

# AGENDA

**Meeting:** CORSHAM AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Springfield Community Campus, Beechfield Rd, Corsham SN13 9DN  
**Date:** Thursday 17 March 2016  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

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Including the Parishes of Box, Corsham, Colerne and Lacock

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## Wiltshire Councillors

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Sheila Parker – Box & Colerne

Dick Tonge – Corsham Without & Box Hill

Philip Whalley (Vice Chairman)– Corsham Town

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	<b>Time</b>
<p>1 <b>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	7pm
<p>2 <b>Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
<p>3 <b>Minutes</b> (<i>Pages 1 - 12</i>)</p> <p>To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2016.</p>	
<p>4 <b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
<p>5 <b>Chairman's Announcements</b> (<i>Pages 13 - 14</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following chairman's announcement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health and Wellbeing Group</li> </ul>	7:05pm
<p>6 <b>Partner Updates</b> (<i>Pages 15 - 28</i>)</p> <p>To receive any updates from the following partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Wiltshire Police</li> <li>(b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</li> <li>(c) Health Services</li> <li>(d) Town and Parish Council Nominated Representatives</li> <li>(e) Corsham Community Area Network (CCAN)</li> <li>(f) Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>(g) Schools</li> <li>(h) Corsham Community Engagement Manager</li> </ul>	7:10pm
<p>7 <b>Previous Area Board Grant Applicants</b></p> <p>To receive an update from 2 groups who have previously been successful in obtaining Area Board grants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Golden Oldies Charity: Abbey Rakes will be in attendance to provide a short update on the charity and work undertaken in Corsham</li> <li>• The Corsham Twirlers: a 10-minute performance from the group</li> </ul>	7:20pm
<p>8 <b>Update on Mansion House, Corsham Institute</b></p> <p>Tim Martienssen, Head of Economic Development, will be in attendance to provide an update on Mansion House.</p>	7:35pm

9	<b>Update on Digital Corsham</b>	<b>7:50pm</b>
	Claire Alexander, a representative from the Corsham Institute, will be in attendance to provide an update on Digital Corsham.	
10	<b>Big Energy Saving Network (BESN) and Community First</b>	<b>8:00pm</b>
	Mary Hardwidge, from the Big Energy Saving Network, will be in attendance to provide information on the simplicity of switching Energy Supplier.	
11	<b>Housing - Meeting Local Need</b>	<b>8:15pm</b>
	Janet O'Brien, Head of Housing – Strategy and Assets, will be in attendance to provide a presentation on the demand for affordable housing in the Corsham community area and will discuss how work can be undertaken with the Area Board to ensure that the delivery of new housing will meet the local need.	
12	<b>Local Youth Network Management Group (LYNMG) (Pages 29 - 38)</b>	<b>8:30pm</b>
	To receive an update from the LYNMG and to consider the following recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colerne Village Community: £4750</li> </ul> <p>To note the expenditure of £1150 to procure 'Relate Mind', to undertake workshops with young people on mental health.</p>	
13	<b>Community Area Grants (Pages 39 - 48)</b>	<b>8:40pm</b>
	The Wiltshire Councillors will consider the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lacock Cricket Club: £3000</li> <li>• The Brunel Shed: £4000</li> <li>• Corsham Town Football Club: £700</li> <li>• Springfield Art Group: £1000</li> </ul> <p>To consider a member-led initiative from Cllr Parker of £4000 to support older people within the community.</p> <p>To consider a member-led initiative from Cllr Macrae of £3000 to support activities related to 'Legacy Events' in Corsham.</p>	
14	<b>Local Highways Investment Fund 2014-2020 (Pages 49 - 68)</b>	<b>8:50pm</b>
	For the Area Board to approve that this item can be delegated to the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).	
15	<b>Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</b>	<b>8:55pm</b>
	To note that the CATG have not met between the last Area Board	

and thus, that there is no update to be provided.

16 **Future Meeting Dates and Forward Work Plan**

9:00pm

The next meeting will be held on 18 May 2016 at Lacock Village Hall.

17 **Urgent items**

Any items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.



# MINUTES

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**Finish Time:** 8.57 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

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

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Richard Rogers (Community Engagement Manager), Will Oulton (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Natalie Heritage (Democratic Services Officer) and Emma Drage (Community Youth Officer)

### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Corsham Town Council – Sharon Thomas, Box Parish Council – Dave Wright,  
Colerne Parish Council – John Bull

### **Partners**

Sgt Ronnie Lungu (Neighbourhood Policing), Kevin Gaskin (CCAN), Martin Head (Corsham Institute), Darran Gunter (Wiltshire Fire and Rescue), Angus Macpherson (Police and Crime Commissioner)

**Members of Public in Attendance: 16**

**Total in attendance: 31**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and asked the Councillors and key Officers to introduce themselves.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Sheila Parker.</p>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 25 November 2015 were considered.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><b>That the minutes of the meeting held on the 25 November 2015 be agreed as a correct record for signing by the Chairman.</b></p>
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Whalley noted that he was not directly involved in the Corsham Walking Festival, but that he had participated in events previously. He also noted that he was involved in the establishment of The Brunel Shed, but that he was no longer an active member and did not sit on the governing body of the organisation. Cllr Whalley thus decided that he should not be precluded from making any decisions over the grant applications of neither the Corsham Walking Festival nor The Brunel Shed.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew the meeting's attention to announcements contained in the pack regarding the Wiltshire Passenger Transport Review.</p> <p>The Chairman made an additional Chairman's Announcement regarding the Mansion House. The Chairman noted that on Tuesday 19 January Wiltshire Council held its Capital Assets meeting, where the Committee decided what ought to happen with Mansion House in Corsham. The Capital Assets Committee had concluded that project plans for 'Digital Corsham' should commence. The Chairman informed the Area Board that at the next Corsham Area Board meeting on 17 March, Alistair Cunningham would be in attendance to discuss this project further.</p>
6	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to the written updates in the agenda pack.</p>



A verbal update was also provided from Healthwatch Wiltshire. Healthwatch signalled that they wished to work in closer partnership with the Corsham Area Board and attendees were encouraged to visit the new website, especially the section entitled 'below the radar'; this area was highlighted as being a form of service directory for Wiltshire residents and could be used as a means to help any lonely individuals to become more active and socially interactive.

On behalf of Box Parish Council, Mr David Wright asked for clarification on the Community Governance Review and the Chairman responded that discussions were continuing and that the relevant Working Group had brought this issue to Full Council. Corsham and Box Parish Council noted that they would explore potential solutions to the Review.

Sharon Thomas from Corsham Town Council drew the meeting's attention to the details provided in the pack.

Kevin Gaskin, from the Corsham Community Area Network (CCAN), stated that the CCAN had entered into a new project which explored how it could engage more with members of the community through various activities. He also commented that existing groups and clubs could be open to development too and how the CCAN's aim is to eventually be able to coordinate all activities that take place in the Corsham area. It was noted that this project is an on-going task for the CCAN.

In addition, Mr Gaskin encouraged the meeting to participate in consultations that are due to commence under the Public Transport Review. He explained that Trans Wiltshire was trying to promote additional rail services in Melksham as well as the promotion of bus routes under 'option 247'; however, it was stressed that it was important for the Review to be able to determine if local people would support additional train and bus services in the area.

Cllr Tonge reiterated Mr Gaskin's encouragement for the public to participate in consultations and stated that concrete evidence would help the Council to reach a decision and ensure that the initiative can progress.

Sgt Ronnie Lungu, Wiltshire Police, drew attention to the written update in the agenda supplement 2 circulated at the meeting. He informed the meeting that the CCTV system in partnership with Chippenham, Calne and Corsham was docked in Chippenham and had been in use in all 3 areas. Sgt Lungu asked the meeting to inform him if a particular event was deemed as needing its use. The Chairman also encouraged attendees to communicate with Sgt Lungu, if they desired for the CCTV to have a presence in a certain location.

Finally the Chairman stated, with regard to the Corsham Chamber of Commerce, that it was important for Corsham to be able to take advantage of the connectivity hub that Corsham rested upon.

### Community Area Grants

Richard Rogers, Community Engagement Manager (CEM), presented a report which asked the Area Board to consider the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:

1. An application from St John Ambulance for £1000 for a Corsham Unit Defibrillator

Kevin Dickens from St John Ambulance explained how a defibrillator for Corsham would provide additional support to the Corsham Unit, both for volunteers and the local community. He responded to questions from the Chairman and informed the meeting that public access defibrillators' lock codes are not for public knowledge and reassured the meeting that all the relevant authorities and individuals are aware of the codes. Mr Dickens also stated that the Town Council were attempting to install a public access defibrillator, complete with a mobile phone and number.

2. An application from Corsham For Walking for £568.89 to support a Corsham Walking Festival and public exhibition equipment

Colin Craddock from Corsham For Walking outlined the importance of the organisation being able to have their own 'pop-up' exhibition stand; as this could help to promote Corsham and the Walking Festival itself. Mr Craddock also drew attention to the group's website: [www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk](http://www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk)

The Chairman noted his appreciation for the informative manner in which the group's website had been organised and commented that, subject to the application being approved, an exhibition area in the Springfield Campus could be erected to help showcase the Festival and the Walking Group.

3. An application from Corsham Twirlers for £1000 to support the Corsham Twirlers Majorette Troupe

Darren Ellis, a representative from the Corsham Twirlers, explained how the group would use the requested £1000; he stated that a grant of £1000 would help the group to participate in more festivals and could effectively help to promote the group and the Corsham area as a whole.

Cllr Whalley asked what the group hoped to achieve in the future. Mr Ellis responded that the Corsham Twirlers are hoping to increase the group size and to promote themselves and perform at more local events; he commented that the group already had 3 performances booked for 2016 and that one of these would be held at the Corsham Fetes in June.

4. An application from The Brunel Shed for £2209 to support the Community Centre refurbishment

Mr Ed Brand from The Brunel Shed informed the meeting that this grant application had been increased to £2440 as opposed to the originally requested

amount of £2209. This increase was due to a new boiler being required, the revision of electronics, new machinery and furniture and improvement in the security of the building. Mr Brand stated that the building would help to give a new lease of life to the community.

Both the Chairman and Cllr Tonge noted their appreciation that the building would be used effectively.

Having been put to the vote, the meeting;

**Resolved**

- 1. To award St John Ambulance £1000**
- 2. To award Corsham For Walking £568.89**
- 3. To award Corsham Twirlers £1000**
- 4. To award The Brunel Shed £2440**

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Fire and Rescue

Darran Gunter, Chief Fire Officer, was in attendance to introduce a presentation about the amalgamation between Wiltshire & Dorset Fire Services.

Mr Gunter explained that there were 26 Fire Stations in Wiltshire and that Wiltshire needed to find an additional £7 million, in order to be able to deliver an effective Fire and Rescue Service to constituents. He highlighted that 86% of fire engines are paid for on a 'pay-as-you-go' basis and that 38% of the Fire Service's budget is awarded from government grants; the remaining money is allocated from Council Tax. It was noted that budget efficiencies had been made through the loss of managerial positions.

A short video clip was then played on how the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Services would effectively work together; it was outlined that involvement with local partners was being encouraged in order to ensure that those most vulnerable in society could benefit from an effective service. This new authority was highlighted as commencing on 1 April 2016.

In response to questions, Mr Gunter stated that an agenda for efficiency and an agenda for effectiveness were two different entities and that he suspected that more Counties would collaborate with one another in order to deliver effective community services such as, fire and policing.

The Chairman raised concern over how the Fire Service could cope with an additional administrative burden and how the management of two local authorities would function. Mr Gunter assured that brigades around the country, such as Devon and Cornwall, had been working effectively under the management of two local authorities for a while; however, he stressed the importance of relationships and noted that this is an area that he was keen to capitalise.

Cllr Whalley noted that Dorset is a larger County than Wiltshire and that

Wiltshire could fare worse if fire stations needed to be closed in the future and thus, he sought reassurance for Wiltshire Fire's protection. Mr Gunter noted that this concern had been raised elsewhere 12 to 18 months previously and that legislation agreed that, despite the difference in surface area, there would be equal numbers between the 2 counties in terms of the fire authority for each region. Mr Gunter then assured that strong relationships had been built between Wiltshire and Dorset Fire Services and he commented that he was confident that these strong and developing relationships would overcome any scepticism.

The Chairman highlighted the 'Salamander Scheme' – a programme where teenagers who had been given an ASBO or were on the verge of being given an ASBO could be admitted into youth education programmes. Mr Gunter confirmed that Youth Education programmes would continue and that the Fire Service fully supported such schemes and recognised their power.

Cllr Tonge encouraged those present to attend any 'Safe Drive, Stay Alive' events, in particular the event at the Salisbury Campus, where the Fire Service were moving into their new shared offices, in order to help reduce financial costs.

The Chairman thanked Mr Gunter for his time and informative presentation.

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#### Legacy for Wiltshire - What's Happening in 2016

Richard Rogers, Community Engagement Manager, gave a presentation on 'Legacy for Wiltshire – What's happening in 2016'.

Mr Rogers presented on the idea of 'leaving a legacy' for Wiltshire. He explained that there had been two successful local events previously in Wiltshire – The Olympics and the Queen's Jubilee. It was felt that momentum had built up through the success of these events and that there was a desire to leave a legacy for Wiltshire; for example, a stronger local economy and more active people within the community. Mr Rogers encouraged the meeting to coordinate and cooperate together in the creation of local events.

Events for 2016 were highlighted, such as, the Queen's 90th birthday and sporting events. Mr Rogers encouraged the meeting to celebrate national events together as a local community, through the organisation of events such as 'Street Parties' during the Queen's 90th birthday. He identified that such events could help to provide an ample opportunity for isolated or older people to become more involved and engaged in the community and he encouraged the meeting to enjoy celebrations together as a whole unit. He stated that if individuals wanted to organise an event in their area, such as a Street Party, then the Community Engagement Officers were available to offer help and support. Mr Rogers drew attention to the fact that on 11 June 2016 at the Springfield Campus, Corsham an event would be held for the Queen's 90th Birthday.

Mr Rogers also presented on another event – ‘Clean for the Queen’ – he thanked the Town and Parish Councils on their efforts in working with Wiltshire Council to ensure that Corsham is a very clean area, and he outlined how the local community can help to maintain Corsham’s excellent level of cleanliness.

A further event was also highlighted – The Big Pledge. This was explained as an initiative designed to get the maximum number of people active and Mr Rogers commented that this related to all ages and abilities. A National Fundraising Day would be organised for March, where local businesses would be correlating with local athletes. The meeting were encouraged to coordinate and cooperate to help ensure that Corsham could become a truly active society.

Mr Rogers then presented on the topic of ‘Sky Rides’ and stated that Sky Rides had been organised for across the whole country. A Sky Ride was explained as being a professionally lead cycle ride; it was outlined that there were many different rides that vary in distance and intensity and that the only prerequisite to participating was that one knew how to ride a bicycle.

The meeting’s attention was then drawn to the ‘Get Wiltshire Walking’ website <https://www.walkingforhealth.org.uk/walkfinder/get-wiltshire-walking> and to the Walking Festival organised for 17-19 June 2016. Mr Rogers informed the meeting that he could help to support individuals who wished to participate in any local sporting activities and also those who wished to organise sporting activities of their own and he drew attention to the fact that funding could be available for anyone wishing to create their own sporting event.

Mr Rogers concluded his presentation by noting that on 26 February 2016 an event entitled ‘The Big Get Together’ has been organised at the Springfield Campus for the over 55 year olds; the event was explained as having been organised as a means of helping individuals remaining involved in the community once they have retired. Mr Rogers stated that if anyone wished to participate in the event, they should inform him.

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#### Local Youth Network

Emma Drage, Community Youth Officer, asked the Area Board to consider funding application recommendations made by the Local Youth Network (LYN). She informed Cllr Macrae, Cllr Tonge and Cllr Whalley that all applicants were present at the meeting and able to respond to any questions from the Councillors.

Miss Drage informed the meeting that there had been an error regarding the amount of money requested in the agenda for youth applications from the LYN. Number 1, ‘To approve grant funding of £1500.00 to Take Over Day Pound Arts’ was noted as being incorrect and was the amount requested for the previous year, a new request had been submitted for the new year and thus, this new amount of £5000, which was listed as number 6 required a resolution. Number 2, ‘To approve grant funding of £2000.00 to Corsham Cricket Club’ was also

noted as being the amount requested for the previous year and thus, required no resolution. Number 3, 'To approve grant funding of £4000.00 to Green Rooms Youth Club' was again noted as being the amount requested for the previous year and thus, required no resolution.

Miss Drage highlighted that the Councillors on the Area Board were asked to consider the following applications only:

4. To approve grant funding of £12196.48 to Go Active
5. To approve grant funding of £5000.00 to Corsham Youth Zone
6. To approve grant funding of £5000.00 to Take Over Day Pound Arts
7. To approve grant funding of £4379.41 to Teenage Helpline

A representative from 'Go Active' explained how the requested grant money would be allocated. For 2 hours each week throughout the year young people would be able to participate in alternative sporting activities such as, archery. The activities would be grouped into year groups and it was highlighted that there were over 800 children who had registered an interest in participating in the activities. The Chairman noted his appreciation for the scheme and the provision of alternative sports that would be provided to young people on a long-term basis.

Cllr Whalley sought clarification over the remainder of money in the youth budget and this was confirmed by Miss Drage as being £14,241.19.

Concern was raised by a member of the public over how young people living away from the main Corsham Town area could take full advantage and participate in these activities. It was stated that activities had been arranged for after school hours, to ensure that young people could go straight from school to the activity and that the youth clubs in Corsham were well attended by young people who live both in Corsham and around the surrounding rural areas. A volunteer driver scheme had also been explored and would be established if the young people were found to be struggling to get home after activities, because of a lack of public transport.

Cllr Tonge informed the meeting that throughout the Corsham Campus discussions it had been made clear that there were not sufficient funds to provide additional public transport services.

A representative from Corsham Youth Zone sought to provide further details on the grant application submitted. The Youth Zone was described as a safe area for young people to spend their leisure time and to be able to seek professional advice with their lives, if they so wished. It was also noted that the Youth Group would aim to help accommodate to the needs of the young people.

The Corsham Youth Joint was explained as a clubhouse that is run by young people, yet supervised by adults; it was depicted as a safe environment for young people, where individuals could participate in various activities and excursions.

A survey which had been conducted by Ben Hayway, a local teenager, was highlighted: over 300 surveys had been distributed to the 1400 students in the Corsham area, with 71 students having expressed an interest in attending the Youth Club and thus, it was concluded that there was a high desire for the Youth Club in Corsham.

Cllr Macrae noted that Corsham had never had a Youth Club before, that the interior design of one of the rooms in the Springfield Campus had been designed by young people themselves and that it was hugely positive to hear contributions from young people at the Area Board. Miss Drage encouraged the meeting to visit the Youth Club, especially if those present felt that they could help with any volunteering roles.

Naomi Silverton responded to questions on behalf of the application from Take Over Day Pound Arts for £5000; she outlined that the project would run for the duration of 6 months and that it was designed to ensure that teenagers in Corsham would be included in the organisation of local events, i.e. Take Over Day. Two 17-year olds would co-chair the Committee and would be tasked with recruiting a team for the organisation of the event. Work and liaison with local schools and youth groups, as well as social media and printed marketing, would help to attract the event's audience. The previous year's project was noted as attracting an audience of 125 young people and 10 young people were stated as having worked on the project for 6 months.

Finally, a representative was welcomed from Teenage Helpline, to introduce the grant application. It was explained that Teenage Helpline was a service helpline for any young person who may need professional help. The helpline was described as a service that could help to guide and listen to young people. It was outlined that Teenage Helpline had been founded by a national charity; however, this new service would be piloted in the Corsham area.

The Chairman commented that he was a portfolio holder for safeguarding children and welcomed the representative from Teenage Helpline to discuss the project further with himself after the meeting.

The Chairman then thanked all the grant applicants for their applications.

Having been put to the meeting, it was;

**Resolved to:**

- 1. Award £12196.48 to Go Active**
- 2. Award £5000 to Corsham Youth Zone**

11	<p><b>3. Award £5000 to Take Over Day Pound Arts</b>  <b>4. Award £4379.41 to Teenage Helpline</b></p> <p><u>Police and Crime Commissioner - Precept Consultation</u></p> <p>Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner for Swindon and Wiltshire, presented his proposals for the 2016-17 precept. Mr Macpherson explained that the term precept related to the amount of money residents in Wiltshire pay for policing through their Council Tax.</p> <p>Mr Macpherson detailed that there had been an 8.8% increase in crime; however, in real terms it was noted that this was a very slight increase. Attention was also drawn to the fact that, although there had been a 40% increase in sex offences, because the police had updated their recording procedures, it was deemed that there had not been an increase in sex crimes; but rather, an improvement in how crime itself was recorded. Mr Macpherson commented that the fact that recording procedures had become more robust ought to be taken as a positive. He also encouraged the community to remain vigilant and to help to prevent crime too, whilst reminding the meeting that the police would always investigate and aim to prevent crime.</p> <p>It was outlined that Her Majesty's Inspectorate rated Wiltshire police as 'good' and that this rating was a very positive grade to have obtained.</p> <p>It was explained that the majority of funding for the Wiltshire Police Force was generated from National Government and that 38% of funding for the Wiltshire Police was generated locally. Mr Macpherson noted that funding for Wiltshire Police formed a very small part of one's overall Council Tax bill and that his proposed increase in Council Tax would ensure that Wiltshire policing is protected and that local communities would be provided with effective policing.</p> <p>Mr Macpherson detailed about how budget reductions were being made and explained some of the ways that the Police Force in Wiltshire were aiming to cope with a reduced budget such as, sharing offices with other Local Government agencies. He highlighted that he wished to protect policing in Wiltshire's communities. Attention was drawn to the leaflets that were provided on the Area Board tables and Mr Macpherson also encouraged those present to go online and express their views; he noted that the consultation period would be open until 2 February.</p> <p>In response to questions, Mr Macpherson responded that the local communities of Wiltshire provided an excellent level of support to the work of Wiltshire Police Force. The general public was congratulated on 'Community Speed Watch'; an initiative that has now been supported by the police through the introduction of speeding tickets and license points with this scheme. Young cadets were also applauded for their interaction and their encouragement for communities to behave more vigilantly such as, by locking garden outhouses. It was stressed, however, that the excellent work of the public would not replace paid police</p>
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	<p>officers in Wiltshire.</p> <p>Cllr Tonge noted his pleasure that there would be no reduction in the policing budget and enquired for those who would have court hearings at a magistrate's court to be named in the Wiltshire Times, as was the case in Bath and North East Somerset with The Bath Chronicle. Mr Macpherson responded that responsibility for such a procedure would rest with the media; however, he assured those present that he would mention the idea to the criminal justice board.</p>
12	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>Cllr Whalley provided an update from the latest Corsham Community Area Transport Group (CATG) meeting on 25 November 2015; he presented the notes of the group and their recommendations therein:</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><b>To approve £2000 to ensure whether the 40 mph speed limit sign at the junction of Northey Hill and A4, which is obscured by telegraph pole, is positioned correctly.</b></p> <p>Cllr Whalley also responded to a query from a member of the public over the safety of the railway bridge in Pound Hill, Corsham; he stated that this issue should be raised to the local town council to ensure that the CATG can respond appropriately to any issue.</p>
13	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates and Forward Work Plan</u></p> <p>The Chairman reminded those in attendance that the next meeting of the Corsham Area Board would be held on 17 March 2016 at the Springfield Campus, Corsham.</p>
14	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>

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## **Chairman's Announcements**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Health and Wellbeing Group</b>
<b>Officer Contact Details:</b>	<b>Sue Geary, Head of Community Commissioning, tel: 01225 713922, e-mail: <a href="mailto:suegeary@wiltshire.gov.uk">suegeary@wiltshire.gov.uk</a></b>

The Council is proposing that each Area Board establishes a Health and Well Being Group. Health and Wellbeing Groups are intended to provide a community led local forum to facilitate the coordination of joined up services for older people living within a community area. They are intended to gather the views of local older people and ensure these views are represented at the local Area Board. The groups will focus on working with community commissioners to identify the needs of a local population and support the development of services that will meet these needs.

### **What will they be expected to do?**

It is anticipated the groups will identify how best to co-ordinate support for vulnerable people in their area in a way that that is more inclusive than the current good neighbour service and makes best use of the existing community capacity.

Each Health and Wellbeing Group will reflect the needs of its local community and different area boards' plans will reflect this, however, the intention is that the Health and Wellbeing Group will ensure wellbeing and community resilience is a key priority for Area Boards and the Group will support community initiatives.

It is anticipated that Health and Wellbeing Groups will draw on local resources and assets in order to generate support for local initiatives. Funding previously used to commission the Good Neighbours Service will be devolved (ring fenced) to the Area Boards to support local initiatives identified by the Health and Wellbeing Groups.

Health and Wellbeing groups can respond to local challenges and make the best use of local assets including local knowledge, resources and voluntary organisations.

The Council Adult Care Community Commissioners can work closely with members, customers and key stakeholders to respond effectively to local needs while coordinating county wide solutions where required.

The groups will promote links between universal services (including leisure and libraries) and services that support specific customer groups including older adults or those with a disability.

### **Who would be part of a Health and Wellbeing Group?**

This would be decided by each Area Board. It is suggested that the Community Engagement Manager, the Older Peoples' Champion, Unitary and Parish Councillors, CCG Care Coordinators, Healthwatch and Representatives from the Voluntary Sector should be included.

### **When can an Area Board commence work on Health and Wellbeing Groups?**

## ***Chairman's Announcements***

Anytime. A number of Area Boards have already planned meetings to start their Health Well Being Groups. In approximately 6 /9 months' time there will be a review of progress being made to establish these groups and a report highlighting good examples of the work being undertaken

### **Further Information**

Please contact Sue Geary Head of Community Commissioning at the Council for further information and support to establish your Health and Well Being Group; tel: 01225 713922, e-mail: [suegeary@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:suegeary@wiltshire.gov.uk)

## Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Corsham Community Area Board January 2016



### 1. Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT).

Sgt: PS Ronnie Lungu

Town Centre Team  
Beat Manager – PC Hazel Anderson  
PCSO – Shaun Redmond

Rural Team  
Beat Manager – PC Mandie Ball  
PCSO – Barbara Young

### 2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current 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)

In addition to the Wiltshire Police website, Corsham NPT also regularly updates are on our Facebook Page at [facebook.com/Corshampolice](https://facebook.com/Corshampolice). This has been effective in putting out local crime warnings (in addition to usual methods such as Neighbourhood Watch), appeals for witnesses or information and for putting out good-news stories. We also use the site to tell the community about upcoming consultations. So far over 1262 people have joined the page to receive updates posted by the NPT – if you are on Facebook please join us.

### 3. Performance and Other Local Issues:

#### **Distraction Burglaries**

An unknown male appeared at the elderly victims front door on Lypiatt Mead claiming to be from security and that he has seen a male leaving the property with a bag and he had found keys, meanwhile a second male is believed to have entered the house via the back door, forced a bedroom door upstairs and searched a fitted cupboard, search of a briefcase and purse and jewellery box. Money and jewellery were stolen.

A male claiming to be from the Council visited an elderly lady at her home in Rudloe. He banged on the lounge window to get her attention. The lady is almost completely deaf and partially sighted. The lady instructed the male to speak with her daughter who lived nearby but he said he had already done so and tricked her into giving him the key safe number. He entered her home and stole her purse. Investigations are continuing into who the male is. Please be extra vigilant and if you know elderly residents/family please encourage them to put a chain on before answering the door and if they do not have an appointment with a particular agency do not let them in and if need be please call the Police.

## **Burglary**

A rear window was forced to a property in Broadmead whilst the elderly occupants were in another room, a quantity of cash and jewellery was stolen.

## **Non-Dwelling burglaries**

Monks Park Mine, Gastard was broken into whereby the padlock on the outer door was broken off. Damage was caused to a machine, a wall and keys to a dumper truck and an excavator were stolen. Total cost of damage & theft £300.

A shed was broken into on a property on Pockeridge Drive – Tools two £4,000 were taken.

## **Criminal Damage**

A number of vehicles parked on Stokes Road and Station Road, Corsham were damaged on Saturday 27th February, enquiries were made at the Great Western Pub and CCTV has been checked, three offenders have been identified and interviewed and they fully admitted causing the damage and have offered to pay for all the damage caused and apologise to the owners either in person or in writing. This will be dealt with by way of Community Resolution. The owners have praised Corsham Police for their efforts and speedy detection of this. Corsham NPT are also working with the pub landlord.

An intoxicated male broke glasses and other items inside The Northey Arms Public House. A licensing assessment was carried out but the male arrived there intoxicated and was not served inside the pub. Due to police involvement the male has agreed to pay for the damage in full.

## **Theft**

In Colerne, wrought iron garden furniture has been stolen out of a residential garden – valued at £150.

A lock-up on the Moonrakers Farm estate was entered by a person with access to the site keys. An antique estimated at £10,000 was taken. A male from the Trowbridge area has been arrested and is currently on bail.

Unknown female suspect has been seen on CCTV to go to a till at the Co-op, Corsham and pick up £40 from the dispenser that the previous customer had not picked up with her shopping and receipt.

## **Vehicle Crime**

Corsham and surrounding villages were experiencing a number of reports of thefts from vehicles and shed breaks, Corsham NPT supported by neighbouring stations were carrying out high visibility patrols. A suspect has been identified from forensic evidence he is now in Prison and offences have stopped.

A lorry in Box parked on a residential driveway had its outer padlock smashed and tools to the value of £700 were stolen.

A vehicle was left insecure in Rudloe and a blue disabled badge was taken – the Council have now replaced this.

A tow bar on a vehicle parked in Colerne has been damaged by unknown means, possibly someone standing on it.

A vehicle in Colerne has had the whole passenger side damaged by another vehicle or passing lorry.

A van parked on Priory Street, Corsham had the lock forced and a bike and cycling equipment were stolen.

### **Drugs**

An adult male from another town has been approaching youths in Corsham and Chippenham offering them money, tobacco and drugs in exchange for sexual favours and as a result was breaching his civil injunction which was in place. He was a persistent shoplifter stealing alcohol. When arrested he was found in possession of an offensive weapon. Following great work by Corsham and Chippenham NPT officers he was sentenced to 9 months in Prison.

A male driver was stopped on the A4; his vehicle was searched after Officers smelt cannabis. A small amount of cannabis was located and the driver received a cannabis street warning. Also on the A4, on a different date, a male driver was stopped and a large amount of what is believed to be Class A drugs were found. The male was arrested and is currently on bail whilst the drugs are sent off for testing.

### **Drink Drivers**

A male driver was stopped approaching Corsham and arrested for being twice over the legal limit. He is now waiting for court hearing.

A local man was sentenced at Chippenham Magistrates Court recently for being drunk in charge of a motor vehicle, he was fined £540.00 and had to pay various costs also disqualified for holding or obtaining a driving licence for 4 months.

### **Suspicious Incident**

Two dead sheep were found in a ditch adjacent to a lay-by near to Five ways. One was partially butchered.

### **Other**

An adult male who was arrested and charged for indecently exposing himself to females appeared in court. He was ordered to pay various costs, participate in an accredited programme for 40 days, a rehabilitation activity requirement and to register with the Police for 5 years. He has also signed an ABC Contract with Wiltshire Council with regard to ASB.

A male has produced a fraudulent £50 in the Factory Shop to purchase goods, identification of this male is being sought from another Force as this is a widespread issue. Please be mindful if you are in possession of a £50 note!

### **Fly-Tipping**

There have been two incidents of fly-tipping, one in Kingsdown and one on the Leafield Ind. Estate. The green waste & mattresses dumped in Leafield were set alight. A witness took the number plate of the vehicle in Kingsdown as it was tipping. Both these incidents are being dealt with by Environmental Services – Wiltshire Council.

### **Information**

On the evening of the 28th February there was a fatal road traffic collision on the A350 at the Whitehall lights whereby a local male in his 40's died. Investigations are in their early stages as to the cause of the accident. There is a lot of speculation at the moment from members of the public as to how the collision occurred which is involving a petition to change the road lay-out.

Please be assured that there are many factors to consider and a thorough investigation is being carried out by the Tri-Force Serious Collision Investigation Team. Their findings will be presented to the Coroner.

There is now a Police Information point at the reception desk within the Campus, the volunteer will be available Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1000-1300 hours. Should members of the public attend the Campus to make a report or speak to the Police and nobody is available or not on duty they may use the yellow phone which is located outside the front door and they will be connected to a Police operator.

A new youth facility has started at Corsham Campus on Friday evenings, Emma Drage, Community Youth Officer for Wiltshire Council will be able to provide further updates with regard to this.

*Dave Hobman  
NPT Inspector  
Chippenham, Royal Wootton Bassett, Calne,  
Corsham, Malmesbury and Cricklade*



**March 2016**

### **New Daisy service on target for summer opening**

A brand new building, which will provide specialised services for individuals with complex learning disabilities and challenging behaviour, is now near completion and will open this summer.

The facility, called 'The Daisy' and based near Green Lane Hospital in Devizes, has been commissioned by NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group and services will be provided by Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust (AWP). People will receive person-centred care and support within a local residential setting, allowing them to live as independently as possible within a community setting. Each individual living area will be fully equipped with a kitchen, en-suite bathroom and lounge area and people have contributed to the design of their own living areas by choosing their colour schemes and soft furnishing – a home from home.

The community aspect of this build will allow people living there to engage with the surrounding area, and involve them at the heart of the community. People will be supported to maintain their family relationships, build a fulfilled life through participation in the community, such as education, sports and leisure and they will be able to access mainstream services when required to ensure that their health and social needs are met.



## Wiltshire's plan to tackle obesity: have your say

Wiltshire residents are being asked to have their say on NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Wiltshire Council's plan to tackle the issue of obesity in the county.

Obesity impacts on everyone, so the CCG and council are keen to hear from as many people as possible to get their feedback on this draft strategy ahead of the consultation deadline on 30 April.

In Wiltshire, 29.3% of children aged 10 to 11 years are overweight or obese, along with 63.6% of adults.

The draft strategy is based on feedback from last year's Wiltshire obesity Summit and on evidence of what works in preventing and addressing the challenges posed by obesity.

The strategy aims to halt and then reverse the obesity situation in the county, and will complement and build on work already underway to support Wiltshire residents to achieve and maintain a healthy weight.

To take part in the consultation people should visit <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/obesity-strategy-2016-consultation.htm>

## Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in Wiltshire

The contract for ADHD services in Wiltshire is currently held by Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership Trust (AWP) and this contract is due to finish at the end of March 2016.

Whilst a review of the whole contract is being undertaken, a temporary ADHD contract with AWP has been negotiated to run from 1 March until 31 August.

This extension will ensure that a large proportion of the current services can continue until a permanent two year contract can be agreed, and during this period AWP will continue to provide an ongoing service for:

- Existing patients who have already been assessed and diagnosed
- Existing patients who require ongoing follow up and prescribing
- Patients already being cared for under the shared care process
- Urgent and/or prioritised new referrals as approved by the CCG Exceptions Panel

The new contract will start on 1 September 2016.

## Developing mental health services for veterans

The NHS has launched a national engagement on mental health services for veterans.

The engagement will run until 31 March 2016 and aims to capture views and experiences of these services from a range of stakeholders, including veterans who have or have had a mental health illness, their families and carers, service charities, commissioners and providers offering treatment and support in this area.

Findings from the engagement will help to ensure that future mental health services for veterans are accessible, provide high-quality and sensitive care, treatment and support, and best meet the needs of veterans, regardless of when they leave the armed forces.

Currently, the NHS commissions 12 mental health services across England for veterans. These were set up in 2010 following publication of "Fighting Fit: a mental health plan for servicemen and veterans". The contract on these services are due in 2016/17 and this provides the NHS with a significant opportunity to ask people about their views and experiences of the current services. This will also allow the NHS to explore why some veterans have not sought or received support and treatment.

The NHS wants to hear from people who have served in the armed forces and have used or are currently using NHS veterans' mental health services. We also want to hear from family members and carers of veterans who have or have had mental health difficulties, as well as staff and organisations that are providing mental health care, treatment and support for veterans and their families.

To take part in the engagement and share your views, which runs from 25 January to 31 March 2016, please visit: <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/survey/veterans-mental-health-services>.

For further information on the engagement exercise or veterans' mental health services in your area, please email [ENGLAND.VMH-Engagementhub@nhs.net](mailto:ENGLAND.VMH-Engagementhub@nhs.net)

## Stay well this Winter campaign

Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group are part of the **Stay Well This Winter** national campaign to raise awareness of what you can do to stay healthy this winter and what services are available if you need additional help.

The national **Stay Well This Winter** campaign started on 5 October 2015 and will run until 27 March 2016 and will also be providing advice to those with long-term health conditions, over 65s, pregnant women and parents of under-sevens.

### Get the jab, get Flu Safe

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

Flu is not the same as a cold and it affects people of all ages. If you or someone you care for is in any of the at-risk groups listed below you can get a free flu jab from your GP.

- everyone aged 65 years and over
- all pregnant women irrespective of their stage of pregnancy

- Adults and children over six months with long term heart, lung, kidney, liver or neurological conditions
- people with diabetes
- anyone who has a reduced immunity because of an illness or medical condition
- people with asthma
- anyone in long-stay residential care
- carers of disabled or elderly people and healthcare workers that are in direct contact with patients

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

### **Staying Healthy this winter**

NHS Wiltshire CCG is urging people to keep warm and well this winter, especially as the nights are starting to draw in and the temperature is dropping.

The cold can have serious consequences as it can increase the risk of strokes and heart attacks as well as causing people to catch colds and flu. Wrapping up warm, keeping the heating turned up, making sure you have enough winter food supplies and keeping a well-stocked medical cabinet in case you do catch a cold or flu are all sensible steps to take.

Some tops tips on staying warm and well this winter.

1. Keep your home warm – set your central heating to between 65 and 70 degrees Fahrenheit (18-21 degrees centigrade). Heat the room you sit in during the day to 70 degrees, and your bedroom to 65 degrees. When it's very cold, set the heating to come on earlier so that you're not waiting for your home to warm up.
2. Have your flu jab. Everyone over 65, or with a wide variety of health conditions, is entitled to one free of charge. Immunity takes effect almost immediately, so even though a flu outbreak is currently well underway, you can still protect yourself by getting the jab – just call your GP to make an appointment.
3. If you do fall ill with flu, it's best to stay at home. Flu is caused by a virus, and cannot be treated with antibiotics – so a visit to your GP is not necessarily the best course of action.
4. Vomiting and diarrhoea bugs caused by norovirus are common and very infectious. This can be a very unpleasant condition, but the best advice is to stay at home and drink plenty of fluids until the symptoms pass. Norovirus is highly infectious, with an incubation period of between one and three days. For that reason, you should wait 48 hours after symptoms have stopped before going back to work or your children go back to school.
5. Make sure you have enough winter supplies and keep a well-stocked medicine cabinet, with supplies of ibuprofen, paracetamol and your favourite cold remedy at hand.

Where to go when you're ill - The following points should be helpful when deciding who to contact.

- Pharmacies offer over-the-counter medicines and advice. As well as being open during regular retail hours, they operate an out-of-hours service on a rota basis;
- Call NHS 111 for advice or go to NHS Choices website [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk). They can give a wide range of advice and information about many conditions;
- Use the minor injuries units at Chippenham and Trowbridge or the walk-in centres in Swindon and Salisbury for cuts, burns and other injuries – but not for colds, flu or vomiting;
- Make an appointment with your own GP - an out-of-hours service is also available;
- If it is a genuine emergency, go to your local A&E department or call 999 for an ambulance

Keep an eye on elderly or frail friends, neighbours and relatives this winter and join us in helping Wiltshire stay well this winter.





## Area Board Update - March 2016

### **The Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection of South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**

The CQC is the independent regulator of all health and adult social care in England. In June 2016 the CQC will be inspecting services provided by the South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust. It wants to hear from local people about their experiences of services to help them to understand what is good and bad about the care provided by this service.

If you would like to provide any feedback on your experiences of services, please contact the CQC: telephone 0300 0616161; email [tellus@cqc.org.uk](mailto:tellus@cqc.org.uk); website [www.cqc.org.uk/sye](http://www.cqc.org.uk/sye). Alternatively you can contact Healthwatch Wiltshire as we work closely with the CQC to support its inspections.

### **Your Care Your Support Wiltshire**

Local people often tell Healthwatch Wiltshire that they want good quality information about health and care so that they can live more independently and make good choices. We are working with Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning group, on a new health and care information website called Your Care Your Support Wiltshire:

[www.yourcareyoursupportwiltshire.org.uk](http://www.yourcareyoursupportwiltshire.org.uk). The aim is that the website becomes the 'go to place' for information about health and care. It includes information about health conditions, paying for care advice on how to stay fit and healthy. It also has a directory of support services, club and societies. We know that not everyone uses the internet so we are also making sure that professional staff know about the website so that they can print off information for their patients and customers. It is an exciting time because we are actively calling out to local people and professionals to tell us what they would like to be included on the website. We are also encouraging local groups and services to make sure that they are included on the site.

**Would you like to get involved?** We are looking for people to provide feedback on the website or to get involved in a focus group or reader's panels. This is your chance to help build a really useful health and social care website fit for Wiltshire people.

### **Young Listeners - trained and raring to go!**

Healthwatch Wiltshire has an important role in speaking up for all local people on health and care issues. And that includes children and young people! We are excited about a new project we are working on with Youth Action Wiltshire (part of Community First) which will make sure that children and young people are included in our work. The project is recruiting young people and training them up to become 'Young Listeners', who are going to be talking directly with children and young people to find out their views and experiences of health and care—i.e.

being young carers, living with a special educational need, and about their own emotional wellbeing. Over the course of the project the Young Listeners will gather feedback from over 100 children and young people. Ultimately we want the voices of Wiltshire's children and young people to be heard by the people who are buying and providing health and care services.

We would like as many children and young people as possible to be involved in this project. So if you or your child, or someone you support or look after would be interested in sharing their experiences of using health or social care services please get in touch.

Contact us:

Tel 01225 434218

[info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk)

[www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk)





# Partner Update

<b>Update from</b>	<b>Corsham Town Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	17 March 2016
<b>Headlines/Key Issues</b>	

- The Town Council has been working with Corsham Chamber of Commerce on the Corsham Means Business Show, held on Wednesday 16 March, at Hartham Park. The show gives local companies a reason to shout about the services they offer and explain why Corsham is a great place to do business. We would like to thank the Chamber of Commerce team who have worked so hard on the Show.
- The Town Council's Annual Town Meeting and Community Awards Presentation takes place on Thursday 21 April, 7pm for 7.30pm, at the Town Hall. All are welcome to come along.
- February's Town Council meeting was live-streamed by KIK Radio – the first time this has taken place.
- The Town Council will be taking on the public toilets in Newlands Road car park in the new financial year, following Wiltshire Council's decision to cut funding for public conveniences across the county. We are also investigating working with local restaurants, cafes and bars to launch a Community Toilet Scheme, where members of the public are allowed to use toilet facilities without having to make a purchase.
- You can hunt for the golden eggs in the town centre throughout the Easter holidays! From Good Friday until 10 April, 10 golden eggs will be hiding in shop windows. Track them all down and you could win a big, chocolate-y prize! Entry forms will be available at the Town Hall or can be downloaded from the Town Council website at [www.corsham.gov.uk](http://www.corsham.gov.uk) from 25 March.
- This year's Corsham in Bloom theme will commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dorothy House Hospice, with a pink and purple colour scheme to match this inspirational organisation's logo. The hanging baskets, planters and flower-poles will start to appear towards the end of May. Having taken a year off, Corsham is also re-entering Britain in Bloom South West again.
- On 23 April, in the pedestrianised area of the High Street, we are delighted to announce that the renowned Shakespeare Live group will be performing Shakespeare Shorts, a half-hour performance of some of the Bard's best known scenes and sonnets, to commemorate 400 years since his death. The first performance will take place at 10.30am, and then is repeated at 11.15am and 12pm.
- And on 11 June, Corsham's Summer Fete returns to Springfield Rec to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The fun starts at 12pm. More details at the next Area Board.



**Report to** Corsham  
**Date of meeting** 07/03/2016  
**Title of report** Youth Grant Funding

**Purpose of the Report:**

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Choices – Colerne	£4750.00	Approve

**1. Background**

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

**2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

**3. Environmental & Community Implications**

Youth Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

**4. Financial Implications**

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

**5. Legal Implications**

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

**6. Human Resources Implications**

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

**7. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council’s Public Sector Equality Duty.

**8. Safeguarding Implications**

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

**9. Applications for consideration**

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="http://thematrix.wiltshire.council/areaboard_youth_grants/grant_get.php?gid=285">http://thematrix.wiltshire.council/areaboard_youth_grants/grant_get.php?gid=285</a>	Mrs Mischi Wilk	Positive activities for young people	£4750.00
<p><b>Project description</b>            Delivery of equal opportunities project for 13-19 year olds in Colerne within a safe and caring environment where individuals can make health and well-being choices and encourage self-esteem and cohesion. Extensive consultation with youth has identified preferred activities of sport, play, recreation, food and digital technology. Youth have helped to evaluate the questionnaire and formulating the activity plan which has guided the bid submission. Both local businesses and parish council are in full support of this project. Local community has been involved in setting up Choices activities have not been promoted nor has an engagement plan been produced. This will be a priority should the bid be successful.</p>			
<p><b>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £4750.00 subject to the following conditions:</li> <li>• The project works with the Community Youth Officer and provides updates as well as evidence of the activities</li> <li>• Anyone working with the young people are DBS checked</li> <li>• No lone working</li> <li>• Anyone driving the transport vehicles has the necessary license and insurance</li> <li>• Anyone that works with the young people have the relevant insurance.</li> </ul>			

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

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## Local Youth Network Management Group Record Template

Area	Corsham Community Area				
Date	07.03.16	Times	18:00	Venue	Springfield Campus
Present	Emma Drage; Richard Rogers; male young person; Claire (applicant), female young person, Naomi Silverton				
Apologies	Neil Pocock, Maranda Morgan, Alan Macrae; Mr Staten; Josh Towers				
<b>Agenda Items</b>					
1	<p><b>Introductions</b>                      Everyone introduced themselves                      Claire to introduce herself                      Claire sits on the Colerne Parish Council, and is Chair of the choices management group.                      The group want to build community cohesion, raise young people's self-esteem through providing positive opportunities for young people during the school holidays.                      Extensive consultation with young people has occurred and the group has asked the young people what they wanted to do so that they could choose what they wanted to do, which is: sports, digital technology and cooking. The group has engaged the parish council and local businesses and has asked them to come on board which has been successful so far.                      The LYNMG discussed Colerne being a village which is distant and too far for young people to travel and unsafe for young people to walk or cycle to Corsham; therefore taking the activity to the village will mean it is accessible to the young people.</p>				
2	<p><b>Scoring sheet</b>                      LYNMG scored the funding application, please see the March scoring sheet.</p>				
3	<p><b>Camomile café</b>                      Camomile café has closed its youth evenings due to not enough young people using the café.</p>				
4	<p><b>How the Corsham youth zone and go active are getting on</b>                      So far over 40 young people are using the Corsham Youth Zone and over 30 are using the Go Active Alternative Sporting activity.</p>				
5	<p><b>Future meeting date</b>                      The next meeting is on a bank holiday therefore it will be changed to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup></p>				

	April 2016.		
Decisions			
1	The LYNMG would like the youth grant Choices Colerne to go through.		
2			
3			
Recommendations to Area Board			
1	The LYNMG would like the youth grant Choices Colerne to go through and the applicant is awarded the full amount.		
2			
Date of Next meeting			
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April			
Notes Taken By	Emma Drage	Position	Community Youth Officer

**Corsham Community Area Board and Local Youth Network  
Positive Activities for Young People Grants Scheme**

**Local Youth Network Scoring Sheet  
Organization: Choices Colerne Amount Requested: £4750.00**

<b>Category:</b>	<b>Total mark available</b>	<b>Mark given:</b>	<b>Comments:</b>
<p><b>Meets local needs &amp; priorities</b> How well does the project/activity/programme meet local needs, outcomes, priorities and objectives?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organizations own Consultation (2 Marks)</li> <li>- CYO Needs Assessment (2 Marks)</li> <li>- JSA (2 Marks)</li> <li>- 507B Offer (2 Marks)</li> <li>- Community/ Neighborhood plan (2 Marks)</li> </ul>	10	9	The applicant has clearly done extensive consultation with young people including when they get off the bus. The applicant has had a few meetings to discuss the needs analysis with the CYO to discuss the needs of the young people in the area.
<p><b>Young people's involvement</b> Is there evidence that young people have been involved in informing the development of the project/activity/programme?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organizations own Consultation (3 Marks)</li> <li>- Young people involved in development of activity/ project (7 Marks)</li> </ul>	10	7	Yes, they are keen to start a youth forum type of group so young people can be more involved; however, this has not started yet.
<p><b>Potential reach/participation of young people</b> How many young people could take part in this project/activity/programme?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Promotion of activity/ project</li> <li>- Involvement of rural communities</li> <li>- Engagement plan</li> </ul>	10	9	It is such a small, rural village; the group is bringing activities to the rural village. Due to the size of the village the group will put up posters and flyers as well as advertise via social media, and

			tell young people when they get off the school buses into the village.
<p><b>Outcomes &amp; benefits for young people</b>                  Does the project/activity/programme support young people to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Build resilience (2 Marks)</li> <li>- Make positive lifestyle choices (2 Marks)</li> <li>- Achieve in learning (2 Marks)</li> <li>- Gain independence (2 Marks)</li> <li>- Encourage personal and social development and help young people to make a successful transition to adulthood (2 Marks)</li> </ul>	10	9	The applicant communicated how the activities that they will have for the young people, will increase the self-esteem of the young people; help to build resilience and help them to make positive choices, this is the main reason the group would like to ensure these activities for the young people run.
<p><b>Affordability &amp; accessibility</b>                  Is this project/activity/programme accessible, affordable, wanted and valued by local young people?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Accessible location</li> <li>- Transport</li> <li>- Cost to young people</li> <li>- Other income sources</li> </ul>	10	10	The activities will be free for the young people.
<p><b>Vulnerable and hard to reach groups of young people</b>                  Does this project/activity/programme work with heard to reach groups/vulnerable young people? For example, looked after children, care leavers, homeless young people, young carers, young offenders, young people with disabilities, ethnic minority young people, young travelers, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender young people, or</p>	10	7	The group needs to find a way of ensuring young people who do not attend school are aware of the activities happening.



<p>young people from areas of deprivation?</p> <p>(Please give a higher score to a project that includes more than one of these groups.)</p>			
<p><b>Equalities</b></p> <p>Is the project/activity /programme inclusive and accessible for hard to reach/underrepresented groups of young people? For example, young people with disabilities?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Up to date Equality of Opportunity Policy</li> <li>- Inclusive project</li> <li>- Plan to engage young people</li> <li>- Reach to underrepresented groups</li> </ul>	10	7	If an activities needs to be adapted so that it is inclusive to all, then the group will have the discussion with the activity leaders to ensure that it is.
<p><b>Partnership working &amp; Community involvement</b></p> <p>Does this project/activity/programme involve working with other local community partners?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Promote volunteering</li> <li>- Engage wider community</li> <li>- Partnership working</li> <li>- Member of the LYN/ CAP</li> </ul>	10	10	Yes, Parish Council, Community Centre, and local businesses.
<p><b>Matched Funding</b></p> <p>Does this project/activity/programme have matched funding?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Financially</li> <li>- Resources/ Equipment</li> <li>- Spaces</li> <li>- People</li> </ul>	5	2	The projects are match funded through rooms hire in kind and wreck space in kind.

<p><b>Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people</b>                  Is there a strong commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Insurance cover is in place.</li> <li>- Up to date Child Protection Policy, Complaints Procedure and Whistle Blowing Policy</li> <li>- Health &amp; Safety Policy</li> <li>- Safer Recruitment Process</li> <li>- Staff DBS Checked</li> </ul>	10	9	The Management group have all the relevant policies in place, the group will only allow people who are DBS checked to work with the young people, however it is advised that the Management group are also DBS checked
<p><b>Monitoring and evaluation</b>                  Does the applicant have clear and robust arrangements in place to monitor the outcomes and impact of this project/activity/programme?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Monitoring process</li> <li>- Evaluation process</li> <li>- Photos/ Videos</li> <li>- Young people feedback/ evaluations</li> <li>- Check against aims/ objectives</li> </ul>	5	4	Need to have a robust monitoring and evaluation process, and they need to ensure the give feedback forms to the young people, which they have said that they will.
<p><b>TOTAL</b>  <b>Benchmark is 60/100</b></p>	<b>100</b>	<b>83</b>	

**Discussion Topics**

Questions:	Comments:
<p>1. What could the long term impact/benefit of this</p>	<p><b>Great kick start for rural location, it will benefit the young people with building up their self-esteem making positive choices and will positively impact their</b></p>

<b>project/activity/programme be? Will there be a long term benefit?</b>	<b>wellbeing an health as well as building community cohesion</b>
<b>2. Is the project/activity/programme cost effective?</b>	yes
<b>3. Is this an innovative/original project/activity/programme in idea and/or location?</b>	yes
<b>4. Is there a clear need/demand for the project/activity/programme?</b>	yes
<b>5. Is there a potential risk to the fund or Wiltshire Council Corsham Community Area Board and Local Youth Network being involved in this project/activity/programme?</b>	no

**Local Youth Network Funding Panel Decision (to go as a recommendation to the Community Area Board)**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
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<b>Amount Awarded:</b>	<b>£4750.00</b>
<b>Reason for part award (if applicable):</b>	
<b>Reason for rejection:</b>	
<b>Local Youth Network Members present:</b>	Emma Drage; Richard Rogers; YP female; YP male; Naomi Silverton;
<b>Date:</b>	08.03.16

<b>Report to</b>	Corsham Area Board
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	17/03/2016
<b>Title of Report</b>	Community Area Grant funding

**Purpose of the report:**

To consider the applications for funding listed below

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> Lacock Cricket Club <b>Project Title:</b> Sports Pavilion Facilities Upgrade towards Sport England compliance  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£3000.00
<b>Applicant:</b> The Brunel Shed <b>Project Title:</b> Selwyn Hall Lift Project  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£4000.00
<b>Applicant:</b> CORSHAM TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB <b>Project Title:</b> WHILTSHIRE COUNCIL FOOTBALL PITCH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£700.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Springfield Art Group <b>Project Title:</b> Purchase of art materials for Springfield Art Group  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£1,000.00

**1. Background**

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

**2. Main Considerations**

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

### 3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

### 4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

### 5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

### 6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

### 7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

### 8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

### 9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1708</a>	Lacock Cricket Club	Sports Pavilion Facilities Upgrade towards Sport England compliance	£3000.00
<b>Project Description:</b> This Lacock Cricket Club led project seeks to upgrade the semi derelict sports pavilion on Lacock recreation ground used year around by community sports clubs; by extending a changing room, building a shower room and installing umpires/referees' changing facilities. These works seek to provide minimum levels of Sport England compliance.			
<b>Input from Community Engagement Manager</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval.</li><li>• A large project is under way to build new facilities but this is on the early stages and will not be completed for a number of years</li><li>• The current pavilion is barely useable and is in desperate need of some refurbishment</li><li>• The project is supported by both The National trust and The Parish Council.</li></ul>			
<b>Proposal</b> That the Area Board determines the application.			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1734</a>	The Brunel Shed	Selwyn Hall Lift Project	£4000.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>  There is no disabled access to the upper floor of the hall; consisting of general club society room committee room and storage area. This means that user groups are unable to use these facilities and individuals particularly elderly and disabled are denied equal access to activities and exhibitions etc. A secondary function is to provide limited facilities to move furniture etc. between floors with obvious benefits to clubs and societies with a predominantly elderly membership. The lift is a completely self-contained unit in a shaft with locking doors and therefore protected from vandalism. Disabled access was originally by stair-lift which proved so vulnerable to malfunction and vandalism that it was removed along with the safety hazard of a toothed rail running up the stairs.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The majority of the funding is being contributed by the Landfill grant</li> <li>• The project is just for the lift shaft assembly and is just for one of 4 large projects currently being undertaken</li> <li>• This application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for funding</li> </ul> <p><b>Proposal</b>  That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1823</a>	CORSHAM TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB	WILTSHIRE COUNCIL FOOTBALL PITCH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME	£700.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>  Wiltshire FA The Institute of Groundsman are partnering to provide an enhanced offer for member clubs groundsman with the single aim of improving grass pitches. This can be seen below. The charge for Wiltshire FA affiliated clubs to be involved in the programme is £80. This £80 is to cover the two independent visits from approved IOG grounds men; after the first visit a report will be written and recommendations will be made in line with the club facilities budget as to how to improve the club's grass playing surface. From the pilot visits we have completed thus far, the main work that clubs are being recommended to complete is verti-draining. The purpose of verti-draining and spiking is to allow oxygen into the root system and to provide a conduit for surface water to the drains. This video gives an example of the process - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QVHZm4liWcs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QVHZm4liWcs</a> As you will read from the offer to our clubs, it includes reduced rates for specialist grounds works such as verti-draining. We have lined up a highly recommended independent contractor to complete this work. We have negotiated a reduced rate for clubs to hire in this service, it will also allow us to quality assure the standard of work being completed. Each visit would save the club £40 on current contractor rates. To enable the clubs to access these reduced rates we need to provide an equipment bank so that the undertaking of the mentioned work can take place by the</p>			

independent contractor. The equipment bank will start as a tractor and verti-drainer initially but as this programme progresses it is hoped that more equipment can be added based on specialist recommendations of the first IOG visits to pitches. The price for the two bids of equipment has been quoted at £38000. The Football Foundation has committed we are tasked with finding the remaining shortfall. The applicant to the Football Foundation and owner of the equipment would be the Wiltshire FA. A service level agreement will be drafted between the Wiltshire FA and the independent contractor who will carry out the work arranged with clubs. The independent contractor will be responsible for all day to day maintenance of the equipment in the bank. A second visit will take place by an independent IOG groundsman after 12-24 month to measure the success and implementation of the recommendations and judge the improvement of the playing service. Alongside this there will be regular Groundsman CPD Events to educate the workforce around the implementation of their individual site reports.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

- There are 9 community areas in Wiltshire that have been selected for this additional investment.
- Wilts FA and the Football Foundation are funding the majority of the programme but are £5k short, hence the clubs initially involved are applying to their respective Area Boards for the remainder
- The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for funding

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1800</a>	Springfield Arts Group	Materials for new group	£1000

**Project Description:**

The project is to provide art materials to allow the Community self-help social and creative group that was formed under the Artlift initiative to continue. It is supporting mental and emotional well-being of members referred from The Porch GP medical practice as art on prescription. The application will allow the group to continue to meet now that funding has ceased and also provide art equipment for future new groups. These are already scheduled to begin March 2016 and July 2016.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

- The Artlift project has proved to be extremely successful in helping those with mental and emotional challenges to overcome them
- Those who went through the first programme were very keen to continue but there was no funding for room hire and equipment. The members are being asked to make a contribution but additional funding is required. If they stop meeting now, it is likely that the benefit and momentum will be lost



- An application will be considered by the Town Council for help towards room hire
- The group wishes to grow and attract new members
- The group is newly formed and has no bank account. The Brunel Sheds Project has kindly agreed to act as responsible banker if this application is approved
- The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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## Corsham Area Board Project – Cllr Sheila Parker

### 1. What is the project?

#### Supporting Older People in the community

To agree for £4k to be assigned to supporting older people within the Corsham Community Area

Wiltshire Council and its partners wish to establish a community led model to health and well-being. In order to achieve this, it has been agreed that each community area will establish a local health and well-being group to oversee this work. The initial focus will be on ensuring that older people and their carers receive the support and services that they require

Corsham Area Board recognises that within this community area, there are also a number of related initiatives that also need to be established (e.g. Safe Places, Dementia awareness) and that funding for related key services (e.g. Home from Hospital and the Good Neighbour Scheme) is being reduced or cut. The approach addresses this and aims to reduce duplication and unnecessary meetings.

If the additional £4k is agreed, this will provide us with sufficient resources to work with our partners and the wider community to:

- Establish a 'Health and Well Being Group' within the Corsham Community Area that reports to the Area Board and has a small working budget
- Establish a local sustainable model to help support older people including the mapping and gapping of existing provision
- Appoint an older person's and carers champion as well as a Health and well-being
- Establish safe places within Corsham and further develop dementia awareness

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

Throughout the Corsham Community Area

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

If the project is agreed then it will start straight away and include the following ambitions.

- 1) Appoint an older person's champion and Project Worker by end of April 2016
- 2) Establish safe places by end of 2016
- 3) Have in place new model that is robust enough to withstand any future budget changes by

#### 4. Who is the project aimed at?

The project is primarily aimed at vulnerable older people including those who are lonely and isolated. It is not to take the place of any commissioned services but to provide a community network of support.

#### 5. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/desired outcomes?

It is well known that people are living longer than ever before. The number of people in the Corsham Community Area who will be aged over 60 will increase by about a quarter over the next 10 years. Whilst many will be fit, healthy and active, a significant number may not and will require additional support.

The demand upon public services means that a community model is the only way that we will be able to respond to these challenges. Supporting vulnerable and older people is a top priority for Wiltshire Council as well as locally within the Corsham Community Area.

The desired outcome is that each of us within the community will play an active part in being aware of and supporting those whom we know or live locally. This will allow the public services to use their resources to address additional needs where specialist help is required.

**If this model works, then the benefits are many and varied including:**

- I. Help reduce isolation and loneliness
- II. Increase awareness of dementia and provide safe places for those who are confused or in need of help when away from the help
- III. Foster community help at street or neighbourhood level
- IV. Map and gap provision
- V. Highlight and address gaps
- VI. Provide a conduit for communicating between local older people and health / Wiltshire Council
- VII. Encourage active lifestyles including volunteering
- VIII. Reduce unnecessary demands upon public services

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

Richard Rogers (Community Engagement Manager) working with the elected Members will oversee the project. Cllr Sheila Parker is the lead Member

#### 7. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

The following is a provisional budget

INCOME	EXPENDITURE	COMMENTS
£2k (Adult Services, WC)		Will provide £1k per year in the future
@£5k		Wiltshire Council (Exact amount to be confirmed)
£4k		This Member initiative
	£1k	Expenses for Older person's champion
	£5k	To pay for health and Well-Being project worker
	£5k	Budget for Health and Well-being Group
TOTAL - £11k	Total - £11k	

## Corsham Area Board Project – Cllr Alan Macrae

### 1. What is the project?

#### Supporting Legacy events during summer 2016

This initiative is to ring fence £3k to support activities related to the legacy events. Agreeing to this will allow expenditure up to this amount to take place without the need for the request to wait up to 2 months to be brought to the next Area Board meeting.

The Wiltshire Legacy Steering Board set up after the huge success of the 2012 Olympics and Diamond Jubilee events, continues to encourage and support us to get involved. Its focus for 2016 is upon bringing communities together and getting people more active.

The big 'hooks' for 2016 are the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations in June and the summer Olympic Games in Rio, Brazil. Communities are invited to participate in the following ways:

- Hold street parties around June 11<sup>th</sup> – Several are already being planned within the Corsham area
- Clean for the Queen – Around 7 clean ups have or are taking place around the area during March and April
- Wiltshire's Big Pledge from 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Signing up to a sporting challenge to make a real difference to your health and wellbeing. This includes the 'Road to Rio' challenge for teams (Virtual journey to Rio)
- Get involved with walking and cycling (e.g. Corsham Walking Festival and Cycle Wiltshire)

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

This is a Wiltshire wide project but the funding will only be used within the Corsham Community Area

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

The project will take place between now and September 2016. Some key dates are:

June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> – Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations  
 May 2<sup>nd</sup> onwards – Big Pledge  
 June 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> - Corsham Walking festival  
 From 5<sup>th</sup> August - Olympics and Paralympics

**4. Who is the project aimed at?**

The project is aimed at everyone in the whole Corsham Community Area

**5. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/desired outcomes?**

The benefits of the legacy events include:

- Increased community cohesion and support
- Boost economy and tourism
- Improve health and wellbeing
- Provide positive activities to be involved in

**6. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?**

Richard Rogers (Community Engagement Manager) working with the elected Members will oversee the project.

**7. Costs/quotes/ match funding?**

It is unclear at the moment what funding will be required for the legacy events. However it is anticipated that some will be needed to help provide activities for the large celebration of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday at and around Springfield Health and Wellbeing Centre. In addition, we may receive requests for funding from other villages or neighbourhoods wishing to run their own events

Agreeing to this initiative allows the Community Engagement Manager working with the Elected Members to spend up to £3k without the need to take the requests back to the next Area Board meeting, which is likely to be too late. All expenditure will be reported back to the Area Board and if the funding is not spent then it will return to the Area Board funding pot to be used for other items

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**Date of meeting**

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**Subject: Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020**

**Report Author: Parvis Khansari, Associate Director Highways and Transport**

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## **Executive Summary**

Wiltshire Council is undertaking a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years, which is delivering a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

The flooding in 2013/14 had an adverse effect on road conditions, but the additional investment through the Council's 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020' has arrested this deterioration, and the county's road conditions continue to improve.

The investment has been targeted at those roads in worst condition, and includes minor roads as well as the main roads. The programme is just reaching the end of its second year, and has already seen a substantial amount of work completed (see **Appendix 1**).

In 2016/17 it is proposed to increase expenditure on treating the smaller sites, many of which have been outstanding for some time, and to reduce the number of larger surfacing sites.

A list of potential sites for next year has been prepared for each community area (see **Appendix 2**). The site list is based on the existing condition of the roads and the anticipated deterioration in the future, and the area boards are invited to consider the proposals.

It should be noted that the list will probably need to be reviewed during the year as the rate of deterioration of individual roads does vary because of weather and local conditions.

There has been an extensive programme of integrated transport, traffic management and safety schemes carried out in recent years. (See **Appendix 3**). The Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs) have had a vital role in helping prioritise schemes.

The Council is in the process of identifying a 'Resilient Road Network' (See **Appendix 4**), which will form the core network where specific measures would be considered in order to ensure the continuing availability of this route in extreme weather conditions.

### **Proposals**

Area Boards are asked to note the work completed so far in connection with the 'Local highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and consider the list of proposals for highway maintenance in their areas for 2016/17.

The Area Board are requested to note the proposed 'Wiltshire Resilient Road Network', and are invited to comment on the proposed network and any sections of the route of particular concern in their area.

### **Reason for Proposal**

Wiltshire Council has a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years, which is already delivering a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

The views of the Area Board are important in helping identify local priorities for road maintenance, and future programmes of work.



## **Wiltshire Council**

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#### **Date of meeting**

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**Subject:** Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020

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#### **Purpose of Report**

1. To advise the Area Board regarding progress on Wiltshire Council's Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020, and to review the local highway maintenance priorities for 2016/17.

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

2. The Council's Business Plan sets out the vision to create stronger and more resilient communities. It includes three key priorities and twelve actions that the Council will deliver over the next four years. One of the twelve actions is to 'invest additional money between 2014 -17 to reduce the historic backlog in highways maintenance'.

#### **Background**

3. Expenditure on highways maintenance declined substantially during the 1990's, and there was underinvestment in roads maintenance nationally for many years. There was an increase in spending from 2000/1, with the introduction of Local Transport Plan funding, but there was still a large backlog of maintenance required on the network.
4. In 2014 Wiltshire Council started a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years to bring about a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

#### **Main Considerations for the Council**

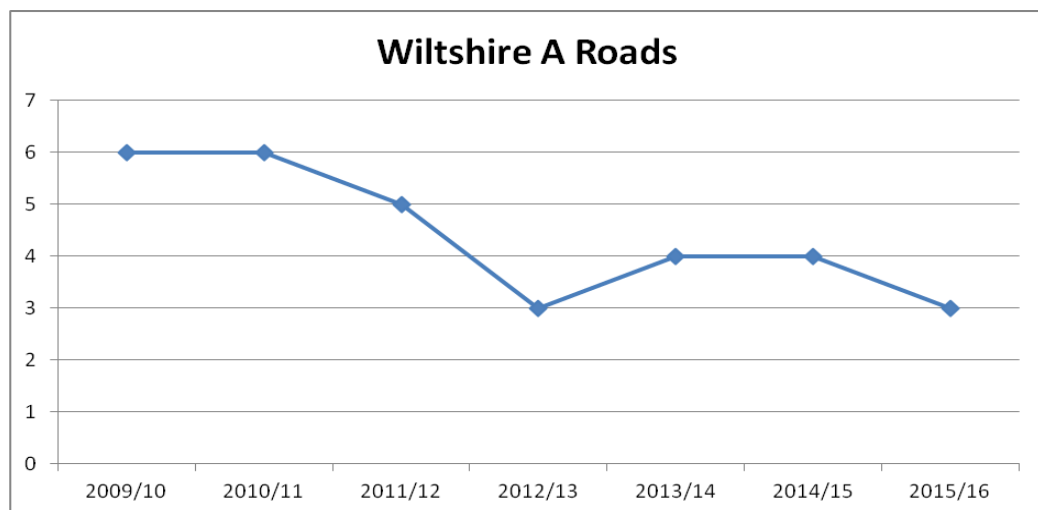
##### Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 - 2020

5. The investment is being targeted at those roads in worst condition, and includes minor roads as well as the main roads. Assessments based on road safety information and road condition data has been used to prepare annual lists of priority sites for treatment which are presented to the Area Boards for consideration.

6. Some roads need to be treated as priorities in order to address skid resistance and safety problems. As well as addressing the roads in worst condition, improvements are being made to the drainage and footways to bring them up to standard.
7. In addition to the larger sites, the Council has also been repairing smaller localised sites which are suffering from deterioration, or which need repairs. This programme of pothole and defect repairs will continue across the county in response to local damage identified through the Council's regular inspections or reports from the public and road users.

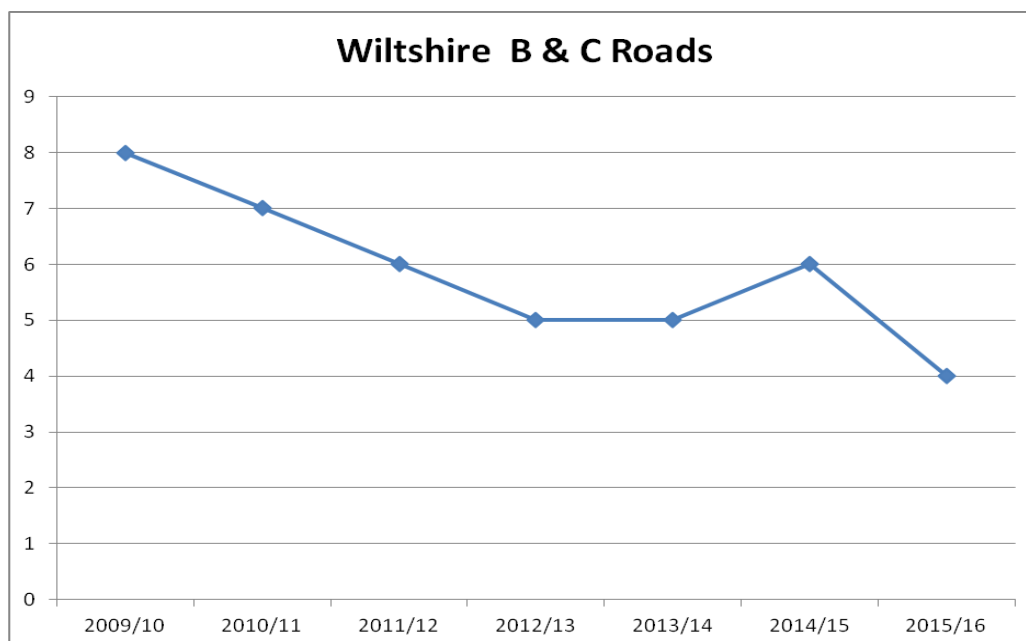
Condition of Roads in Wiltshire

8. The condition of classified roads is measured by technical surveys carried out using vehicle mounted laser scanners to a methodology established by the Department for Transport (DfT). These reflect the overall road condition and have been reported as National Indicators for a number of years.
9. The condition of the classified roads in Wiltshire has improved considerably since 2009/10. The flooding in 2013/14 clearly had an adverse effect on the road network, but the additional investment through the Council's Local Highways Investment Fund has helped stem this deterioration.
10. The investment made by the Council over the years has seen a reduction in the length of A Class road where treatment should be considered:



Percentage of A Class Roads in Wiltshire in poor condition

11. The B and C class roads have also improved. There has been a reduction in the percentage of road where treatment should be considered in recent years:



Percentage of B and C Class roads in Wiltshire in poor condition

12. The condition data on the unclassified roads is not as robust as for the classified roads, but indications are that these roads are also starting to improve. Data is being collected on the unclassified road network using the same methodology as for the classified roads, but this will take a few years to achieve the same level of detail. Initial analysis of this data indicates that approximately 6% of the surveyed unclassified network is in poor condition.
13. The road conditions in Wiltshire have been compared to other south-west counties. Conditions of the A class roads in Wiltshire, based on the 2013/14 figures published by DfT, are broadly similar to those in Dorset and Somerset, but not as good as those in Devon and Cornwall. The B and C Class roads, which are an important part of the network in Wiltshire, have been better than those of the adjoining counties for a number of years.

#### Highways Maintenance Programme

14. There has been considerable maintenance work carried out on the highway network in Wiltshire in the last two years as part of the Council's Local Highways Investment Fund. The list of local sites completed is included as **Appendix 1**.
15. During 2015/16 there were a number of sites which it was not possible to complete. These were primarily surface dressing sites, sometimes referred to as 'tar and chip', which is a cheap cost effective way of treating rural roads. However, it does need the underlying road structure to be in good condition as it provides a thin surface to improve skid resistance and seal the road construction, but does not add significantly to the strength to the road.

16. In the event the extent of structural repairs required on some of the minor roads proved larger than anticipated, and some surface dressing sites had to be deferred. The process has to be carried out during a short period in the summer, and it was not possible to complete the full programme of works last year.
17. There were a few sites which had to be postponed because of public utilities work. This was to avoid the road being dug up soon after being laid. The intention is that any public utility mains and cables should be laid completed before the road is resurfaced.
18. A list of potential sites for next year has been prepared for each community area (see **Appendix 2**). The site list is based on the existing condition of the roads and the anticipated deterioration in the future, and the area boards are invited to consider the proposals.
19. In view of the general improvement in road conditions, and the current financial restrictions, it is proposed to defer some of next year's investment until following years. This will reduce the number of larger surfacing sites being undertaken next year, but those where road safety is a serious consideration will still be prioritised.
20. The new contractual arrangements following the end of the current highways contract has enabled the Council to establish a direct contract with the surfacing sub-contractor. This has seen an improvement in service with more certainty of delivery with a good quality of work.
21. An area where delivery has improved significantly in recent months is with regard to the smaller sites where there is localised damage and potholes. These can be particularly difficult because they often need road closures and diversions to enable the works to be carried out safely. Programming these works, and integrating them with works by other on the network, is a challenge, but good progress is now being made.
22. It is proposed to increase the budget for this type of work substantially in 2016/17 in order to address some of the smaller sites which it has not been possible to progress in recent years. It is intended that the local Highways staff will have greater input in identifying priorities, potentially with the CATGs also being involved. The procedures will be developed in more details over the next few months.
23. The Council has been carrying out footway and drainage works in conjunction with many of the surfacing sites, but there is a requirement to develop a programme of footway works. Condition data has been collected for the urban footways over a number of years, and is expected to be substantially completed this year. This will enable a programme of footway major maintenance to be identified for consultation and potential implementation in 2017/18.

#### Integrated Transport Schemes

24. The CATGs have proved particularly successful at identifying and prioritising local transport issues, and a number of schemes have been delivered in recent years, with many more being developed for future implementation. See **Appendix 3**.
25. It is proposed that this process should continue with the budgets for this type of work continuing for next year. The Area Boards are encouraged to use the CATG process to deal with local concerns.
26. The Council analyses the injury accident records in order to identify sites with particular accident problems. These sites are reviewed and where appropriate improvements are proposed. These will continue to be developed, with the CATG kept informed of progress.

#### Resilient Road Network

27. The major maintenance work is improving the condition of the highway network and making it more resilient to extremes of weather. The flooding during 2014 affected a number of key routes in the county, and there is a need to identify a core network where specific measures should be considered in order to ensure the continuing availability of the route.
28. The Council already has an identified network of main roads which is the priority to keep open in the event of an extreme snow event. This comprises the busiest main roads, and is about 10% of the network. Once these have been cleared other roads are then treated in accordance with local priorities and conditions. There is a much more substantial network of roads which is subject to precautionary salting when ice is forecast.
29. It is proposed that the core network (See **Appendix 4**) should be designated the 'Wiltshire Resilient Road Network', and should be reviewed to determine whether specific measures are necessary to ensure its continued availability in adverse weather conditions of all types.
30. Any comments on the proposed resilient network, or areas of concern, would be appreciated, especially with regard to any sections of the route which may be considered particularly vulnerable. The Area Board may wish the CATG to consider the proposed network.
31. Extending the length of roads to be included in the core network would not be feasible because of resource limitation with regard to snow ploughing or specific works to improve resilience. If the proposed resilient network is too large it could divert funding away from other roads on the network.

#### **Safeguarding Implications**

32. Does not apply.

#### **Public Health Implications**

33. Increased investment in road maintenance has benefits for public health. The improved road surfaces, better skid resistance and associated safety improvements help reduce the numbers killed and injured on the road network. These improvements complement the other measures to improve road safety, such as traffic calming and speed limits, being introduced through the Local Transport Plan funding and the Community Area Traffic Groups.
34. The improved road surfaces, particularly on the minor urban roads, will be of benefit to cyclists and pedestrians. At present the condition of some of the urban roads may discourage cycling as cyclists are adversely affected by poor road conditions and uneven or damaged surfaces. The proposed investment would support the strategy to encourage cycling as set out in the Local Transport Plan.
35. Roads in poor condition in urban areas can result in disturbance and noise for residents, especially on busier routes carrying heavy goods vehicles at night. Better road surfaces should result in reduced background noise in residential areas, with potential mental and physical health benefits.
36. The Council monitors road collision data in order to focus safety improvements at those sites with the worst accident records. With the additional funding this process will continue, and where appropriate other alterations to signing, drainage, street lighting or road markings could be incorporated into resurfacing work and schemes to improve safety.

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

37. The road network is particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change. In recent years we have seen the effects of a series of severe winters which have resulted in damage to the roads and an increase in the number of potholes. In 2014 flooding damaged a number of roads in Wiltshire, and increased deterioration.
38. In the longer term a more robust highway network, with roads in better condition, would require less reactive maintenance and reduced travelling to respond to potholes and localised defects. A planned maintenance regime would enable the traffic disruption to be kept to a minimum. With unplanned maintenance the delays to traffic and associated fuel consumption could be considerable.
39. The identification of a Resilient Road Network for the county will help identify the key areas where measures may be required to ensure the continuing availability of main routes in extreme weather conditions.

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

40. The improvements in road safety anticipated with increased investment in road maintenance would be expected to benefit all road users, but

especially the more vulnerable, including pedestrians, cyclists and other non vehicle users.

41. The highway network is important to local businesses, and to public transport operators. The delays due to un-programmed maintenance and road repairs have been identified as concerns by local businesses. The high profile programme of works to address road conditions will help send the message that transport is important in Wiltshire and could help to promote inward investment and job creation.

### **Risk Assessment**

42. There are serious risks in connection with road maintenance. These include the safety and reputational aspects of those killed and seriously injured on the highway network. In order to reduce these risks the Council has approved highway inspection and skid resistance procedures in place, but in order to keep the network in safe condition it is important that the highway network has adequate investment, and the safety issues are prioritised.
43. The road condition data collected thorough the technical surveys is used to focus investment on those sites where there is most need and greatest risk. As well as the safety benefits this approach also ensures that best use is made of the limited available funding in order to keep the asset in optimum condition.

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

44. The risks to the Council from lack of road maintenance are in terms of claims against the Council as the result of accidents, or in extreme cases prosecution as a result of particular incidents. As well as the safety and cost aspects, there are also significant reputational implications of such events.
45. Not carrying out highway maintenance would lead to declining public satisfaction in the future as road conditions remain the same and no progress is made on improving them.

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

46. There is a risk that the proposals will not deliver the improvements in road condition anticipated. This risk will be managed by using the technical data to focus the necessary investment on those sections of road where work is required to meet safety requirements, and on those places where it would improve road conditions the most. Effective asset management will reduce this risk and make sure the investment is effective.
47. There is a risk that the investment will not increase public satisfaction with the service. In view of the initial results from those authorities which have made a substantial investment it would appear that satisfaction levels will

improve with the investment. However, a programme of publicity, branding and public involvement through the Area Boards will help raise awareness of the project, and will help to reduce this risk.

### **Financial Implications**

48. The Council's approved budget has included increased investment to deliver the Council's Business Plan with regard to road maintenance. This has been £24 million for the past two years. It is proposed that £3 million of next year's expenditure will be moved in to future years in view of the improving road conditions and current budget pressures.

### **Legal Implications**

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

### **Options Considered**

50. The Council reviews its proposed road maintenance programme annually in order to make best use of the latest information and take into account deterioration of the road conditions because of weather or other factors.

### **Conclusions**

51. The conditions of the road network are important to the public, and this is reflected through the People's Voice and NHT surveys. There has been expenditure above anticipated LTP funding levels in Wiltshire which is improving the condition of Wiltshire's highway network.
52. The Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020 over the six years will provide a significant improvement to the condition of the network, including improving the condition of the unclassified roads, and improving safety on the classified roads. The involvement of the Area Boards to help identify local priorities for treatment is important.

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## **Background Papers**

The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this report: None

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Highways Major Maintenance sites 2014 – 16

Appendix 2 – Potential Future Highways Maintenance Sites

Appendix 3 – Recent local CATG Schemes

Appendix 4 – Resilient Road Network



## Completed Highways Major Maintenance 2014 to 2016 – Corsham Area Board

Road	Location	Treatment
U/C	Naish Hill, Mons Lane east to Bewley Lane junction to A342 Devizes Road	Surface Dressing
U/C	Bewley Lane (Junction with Mons Lane east to Bowden Hill)	Surface Dressing
A365	Devizes Road near junction with Longsplatt, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements
C86	C86 North of junction with A4 Bath Road, Corsham	Skid Resistance Improvements
C48	The Old Jockey Farm, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements
U/C	Beech Road, Box	Surfacing
B3109	Bradford Road, near caravan park	Surfacing
U/C	Henley Lane, Box	Surfacing
U/C	Stokes Road, Corsham	Surfacing
U/C	Doncombe Lane, Colerne	Surfacing
U/C	Mill Lane, Box	Surfacing
U/C	Corsham Purleigh Rd.	Resurfacing, with footway

U/C	Corsham Ludmead Rd / Broadmead Rd.	Resurfacing with footways
A365	A365 Devizes Road, South of Box	Resurfacing
C86	C86 Cross Keys Road, Corsham	Resurfacing
A4	A4 Box Hill	Resurfacing
U/C	Beech Road, Rudloe	Resurfacing
U/C	Drewitts Mill, Box	Resurfacing
U/C	Doctors Hill, Box	Resurfacing
U/C	Barnetts Hillm Box	Resurfacing
A4	Love Lane, Box	Resurfacing
U/C	Elm Hill, Box	Resurfacing

## Proposed Highways Major Maintenance 2016/17– Corsham Area Board

<b>Road</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Recommended Treatment</b>	<b>Estimated Length (m)</b>
A4	A4 High Street, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements	80
A4	Bath Road, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements	90
A365	Devizes Road, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements	100
A365	Five Lanes Crossroads, east of Old Jockey, Box	Skid Resistance Improvements	90
C86	Cross Keys Road, Corsham	Skid Resistance Improvements	271



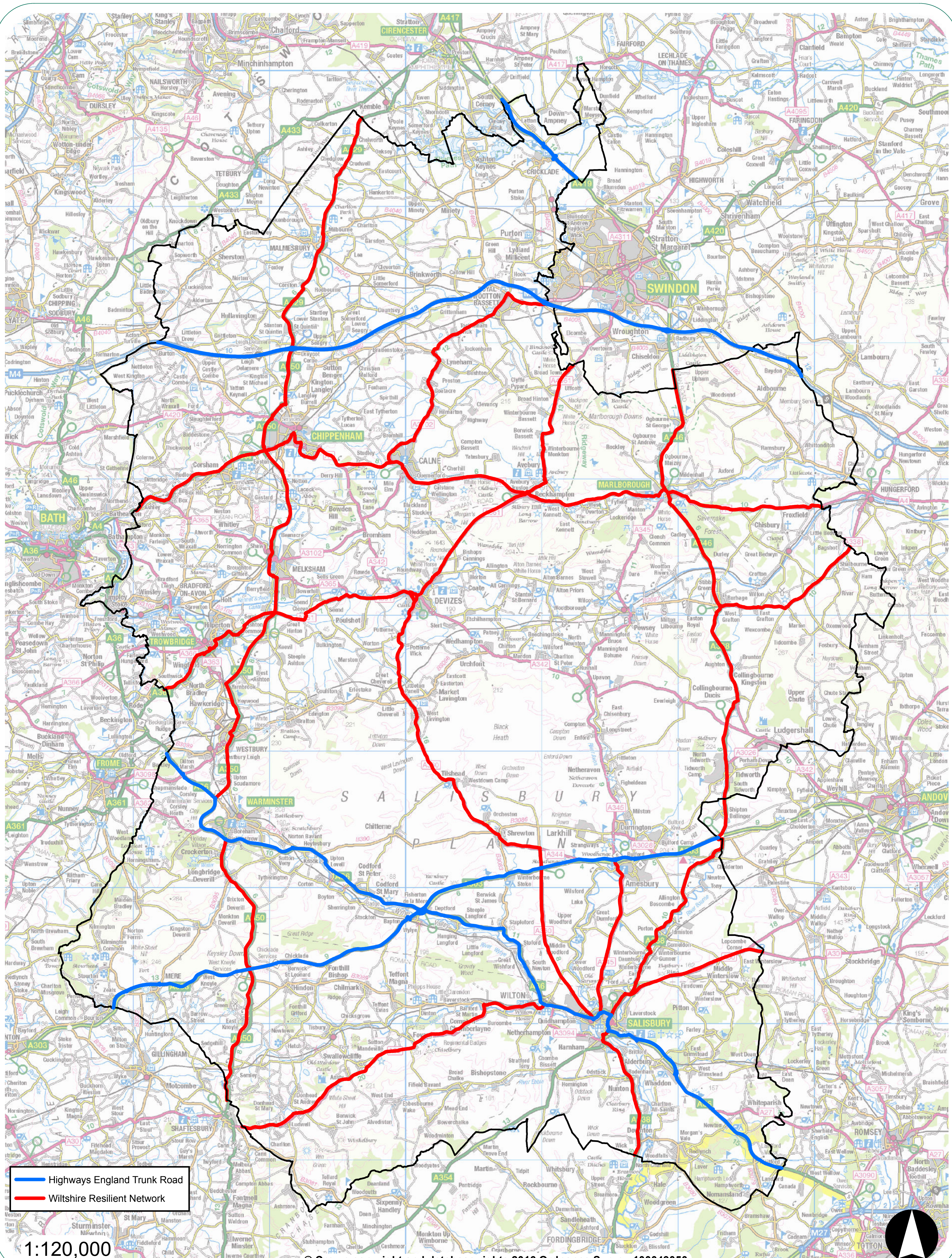
## Integrated Transport Completed Schemes 2014 to 2016

### Corsham Area Board

Road	Location	Scheme Description
A4	A4 Box - County boundary Sign	County boundary Sign
A4	A4 Corsham / Pickwick	De-cluttering work, new signs and electrics
A4	A4 Rudloe	Replacement advance direction sign on optimast post
B3353	B3353 Gastard	Direction signs
C71	Colerne, Ashwicke Hall	Signs and slows
B3353/ U/C	Corsham Springfield Campus	Direction signs phase 1
C215	Kingsdown / South Wraxall	Direction signs & SLOW markings
U/C	Corsham, Poynder Road	CATG - drop kerb
C86	Corsham, High Street	CATG - Contravention of one way order
C86	Corsham, High Street	CATG - Contravention of no cycling in pedestrianised area.
A4	Corsham, Pickwick Park	CATG - Vehicles parking on grass verge
A4	Corsham, Pickwick	CATG - Sign decluttering
C36	Corsham, Station Road Grove Lane	CATG - build out at junction
	Corsham Cycle Network	Cycling - Direction signs
B3353	Corsham	Rechargeable - Direction signs to Parish Church
C86	Corsham	Rechargeable - Pedestrian signing in High Street
A4	A4 Box Hill	Road Marking Review
A365	A365 Box	Safety Scheme - Signs & markings
C5	Corsham, Park Lane	Substantive CATG - Shared Use Cyclepath
B3353	Corsham , South Place/ Corsham Estate	Substantive CATG - Footway Link
A4	Rudloe, A4 / Leafy Lane Rudloe	Substantive Safety Scheme - Junction improvements
A4	Box, Primary School	TAOSJ - Signs
U/C	Lacock, Mons Lane	TAOSJ - Footway and junction alterations
C37	Neston, Primary	TAOSJ - bus stop clearway
A4	A4 Box	Tourism Signing to Quarryman's Arms
B3109	Rudloe Corsham, Parking Review	Waiting Restrictions - Lining Only







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