

## AGENDA

**Meeting:** TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD  
**Place:** The Atrium, Wiltshire Council, Bradley Road, Trowbridge, BA14 0RD  
**Date:** Thursday 17 March 2011  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

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

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**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.**

***Please note that a 'Community Flooding & Drainage Request Display' will also be available from 6.30pm***

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### Wiltshire Councillors

Ernie Clark – Hilperton ( <b>Chairman</b> )	Stephen Oldrieve – Paxcroft ( <b>Vice-Chairman</b> )
Peter Fuller – Park	Helen Osborn – Lambrok
Tom James MBE – Adcroft	Jeff Osborn – Grove
John Knight – Central	Graham Payne – Drynham
Francis Morland – Southwick	

Items to be considered	Time
<p>1. <b>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>2. <b>Apologies</b></p> <p>3. <b>Minutes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17 January 2011.</li> <li>ii. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.</li> </ul> <p>4. <b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests, or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p> <p>5. <b>Chairman's Announcements</b></p> <p>To include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Update on action against parked cars for sale in the highway</li> <li>ii. Stallard Street Playbuilder Update</li> <li>iii. Proposed Changes to Arrangements Governing the Code of Conduct.</li> </ul>	<p><b>7:00pm</b></p>
<p>6. <b>Delegation of Authority to Community Area Manager</b></p> <p>To consider that, in respect of urgent financial matters that may arise from time to time between meetings of an Area Board (excluding Community Area Grant funding), the Community Area Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Trowbridge Area Board, be granted delegated authority to make decisions provided any expenditure does not exceed £500 from the budget delegated to the area board.</p>	<p><b>7.10pm</b></p>
<p>7. <b>Partner Updates</b></p> <p>To note the written reports and receive any updates from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Wiltshire Police</li> <li>ii. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</li> <li>iii. NHS Wiltshire</li> <li>iv. Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF)</li> <li>v. Community Area Young People's Issues Group (CAYPIG)</li> <li>vi. Trowbridge Town Council</li> <li>vii. Parish Council Nominated Representatives.</li> </ul>	<p><b>7:15pm</b></p>

8.	<p><b>Section 106 Projects Summary</b></p> <p>Brad Fleet, Director of the Development Service, will present a summary of Section 106 projects in the Trowbridge Community Area.</p>	7.25pm
9.	<p><b>Trowbridge Community Area Plan</b></p> <p>Doug Ross and Kate Oatley of Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF) will run a participative session on the draft Trowbridge Community Area Plan.</p>	7.45pm
10.	<p><b>Draft Child Poverty Reduction Strategy</b></p> <p>Lynda Cox, Head of Performance Management and Information, will present the Draft Child Poverty Reduction Strategy.</p>	8.05pm
11.	<p><b>Highways' Issues</b></p> <p>A discussion will take place regarding current highways' issues in Trowbridge at Bythesea Road, the Shires and the Gateway.</p>	8.20pm
12.	<p><b>Car Parking Issues in Trowbridge</b></p> <p>A discussion will take place regarding the current car parking issues in Trowbridge and proposed ways forward.</p>	8.30pm
13.	<p><b>Any Other Urgent Business, Evaluation and Forward Plan</b></p> <p>The Chairman will take any other items of urgent business.</p> <p>The meeting is asked to note the future meeting dates below and is reminded to complete the evaluation forms in the packs.</p> <p>The Forward Plan is attached for information.</p>	8.40pm
14.	<p><b>Allocation of Funding</b></p> <p><b>i. Community Area Grants</b> To consider the following applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme 2010/11:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Wiltshire British Armed Forces and Veterans Celebrations - £819 requested for re-enactors march/parade.</li> <li>b. Gloucester Road Allotment Association - £5,000 requested to create accessible allotments for disabled people.</li> <li>c. Trowbridge Town Council - £2,964 requested to provide a free National Play Day in Trowbridge Park.</li> <li>d. Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership - £771 requested to purchase printing equipment for regular newsletters.</li> </ul>	9.00pm

- e. Trowbridge Westbourne Sports Club, Tennis Section - £793 requested to provide tennis coaching and summer camps for school children.
- f. The Trowbridge County Town Initiative - £939 requested to promote an initiative to attract new members.
- g. North Bradley Youth Club - £449 requested to purchase equipment for a local youth club.
- h. Trowbridge Wanderers Youth Football Club - £5,000 requested to refurbish shower facilities.

**ii. Area Board Projects**

To consider the following applications for funding under the Area Boards Projects scheme:

- a. Paxcroft Mead Action Park - £5,000 requested.
- b. College Estate Community Garden - £750 requested.
- c. Street Survival Packs - £750 requested.

**iii. Performance Reward Grants**

To consider the following application for funding from the Performance Reward Grant Scheme 2010/11:

- a. Roundwood Scout Campsite and Activity Centre - up to £40,000 requested to purchase 10 acres of mixed woodland at Brokerswood near Westbury and develop for use as a Scout Campsite and open air activity centre for use by the 900 young people and volunteer leaders that make up the 12 scout groups in Wiltshire West District Scout Association. The site will also be made available to all organised youth organisations (including Guides and youth clubs) school parties and pre-school children.

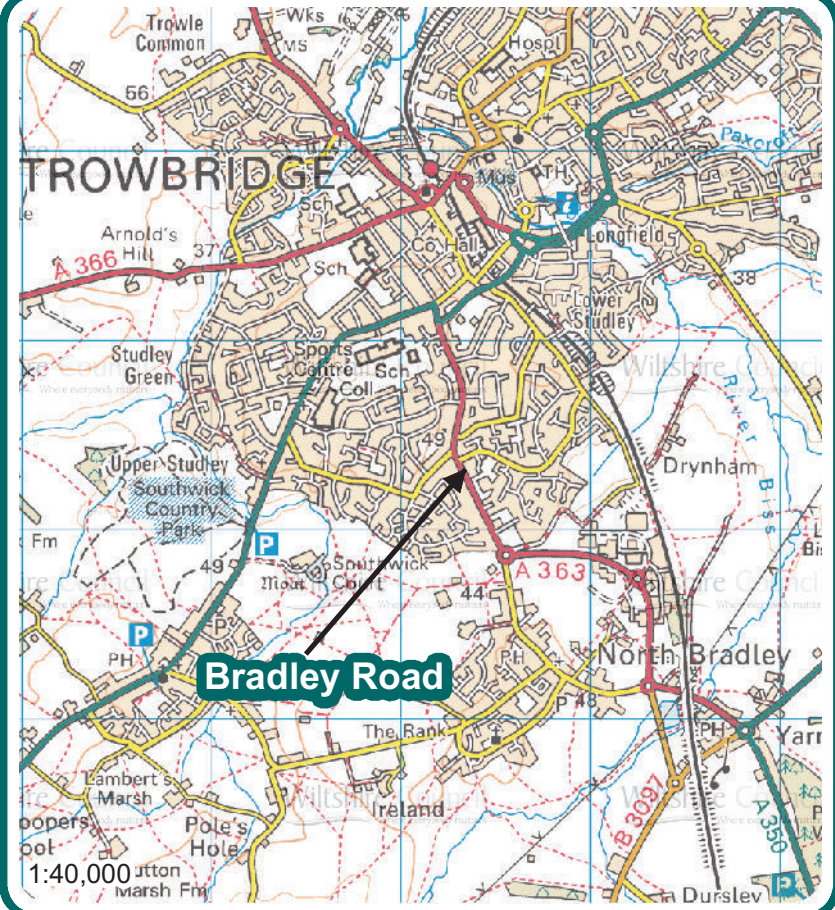
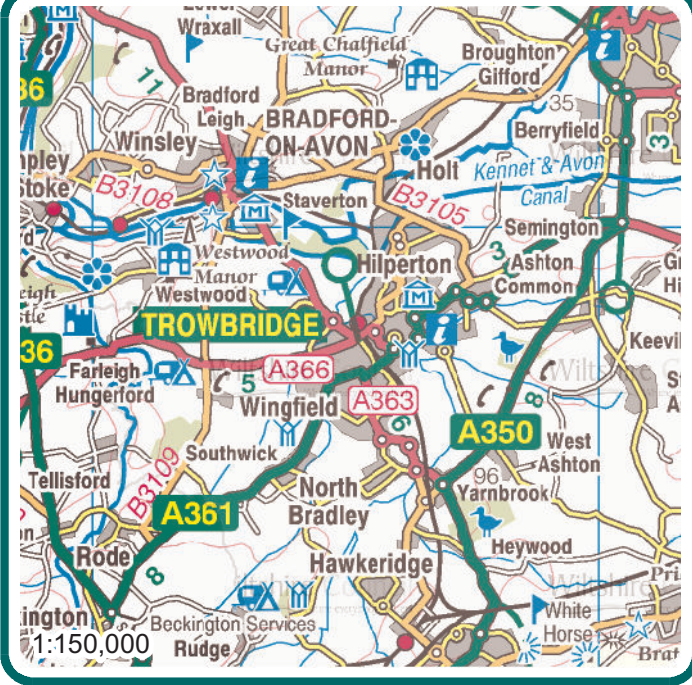
15. **Close**

**9:30pm**

**Future Meeting Dates**

**Thursday 5 May 2011 - 7.00 pm**  
Council Chamber, Wiltshire Council Office, Bradley  
Road, Trowbridge

**Thursday 7 July 2011 - 7.00 pm**  
The Atrium, Wiltshire Council Office, Bradley Road,  
Trowbridge



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# MINUTES

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## In Attendance:

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

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

Cllr Fleur de Rhe-Philippe (Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance and Risk)

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Penny Bell, Democratic Services Officer  
Rachel Efemey, Community Area Manager  
Mayur Bhatt, Equality and Diversity Manager  
Kate Golledge, Licensing Manager  
Linda Holland, Senior Licensing Officer  
Siobainn Chaplin, Development Service for Young People

### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Trowbridge Town Council – Rollie Cleere, Bob Brice, Lance Allan (Clerk)  
North Bradley Parish Council – Elaine Bond

**Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Dave Cullop

Wiltshire Police Authority – Kieran Kilgallen

Trowbridge Community Area Future – Doug Ross, Kate Oatley, Gaynor Polglase

Parish Councils Liaison Group – Gaynor Polglase

**Members of Public in Attendance: 27****Total in attendance: 51**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>	<u>Action By</u>
1.	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Ernie Clark, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Trowbridge Area Board and announced a slight amendment to the agenda, with Item 12 being moved to become Item 9.</p> <p>A public petition was handed to the Chairman on behalf of local residents calling for traffic calming on Holbrook Lane. The Chairman advised that the petition would be formally logged with Democratic Services and a response would be received within 10 working days.</p> <p>The Vice Chairman, Councillor Stephen Oldrieve, announced that Fairtrade Fortnight would take place from 28 February to 13 March. Trowbridge had been a Fairtrade Town for the past two years and it was hoped that Wiltshire would soon become a Fairtrade County, particularly as it was a Wiltshire Council priority to support Fairtrade products and services.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Michael Hudson, Service Director, Jo Howes of NHS Wiltshire, Joy Hillier of the Wiltshire Police Authority and Aga Klien-Buchalska of the Polish Social Club.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18 November 2010 were agreed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></p> <p>Councillor Jeff Osborn commented on the youth items that had been on the previous meeting's agenda and requested that an update on the youth activities funded by the Area Board be put on the Forward Plan.</p> <p>Councillor Helen Osborn announced that the Studley Green Youth Centre was due to re-open at the beginning of February and wished the Centre good luck.</p>	<p><b>Penny Bell</b></p>

4.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Councillors Jeff Osborn, Peter Fuller, John Knight and Helen Osborn all declared general personal interests in Trowbridge Town Council issues due to being members of Trowbridge Town Council. All councillors had dispensations allowing them to speak and vote on such matters.</p> <p>Councillor Graham Payne declared a general personal interest in Trowbridge Town Council issues due to being members of Trowbridge Town Council. No dispensation was in place.</p> <p>Councillor Peter Fuller declared a personal interest in the Community Area Grant application from Trowbridge Town Football Club as he was a member of the club. He intended to speak and vote on the application.</p> <p>Councillor Stephen Oldrieve declared a prejudicial interest in the Community Area Grant application from the Phoenix Badminton Club and would leave the room for this item.</p> <p>The Chairman declared a prejudicial interest in the Community Area Grant application from Hilperton Village Hall as he was a member of the Village Hall Committee. He would leave the room for this item.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman announced the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Cars sold on the roadsides – Councillors Peter Fuller and Helen Osborn reported that a scheme similar to the one trialled in Salisbury was due to commence in Trowbridge, which would result in action being taken on this issue in the future. It was suggested that an update on this item should be placed on the Forward Plan.</li> <li>ii. Dog Control Orders – Details of this consultation were included in the agenda pack at page 19. The consultation would run until 7 February 2011 and people could comment online at <a href="http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations</a></li> </ul>	<b>Penny Bell</b>
6.	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>Updates were received as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Community Area Young Peoples' Issues Group (CAYPIG)</b> Members of the CAYPIG provided a brief update on their main aims for the year ahead, and announced that they</li> </ul>	

	<p>hoped to present their ideas at the next meeting of the Area Board.</p> <p><b>ii. Wiltshire Police</b> An update report from Wiltshire Police had been circulated prior to the meeting and was contained within the agenda at page 21.</p> <p><b>iii. Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service</b> An update report from Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service was circulated at the meeting.</p> <p><b>iv. NHS Wiltshire</b> An update report from NHS Wiltshire had been circulated prior to the meeting and was contained within the agenda at page 25.</p> <p>Councillor Jeff Osborn expressed his disappointment with the lack of progress with the new Primary Care Centre and also with regards to Charter House. He requested that both organisations were contacted in order to progress matters.</p> <p><b>v. Trowbridge Community Area Future(TCAF)</b> An update report from TCAF was circulated at the meeting. The BA14 Culture Group was selling tickets to a music and dancing event that would take place on Saturday 5 March 2011 at Southwick.</p> <p><b>vi. Trowbridge Town Council</b> An update report from Trowbridge Town Council had been circulated prior to the meeting and was contained within the agenda at page 29. Councillor Francis Morland expressed concern at the Town Council’s proposals with regards to the governance review of town boundaries, and reported that some parishes were concerned at the proposals.</p> <p><b>vii. Parish Councils</b> Gaynor Polglase reported on behalf of the Parish Liaison Group that the main issue was the governance review, as outlined above.</p>	<p><b>Rachel Efemey</b></p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><u>Outside Body Updates</u></p> <p>Councillor Jeff Osborn reported that there was a Transforming Trowbridge meeting the following Thursday. One of the main issues at present was the provision of recreational land in the area, and Councillor Osborn reported that this was progressing well and various options were being looked into.</p>	

8.	<p><u>Migrant Workers Meeting Update</u></p> <p>Mayur Bhatt, Equality and Diversity Manager, Wiltshire Council, provided an update on work with Polish Migrant Workers in Wiltshire and the Trowbridge Community Area.</p> <p>Between 2004 and 2007 there was a large increase in the level of migrant workers in the county, particularly in Trowbridge and Melksham. Lots of the jobs that migrant workers undertook involved unsociable shift patterns which could affect access to services and support. The migrant workers community felt that it would be very helpful to have some sort of self-help e-facility that would enable them to independently access services and support in their own time.</p> <p>As part of Wiltshire Council's corporate commitment to equality, a small grant was provided to help develop an e-facilities initiative for migrant workers.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mayur for his presentation, and a couple of questions and issues arose</p> <p>In response to a question regarding the demographics of migrant workers, and the focus on the Polish community, Mayur explained that Polish workers made up a large proportion of migrant workers, but that there were also other nationalities such as Ukrainian and Portuguese.</p> <p>Some concern arose regarding the lack of firm data on the number of migrant workers within the county and the Community Area, which made it particularly difficult to plan and provide appropriately. Mayur acknowledged this and explained that the 2011 Census would hopefully resolve the current gaps in data.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Visiting Cabinet Representative</u></p> <p>Councillor Fleur de Rhé-Philippe, Cabinet Member for Finance, Procurement and Risk, provided an overview of the Council's current pressures and challenges. The national financial constraints along with the increase in young and elderly people in Wiltshire were shaping the way that Council services would be commissioned and delivered in the future.</p> <p>Councillor de Rhé-Philippe outlined the main challenges that the Council currently faced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reductions in Government grant funding</li> <li>• Protecting the vulnerable</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investing in key services</li> <li>• Keeping council tax low</li> <li>• Resolving other cost pressures.</li> </ul> <p>In the discussion that ensued, the following points and issues arose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The use of volunteers, as proposed for libraries, could be used in other areas where appropriate.</li> <li>• Larger libraries with proposed cuts in opening hours could utilise volunteers to keep opening hours at the same level.</li> <li>• The budget for 2011/12 had not been set yet so it was not known whether there would be any changes to the Area Board budgets.</li> <li>• In terms of privatisation of services, this may be considered in the future, but not until the Council was satisfied that service provision was at the right level first.</li> <li>• All related Powerpoint slides that had been used at the Budget Forums would be on the Wiltshire Council website soon. Figures used were the revenue costs of borrowing capital.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Councillor de Rhé-Philippe for her presentation.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Street Trading Scheme</u></p> <p>Kate Golledge, Licensing Manager (North and West) and Linda Holland, Senior Licensing Officer (North and West), provided an overview of new proposals for street trading. Full details were contained in pages 33 to 40 of the agenda.</p> <p>Currently, Wiltshire Council was operating three different street trading schemes, as inherited from the former district councils. These schemes were in operation in the north, west and east of the county. The south currently had no street trading scheme so the Council had no powers against illegal traders.</p> <p>The current situation was not suitable and so a formal consultation was being undertaken on a new county-wide street trading scheme. The consultation was live now, and would end on 17 March 2011. Views were also being sought on any lay-bys that were considered unsuitable for street trading in that area of the county.</p> <p>The following points and issues arose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concern was expressed that some existing consented street</li> </ul>	

	<p>trading schemes were unsuitable and ideally needed to be reviewed. It was confirmed that the proposed new street trading scheme would require all existing traders to reapply and be reassessed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A query arose regarding proposals for 'block street trading' and whether town and parish councils would need consent under the new scheme and whether fees would be payable. The consultation paper included a question as to whether town and parish councils should be exempt from this, so people were advised to respond to the consultation with their views.</li> <li>• With regards to proximity to schools, and the proposed condition that no licences would be granted for traders within a 500m radius of schools, it was confirmed that all applications would be looked at and would depend on the nature of the activity.</li> <li>• The Street Trading scheme did not cover street beggars, as this was criminal activity and dealt with by the Police. Street traders for charitable purposes were required to go through an application process.</li> <li>• Town and parish councils could apply for Section 101 agreements under the Local Government Act, to enable them the power to grant street trading consent.</li> <li>• A comment was made regarding the ease at which some street trading consent was sometimes obtained, and the detrimental effect that this could have on retail units within the town centre, many of which were struggling in the current climate.</li> <li>• With regards to hackney carriages, it was envisaged that the licensing process would be aligned in the next 12 to 18 months.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Kate Golledge and Linda Holland for their presentation.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Wiltshire Police Authority - update</u></p> <p>Kieran Kilgallen, Chief Executive of Wiltshire Police Authority, gave a presentation on proposed plans to make savings in light of budget reductions from central government.</p> <p>The Authority was required to make savings of £15million over the next four years, and the main responsibility was to achieve this without compromising the effectiveness or efficiency of the police service. To ensure this, there were no planned changes to the number of frontline police officers in the communities.</p> <p>The Authority was currently consulting on its proposals and people</p>	

	<p>could respond online at <a href="http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk">www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk</a>, or by telephoning 01380 734022 to receive a paper copy.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Kieran Kilgallen for the presentation and recommended that people responded to the consultation with their views.</p>	
12.	<p><u>Local Transport Plan Funding: Selection of Dropped Kerbs</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to seven requests for dropped kerbs under the Area Board's allocated budget for Local Transport Plan funding.</p> <p>At a previous meeting, the Area Board had agreed to allocate the sum of £5,000 for the provision of dropped kerbs, which was enough to fund a total of seven dropped kerbs. Two requests had been agreed at the last Area Board meeting, leaving funds available to allocate a further five dropped kerbs.</p> <p>The Chairman proposed that the Area Board approved all seven requests for dropped kerbs, by drawing funds from the Community Area Grant Scheme to make up the shortfall. This was seconded and agreed by the Area Board.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Area Board approved seven requests for dropped kerbs, as detailed below, by using remaining funds from the Local Transport Plan budget and drawing on the Community Area Grant budget to make up the shortfall.</b></p> <p><b>Dropped kerbs approved:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Bellefield Crescent (West) x 2 at junction with St Thomas Rd.</b></li> <li><b>2. Bellefield Crescent (East) x 2 at junction with St Thomas Rd.</b></li> <li><b>3. Delamere Road x 1 close to junction with St Thomas Rd opposite existing driveway.</b></li> <li><b>4. Stancomb Avenue x 1 at junction with St Thomas Rd.</b></li> <li><b>5. Marston Road x 1 from the last lay-by on Marston Road heading to Kingdown Road across to Boundary Walk.</b></li> </ol>	Rachel Efemey
13.	<p><u>Any Other Urgent Business, Evaluation and Forward Plan</u></p> <p>The Chairman called a short recess prior to allocating the Community Area Grant funding.</p>	

	<p>The Chairman reminded people to complete their evaluation forms before they left and announced that the Forward Plan of provisional future agenda items was contained within the agenda at page 43.</p>	
14.	<p><b><u>Funding</u></b></p> <p><b>a. Community Area Grants</b>  Consideration was given to five applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme 2010/11, as follows:</p> <p>i. <b><u>Trowbridge Phoenix Badminton Club</u></b>  The sum of £851 was requested to buy new nets and posts to increase participation of juniors.</p> <p>Councillor Oldrieve left the meeting for consideration of this application due to having a prejudicial interest.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Area Board awarded the sum of £851 to Trowbridge Phoenix Badminton Club</b>  <b><i>Reason: The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2010/11 and demonstrated links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire.</i></b></p> <p>Councillor Oldrieve returned to the meeting.</p> <p>ii. <b><u>North Bradley Peace Memorial Hall</u></b>  The sum of £765 was requested to carry out a project development study for renewable energy.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Area Board awarded the sum of £765 to North Bradley Peace Memorial Hall.</b>  <b><i>Reason: The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2010/11 and demonstrated links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan.</i></b></p> <p>iii. <b><u>Hilperton Village Hall</u></b>  The sum of £2,775 was requested for improvements to men's toilet facilities.</p> <p>The Chairman left the meeting at this point due to having a prejudicial interest in this item. Councillor Oldrieve took the Chair.</p>	<p>Rachel Efemey</p> <p>Rachel Efemey</p>



	<p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  The Area Board awarded the sum of £2,775 to Hilperton Village Hall with the condition that the applicant did not apply to the Area Board for further funds towards the refurbishment of the village hall's toilet facilities.  <b><u>Reason:</u></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2010/11 and demonstrated a link to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire.</i></p> <p>iv. <b><u>Lavender Fields Residents Association</u></b>  The sum of £212 was requested to set up an interactive website to improve two-way communication with local residents.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  The Area Board awarded the sum of £212 to Lavender Fields Residents Association with the condition that the applicant contacted internet service providers first to investigate whether they could offer any services free of charge.  <b><u>Reason:</u></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2010/11 and demonstrated a link to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan.</i></p> <p>v. <b><u>Trowbridge Town Football Club</u></b>  The sum of £1,687 was requested to fund 29 managers and coaches to attend required FA courses.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  The Area Board awarded the sum of £1,687 to Trowbridge Town Football Club.  <b><u>Reason:</u></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria 2010/11 and demonstrated a link to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan.</i></p> <p><b>b. Performance Reward Grants</b>  Consideration was given to two applications to the Performance Reward Grant Scheme, as follows:</p> <p>i. <b><u>Wiltshire Alternative Youth Sports Partnership (WAYS)</u></b>  The sum of £5,900 was requested for sports hub development.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  The Area Board supported the application from the Wiltshire Alternative Youth Sports Partnership and</p>	<p>Rachel Efemey</p> <p>Rachel Efemey</p> <p>Rachel Efemey</p> <p>Rachel Efemey</p> <p>Rachel Efemey</p>
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	<p><b>recommended it for approval by the Performance Reward Grant Panel.</b></p> <p>ii. <u>Trowbridge Community Area Extended Services</u> The sum of £8,428 was requested for the Trowbridge Parenting Network.</p> <p>Councillor Helen Osborn left the meeting due to having a prejudicial interest in this application, as she was a member of the Extended Services Steering Group.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b> <b>The Area Board supported the application from Trowbridge Community Area Extended Services and recommended it for approval by the Performance Reward Grant Panel.</b></p>	<p><b>Rachel Efemey</b></p>
15.	<u>Close</u>	

## **Trowbridge Area Board – Thursday 17 March 2011**

### **Chairman's Announcements**

#### **Update on Action against Parked Cars for Sale in the Highway**

We have advised Legal services of the locations in question and plans of the area and the notices are being drawn up at the moment. The site at The Poplars is requiring a little extra work as only half of the area in question is actually deemed highway and so Legal services are having a think about the best way to prohibit car sales to the rear of this area (which is still Council land).

Obviously we would prefer to impose restrictions on the entirety of all of these locations at the same time, but as Legal services did not feel there would be any great delay caused by figuring out how to treat this 'non-highway' stretch of land, I don't foresee it causing any significant delay to the serving of the notices themselves.

David Growcock  
Enforcement Team Leader



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#### **Stallard Street Playbuilder Update**

Playbuilder was funding from the previous government as part of The Children's Plan. Wiltshire Council invited parish bids for the funding and put those into a matrix alongside the Wiltshire Council sites and were scored on several criteria including rurality, space restraints, needs of local children etc. Stallard Street is a Wiltshire Council site and came high on our list

Stallard Street was awarded £75k from Playbuilder and £20k from Aiming High for Disabled Children. Local schools were sent email consultation forms and a day booked for a consultation within the park too. Leaflets were distributed to all homes adjacent to the park to advertise this. At that point the new government withdrew funds and all consultation had to be cancelled. The new government then de-ringfenced the funds and gave back a proportion only. Wiltshire Council could have then spent the funds on anything but decided to support our community commitments.

We quickly had plans drawn up for Stallard Street based on the school children's feedback and put them on display in the library. We kept the community informed of progress with posters on the park gates.

The Playbuilder project was for two years and we will have built 33 new or improved play spaces during that time.

An agenda item on the progress with the Stallard Street play area will be given at the 5<sup>th</sup> May Trowbridge Area Board meeting.

Niki Willows  
Play Development Advisor



## Trowbridge Area Board – Thursday 17 March 2011

### Chairman's Announcements

#### Localism Bill - Proposed Changes to Arrangements Governing the Conduct of Councillors

The Government's Localism Bill, published on 13 December 2010, makes significant changes to the current arrangements governing the conduct of councillors in Wiltshire. The proposals in the Bill include:

- removing the requirement for councils to adopt a national code of conduct for councillors;
- abolishing Standards for England, the national body responsible for overseeing the current standards regime in England;
- introducing new arrangements for the registration and declaration of personal interests, backed by the criminal law;
- giving councils a duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by councillors;
- enabling councils to adopt a voluntary code of conduct.

Councils, including unitary, town, parish and city councils will be expected to establish a committee to oversee the council's arrangements for promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct.

We will be monitoring the Localism Bill as it proceeds through Parliament. The Bill is expected to become law in the Autumn 2011. Further details on the arrangements will be provided in regulations.

In the meantime the current arrangements for standards, including the local assessment, consideration and determination of complaints under the model code of conduct adopted by councils, will continue to apply. We anticipate that the new arrangements will not come into effect until the Spring 2012.

We will be providing updates on the progress of this legislation to towns, parish and city councils.

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**Trowbridge Area Board**  
**17 March 2011**

**Delegation of Authority to Community Area Manager**

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to ask the area board to consider whether it wishes to delegate power to the Community Area Manager to take certain urgent financial decisions between meetings where necessary.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 There is currently no provision to make financial decisions between meetings of an area board. If expenditure was required on small operational matters then this would require an extraordinary meeting.
- 2.2 The proposal to grant delegated power to the Community Area Manager would enable urgent financial decisions to be made without the need for an extraordinary meeting. The details of the decision would then be reported to the next meeting of the board to ensure transparency.
- 2.3 The delegated power is only intended to be used for matters of financial urgency which cannot wait until the next meeting of the area board and would not be used as a matter of routine. The majority of decisions will continue to be taken at a public meeting

**3. Recommendation**

- 3.1 It is proposed that the area board agrees:

That in respect of urgent financial matters that may arise from time to time between meetings of an Area Board (excluding Community Area Grant funding), the Community Area Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Trowbridge Area Board, be granted delegated authority to make decisions provided any expenditure does not exceed £500 from the budget delegated to the area board. A report explaining the decision and the reasons why it was considered to be urgent shall be reported to the next ordinary meeting of the area board to ensure that such decisions are subject to public examination

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**Background Papers**

None

**Appendices**

None





## Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Trowbridge Community Area Board 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011

### 1. Neighbourhood Policing

#### Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams, including, profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police Website.

🖥️ Visit the new and improved website at:

[www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

#### Team News:

PCSO James Bates has joined the team after successfully completing his basic training and will replace PCSO William Taylor who has been posted to a Safer Schools Partnership post in Chippenham.

#### Police Authority Representative

**Mrs Joy Hillyer** is an Independent Member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing police matters in the Community Area. She can be contacted via Wiltshire Police Authority:

☎️ 01380 734022

or 🖥️ <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

### 2. Comprehensive Spending Review

Work is ongoing to deliver a new policing model to meet the projected funding cuts over the next 4-years. The public consultation phase has been completed. Details of any changes to local policing delivery in Trowbridge will be reported to the Area Board as soon as they become known.

### 3. Performance

There continues to be a small reduction in overall crime in the Community Area.

Following the introduction of Local Resolution there will be a decrease in offences that are recorded as sanctioned detections or in other words offences that are finalised with a Criminal Justice outcome. Local Resolution brings back a common-sense approach to dealing with minor crimes and anti-social behaviour by putting the victim's wishes first. In many cases victims only want an offender to apologise to them or agree to reparation. This approach fits well with the use of Restorative Justice Practices where offenders are made to understand the impact of their behaviour and in many cases undertake work within their community.

The overall detection rate is the highest in the county.

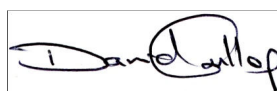
**Table 1 – Reported Crime Figures 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2010 – 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2011**

TROWBRIDGE SECTOR						
TROWBRIDGE	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	2009/10	2010/11	+ / -	% Change	2009/10	2010/11
Violence Against the Person	669	677	8	1.2%	51.7%	54.5%
Dwelling Burglary	125	169	44	35.2%	9.6%	19.5%
Criminal Damage	730	567	-163	-22.3%	16.7%	12.7%
Non Dwelling Burglary	183	157	-26	-14.2%	11.5%	3.2%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	125	184	59	47.2%	1.6%	21.7%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	58	65	7	12.1%	22.4%	21.5%
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>3020</b>	<b>2965</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>	<b>33.2%</b>	<b>31.9%</b>

There has been a small increase in reports of anti-social behaviour during the last quarter compared to the previous year. A high proportion of reports during December relate to snow-balling. Officers have adopted a sensible approach and have only followed-up incidents where there has been evidence of behaviour that is more than just 'horse-play'.

**Table 2 – Reported Anti-Social Behaviour Figures 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2010 – 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2010**

JAN-MAR 2010	APR-JUNE 2010 (2009)	JULY-SEPT 2010 (2009)	OCT – DEC 2010 (2009)	YEARLY AVE (10/11)
568	703 (735)	708 (849)	632 (565)	652.8



**David W Cullop**  
Sector Inspector

21/02/11



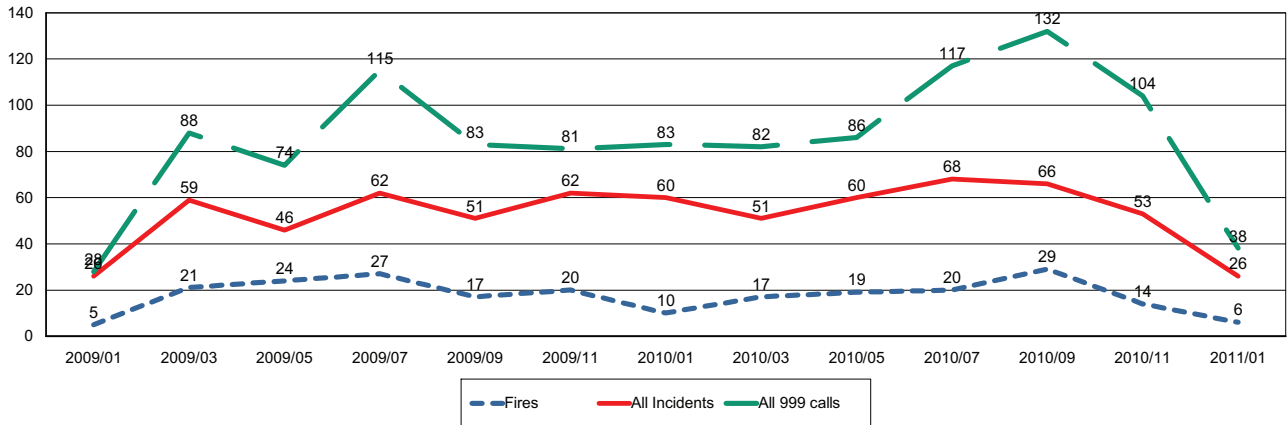
# Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service

Wiltshire and Swindon Fire Authority

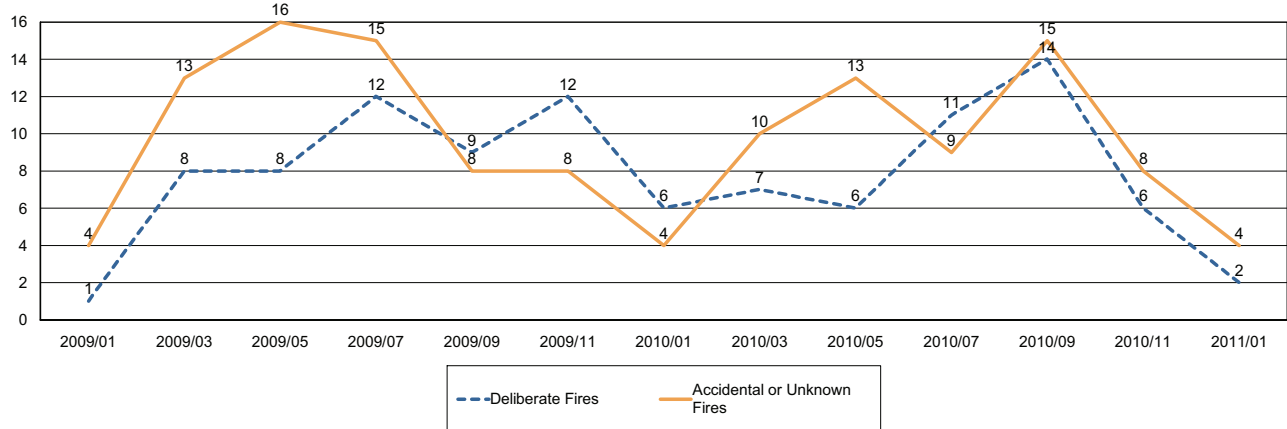
## Report for Trowbridge Area Board

The following is a bi-monthly update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including January 2011. It has been prepared by the Group Manager for the Board's area.

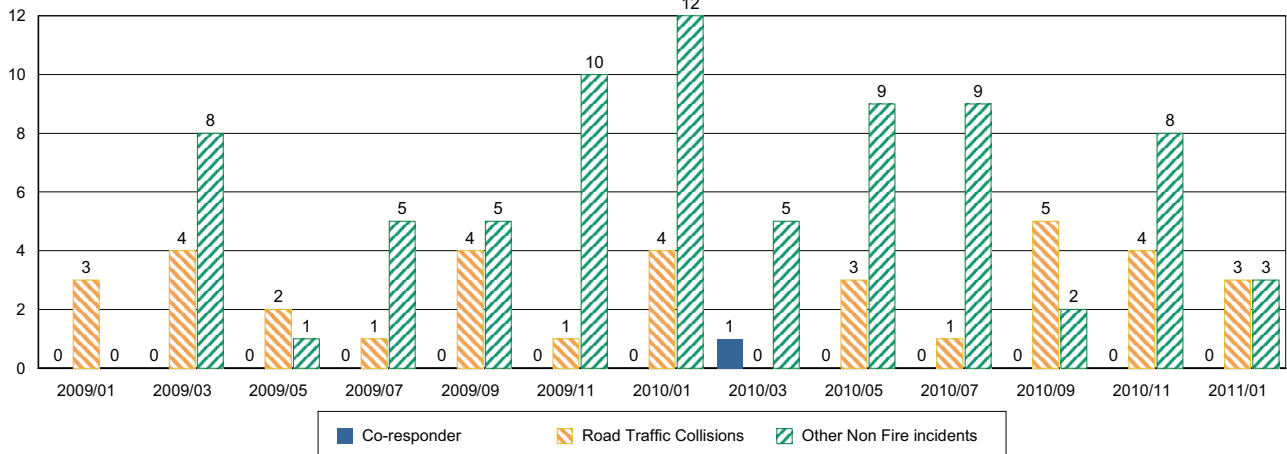
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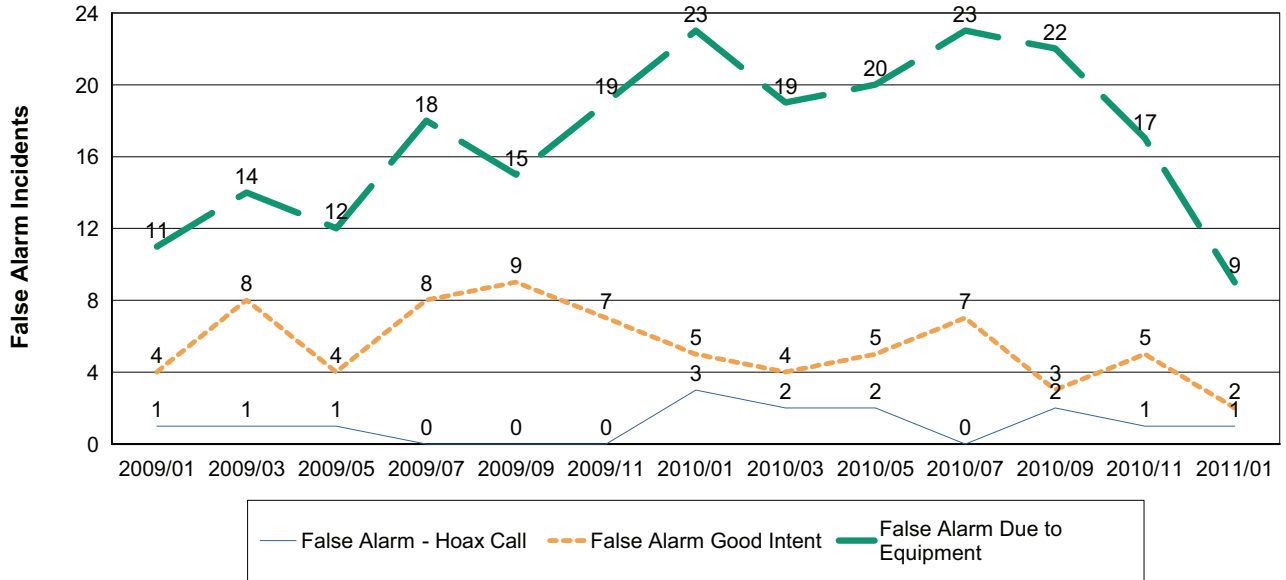
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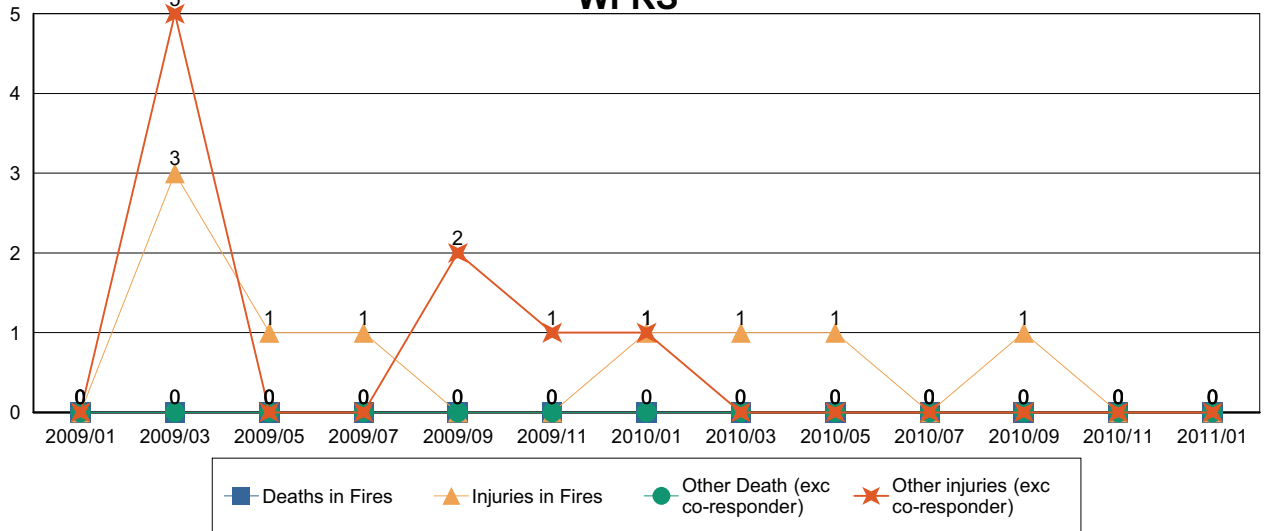
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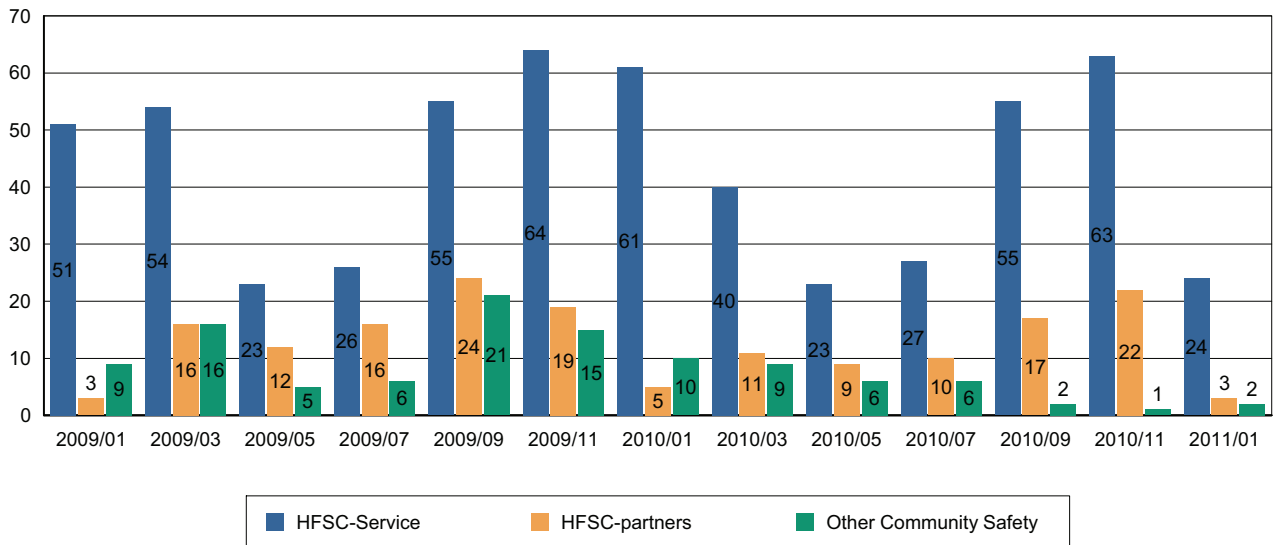
### Number of False Alarm Incidents



### Death & Injuries in incidents attended by WFRS



### Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf

## **Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Thatch Information**

Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service has launched a new thatch information pack, in a bid to reduce the risk and consequences of fires in thatched properties.

Although fires in thatched roofs are fairly rare, the devastation caused can be immense and such incidents are also very resource intensive for the fire and rescue service.

Over recent weeks, the Service has been building up a database of thatched properties and it has now started to contact these homeowners to offer the new information pack. This covers everything from how to prevent a fire in a thatched roof, to what to do in the unlikely event of a fire starting. We will also be offering a Home Safety Check , a personal visit from a fire fighter(free of charge) to discuss fire safety in peoples thatched homes and business'

This new initiative is aimed at protecting our communities and heritage from what are some of the most difficult fires that Fire fighters in Wiltshire have to deal with

The Service is also working with a master thatcher, who has been running awareness sessions for firefighters to help them better understand how to remove thatch from a building affected by fire. A training DVD will also be produced to ensure all crews are fully informed.

If you have a thatched property, you should hear from Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service over the coming weeks. However, if you would like to know more about the information pack, visit [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk) or call 0800 389 7849.





## NHS Update – February 2011

### Health and Social Care Bill sets out way forward for the NHS

Plans to put patients at the heart of the NHS have been set out in the Health and Social Care Bill 2011, published by the Government in January.

The proposed changes are intended to deliver better care, more choice and improved outcomes for patients, as well as long term financial savings for the NHS.

The Bill includes proposals to:

- Bring commissioning closer to patients by giving responsibility to GP-led groups
- Increase accountability for patients and the public by establishing HealthWatch and local wellbeing boards within local councils
- Enable all trusts to become foundation trusts and establish independent regulation of them
- Improve public health by creating Public Health England
- Reduce bureaucracy by streamlining arm's-length bodies

The changes should save more than £5 billion by 2014/15, and £1.7 billion a year after that, by changing the way the NHS delivers care, abolishing Strategic Health Authorities and Primary Care Trusts, and removing some 24,500 management posts.

For more information see: [www.dh.gov.uk/healthandsocialcarebill](http://www.dh.gov.uk/healthandsocialcarebill)

**Five 'consortia' groups of Wiltshire GPs have made a successful application for 'Pathfinder' status.** As a big step towards delivering the plans set out in the Government's NHS White Paper Liberating the NHS: Equity and Excellence, the Pathfinder groups will test the new commissioning arrangements to ensure they are working well before more formal arrangements come into place. GPs will work with colleagues at NHS Wiltshire in shadow form to manage the budget for Wiltshire patients, purchasing services for patients direct with other NHS colleagues and local authorities. The Pathfinder status allows GPs to test out the new arrangements at an early stage before GP consortia take on statutory responsibilities from April 2013

### New health facilities planned for Salisbury

Proposals for three new healthcare developments for Salisbury were unveiled at the last Salisbury Area Board. Representatives from NHS Wiltshire and three GP practices briefed local politicians and decision-makers on proposals, approved in outline by NHS Wiltshire late last year, for:

- New premises for the existing Castle Street practice on NHS owned land and for a new state-of-the-art GP practice on the site of Salisbury's Old Manor Hospital.
- Also on Wilton Road, refurbishment of the Groveley Unit, by NHS Wiltshire to accommodate services currently housed at the Central Clinic and at Salisbury Hospital.
- New Street Surgery's branch surgery at Bishopdown will not be affected by the changes and will continue to exist on its current site.

- Wiltshire to accommodate services currently housed at the Central Health Clinic and at Salisbury Hospital.

The new building on the site of the Old Manor Hospital will be paid for and developed by the GP practices, and designed to provide accessible, modern facilities for patients. For patients, the new developments will mean more comfortable, accessible premises, and access to the same doctors and other staff as before. In the case of Castle Street, the new premises will still be occupied by the same, single practice – and only a couple of minutes walk away from the existing surgery.

Patients of New Street and Grove House will find the new premises on the Old Manor site a welcome upgrade from the existing surgeries – fully accessible for patients with disabilities, with better car parking and access by bus. Otherwise, however, they will experience the same, personal service from the two practices.

### **You're Welcome at St Laurence School**

St Laurence School in Bradford on Avon has celebrated achieving "You're Welcome" status and is the first school in Wiltshire to do so.

You're Welcome is a robust national audit supported by the NHS to ensure that the health services provided for young people are friendly, relevant, confidential and totally supportive.

St Laurence School, together with its extended services staff, are dedicated to supporting their students' health and wellbeing, enabling them to access help to support their emotional and mental well being, their relationships and sexual health as well as drug and alcohol issues when needed. Staff work closely with partners and are able to signpost to additional specialist support when required.

To achieve the You're Welcome award the school had to demonstrate how the staff have engaged with young people to help develop, monitor and evaluate the services offered. St Laurence has embraced this challenge, constantly consulting the pupils and proactively seeking their involvement to make decisions about aspects of the service, such as where the multi agency drop-in should be located and what sort of venue it should be.

The next Board meeting of NHS Wiltshire will be held on **Wednesday 16 March at 10am - 2011 at Southgate House**. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Papers are published a week before the meeting on [www.wiltshire.nhs.uk](http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk) or on request from Stacey Saunders, NHS Wiltshire (tel: 01380 733839, email: [stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk](mailto:stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk)). For further information or copies of documents referred to above, please contact Jo Howes, Community Engagement Manager, 01380 733929 or [jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs](mailto:jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs)

## **NHS Update – March 2011**

### **South West has the highest proportion of people who smoke ‘roll-ups’**

Smokefree South West launches a major campaign in Wiltshire in early March, targeting the 33% of smokers in the South West, the highest in the country, who use hand rolling tobacco. The first of its kind, it will highlight its inherent health risks and dispel the myths that have built up around it.

The campaign, which has been backed by Cancer Research UK and the Faculty of Public Health, will be seen across Wiltshire, including eye catching billboards, support packs for smokers looking to quit and hard-hitting radio and television adverts premiering today.

The cost of hospital admissions for users of hand rolling tobacco in the South West ran to approximately £31.7m in 2008/09, this represents an estimated £6 for every person in the South West.

Smokefree South West has developed a brand new Wise-Up to Roll-Ups pack, in the style of a hand rolling tobacco pouch, containing information about hand rolling tobacco and quitting tools to aid smokers to quit hand rolling tobacco. Smokers can order a pouch, by texting **WISE** to a unique text number, 0800 028 0553, or by going online to our dedicated website [www.wiseupandquit.co.uk](http://www.wiseupandquit.co.uk). Leaflets and posters will also be placed in GP surgeries across the South West.

### **New NHS Stop-Smoking drop-in clinic for Westbury**

Westbury smokers wanting to take the first steps to freedom from the habit will have a new option on their doorstep, with the opening of NHS Wiltshire’s Saturday drop-in clinic at The Laverton in Bratton Road. The clinic has been set up in response to increasing demand for support to stop smoking, and will open on Saturday 26 February 2011, initially running for a 12-week pilot.

There is already an award-winning stop smoking clinic established in Westbury on Tuesday evenings which has proved a great success with people giving up and becoming smoke free. The Westbury clinic at the Hospital has attracted over 100 smokers since April 2010 with 65 per cent of those being smoke free four weeks after setting a quit date.

For information on how to get off the cigarettes, your local NHS Stop Smoking Service is the first place to call – phone 01380 733891. Alternatively people can visit <http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk/> for more information to help them make this important move.

### **Chippenham Hospital CQC Inspection**

In early February, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) which is the independent regulator of health and social care services in England, published a report following its visit to Chippenham Hospital in December 2010.

The visit was one of a programme of unannounced inspection visits to NHS facilities. Inspectors looked at the hospital environment, spoke to patients and staff on two wards and in the minor injuries unit, and reviewed a range of information.

The report identified that the Care Quality Commission has minor concerns about *some* aspects of the service on Beech Ward at Chippenham Hospital. It also found that new mothers praised staff on Chippenham Birthing Unit for their patient support with breastfeeding, and in the minor injuries unit staff were described as cheerful and welcoming.

Wiltshire Community Health Services (WCHS), which runs Chippenham Hospital, has welcomed the report, and acknowledged the areas where the CQC defined it has minor concerns. Responding, Annie Kelly, WCHS Director of Nursing with responsibility for the quality of patient care, said: "We take all the concerns seriously and are finalising a robust action plan, detailing how we can work with staff and others to ensure that we are providing the high quality care that people rightly expect."

### **Director of Public Health thanks health colleagues as flu numbers drop**

This year's seasonal influenza virus appears to be on the decrease this month after a difficult winter. Maggie Rae, Director of Public Health for Wiltshire, praised staff for their dedication and commitment over the last few months.

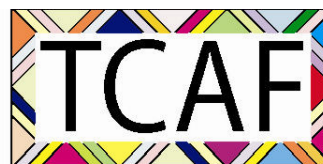
"As the person with responsibility for the public health of the people of Wiltshire, I would like to give my thanks to the GPs, hospital doctors, nurses, pharmacists and NHS Wiltshire's Primary Care Team who have done a tremendous job this winter – as they do every winter – in keeping the local health service running effectively. All the health and social care staff have done an excellent job, and thanks to their efforts, along with appropriate self-treatment and use of services by local people, we have managed very well".

Influenza is still circulating in our communities, although at much lower levels than we saw over the Christmas period.

### **Next NHS Wiltshire Board Meeting**

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*We're making a difference*

## Report to Trowbridge Area Board 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

### 1. **The Steering Group Meeting is scheduled for Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011.**

The Community Area Plan is now in draft form and will be presented at this evening's meeting to include any success measures and key outcomes. Copies of the Community Area Plan will be available to download within the next few weeks.

### 2. **Economy and Transport.**

Transforming Trowbridge met on 26/01/2011 with Melanie Teal from the Consortium and Inspector Dave Cullop joining the Board.

**The Gateway** has one large unit left with negotiations taking time. A planning application has been received which proposes putting a cafe/restaurant into three small shop units at the Stallard Street end of the main building. Sales and letting of apartments are slow. The main residential element of the project is on hold and there is a for sale sign up.

**St Stephens Place/Cradle Bridge sites** Legal & General and Parkridge have agreed to a joint development of the 2 sites. There has been some commercial interest in the site which could involve provision of a cinema but this is at a very early stage.

**Bowyers Factory site:** - Some interest is being shown in this site but again is at an early stage.

**Wiltshire Council's Town Centre Leisure Hub:** - Following the public consultation exercise this development has been brought forward to 2013 from 2017 which is really excellent news. Cllr Jeff Osborn has proposed that the possibility of incorporating a Cinema and other leisure facilities should be investigated but should not delay the Leisure hub development.

**Car Parking:** - The Chamber of Commerce is concerned that the significant increase in car parking charges will have an adverse effect on business in the town centre. The possibility of a footfall count before and after the imposition of the new charges is being investigated by TCAF.

**TransWilts Rail:** - Proposals have been put forward for a new rail service between Swindon and Salisbury, linking the 5 largest population centres in Wiltshire and providing 8 journeys per day in each direction. We urged our contacts to support the proposal by completing the return. 1,625 public and 154 business responses were received registering overwhelming support and the £25,000 for a consultant's report was achieved as part of the bid to the Government. There has been a subsequent request for £1,500 for a report supporting a new tourist halt close to the Staverton Marina.

**The Masterplan:** - It is estimated that a full Masterplan will cost £55,000 which is more than next year's budget so alternative sources of funding are being investigated.

**The Trowbridge County Town Initiative:** - This is a town centre retailers' initiative, supported by TT; TTC and the Chamber of Commerce, which is developing plans to promote the retail offer in the town centre. They are hoping to produce a leaflet with details of the shops in and around the town centre with some funding from TT and others.

**Shops and Offices in and around Trowbridge Town Centre:** - Jamie Turner and Vicky de Lang, our FJF employees, have completed the Shops and Offices survey which has gone to Adam Nardell and the Chamber of Commerce. A footfall count is under consideration working with Adam Nardell and Len Turner.

**The Schedule of Sites with development potential and planning applications related thereto:** - The updated version is available.

**Bus Services and Bus stops in the Community Area:** - Work has been started on mapping the routes of the bus services and physical checking along the routes to establish the location of all the bus shelters is being worked on. Contact has been made with Ian White Manager of the passenger traffic unit to try to find out the likely changes to services before we go too far.

**Community Area Plan:** - We are still awaiting WC's responses to the issues and concerns which were raised during our public consultations and when received these will be incorporated into the Plan.

### **3. Education - Extended Schools Services –**

- The group will meet on Friday 11th March.
- There is discussion of Extended Services joining with Trowbridge Area Schools Collaborative and Trowbridge Area Heads to develop collaborative working throughout the community area.
- The group is presently looking at the pros and cons of changing the status of the group to a charitable organisation
- The Community Hub at The John of Gaunt School continues to offer its drop-in clinics and multi-agency services to young people. Extended Services will build on the vision of the centre as a community health and resource centre as well as student education and welfare and as a training centre.
- A cluster counsellor has been recruited to work out of the Hub. Cluster schools may have the opportunity to 'buy-into' the service as needed.
- The Trowbridge Youth Parliament continues to work with CAYPIG on tackling anti-social behaviour. Campaign flyers have been designed and the Parliament are very keen to promote the community in a positive light.
- Extended Schools have successfully piloted a Multi-Agency Forum, which meets regularly to share best practice and discuss themes with the support of a wide range of Children's Services.

### **4. BA14 Culture Group –**

- BA14 Culture group are in the process of organising a 'Not the TROWBRIDGE Fringe FESTIVAL' which will run from 10<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> September 2011. There will be a number of events involved across the town at venues such as The Lamb, Stallards Pub and The Arc Theatre.
- Trowbridge museum is holding tourism fair on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2011 to celebrate Trowbridge as a great day out.
- The Arc has just launched its exciting Spring Program and ticket sales are up with many bookings being done online. At its recent open day on 12<sup>th</sup> February, they had approximately 120 people through the door. Half of these people had never visited the Arc Theatre before. There were puppet and magic shows, tours, technical demonstrations and workshops. The Arc is considering holding another open day targeting a more mature audience. The Arc also handed out brochures with discounts at Sainsbury's over a 2 day period and they hope to repeat this as the outcomes were promising. The season has been relatively slow in picking up although they are having more tickets being purchased by walk-ins on the night. For viewings of The King's Speech, the theatre has sold out and the comedy club is making good profit which is very encouraging.
- The next BA14 Culture meeting is on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 9.30 at The Arc Theatre, Trowbridge. Any newcomers are very welcome.
- A World Music and Folk Dancing Event is being staged at the Southwick Village Hall on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011 with "Sounding it Out" a 40 strong choir and Dance Bazaar a small ceilidh/ folk band. The audience will be invited to join in the singing and dancing and a great evenings proactive entertainment is expected.

### **5. Sport and Active Leisure.**

- Trowbridge Outdoor Sports Pitches, a sub group of Transforming Trowbridge, has been meeting every 2 months with Cllr Jeff Osborn as the Chair and Colin Brown as the proactive lead officer.
- One aim is to investigate the potential for providing secure changing accommodation on the Stallard Street and Seymour playing fields. English Landscapes has been contacted for prices to clean and maintain the building. It is hoped to secure funding of around £60,000 for mobile changing rooms at Stallards Park by August 2011 with potential funding from the Football Foundation; Trowbridge Area Board; Trowbridge Town Council and the Wiltshire Performance Reward Grant Scheme with the approach being made by the Chippenham and District league supported by Wiltshire Council. Contact has been made with the various bodies concerned but no firm bids have yet been submitted.
- Colin Brown has met with officers from the Wiltshire Football Association; Wiltshire Lawn Tennis Association; Wiltshire Netball; England Netball; Wiltshire & Dorset Rugby football Union and

England Hockey as part of the work to try to secure additional outdoor facilities which are sadly lacking in the Trowbridge Community Area.

- He has been working closely with a range of clubs who are considering forming a Special Purpose Group to further their long term aspirations. A meeting is to be arranged with the Chair of the Chippenham Sports Club to explain how their clubs work together.
- He is investigating a number of sites for new playing fields and what funding is available from old S106 agreements and from current and future S106 agreements as well as from the national sports bodies.
- The Trowbridge Rugby Club is hoping to relocate to a site in Hilperton Parish when the sale of their current site eventually is finally achieved.
- Many of us would like to see a major development involving a number of Sports Clubs on one site with major club facilities and changing rooms which has a real Wiltshire significance.

#### **6. Environment Theme Group – LEAF**

- LEAF (Local Environmental Awareness Forum) is seeking a new Theme Group Champion to support the LEAF group as our previous champion, Pete Barnet, has recently stepped down from the role partly from pressure of work but also as he was concerned with the lack of Councillor support. Any queries or interest in this position should be made to Kate Oatley or Doug Ross on 01225 765 072 or [tcaf@trowbridge.gov.uk](mailto:tcaf@trowbridge.gov.uk) . Doug Ross has temporarily taken on the role of Chair in a volunteer capacity.
- Pete Barnett will however continue in his active membership of the Wiltshire Environmental Alliance, which brings together the public, private, voluntary and community sectors in a thematic partnership which addresses the areas of biodiversity, climate change and waste minimisation. It must be said that Wiltshire Council is now doing much more to address these issues and to meet government targets as failure to do so is very costly. Pete Barnett would like to see WC doing even more.
- The Group is to concentrate its work in helping the local developing environmental groups such as the Friends of Biss Meadows Country Park, the Friends of Southwick Country Park, the Friends of Trowbridge Community Sensory Garden, the Friends of Trowbridge in Bloom, the local Allotment Associations and to encourage the members of the Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership to become more involved with Trowbridge in Bloom and South West in Bloom competitions.
- It will aim to have a key note speaker at its meetings to try to attract a wider audience. At our most recent meeting Dr John Austin made a very interesting presentation and slide show on local birds and the changes that climate change is making to the numbers and species seen here. He has since led a Bird Walk, on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2011, through Biss Meadows Country Park.
- The next LEAF meeting will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm, venue to be confirmed. Any new members most welcome

#### **6. Health and Community Care.**

- There has been no meeting since the last area Board meeting and Jo Howes has been off sick for some time.
- However Susan Lambert has now sent us a reply to the local concerns and issues identified in our consultations for our updated community area plan and these we will be incorporating into our plan.
- In the reply it states that in depth discussions on the Trowbridge Primary Care Centre are underway with our GP partners and in due course NHS Wiltshire will update TCAF.

#### **7. Safer Trowbridge.**

- There has been no meeting since the last Board meeting but there is a meeting on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011.
- The replies to the local issues and concerns have been received from our various partners and/or from recently published information.

## **8. Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership.**

- The Partnership is to encourage the Neighbourhood Groups to take part in the Trowbridge in Bloom and South West in Bloom competitions working with the Town Council. A joint bid to Awards for All has now been submitted.
- The Studley Green Youth Club opened on 2/02/2011 and has been welcomed.
- The Bluez 'n Zuz operated successfully again on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2011 at Fever.
- The Sunday Club, for the over 50s, continues to be run at the Longfield Community Centre on the second Sunday of the month and all over 50 are welcome to attend for a modest fee.
- Paxcroft Mead Community Forum is concentrating on the proposal to build a BMX Track similar to the one at Lambrok Road.
- The excellent Rural Film Project has started and demand has been high. The first showing at the Arc Theatre is on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011.
- Mac expressed concern with the traffic lights and crossing arrangement between the Shires and the Gateway developments where people jay walk and in his opinion there is a serious accident in the offing if nothing is done to improve this arrangement.
- Derek Adams reminded people that the College Estate is 50 years old this year and this should be celebrated.

## **9. Parish Councils Liaison Group.**

- Gaynor Polglase expressed concern that the additional cost for Active Trowbridge operating in schools outside Trowbridge was largely unresolved. However Hilperton Parish reported that it had been paying the additional charge since September. North Bradley Parish Council adopted the view that it should not be subsidising school activities outside the school curriculum and thus was not making any contribution.
- There has been an increase in Anti-social Behaviour which had resulted in 4 warning letters being issued and this had now quietened down. Burglaries and thefts had increased and professional gangs thought to be Mexican had been involved
- Hilperton Parish Council is to visit Towpath House to meet the new residents and to try to involve them in the local community.
- Roger Evans (NBPC) proposed that the TTC Governance Review is taken to the next Board Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> March and it was resolved that the Secretary writes to Wiltshire Council expressing concern about the proposed Governance Review especially in relation to the lack of any consultation with the affected parishes, the financial implications to the parishes and the erosion of the established buffer zone or existing green spaces.
- Francis Morland raised the issue of a planning application for a solar park at Marsh Farm, Hilperton by a firm, Low Carbon Partners, and stated that a similar scheme in Devon is making a significant annual payment to the local Parish Council. These schemes are part of a Government scheme that will finish in 2012 and he warned of a possible rush of applications.
- Rachel Efemey reported that WC is carrying out an audit of S108 Agreements to determine what unexpired monies exist and the uses to which they may be put. Those present were very critical of the way in which WWDC had dealt with S106 agreements and had not secured all the benefits available.
- The members present at the meeting confirmed that they consider that the Parish Council Liaison Group fulfils a useful role, giving local parishes a good understanding of what is happening more broadly within the area, and wish it to continue.



# Trowbridge Community Area Future Community Area Plan

**Priority Issues by Theme Group** – these are issues identified by local people as being most important for the Trowbridge Community Area and have been used as the basis for the new Community Area Plan which is in draft form at present.

## Economy and Transport

- Enhancing the night-time economy with a multi-screen cinema complex, 10 pin bowling, new indoor leisure and sports and swimming facilities, to appeal more to families
- Using vacant town centre sites for mixed developments to provide space for new businesses, starter units, offices, major retailers and housing, to form an integral part of the developing Wiltshire Core Strategy
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- Upgrading the town centre street scene, in particular replacing the brick highway in the pedestrianised part of Fore Street, and upgrading shop frontages to make them more attractive
- More employers and more jobs need to be attracted to Trowbridge.
- Increasing the skills levels of the local workforce
- Redevelopment of redundant farm buildings.

## Safer Trowbridge

- Reducing the level of anti-social behaviour - by developing further initiatives
- More visible policing in the neighbourhoods and the town centre
- Reducing alcohol abuse
- Reducing underage drinking
- Reducing drug abuse

- Improving the health and safety of young people
- Reducing the incidence of domestic abuse

## **Housing**

- More accessible, affordable housing, including in the villages to provide housing for young people
- Eliminating/reducing homelessness
- More flexibility for growing families in affordable housing accommodation
- Signposting people to housing advice at Wiltshire Council and the Housing Societies
- Preserving and valuing the conservation areas
- Continuing to address Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) issues in residential areas
- Encouraging neighbourhood groups to work closely with Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT) and to chair local tasking group meetings

## **Health and Social Care**

- Encouraging the Wiltshire NHS and local GPs to build the Trowbridge Primary Care Centre
- Reducing the level of alcohol abuse
- Reducing the level of drug abuse
- Reducing the number of people who smoke
- Reducing childhood obesity by providing more sport in the curriculum and better school meals
- Reducing the number of teenage pregnancies
- Addressing the causes of cancer
- Encouraging more breast feeding
- Targeting local mental health issues
- Improving the strength of the voluntary sector.
- Ensuring the closest working of the health and social neighbourhood care teams.
- Encouraging people to eat more fruit.

- Encouraging people to exercise more by providing better sports centres and other facilities e.g. Trim trails in the parks and play areas.
- Better publicity of local health and social care services and facilities

## **Education**

- More further education and training opportunities for all, specifically local workforce and adults
- Additional secondary schooling provision on the East side of Trowbridge
- Enhancing the performance of our secondary schools
- Initiatives to encourage under-represented groups to have their voice heard on local issues and increasing the involvement of young people in community development
- Increasing parents' social and educational aspirations for their children
- Continued operation of The Community Hub—Health and Resource Centre
- Continuation of the Free-time scheme
- The amalgamation of Extended Schools with Trowbridge Area Schools Collaborative (TASC)
- Establishment and development of Multi-Agency Forums
- A reduction in Child Poverty

## **Environment**

- A review of the kerbside waste collection service to encourage more recycling by individuals and households
- Improvements to the derelict areas of the town such as the River Biss, the former Peter Black site, etc -
- More cycleways, footpaths and signage linking areas of interest, businesses, the estates and schools to the town centre and the surrounding villages - including connecting the Paxcroft Mead cycleway/footpath into the town centre
- More support for local small businesses and for 'buying local' and sustainable products. Also to encourage the provision of more allotments to meet unsatisfied demand
- The planting of more trees

- The protection of wildlife habitats in public open spaces and in the wider countryside and to ensure that we get environmental gain establishing environmental space and corridors from larger developments
- Developing the role of the Local Environment Action Forum (LEAF)

## **BA14 Culture**

- More leisure/recreational facilities such as a multi screen cinema, a ten pin bowling complex, a hotel and the related restaurants, cafes and pubs in the town centre
- More arts based leisure provision especially for young adults and children
- A decent music venue for younger people
- Ensuring that the Arc Theatre continues in its present or an improved form
- More accessible recreation for people with disabilities
- Night clubs (including U18's) are needed in Trowbridge; the closest is Club Ice in Westbury
- Providing more information about cultural groups/activities within the BA14 area e.g. Dance and art groups, etc

## **Sports**

- More formal playing fields available for local people, hopefully linking rugby, football and even the cricket club in some form of combined development
- The replacement of the current sports centre and Swimming Pool at Clarendon College and the Castle Place Sports Centre by a major sports centre offering a wider range of modern facilities and a more adventurous pool
- Better provision of Youth recreation
- More play areas for younger children
- More dual or multi use of existing facilities

## Draft Reducing Child Poverty Strategy 2011-2014

Consultation is currently taking place on the draft of the Reducing Child Poverty Strategy which covers the period 2011-2014. The consultation period ends on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011. The draft strategy, needs assessment and key consultation questions can be found on the Wiltshire Pathway website by following the link below: <http://www.wiltshirepathways.org/ShowNews.asp?NewsID=369>

### Highlights from the Draft Reducing Child Poverty Strategy

Research demonstrates that children who grow up in poverty face a greater risk of poor health, being exposed to crime and failing to reach their full potential. This in turn can limit their potential to earn the money needed to support their own families in later life, and so a cycle of poverty is created. Children are said to be living in relative income poverty if their household's income is less than 60 per cent of the median national income.

It is estimated that in 2008 there were 11,120 children living in poverty in Wiltshire. This represents 11.0% of all children.

#### Top Ten Child Poverty Areas in Wiltshire

1	Melksham North - north east	6.	Wootton Bassett North - central
2	Trowbridge John of Gaunt - Studley Green	7.	Salisbury Bemerton - south
3	Salisbury St Martin - central	8.	Salisbury Bemerton - west
4	Chippenham Hill Rise - north west	9.	Chippenham Queens - east
5	Trowbridge Drynham - Lower Studley	10	Trowbridge Adcroft- Seymour

The draft strategy sets out 5 strategic objectives with some suggested actions.

- 1 Keeping child poverty in the spotlight**
  - Local partners to sign up to a reducing child poverty charter.
  - The creation of a multi agency child poverty task group, accountable to the Children and Young People's Trust Commissioning Executive, to develop and oversee a top level action plan.
- 2 Providing support to the 0-5 year olds in the most disadvantaged families**
  - Further develop the role of the children's centres.
  - Deliver the Healthy Child Programme within available resources.
- 3 Narrowing the educational attainment gap**
  - Support and encourage the take- up of free childcare places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds.
  - Schools and other agencies to continue to address the attainment gap. From April 2011 schools will receive additional funding through the new pupil premium.
- 4 Creating an inclusive Wiltshire with an appropriate job for everyone and economic opportunity for all**
  - The Wiltshire Work and Skills Plan identifies five priority themes and includes detailed action plans for addressing worklessness.
- 5 Considering a consolidated, geographic approach to areas of concentrated child poverty**
  - Through the Area Boards and approaches to integrated working across services, consider tailored approaches and community responses to issues in specific areas.



## TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD FORWARD PLAN

ITEM 13

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 5 May 2011	The Council Chamber, Wiltshire Council Offices, Bradley Road	<p><b>Provisional Items:</b>                      Stallard Street Play Area Update                      Community Asset Transfer - Southwick Allotments                      Community Area Plan                      Youth Activities – an update on activities funded by the Area Board                      Community Services Contract – Great Western Hospital                      End of Life Care                      Older People’s Accommodation Strategy                      RUH NHS Trust – Foundation Trust Application</p> <p><b>Community Area Grants will be considered</b></p>	Cllr Keith Humphries (Health and Wellbeing)
Thursday 7 July 2011	The Atrium, Wiltshire Council Offices, Bradley Road	<p><b>Provisional Items:</b>                      DVD of grant-aided projects</p> <p><b>Community Area Grants will be considered</b></p>	Cllr John Noeken (Resources)

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<b>Report to</b>	<b>Trowbridge Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>17 March 2011</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 8 applications seeking 2010/11 Community Area Grant Funding

1. Wiltshire British Armed Forces and Veterans Celebrations – Re-enactors march/parade on 24 June - £819 requested
2. Gloucester Road Allotments – to create accessible allotments for Disabled people - £5,000 requested
3. Trowbridge Town Council – to provide a free National Play Day in Trowbridge Park – £2,964 requested
4. Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership – to purchase printing equipment for regular newsletters - £771 requested
5. Trowbridge Westbourne Sports Club, Tennis Section – to provide tennis coaching and summer camps for school children - £793 requested
6. The Trowbridge County Town Initiative – promotion of the Initiative to attract new members - £939 requested
7. North Bradley Youth Club – to purchase equipment for a local youth club – requested £449
8. Trowbridge Wanderers Youth Football Club – to refurbish shower facilities - £5,000 requested

**Total Amount requested = £16,735**

## 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 Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 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 as to why this should justify an exception to the criteria. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.3. Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £77,592 for community area grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. Plus £1,863.96 has been returned to the Area Board. To date £65,552.93 has been allocated from this budget.

Community area grants allocated so far this year:

- Southwick Playing Field – £5,000 for the construction of a tarmac path around the playing field
- Newtown School – £2,300 to upgrade changing facilities and provide temporary cover over the outdoor swimming pool
- Newtown Area Residents Association – £930 to provide security lighting at Bond Street Buildings to increase community safety.
- North Bradley Peace Memorial Hall – £993 for energy saving and security equipment
- Friends of Trowbridge in Bloom – £5,000 for a participatory programme of events
- Hilperton Village Hall – £3,253 to upgrade toilets to include fitting of disabled toilet.
- West Ashton Village Hall - £5,000 for the creation of a small meeting room attached to the village hall to provide additional useable space.
- Larkrise Community Farm - £4,000 for the construction of a barn to store animal feed.
- Trowbridge Town Council - £4,980 for Trowbridge Christmas Lights Extravaganza event.
- Trowbridge Westbourne Sports Club -Tennis Section - £734 to purchase equipment to increase junior membership & offer competitive opportunities for children in the local community.
- Trowbridge Town Football Club - £2,446 for the purchase of training and match equipment for the youth, girls and adult football club teams.
- Trowbridge Phoenix Badminton Club - £851 to buy new nets and posts
- North Bradley Peace Memorial Hall – £765 to carry out a project development study for renewable energy
- Hilperton Village Hall – £2,775 for improvements to men's toilet facilities

- Lavender Fields Residents Association – £212 to set up an interactive website
- Trowbridge Town Football Club –£1,687 to fund coaching courses

**This gives a current remaining total of £13,903.03 available to allocate.**

- 1.4. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.5 The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

<p><b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11</li> <li>• Trowbridge Community Area Plan</li> <li>• Local Agreement for Wiltshire</li> <li>• Technical officers reports</li> </ul>
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## **2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 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 Area Boards budget allocated to the Trowbridge Area Board. It should be noted that there are grant requests totalling more than the funding available.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations the Area Board will have an overspend of £2,368.97 which will need to be found from this tranche of funding

## **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 all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils 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 – “Officer Recommendations” where appropriate.

## 8. Officer Recommendations

The full applications are available at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)

Applicant 8.1	Project summary	Funding requested
Wiltshire British Armed Forces and Veterans Celebrations	To hold a re-enactors march/parade through Trowbridge past homes for elderly people prior to the weekend event	£819

8.1.1. The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11.

8.1.2. The application demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 3 Culture including leisure, recreation, heritage & the arts.

8.1.3. The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition “Building Resilient Communities.”

8.1.4. It should be noted that the weekend event was previously funded with a condition that that event would not be eligible for future community area grants

8.1.5. The applicant is contributing in kind funding towards the project.

8.1.6. The applicant states that if the project is not awarded the full amount the stewards would not be able to include as many establishments for the elderly

8.1.7. **It is recommended that a grant of £851 is approved.**

Applicant 8.2	Project summary	Funding requested
Gloucester Road Allotment Association	Provision of allotment facilities for disabled people including a composting toilet	£5,000

8.2.1. The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11

8.2.2. The application demonstrates a link to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 4 Environment inc countryside and land

8.2.3. The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambitions “Building Resilient Communities” & “Protecting the Environment”

8.2.4. The applicant is contributing over £10,000 other funding towards the project

8.2.5. The applicant states if they do not receive the funding it will affect the completion of the overall project

8.2.6. The Amenities and Leisure department of the Council rate this application as a high priority

8.2.7 **It is recommended that a grant of £5,000 is approved on condition that the Awards for All funding and Town Council funding are awarded. This application could be deferred to the May Area Board meeting.**

Applicant 8.3	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge Town Council	To provide a free National Play Day in Trowbridge Park on 6 <sup>th</sup> August	£2,964

8.3.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11

8.3.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 3 Culture including leisure, recreation, heritage & the arts.

8.3.3 The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition "Lives not Services"

8.3.4 The applicant is contributing over 50% funding towards the project

8.3.5 The applicant states if they do not receive the funding requested the project would not be able to go ahead.

8.3.6 **It is recommended that a grant of £2,964 is approved with the condition that the applicant does not apply to the Area Board for further funds towards this event as it would then constitute core funding.**

Applicant 8.4	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge Neighbourhoods Partnership	To purchase printing equipment for regular newsletters	£771

8.4.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11

8.4.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 2 Housing & Built Environment

8.4.3 The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition "Building Resilient Communities."

8.4.4 The applicant has provided some of its own funds towards the project

8.4.5 The applicant states that if the funding is not awarded the project will not happen

8.4.6 **It is recommended that a grant of £771 is approved.**

Applicant 8.5	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge Westbourne Sports Club - Tennis Section	To provide tennis coaching and summer camps for school children	£793

8.5.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria

8.5.2. The applicant demonstrates a link to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 3 Culture including leisure, recreation, heritage & the arts

8.5.3. The applicant demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambitions "Building Resilient Communities"

8.5.4. The applicant is providing some of its own funds and some in kind funding towards the project

8.5.5. The applicant states if funding is not awarded the project would have to cut back the number of children included.

- 8.5.6. The Sports Development section of the Council rates this application as a high priority
- 8.5.7. **It is recommended that a grant of £793 is approved on condition that it is a one off application for this and any other coaching schemes otherwise it would become core funding.**

Applicant 8.6	Project summary	Funding requested
The Trowbridge County Town Initiative	Support for marketing literature and promotional evening to attract new members	£939

- 8.6.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11 although it should be noted that individually the organisations involved are profit making organisations.
- 8.6.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 1 Economy, including Tourism & Employment
- 8.6.3 The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition "Supporting Economic Growth."
- 8.6.4 The applicant has provided no match funding towards the project
- 8.6.5 The applicant states that if the funding is not awarded the project will not be able to attract membership and the group would be abandoned.
- 8.6.6 The quotes for the use of the Conference room at the Shires and reception costs from Red or White are from retail businesses in the town that would benefit from this initiative so it would seem inappropriate to fund these
- 8.6.7 The Economic Development section of the Council rates this application as a high priority due to the number of vacant shops in the town centre
- 8.6.8 **It is recommended that a grant of £444 towards the advertising only is approved.**

Applicant 8.7	Project summary	Funding requested
North Bradley Youth Club	To purchase equipment for a local youth club	£449

- 8.7.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.7.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 6 Education & Lifelong Learning
- 8.7.3 The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition "Building Resilient Communities."
- 8.7.4 The applicant has not provided any other funds towards the project
- 8.7.5 The applicant states that if the funding is not awarded the project will have to wait until other funding could be obtained
- 8.7.6 **It is recommended that a grant of £449 is approved.**

Applicant 8.8	Project summary	Funding requested
Trowbridge Wanderers Youth Football Club	To refurbish shower facilities	£5,000

- 8.8.1 The applicant meets the grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.8.2 The applicant demonstrates links to the Trowbridge Community Area Plan Theme 3 Culture including leisure, recreation, heritage & the arts

- 8.8.3 The application demonstrates links to the Local Agreement for Wiltshire ambition “Building Resilient Communities.”
- 8.8.4 The applicant has provided over 50% funds towards the project from the Town Council
- 8.8.5 The applicant states that if the funding is not awarded the project will not proceed
- 8.8.6 The Sports Development section of the Council rates this application as a high priority
- 8.8.7 **It is recommended that a grant of £5,000 is approved. This application could be deferred to the May Area Board meeting.**

<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 Grant applications</b>
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<b>Report to</b>	<b>Trowbridge Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>17 March 2010</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Area Board Projects</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To consider 3 Area Board Projects (Appendix 1):

1. Councillor Steve Oldrieve – Street Survival Packs - £750 requested
2. Councillor Jeff Osborn – College Estate Community Garden - £750 requested
3. Councillor Steve Oldrieve – Paxcroft Mead Action Park - £5,000 requested

**Total Requested = £6,500**

## 1. Background

1.1 In addition to the Community Area Grant Scheme, Area Boards may wish to use a proportion of their funding for projects which fall outside the criteria of the Community Area Grant Scheme. These projects would be initiated by Area Board members for consideration and approval by the Area Board.

1.2 As stated in the Cabinet report:

In considering requests the Area Board will need to bear in mind the impact this will have on the amount of funding available to support applications from local community groups and organisations.

1.3 The Cabinet Report stated that any project initiated by a Councillor outside of the Community Grants system must have the approval of the Area Board and should clearly set out 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

1.4 Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £77,592 for community area grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. Plus £1,863.96 has been returned to the Area Board. To date £65,552.93 has been allocated from this budget. **This gives a current remaining total of £13,903.03 available to allocate at 17<sup>th</sup> March Area Board meeting prior to any Community Area Grant applications being awarded**

<b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trowbridge Community Area Plan</li></ul>
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## 2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to consider whether the applications meet 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

## 3. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

3.1. Area Board Project bids 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. Funds allocated must fall within the budget allocated to the Trowbridge Area Board. There is £13,903.03 left within this budget. There are 8 x community area grant applications to be considered at 17<sup>th</sup> March meeting totalling requests of £16,735

#### **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 Implications relating to individual grant applications, if applicable, are outlined within section 8 "Officer Comments".

#### **8. Officer Comments**

8.1 Both the College Estate Community Garden and the Paxcroft Mead Action Park bids could potentially be submitted by the relevant community groups as Community Area Grant applications at a subsequent Area Board meeting

<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 Project Bids</b>
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