 2.2 of the report.

Ken McCall from Campaign for a better Trowbridge addressed the Board and raised concerns over a potential Westbury Bypass. He provided details from a planning enquiry held in 2009 during the existence of Wiltshire County Council and at which the benefits for a far western route were seen through modelling of HGV's. He urged that the Trowbridge Community Area be consulted as a key stakeholder when Wiltshire Council consult the public regarding their saved policy review, particularly policy T1A.

Councillor Morland stated that it was clear that the volume of traffic does not justify a bypass. He urged the Board to concentrate on Trowbridge highways issues and drew attention to the Trowbridge Transport Strategy which was currently open for consultation.

The Board noted that all villages were concerned and recognised the need for a sensible strategy.

# 15 Any Urgent Business and Forward Plan

There was no urgent business.

The Board noted the forward plan.

# 16 Close

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The meeting finished at 8.45 pm.

The next meeting of the Trowbridge Area Board would take place on Thursday 17 January 2013, 7.00 pm at County Hall, Trowbridge.

# Agenda Item 5a

Our community matters online notice board

A new online community site for Trowbridge and the surrounding villages has been launched called Our Community Matters. This fully interactive site provides local people and organisations with a free way of sharing community news, events and information. There is a flyer on your chair with the address for this site and I hope you find it useful

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# Agenda Item 5b

Subject:	Legacy for Wiltshire
Officer Contact Details:	Carlene Robinson Senior Project Support Officer 01225 713152 Carlene.robinson@wiltshire.gov.uk
Weblink:	Follow 2012 A year of Celebration at:
Further details available:	Carlene Robinson Senior Project Support Officer 01225 713152 Carlene.robinson@wiltshire.gov.uk

# **Summary of Announcement:**

This year has been an overwhelming success for Wiltshire and it was wonderful to see our communities come together and celebrate. The community spirit and sense of pride that was apparent across the county was unique, and to see more than half our population attend this year's events just shows what we can achieve when we work together.

The challenge now is to keep that spirit and sense of achievement and pride alive, and to create a lasting legacy for Wiltshire. Keeping the momentum of this year going into 2103 and beyond will be good for our county. We need to take every opportunity to encourage communities to continue to come together, to take action to keep our economy buoyant and to encourage people to keep active and healthy.

This year we held a series of community evening events that provided a forum to share ideas and plans and to update on key information. We would like to reconvene these meetings in the new year to focus on what we can do in 2013 to create a lasting legacy and by working together how we keep the success of this great year going.

We would like to invite you to attend one of the following events;

Wednesday 16 January, at the Corn Exchange, Devizes Wednesday 23 January, at the Guild Hall, Salisbury Thursday 31 January, at County Hall, Trowbridge Thursday 7 February at the Town Hall, Chippenham

All the evenings will start with tea and cakes at 6pm. The meeting will start at 6.30pm, finishing by 8pm.

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# Agenda Item 5c Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Police and Crime Plan consultation
Officer Contact Details:	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon - 01380 734022
Weblink:	www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk
Further details available:	www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

# **Summary of announcement:**

Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon Angus Macpherson will be seeking views on his first Police and Crime Plan.

This plan, due to be published by the end of March, will set out the Commissioner's strategic policing and crime priorities for the next five years.

It will include working with partners, including local authorities, and the voluntary community sector. It will be much wider than the Policing Plan previously produced by Wiltshire Police Authority and Wiltshire Police.

From mid January Mr Macpherson will be consulting with the public, including victims of crime, and the voluntary community sector about the plan.

As part of this consultation the Office of the PCC will be giving presentations at other Area Board meetings and at Swindon Borough Council Locality meetings.

Two workshops for the voluntary and community sector in Wiltshire and Swindon are also being held to capture people's views. These take place as follows:

- Monday 14 January 2pm 4pm at the Red Lion Hotel in Salisbury
- Friday 18 January 2pm 4pm at Voluntary Action in Swindon

Please are limited at these workshops, so if you would like to request a place please email the name of the attendee/s, the organisation name, which workshop they wish to attend and contact details to <a href="mailto:pcc@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">pcc@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a>.

The public will also be able to read and give their views on the plan via the PCC's website – <a href="https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk">www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk</a>.

More information about this Police and Crime Plan consultation will be available in due course on the PCC's website.

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# Agenda Item 6



# Trowbridge Area Board January 2013

# **Neighbourhood Policing**

## **Current NPT Priorities:**

Up-to-date information about Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPTs) including profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police website www.wiltshire.police.uk

## **Team News:**

PS James Brain and PS Jim Suter are now very settled into the NPT in Trowbridge and are doing some stirling work in developing the team and forging local relationships with the community and partners.

The team that James and Jim manage includes:

PC Jamie Darvill, PCSO Laura Humphreys, PCSO Peter Tscherniawsky, PCSO Jo Matthews & PCSO Debbie Robbins – Trowbridge Town

PC Jodie Price, PCSO James Bates & PCSO Gemma Bloomfield – Adcroft & Paxcroft

PC Sonya Stockhill & PCSO Matt Till – Trowbridge Park

PC Helen Beaven, PCSO Vicky Huntley & PCSO Phil Greenaway – Drynham & Grove

PC Alison Davies, PCSO Xanthe Knowles & PCSO Ben Brown - Lambrok

PC Mark Hough & PCSO Maria Badder - Trowbridge Rural

# **Crime Overview**

As reported at previous meetings and highlighted in the table at the end of this report, the crimes that have caused the majority of issues within the Trowbridge area have been burglary (sheds & garages) and violence (the majority of which is committed between those who know each other).

The NPT has worked tirelessly to disrupt people suspected of committing crime and those they associate with. Warrants have been executed and reported on through the local press. There have been policing operations in the Spitfire Retail Park and the town centre and in relation to the latter, the Drink Banning Order trial has now commenced.

This activity has led to a reduction in crimes however there is no room for complacency and we will continue our work to ensure Trowbridge is a safe place to live and visit.

In 2013 the NPT will continue disrupting people who commit crime. This will include more warrants and operations with partner agencies where appropriate. Key events will be published in the local press to improve communication from the police.

The aim is to reduce criminal activity in the last quarter of the financial year with a view to demonstrating Wiltshire Police's commitment to the community it serves.

# Lisette Harvey Sector Commander 21 December 2012

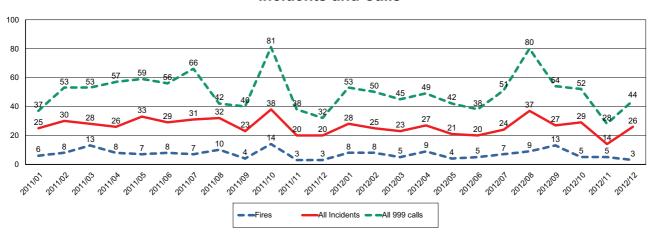
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21 Howaliage	- November	- November	Volume Change	% Change
	2011	2012		
Victim Based Crime	2673	2712	39	1%
Domestic Burglary	143	137	-6	-4%
Non Domestic Burglary	172	239	67	39%
Vehicle Crime	287	314	27	9%
Criminal Damage & Arson	569	502	-67	-12%
Violence Against The Person	533	617	84	16%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	1841	1477	-364	-20%



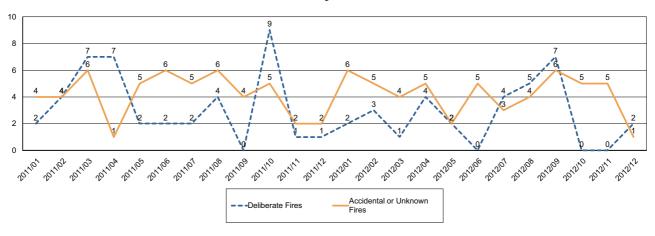
# **Report for Trowbridge Area Board**

The following is an update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including December. It has been prepared using the latest information and is subject to change.

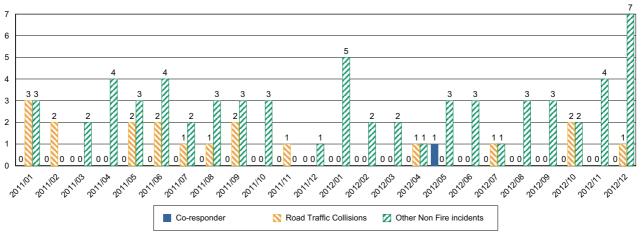
# **Incidents and Calls**



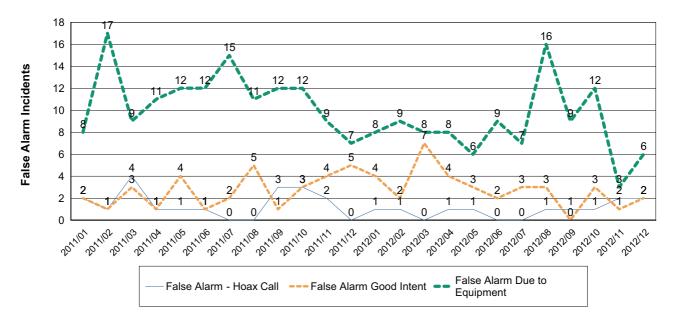
# **Fires by Cause**



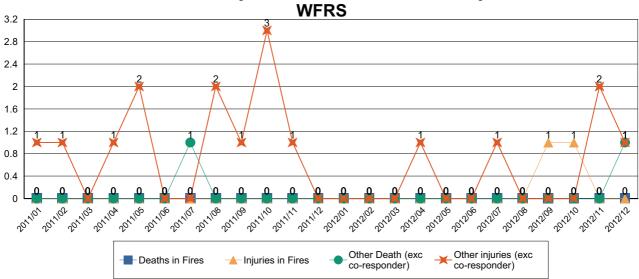
# Non-Fire incidents attended by WFRS



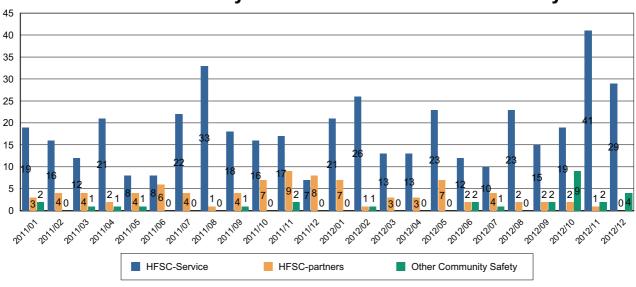
# **Number of False Alarm Incidents**



# Death & Injuries in incidents attended by



# Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf



# December 2012 update

# Get the jab, get Flu Safe

NHS Wiltshire is encouraging people to have their flu jab. Flu is a highly contagious infection that anyone can catch, but it can be very serious for some. For most people flu is a relatively mild illness from which they recover in a week or two – yet every year people become seriously ill because they don't get their free flu jab.

People in the 'at risk' group are more vulnerable to the effects of seasonal flu and it's recognised that they can go on to develop a more serious illness, such as bronchitis and pneumonia.

Flu is not the same as a cold and it affects people of all ages. If you're in any of the atrisk groups listed below you can get a free flu jab from your GP.

- everyone aged 65 years and over (including those who will be 65 by March 31 2013)
- all pregnant women irrespective of their stage of pregnancy
- Adults and children over six months with long term heart, lung, kidney, liver or neurological conditions
- people with diabetes
- anyone who has a reduced immunity because of an illness or medical condition
- people with asthma
- anyone in long-stay residential care
- carers of disabled or elderly people and healthcare workers that are in direct contact with patients

The flu jab is completely safe, even for pregnant women, and it can't give you flu as it does not contain any live virus.

Get the best protection for yourself and your family by being flu free this winter and book your appointment today.

## **Choose Well campaign**

NHS Wiltshire is appealing to the public not to go to A&E departments this winter unless they genuinely have a very serious or life threatening health problem.

Every year hospitals report that the number of people using A&E inappropriately is increasing – costing the millions of pounds – when there are more suitable health services available.

The Choose Well campaign aims to encourage people to find a more appropriate service for minor injuries and ailments In particular, the campaign will focus on providing information to:

families with young children

young people aged 15 – 24 people with long term conditions such as diabetes or respiratory problems.

The Choose Well campaign asks the public to think about how serious their health problem is and then choose the right service:

- For very minor problems such as a hangover, indigestion, or a grazed knee, people should self-care
- For minor infections, coughs and colds, advice can be given by local pharmacies
- For ailments such as stomach pain and vomiting, a persistent cough or ear pain call your GP surgery, visit your local walk in centre or your minor injuries unit.
   Details can be found at www.nhs.uk A mobile phone friendly web-link is also available at http://bit.ly/nhsnwQR

If you are not sure which service to choose, call NHS Direct on 0845 4647.

# **Non-Urgent Patient Transport Services**

The Department of Health defines non-emergency Patient Transport Services (PTS) as the non-urgent, planned, transportation of patients with a medical need for transport to and from a premises providing NHS healthcare and between NHS healthcare providers.

This can and should encompass a wide range of vehicle types and levels of care consistent with the patients' medical needs.

We are seeking the opinion of local people who use non-urgent patient transport on how the current service is being provided and encourage you to complete the questionnaire and share your views.

Please go to our website to complete our questionnaire: <a href="http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk/Default.aspx.LocID-01Inew02q.RefLocID-01I007003001.Lang-EN.htm">http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk/Default.aspx.LocID-01Inew02q.RefLocID-01I007003001.Lang-EN.htm</a>

If you would like a hard copy of the Questionnaire, please call the communications department on 01380 736010.

The next PCT Cluster Board Meeting will be held on **Weds 23rd January** – venue TBC Members of the public are welcome to attend. Papers are published a week before the meeting on <a href="www.wiltshire.nhs.uk">www.wiltshire.nhs.uk</a> or on request from Stacey Saunders, NHS Wiltshire, email: <a href="stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk">stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk</a>

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# Report to Trowbridge Area Board 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013.

# 1. The Steering Group

Main points from the last steering group meeting are:

- a. The Older Persons event was reported as being successful, attended by over 60 people and will look to do it again in 2013 if the capacity of the already reduced Area Boards can accommodate it.
- It has been mooted that TCAF head up the development of a Multi Cultural Forum to ensure good representation from all of our communities in such things as consultations, ie Core Strategy, JSA, Campus and community projects such as the Arts Festival
- TCAF to ensure there is an event planned early in the new year to inform and support those affected by the changes to Universal Credits
- Doug has done a lot of work to support Trowbridge Town Team in completing and submitting benchmarking work in order that Trowbridge towns footfall and vacant shops can be compared to national figures
- The next TCAF Steering group is to be held on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 4pm at the Civic Centre,

# 2. Economy and Transport.

There is not currently a specific group to support this theme but there is representation from TCAF on Trowbridge Initiative and Trowbridge Town Team.

- Trowbridge has been granted £10,000 from the Portas Pilot following the submission it
  made to the initiative earlier in the year. This is hoped to be passed from Wiltshire
  Council to the Town Council in order that it can be invested in projects identified by the
  Trowbridge Initiative and the Town Team
- The Dickensian Market took place on the 15<sup>th</sup> December and was well supported (We have yet to have a report on how the sellers and local retailers felt it went)

# 3. Housing.

TCAF does not have its own Housing theme group but has been developing its working relationship with Selwood Housing and keeping informed of developments in this area.

## 4. BA14 Culture.

- The group has been successful in securing over £120,000 funding from the Arts Council (£90k), Wiltshire Council (30k) Trowbridge Town Council (2k) and inkind support from TCAF to deliver professional performance, participation and exhibitions throughout the community area for the next 2 years. Tracy Sullivan will lead on this and will host an event for anyone interested in finding out more about the project in the coming weeks, date to be confirmed.
- The group is supporting a local project being developed to celebrate traditional songs from Trowbridge's diverse communities through choir singing. Local choir leader Candy Verney is leading on this.

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- The group expressed how important they think it is that culture and arts be within the thinking and questions ask re the campus development.
- Trowbridge Arts Festival dates for 2013 have been confirmed as being Friday 18<sup>th</sup>
   October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November and will be launched as part of Trowbridge Carnival in Saturday
   19<sup>th</sup> October.
- The next BA14 Culture meeting is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm at The Civic Centre

### 5. Sport and Active Leisure.

- TCAF is supporting the Campus development which has a strong leisure focus as a pool and leisure facilities is central to that plan.
- Bob Brice and Jeff Osborn have also been working closely to support the development of outside sports pitches.

### 6. Local Environment Awareness Forum.

TCAF has been made aware of key priorities that could be supported and could work alongside other events happening in the community area but TCAF would very much benefit from having a volunteer lead on this theme. Please get in touch if you or someone you know would be interested to champion and support this group.

#### 7. Education.

• ECM and Community Steering Group to be renamed as ECM and Community Partnership Meeting.

Changes reflected in Governance structure – copy distributed.

Main points raised:

- o Focus Community liaison.
- o Compliment services not duplicate.
- Identified a need to build a body of volunteer translators TCAF will support to apply for funding for.
- Two representatives from the Youth Parliament spoke. A frustration that as the Parliament had been granted area board grants in the past they believe they are not entitled again despite representing 21 schools which TCAF will look into.
- Received £4k MOD funding to develop/support Military Families (parents & students) network in Trowbridge. Letter to be sent to schools to invite families to coffee morning on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, The Hub.
- £5k funding has been received to support the establishing of a parent support forum for service families.
- The next meeting for the group is on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January

### 8. Health and Social Care.

- This group met on December 13<sup>th</sup>
- Focused on how the group and TCAF could support the work that Collaborative schools
  are developing around the health, wellbeing and emotional resilience project for young
  people that they have secured some funding for.
- One part of this project looks to be to create a website that centralises all of the information on services available to support young people.
- An annual conference where young people can meet employers. TCAF look to support this event

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# 9. Safer Trowbridge.

 This group is now to support key themes and actions that come out of the Tasking group that meets prior to the Neighbourhood partnership groups. So as areas that need focus from the key partners a meeting will be called to act on those priorities.

# 10. Parish Councils Liaison Group

• There has not been a mtg of this group since the last Area Board

# 11. Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership

 Minutes from the last meeting of the neighbourhood partnership are not currently available but can give a verbal update in any key points at the Area Board meeting. This page is intentionally left blank

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# **Town Council Report to Area Board Jan 2013**

#### 1. **POLICY**

Council Tax – The Dept of Communities and Local Govt has failed to provide Billing Authorities and parish & town councils with definitive guidance as to how the new arrangements for setting the precept should work. Thankfully Wiltshire Council has made a decision which allows precept setting to proceed for 2013 and will discuss arrangements for future years soon. A full report accompanies the budget papers.

Free Parking Wiltshire Council Car Parks – Wiltshire Council approved: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Armed Forces Day and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013 – Christmas Market.

#### 2. **MARKETING/PROMOTION & EVENTS**

**Newsletter** – The January newsletter is, as agreed, incorporated into the Trowbridge Magazine and will be published this way six times this year.

**Calendar of Events 2013** 

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Pancake Races, Fore Street (during school holidays).

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February – SWIB Spring Seminar, Civic Centre.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Civic Dinner.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Saturday Street Market.

Sunday 21st April 2013 - Spring Open Gardens from 1.00pm - 4.00pm

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Town Council and Wiltshire Council elections.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Lion's May Fayre, Fore Street the Town Council stand will be

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Festival, Park.

Sat 29<sup>th</sup> & Sun 30<sup>th</sup> June - Wiltshire Armed Forces & Veterans Weekend, Park.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Vintage Market – FREE parking day.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2013 - Summer Open Gardens from 1.00pm - 5.00pm.

July - TIB competition judging, SW in Bloom Judging Day

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Civic Service**, St James' Parish Church at 6.30pm.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August – Carnival Soap Box Derby, Castle Street.

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August – Fore Street Food Fest.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September - Carnival Country Fayre, Park - the Town Council stand will be present.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September – TIB Home Produce Fayre, Fore Street 10am – 2.00pm September 2013 - Trowbridge Arts Festival, TBC.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Trowbridge in Bloom Awards Evening, Civic Centre

Saturday 19th October - Trowbridge Carnival Procession

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Fayre & Christmas Lights Switch On (tbc following Direct Services Committee mtg 5<sup>th</sup> Feb) - followed by Shoppers Carol Service - FREE parking day.

**Museum & Tourism** – The next committee meeting is 26<sup>th</sup> February. 3

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- **5.1.1 Exhibitions "Rich and Rare"** Opens on 9<sup>th</sup> February. It examines the difficult birth of the Industrial Revolution in the area. Alongside this exhibition we will be featuring the latest information on plans to re-locate to larger premises to provide a venue for all the family to enjoy.
- **5.1.5Textile & Weaving Festival 2013 -** Sarah is producing a booklet for the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Festival.
- **Leisure Services** The next committee meeting is 26<sup>th</sup> February. 4 Active Trowbridge Regular activities continue – Fun Days during Feb half term. **YAG** – The Youth Advisory Group has now been established, Becky Bignold is Chair.
- **Direct Services** The next committee meeting is 5<sup>th</sup> February. 5 **Sunday Club** The next Sunday Club is 13<sup>th</sup> January at the Civic Centre. Trowbridge In Bloom – The regional South West in Bloom Spring Seminar is at the Civic Centre on 21st February 2013.
- **TOWN DEVELOPMENT** next Committee meetings are; 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 12<sup>th</sup> February 6. and 5<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> March.
- **6.1** Transforming Trowbridge <a href="https://www.transformingtrowbridge.org.uk">www.transformingtrowbridge.org.uk</a> **St Stephens Place –** ODEON and Premier Inn, work progressing on site.

Cradle Bridge - For Sale.

**Bowyers** – Appeal submitted, alternative application registered.

County Hall Remodelling. The refurbishment of Old County Hall continues.

- 6.1.1 Masterplan Arup are progressing this work, jointly funded by WC and the Homes and Communities Agency the baseline post consultation report is available.
- **6.2 Housing** The following major sites all have planning permission.

**H9 Southview Farm**, Wain Homes, 300 houses for sale.

H11 Castle Mead off Green Lane, Persimmon and Charles Church 650 houses for sale.

**H8d Brook Meadow**, Paxcroft, Barratt and Taylor Wimpey 150 houses for sale.

**H8c The Pastures** off Parsonage Way, Abbey New Homes 180 starting soon.

St James' Gardens off Union Street, Newland Homes 75 houses for sale.

**Broad Street** PFI site for social housing now commenced.

York Buildings PFI site for social housing now commenced.

6.3 Wiltshire Core Strategy - Examination in Public is expected to take place early in 2013 at the Civic Centre.

#### 7. **PARTNERSHIP**

7.1 Wiltshire Council

# 7.1.2 Stallard Recreation Ground

a. Changing Rooms - Permission was granted for a facility on Innox Rd. This is now being progressed, with a contribution from the Town Council.

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- **b. Lighting and fencing** Planning permission to provide lighting at the skatepark and extension of the fencing has been received, lighting will be allowed between 16:00 and 21:00. We have applied for S106 funding.
- **7.2 Police and Community Safety** The Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner Angus Macpherson is due to attend the March meeting of Council.
- **7.3 Markets** Ellie Preston-Gill has completed the establishment of a Community Interest Company to run the market on a 50/50 basis with Wiltshire Council. Wednesday has been chosen as the most suitable day. This will be combined with special offers through the new Tik Tap loyalty scheme and Orange Wednesday offers at the ODEON when open next Autumn. Following the successful food fest run as part of the Arts Festival, they will be running Saturday themed markets on the fifth Saturdays in 2013: Easter Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March, Armed Forces Day Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Wiltshire Farmers Market has changed each month to two Fridays.
- **7.4 NHS** No planning application has yet been received for the new Bradcroft surgery.

## 8. CIVIC & DEMOCRATIC ACTIVITIES

**Council Meeting Dates.** Council and committee meetings for the next 2 months are:

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January FULL COUNCIL
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January Town Development

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January Civic Centre Management Board (3pm)

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January NO MEETING
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February Direct Services

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February Town Development

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February NO MEETING

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February Museum & Tourism (6:30pm)

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Policy & Resources

# Lance Allan Town Clerk

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Report to	Trowbridge Area Board
Date of Meeting	17 January 2012
Title of Report	Community Area Board Funding

# **Purpose of Report**

To ask Councillors to consider:

- 1. Five applications seeking Community Area Grant Funding (Appendix 1)
- 1.1 The Big Community Grow £2,286 requested towards children's activities for the Trowbridge Apple Festival
- 1.2 The Big Community Grow £880 requested for "Lets Grow" at Children's Centres
- 1.3 The Sunday Club £992 requested for the Sunday Club revamp project
- 1.4 Trowbridge in Bloom £1,720 requested for South West in Bloom Seminar 2013
- 1.5 Trowbridge Initiative £5,000 requested for Supporting Tourism in Trowbridge
- 2. One Councillor led grant application (Appendix 1)
- 2.1 Councillor Helen Osborn Defibrillator at Trowbridge Civic Centre £2,100 requested

Total Amount requested = £12,978

# 1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Adult Care, Communities and Housing (4 April 2012). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2012/2013.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. The emphasis in the Coalition Government's Localism agenda supports the ethos of volunteering and community involvement and the nurturing of resilient communities. With this in mind Community Area Grants (CAGs) should be encouraged from and awarded to community and voluntary groups. Likewise, Small Grants (new this year) should be awarded to similar groups, as well as unconstituted groups of people wanting to improve things near to where they live.
- 1.4. Applications of up to and including £1,000 can be made for a Community Area Grant, which will not require matched funding. Amounts of £1,000 £5000 will be required to find matched funding. The area board will rarely award more than £5,000.
- 1.5. Small Grants, new for this year, will fund up to £350 where the total cost of the project does not exceed £350. This grant is aimed at enabling groups (including those not formally constituted) to implement projects, involving local people to make their community a better place to live.
- 1.6. Area boards will not consider Community Area Grant (CAG) applications from town and parish councils for purposes that relate to their statutory duties or powers that should be funded from the local town/parish precept. However this does not preclude bids from town/parish councils, encouraging community projects that provide new opportunities for local people or those functions that are not the sole responsibility of the town/parish council.
- 1.7. In addition to CAGs and Small Grants, Councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle sticky community issues and/or community identified priorities. Cabinet have emphasised that they do not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls. The application process and form has been updated to bring it in line with the other grants.
- 1.8. Officers are required to provide recommendations in their funding reports (except in the case of Area Board/Councillor led initiatives), although the decision to support applications is made by Wiltshire Councillors on the Area Board.
- 1.9. Funding applications will be considered at every ordinary Area Board meeting.

- 1.10. Applicants are encouraged to contact and seek funding help from Charities Information Bureau (CIB) who work on behalf of Wiltshire Council. CIB support community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils to seek funding for community projects and schemes both from the Area Board and other local and national funding sources.
- 1.11. Paper copies of funding applications no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce paper. They are however available on the Wiltshire Council web site with the area board agenda papers and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.12. The 2012/2013 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (<a href="www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards</a>) and paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.
- 1.13. All recipients of area board funding are expected to complete and return an evaluation form as soon as the project or activity has been completed and this should be accompanied by receipts and invoices, as well as photographs if possible. Failure to return the evaluation requested will preclude them from being considered for any future funding from the area board. This applies to all grants made by the area board.
- 1.14. Trowbridge Area Board has a 2012/2013 budget of £78,681 for community grants, small grants, community partnership core funding and area board/councillor led initiatives. Community Area Board grants and Area Board projects totalling £49.191 have been allocated so far:
  - TCAF Funding £15,556 allocated
  - Wiltshire Mind £1,816 for a pilot six month art therapy course -
  - World Evangelism Bible Church £5,000 for a project to help address post traumatic disorders relating to the terminally ill
  - Friends of Southwick Country Park £899 for free activities in Southwick Country Park
  - Cllr Peter Fuller Area Board bid £2,220 for Trowbridge Area Campus consultation
  - Trowbridge Sea Cadet Unit £5,000 to purchase a minibus
  - Trowbridge Town Council £5,000 to run an Active Sports and Play Festival Wiltshire People First £500 for an Oral History & DVD project about the lives of people with learning disabilities
  - Trowbridge Town Football Club £1,000 to purchase a mower
  - Trowbridge Town Team £500 to run a Dickensian Market in Trowbridge Trowbridge Town Team – £5,000 to purchase umbrellas for a new Trowbridge Market
  - Seymour TARA Community Hub £350 to purchase relaxed seating for the Hub
  - Bradley Gardens Residents Assoication £200 to run a Hallowe'en event
  - Trowbridge Rugby Football Club £5,000 towards additional sports pitches
  - Gloucester Road Allotment Association £800 for drainage
  - Hilperton School & Community Recorder Consort £350 requested to develop a recorder music library

# 1.15. This gives a current remaining total of £29,490 available to allocate

# Background documents used in the preparation of this Report

- Area Board Grant Guidance 2012/13 as presented for delegated decision
- Trowbridge Community Area Plan

# 2. Main Considerations

 Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2012/13 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

# 3. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

3.1. Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

# 4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the budget allocated to the Trowbridge Area Board.
- 4.2. If community area grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Trowbridge Area Board will have a balance of £22,822 (£20,722 if the Councillor led application is awarded)

# 5. Legal Implications

5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

# 6. HR Implications

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

# 7. Equality and Diversity Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give local community and voluntary groups, an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 where appropriate.

# 8. Community Area and Small Grant Applications

The full applications are available at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards

Applicant 8.1	Project summary	Funding requested
The Big Community Grow	Towards childrens activities as part of the Trowbridge Apple Festival	£2,286

- 8.1.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria.
- 8.1.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Themes 6 Environment & 7 Education & Lifelong Learning.
- 8.1.3 The applicant will be contributing £2,375 towards the project
- 8.1.4 It is recommended that a grant of £2,286 is approved

Applicant 8.2	Project summary	Funding requested
The Big Community Grow	To work with families at 2 Children's Centres growing plants/food	£880

- 8.2.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria,
- 8.2.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 6 Environment & 7 Education & Lifelong Learning
- 8.2.3 The applicant is not contributing any other funding towards the project
- 8.2.4 It is recommended that a grant of £440 is approved on condition that 4 Children, the Charity which operates the Children's Centres who will benefit from this project, fund the remaining £440 towards the project.

Applicant 8.3	Project summary	Funding requested
The Sunday Club	To re-establish the Sunday Club, for a pilot period, at a new venue with new catering and health related activities	£992

- 8.3.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria.
- 8.3.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Themes 8 Health & Social Care & 5 Sport & Active Leisure
- 8.3.3 The applicant is contributing over 50% of the funding towards the project
- 8.3.4 It is recommended that a grant of £992 is approved.

Applicant 8.4	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge in Bloom	To host the annual South West in	£1,720
_	Bloom Seminar	

- 8.4.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria.
- 8.4.2 The applicant demonstrates indirect links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 6 Environment
- 8.4.3 The applicant is contributing over 50% of the funding towards the project
- 8.4.4 It is recommended that a grant of £1,720 is not approved as community benefit of the seminar is minimal

Applicant 8.5	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge Initiative	To support Tourism in Trowbridge	£5,000

- 8.5.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria.
- 8.5.2 The applicant demonstrates indirect links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 1 Economy
- 8.5.3 The applicant is contributing over 50% of the funding towards the project
- 8.5.4 It is recommended that a grant of £2,050 specifically for the BrownSigns is approved. The other items should seek sponsorship direct from the local Businesses who will benefit.

# 9. Area Board Project Applications

Applicant 9.1	Project summary	Funding requested
Submitted by Councillor	To provide a defibrillator at	£2,100
Helen Osborn	Trowbridge Civic Centre	

- 9.1.1 Councillors will need to consider whether the application meets one or more of the following:
  - Evidence of community need
  - Clear links to the community plan
  - Evidence that it addresses an on-going issue that has been logged via the Community Issues System
- 9.1.2 It is recommended the Area Board considers the Area Board project application to determine whether to allocate funding from the Area Board budget.
- 10. Recommendations
- 10.1 It is recommended that the Area Board agrees to the recommendations for the Community Area applications contained within paragraphs 8.1.4, 8.2.4, 8.3.4 & 8.4.4 of this report.
- 10.2 It is recommended that the Area Board determines whether to allocate funding from the Area Board budget towards Councillor led application 9.1.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 - Community Area & Councillor led grant applications
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# Youth Work Report to Trowbridge Area Board -17<sup>th</sup> January 2013

"Wiltshire Council's Youth work provision is 'needs led', developmental and community based. It is built on a youth work curriculum. This means: that we keep the needs of young people central to our practice at all times; that we work with them in the context of their own communities; and that we help them to develop the wide range of skills, knowledge and understandings they need to make a success of their transition from 'child' to 'independent adult and active citizen'. Clearly, this indicates that there is far more to youth work than the stereotype of supervising young people playing pool and table tennis in youth clubs. The latter bears little relation to the reality and breadth of the work, which when accurately described is all about the skilful and subtle art of informal education" Learning from Life, July 2010, Wiltshire Council

# **Future of Youth Work in Trowbridge**

Since 2009 the Council has used the Staffing Funding Formula to allocate the funds we have available across each Community Area so that everyone can see that there is a fair allocation. The formula is as follows:

- 25% of the total budget as a fixed amount for each community area
- 50% based upon the numbers of 13-19 year olds in each community area
- 10% based upon deprivation using the indices of multiple deprivation
- 10% based upon rurality/sparsity
- 5% held centrally to cover emergency and/or training/maternity cover

There are no plans to change this arrangement so whatever the size of the youth work budget it will be allocated across the County using the above. Clearly I do not know what the future holds or how the Council will decide what it's priorities are in the future, but to date Wiltshire has remained committed to providing services for young people at a time when other Authorities have significantly reduced their spend on youth work.

Current delivery in Trowbridge includes Courtmills, Studley Green as well as outreach work and we remain committed to this current set up and we have also agreed to continue to support the costs of hire at Studley Green to support youth work delivery in that location.

# **Youth Advisory Groups (YAGs)**

The Wiltshire 11-19 Commissioning Strategy was agreed by Cabinet and the Wiltshire Children & Young People's Trust in September 2011. This included the implementation of a new local Youth Work Offer.

Part of the Wiltshire Youth Work Offer includes the formation of Youth Advisory Groups with standard terms of reference in each community area, led by young people. These groups will be linked to Area Boards and chaired by a young person under 25. Over 50% of the members will

be under 19 years of age and the groups will play a key role in improving the coordination of positive activities for young people in local areas. This will involve encouraging partnerships that avoid overlap and fill gaps.

The groups will also be involved in planning and shaping local services from a young person's perspective. Furthermore they will help local young people know what opportunities and activities are available for them to access. Mechanisms will be established so that knowledge and ideas can be shared between the groups across the county.

The purpose of YAGs is to build on the work which Area Boards and young people have completed through their local Community Area Young Peoples Issues Group (CAYPIG) around increasing the voice and influence of young people. YAGs are a development of the CAYPIG and will be very much an opportunity for young people to hold local providers of services, including Wiltshire Council, to account for the service they provide and to also work with young people to see how we can improve services.

It is for each Area Board to decide through consultation with young people whether they wish to retain the CAYPIG and link this to the YAG or to replace the CAYPIG with the YAG. This is a local decision and to date across the County different community areas have taken different decisions which is fine as we are keen to respond to local demands. I see this as part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring that young people are involved in influencing the design and delivery of services they use and key to this is the involvement of young people in Area Boards

There was a successful launch event for the Trowbridge YAG on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2012 with young people with reps from the Area Board, Wiltshire Council, Trowbridge Town Council and young people have already identified some issues they would like to work on such as:

- Town Park development
- Input into Campus
- Studley half pipe project
- Activities for young people what's happening where

A number of young people who have been involved in the CAYPIG will be involved in the YAG and youth workers will also be working with colleagues from schools and the voluntary sector to ensure that we can ensure there is a representation from a wide range of young people, not just those involved with the Council Youth Services. The Chair of the YAG has been invited by the Area Board to attend planning meetings and she is finding this extremely useful and helpful.

Trowbridge has been excellent in supporting the voice of young people and supporting youth work locally and I am confident that with the good working relationships we have this will continue in the future.

**Kevin Sweeney** 

21<sup>st</sup> December 2012

### WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

# TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013

Subject: Land at former Peter Black site, Mortimer Street, Trowbridge.

# **Purpose of Report**

1. To update Members regarding the progress of investigations regarding remedying the poor condition of the above site.

# **Background**

- 2. Members will recall that a report on this matter was brought to the previous Area Board meeting, where it was explained that GVA, the official receiver for the landowner, had agreed to undertake the following works, from a larger list of works advised by officers to remedy the poor condition of the site, by the end of November 2012:
  - Carry out maintenance to all outgrown boundary landscaping of the site;
  - Repair and secure all gates and fencing on the boundary of the site;
  - Remove rubbish, rubble and detritus from within the site.

# The current situation

- 3. Officers reviewed the condition of the site immediately after 30<sup>th</sup> November, to ascertain whether the above steps had been taken and to determine whether any further action was considered necessary to remedy the adverse effect on local amenity.
- 4. Officers noted that some works to the site had been undertaken, in particular a secure hoarding had been erected on an insecure part of the Mortimer Street frontage, some boarding had been replaced to the office building graffiti had been painted out and landscape planting partly cut back.

- 5. However due in particular to the poor external appearance of the office building on Mortimer Street, the overgrown nature of the site boundaries on Mortimer Street and County Way which included outgrown self-seeded planting an unmaintained formal planting, together with the rubble deposited at the 'Tesco' end of the site overall the appearance of the site had not changed so significantly that officers were able to conclude that the adverse effect on local amenity had been satisfactorily remedied.
- 6. At the time of writing a notice under Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 requiring action to be taken to remedy the harm to amenity is therefore being prepared and it is hoped to bring a further update to members in this respect at the meeting.

# Recommendation

A: That Members note the report.

B: The Area Board receives a further update in respect of this matter at its next meeting.

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Date of report: 4<sup>th</sup> January 2013.

# **Background Papers**

The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this report:

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# TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD FORWARD PLAN

Please note that this is a working document which is subject to change due to availability of the relevant officers/partners and time scales.

Date	Location	Area Board Agenda Items	Cabinet Member Attending
Thursday 14 March 2013			TBC
Thursday 11 July 2013	County Hall, Trowbridge	Provisional Items      Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman     Reconstitution of Sub groups – Community Area Transport Group and Shadow Community Operations Board.     Appointments to Outside Bodies  Standard items including Updates and Community Area Grants	TBC
Upcoming future items		<ul> <li>Review of Local Bus Services</li> <li>Asset Management Strategy</li> </ul>	

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