### **Town Council Report to Area Board November 2015**

Extracted from the Town Clerk's Report to Policy & Resources Committee 3/11/15

#### 1. POLICY

1.1 Community Governance Review (CGR) – (Agenda item 7) Wiltshire Council has been consulting on some of the proposals for changes to town and parish boundaries. The public consultation meeting for the Trowbridge Area took place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October at County Hall. Copies of an updated version of the town council's proposal are available for the committee and members of the public. Copies of the town council's proposals have been circulated to Wiltshire Councillors with letters, as it is clear that those tasked with making the decision have not yet been adequately informed.

Wiltshire Council did not publicise the consultation meeting particularly well, with limited press coverage and social media activity. The Town Council and the Wiltshire Councillor for Hilperton circulated information to the residents of the areas most likely to be affected. Wiltshire Council confused everyone by changing the time of the meeting from 6pm to 7pm. This resulted in a significant number of people who wanted to attend, deciding that they could not attend the meeting. Maps of all of the areas were not published in advance of the meeting and one of the areas being consulted on was not listed as being part of the consultation until the week of the meeting.

The consultation has not included all of the proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council. The decision not to undertake consultation on some of the proposals appears to be an Ultra Vires (illegal) decision, taken by the CGR Working Party which has no decision making powers, as it is not a committee, which to have decision making powers needs to be politically balanced.

The proposals not taken forward for consultation were; the proposal of Salisbury City Council to swallow a significant number of complete parishes surrounding the city including Wilton; one of the proposals for a minor change between Bishopstrow and Warminster which has been withdrawn following local agreement; and proposals from Trowbridge Town Council for adjustments to the town boundary to encompass existing and new developments and to provide the town with more clearly defined natural boundaries.

Some have suggested that all areas of Wiltshire are being treated the same, but this is not the case because in all cases except Trowbridge, areas with few and no residents are subject to consultation, including proposals for areas around Chippenham, Melksham and Melksham Without, Salisbury and Laverstock, Devizes, Roundway and Bishop's Cannings, Calne, Warminster and Bishopstrow, Corsham and Box, Lyneham, Redlynch and Tisbury.

The CGR Working Party of Wiltshire Council, whose four members are: Councillor Ernie Clark, Hilperton, Councillor John Hubbard, Melksham South, Councillor Ian McLennan, Laverstock and Councillor Stuart Wheeler, Burbage and the Bedwyns, out of a council of 98 members, where more than 30 of them would have no interest, are expected to publish their recommendations to be presented to Wiltshire Council on Tuesday November 24th at 10:30am, with implementation of any changes expected in 2017.

To summarise the situation with regard to the proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council:

## Area 1. Properties in Shore Place, Kingsley Place and Chepston Place currently in Wingfield Parish.

This proposal was made by the town council because the current boundary runs through the middle of residential properties and splits streets in two. These streets are part of the Broadmead development and are remote from Wingfield village.

This proposal would therefore improve both community identity and efficient and effective community governance, utilising an excellent natural boundary.

This proposal is being consulted on and no other alternative proposals have been presented as part of the consultation.

#### Area 2. Properties and land to the South of the Canal currently in Holt Parish.

This proposal was made by the town council because; the current boundary is poorly defined, the existing three residential properties can only be accessed via Trowbridge and are within a few metres of properties in Trowbridge, across a bridge over the river Biss; the Canal, river Avon and railway line are all barriers without bridges between this area and Holt village, making this area and the residences within it remote from Holt.

This proposal would therefore improve both community identity and efficient and effective community governance, utilising an excellent natural boundary.

The government guidance says "83. As far as boundaries between parishes are concerned, these should reflect the "no-man's land" between communities represented by areas of low population or barriers such as rivers, roads or railways."

This proposal has not been consulted on and Wiltshire Council has provided no justification for this lack of consultation and therefore no justification why this proposal is being treated differently from similar proposals, for example the proposal from Melksham Without that their boundary with Seend should be altered to the line of the canal.

# Area 3. Properties and land to the South and West of Elizabeth Way (the new Hilperton Gap Relief Road) and the A361/Hilperton Drive including properties in Wyke Road and Paxcroft Mead.

This proposal was made by the town council to resolve the anomaly of properties either side of Wyke Road being in different parishes and properties in Paxcroft Mead being built on the parish boundary. The only acceptable natural boundary which accords with the government guidance is the line of the modern main roads, which is clearly defined and is unlikely to change over time.

This proposal would therefore improve both community identity and efficient and effective community governance, utilising an excellent natural boundary.

The government guidance on CGRs says, "This can often lead to existing parish boundaries becoming anomalous as new houses are built across the boundaries resulting in people being in different parishes from their neighbours. In such circumstances, the council should consider undertaking a community governance review."



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The Wyke Road section has been subject to consultation, with an alternative proposal from Hilperton Parish Council also being consulted on. The Hilperton proposal does not utilise a suitable natural boundary, proposing that neighbours would be in different parishes with no natural boundary between them.

The Paxcroft Mead section has been subject to consultation, with an alternative proposal from Hilperton Parish Council also being consulted on. The Hilperton proposal does not utilise a suitable natural boundary. The government guidance states "For instance, factors to consider include parks and recreation grounds which sometimes provide natural breaks between communities but they can equally act as focal points."

Paxcroft Brook is proposed as the boundary by Hilperton Parish Council, but is at the centre of an extensive area of Open Space which acts as a focal point for the whole community, with play areas, benches, cycle paths and bridges. In addition properties in Painter's Mead would still be split between two parishes.

The central section, bounded by the new Elizabeth Way has not been subject to consultation. This new road would make a much clearer and more permanent natural boundary between the town and the parish, compared to the existing boundary which crosses the middle of some of the gardens on Albert Road.

Area 4 Properties and land to the south of the town including existing developments at Old Farm and the White Horse Business Park, permitted developments at the West Ashton Road Employment Allocation and all of the Trowbridge Urban Extension at Ashton Park approved in the Wiltshire Core Strategy.

This proposal was made by the town council to reflect the existing and agreed expansion of the town's urban envelope which retains the green buffer between the Urban Extension and the villages of West Ashton, Yarnbrook and North Bradley. The outer extent of the development will provide a good natural boundary, following the line of mature and ancient natural woodland and the river Biss, as well as the White Horse Business Park itself.

This proposal would therefore improve both community identity and efficient and effective community governance, utilising excellent natural boundaries.

The Old Farm area, has after discussion and delay, been included in the consultation, but other than the direct communication from the town council the residents of the estate would not have known that a proposal affecting them was being consulted on. No alternative proposals for the Old Farm area have been presented as part of the consultation.

None of the other areas have been included in the consultation, some Wiltshire Councillors have suggested that they are green fields with no residents, but there are at least ten residential properties in the area which also only received direct communication from the town council. Wiltshire Council has failed to justify why this proposal was not subject to consultation. If the whole of Area 4 including Old Farm was consulted on as a single proposal, as have all other proposals in Wiltshire, then the area would have a population of around 300 people, greater than nearly all of the other proposals which are part of the consultation.



#### RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE:

**That Trowbridge Town Council** 

- a) Responds to the consultation and
- b) Makes a statement and asks appropriate questions to the Full Council meeting of Wiltshire Council being held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, based upon the following:

Trowbridge Town Council believes that its proposals have been treated unfairly by the Community Governance Review undertaken by Wiltshire Council. Trowbridge Town Council's proposals which have not been subject to consultation cannot be defined as unique in any way, compared to other proposals which have been subject to consultation and which relate to other communities in Wiltshire. Wiltshire Council has therefore failed to justify why those proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council which have not been consulted upon have not been subject to such consultation, and that in consequence, Wiltshire Council should ensure that all of the proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council should now be consulted upon. Furthermore, as all of the proposals that have been proposed by Trowbridge Town Council are compliant with the government guidance on Community Governance Reviews and would result in improved community identity and efficient and effective local government should therefore be approved by Wiltshire Council following that consultation.

- i. With regard to Area 1, The Town Council supports the proposal which has been consulted upon, considers that the change would improve community identity and efficient and effective local government for the town of Trowbridge and the residents of this area.
- ii. With regard to Area 2, The Town Council considers that the area should be consulted upon and that the change would improve community identity and efficient and effective local government for the town of Trowbridge and the residents of this area.
- iii. With regard to Area 3, The Town Council considers that the whole of the area should be consulted upon, particularly now that Elizabeth Way has been built and is open to traffic and that no other suitable or better natural boundary exists between Hilperton and Trowbridge than the main roads; B3105/Elizabeth Way and A361/Hilperton Drive, that the alternative proposals would be divisive, would diminish community identity, are not based upon good natural boundaries and would result in significantly less efficient and less effective local government for the town of Trowbridge, the parish of Hilperton and particularly for the residents of this area.
- iv. With regard to Area 4, The Town Council considers that the whole of the area should be consulted upon, particularly now that the whole of Ashton Park is the subject of a number of planning applications and that no other suitable or better natural boundary exists between West Ashton and Trowbridge and between North Bradley and Trowbridge and that the change would improve community identity, improve the economic prospects of the whole community and improve efficient and effective local government for the town of Trowbridge, and the residents and future residents of this area.



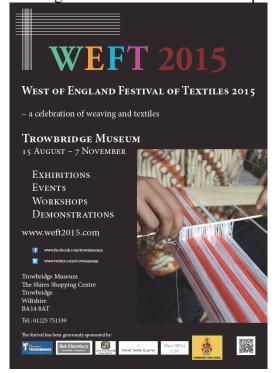
#### 4. SERVICES

**4.1** MUSEUM & TOURISM – The next committee meeting is 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at 6:30pm

**4.1.1 Museum Project** – the Curator submitted our Round 1 application to the HLF in August for £975,000 of development and delivery funding (total project cost £1,700,000) for the expansion of the Museum including the upper floor at the Shires. The timetable now is that we expect a decision in December and if positive we would enter the development phase from January 2016 through to March 2017.

A Round Two bid would be submitted in Spring 2017 leading to a delivery/construction phase from early 2018 to 2020. The remaining funding will come from additional grant income from other sources and the town council's ongoing contribution of £25,000 per annum which will fund borrowing of over £400,000

**4.1.2 WEFT** – The West of England Festival of Textiles exhibition was opened by the Mayor, on 14<sup>th</sup> August and the event was well attended. The exhibition runs until 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015.



#### **4.2 LEISURE SERVICES** - The next committee meeting is 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.

**4.2.1 Sports Pitches Project** – We are working with clubs, Wiltshire FA, Sport England and WASP to develop plans for the land at Devizes Road which we purchased with S106 funds, remaining S106 funding of £750,000 will be used to contribute towards the provision and improvement of sports pitches and facilities in the area. Our lease at Woodmarsh with Doric runs out in 2018 and we are in discussion with them via our agent (Kavanaghs) regarding options of a new lease or purchase of the land.

We have agreed with Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire FA that some S106 money can support the purchase of Woodmarsh to secure the future for Trowbridge Town FC, with any rental income financing the borrowing for investment in Devizes Rd. Wiltshire Council is completing an Open Spaces Study to inform future policy. I recently reported to the Area Board with regard to the Study. Once the Community Governance Review is clear we will appoint a consultant to prepare plans for with a view to making grant applications in 2016. Our project will also consider the purchase of additional land, small scale improvements at Innox Road and Seymour and consideration of future options for Lambrok and The Grove and any further investment in Elm Grove Farm related to potential housing development nearby.

If the Community Governance Review does not result in the town council being responsible for the new developments such as Ashton Park then it is unlikely that the town council would be in a position to coordinate the provision of sports pitches in the area, as the Ashton Park site will include some sports pitches and will contribute significant Community Infrastructure Levy to contribute to such developments, and it is also unlikely that the town council would be able to take on responsibility for Seymour and Stallards. We would then need to reconsider the future of sports pitch provision for Trowbridge.



- **4.3 DIRECT SERVICES** The committee next meets on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- **4.3.1 Civic Centre** The Civic Board next meets on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- **4.3.2 Town Park and other recreation space -** Future investment in the Town Park is likely to be dependent upon income from Community Infrastructure Levy and grant sources. If the Community Governance Review fails to deliver one town council to care for all of the town then it is unlikely that the town council will be in a position to invest significantly in additional recreation spaces. For example we would not be able to manage Biss Meadows and Paxcroft open space as both areas would only fall partly in the town boundary. We would also be less likely to be in a position to take over maintenance of children's play areas from Wiltshire Council, which itself has no resources to maintain them as and when the equipment becomes life expired.

**Storage Facility at St George's Works** – The owner's agents have now received a response to the pre-application enquiry to Wiltshire Council a meeting is scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> November.

#### 5. MARKETING & EVENTS

- **5.1** Calendar of Events (please see attached at the end of the report).
- **5.2 Website** The Town Council web-site <a href="www.trowbridge.gov.uk">www.trowbridge.gov.uk</a> provides information about all council activities and services as well as links to other Trowbridge web-sites. Our other web-sites are: <a href="www.trowbridgecivic.co.uk">www.trowbridgecivic.co.uk</a> for information about the Civic Centre, events and activities & <a href="www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk">www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk</a> for the Museum.
- **5.3 Magazine** Our marketing partners RACS produced the autumn magazine and the 2000 copies have been distributed. The next edition will be published in January.
- **6. TOWN DEVELOPMENT** Committee meets 10<sup>th</sup> Nov, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec and 5<sup>th</sup> Jan.
- **6.1 Town Centre Developments**

St Stephen's Place //ststephensplacetrowbridge.co.uk/ – There is one remaining unit to let.

**Cradle Bridge** – Marks & Spencer Simply Food, Toby Carvery, 150 parking spaces, two retail units and a footbridge to St Stephen's Place is now under construction.

www.mrmultd.co.uk/index.php/projects/cradle-bridge-retail-and-leisure-development.

**Bowyers** – Morrisons are in discussion with a preferred bidder for a mixed use development.

**6.2 Housing** – The following major sites are under development.

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

www.wainhomes.net/southwest/development-details.php?itemID=47

H11 Castle Mead, Persimmon & Charles Church 650 houses for sale, West Ashton Rd link and Hilperton Gap Rd (Elizabeth Way) opening soon. www.persimmonhomes.com/castle-mead-2206

**H8c The Pastures** off Parsonage Way, Abbey New Homes 180 houses for sale.

www.abbeynewhomes.co.uk/PASTURES%20Trowbridge/home.html

Baron's Park, Green Lane – Green Square, 90 houses.

http://www.greensquarehomes.com/baronspark/index.htm

**Ashton Park** – Mainly in West Ashton and North Bradley parishes, an outline application (15/04736/OUT) for 2,500 houses, employment, 2x local service centres, 2x primary schools, site for secondary school, ecological visitor facility, open space and A350 West Ashton and Yarnbrook improvement has been received. The Town Council responded with particular issues relating to cycle and pedestrian routes at this stage. An application for 120 homes on a small area of the strategic site off Drynham Lane (East of railway) has also been submitted by Wain Homes, the town council objected and it has been refused by Wiltshire Council.



#### **Wiltshire Local Development Framework**

6.3.1 Housing Site Allocations Plan – The process will recommence and include a full public consultation by Wiltshire Council in 2016.

6.4 BUS SERVICES (AGENDA ITEM 8) - Wiltshire Council is currently consulting on the future of the Hopper to the Royal United Hospital, Bath. Three options are being considered; 1. Complete removal of the service, 2 a scaled back service with increases in fares and 3 retention of the existing service. Option 3 is only possible with financial support from the health authorities.

RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE: That the Town Council writes to the Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group and the Royal United Hospital Trust, Bath asking them to provide an appropriate level of funding in partnership with Wiltshire Council to ensure that the Connect 2 service continues in 2016 and the long term.

6.5 HOLT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (AGENDA ITEM 9) - the Parish Council have published a Neighbourhood Plan draft for the whole parish

http://holtparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/July-2015-Holt-Neighbourhood-Plan-Final-Draft.pdf.

It appears to almost ignore the area of land to the south of the parish, bordering Trowbridge, which the town council has proposed is subject to a boundary change. The only reference is this: "A planning application for a solar panel farm at the southern end of the parish (near the sewage works) has been approved." No mention is made in the document, which could be a statutory planning document if approved, of the Greenbelt designation for this part of the parish and the document mistakenly describes Holt as being near the Kennet and Avon Canal, when in fact the canal runs through the parish.

RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE: That Trowbridge Town Council responds to the consultation suggesting that Holt Parish Council appears through its Neighbourhood Plan consultation draft to be unable to provide efficient and effective local government for the area to the south of the canal through its failure to recognise that this area is protected by Greenbelt designation.

#### 7. TROWBRIDGE PARTNERSHIPS

- Transforming Trowbridge www.transformingtrowbridge.org.uk The focus of the new group will be on economic development, but with links to other aspects of the community, which can influence and be influenced by the economy. Leisure, Cultural and Education services have a key role to play in attracting quality jobs to the community.
- 7.2 Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF) http://tcafuture.wordpress.com/ Lindsey Millen and Julie Baptista are the officers for TCAF. For information on future meeting

dates please contact TCAF on Trowbridge Community Area Future (tcaf@trowbridge.gov.uk) 7.3 Trowbridge in Bloom – this is now being facilitated by TCAF. A meeting was held on 10<sup>th</sup>

- September. http://www.trowbridge.gov.uk/trowbridge+in+bloom. The Trowbridge in Bloom Awards evening was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2015.
- 7.4 BA14 Culture The cultural coordinating group continues to meet with representation from Trowbridge Museum.
- 7.4.1 Trowbridge Arts The Town Council provides a grant to Trowbridge Arts to support their activities and the Trowbridge Arts Festival. www.trowbridgeartsfestival.co.uk/events.html
- **7.4.2** Trowbridge Arts Festival Runs until 1st November, including Toyah at the Civic.
- 7.4.3 Town Hall Trust Has now approved the way forward for the building as a professional Arts
- 7.4.4 Bridge House Professor Anita Taylor has submitted a planning application for partial conversion to residential, arts workshop and education space. Prof. Taylor is working with has agreed to become chair of the BA14 Culture group.



- **7.4.5 ARC Theatre, Trowbridge College** Rich Wigley is the new Theatre Manager, which is again providing a venue for professional performance as well as for community groups. I have asked BA14 Culture to make links with the ARC through Rich and Jill Foreman the Tutor.
- **7.5** Chamber of Commerce Emma Roberts is President of the Trowbridge Chamber of Commerce.
- **7.6** Cockhill Solar Farm Community Fund. The owners are setting up the £15,000 per annum fund with the Wiltshire Community Foundation. The Council will need to appoint a panel to advise the WCF on distribution of the funds later this year.

#### 8. WILTSHIRE

#### 8.1.6 FREE PARKING DAYS 2016 (AGENDA ITEM 10)

To consider making a request to Wiltshire Council for free parking days in Trowbridge for 2016. RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE: That Wiltshire Council is requested that Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2016, Armed Forces Day and Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 Christmas Lights Switch On are requested as the two free parking days for Trowbridge.

- **8.1.7 Health & Well-being Centre (Campus)** Consultants have now presented options for the development of the new-build element as part of an overall redevelopment of the Bythesea Road East site owned by Wiltshire Council, including Court Street Car Park, which will also accommodate some commercial development to support the financing of the leisure element of the Campus new-build. The NHS has confirmed a requirement of 1500m² and requires a decision to proceed within 18 months and opening in 3 to 4 years. Demolition of the buildings on the site has been approved and is due to commence before the end of the year. The sale of the Bradley Road site will contribute to this scheme also.
- **8.1.8 Car-parking** The trial residents' parking scheme has been implemented in Yerbury Street.
- **8.1.9 Asset & Service Delegation** Discussions are on hold as far as Wiltshire Council is concerned until progress with the package for Salisbury has been concluded and as far as the town council is concerned until a positive decision on the Community Governance Review is reached. We have expressed a wish to consider the potential transfer of car-parking, recreation grounds at Stallards including the former Innox Hall site, Seymour and the QEII fields at Elm Grove, open spaces such as Biss Meadows and Paxcroft Brook, children's play areas including Cornbrash Rise, St Thomas' and Yeoman Way (all of which have S106 funds available for improvements) as well as bus shelters. With a positive boundary review decision we would be able to take on management of assets and services for the whole town without any further increases in the Council Tax above CPI inflation. In addition we would be able to invest in these services and others, including new facilities at Paxcroft which the Resident's Association has been working towards, but cannot deliver as the land is owned by Wiltshire Council, they are unwilling to lease the land to the Association without unacceptable insurance implications and Hilperton Parish Council appear unwilling to take over responsibility.



**8.1.10** CHILDREN'S CENTRE'S (AGENDA ITEM 11) — Wiltshire Council is currently consulting on a proposal to rationalise the Children's Centre facilities across the county, which includes reduction in Trowbridge from three to one centre with the closure of the facilities at Bellefield School and Longmeadow School, staff would all be based at Studley Green and would provide services in other buildings across the town. It is concerning that Trowbridge appears to be delivering the greatest savings, but is the only place in Wiltshire with a Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) which is in the most deprived 10% nationally for the overall indices of deprivation.

RECOMMENDATION TO POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE: That the town council accepts that due to severe financial pressures it is better to concentrate on delivering services to people rather than finding under-utilized buildings and that therefore in the short term the proposal to retain just the Studley Green base is correct. The Town Council considers that similar one-base solutions for Chippenham and Salisbury, both with lower levels of multiple deprivation should also realise even greater savings and should be implemented. In the long term the Town Council believes that a single site, based in the Health & Well-being centre (Campus) in a town centre location would be better for Trowbridge.

**8.2.1 Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO)** – Wiltshire Council has worked with the Town Council and other partners to develop a proposal for a PSPO to be implemented to cover a variety of anti-social activities across the town; prohibition of urinating and defecating in public and also limitations on consumption of alcohol in public (including the park and recreation grounds). The proposal is that the restrictions should apply to the area covered by the current DPPO with the addition of Studley Green. The alcohol restrictions will include a no alcohol consumption in public places between 9pm and noon each day.

**8.4 Health Services** – No information on likely construction of the new Bradcroft surgery.

#### 9. CIVIC & DEMOCRATIC ACTIVITIES

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

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Policy & Resources

Tuesday 10th NovemberTown Development

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> NovemberFull Council Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> NovemberDirect Services

Tuesday 1st December Town Development

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December Museum & Tourism (6:30pm)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December Leisure Services

Tuesday 15th December NO MEETING

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December NO MEETING - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Tuesday 29th December NO MEETING - NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January Town Development Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January Policy & Resources

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#### **NOVEMBER**

NOVENIDEN		
6	Party for Life	Civic Centre
11	Weekly Market	Fore Street
12	Doug Allan – Life Behind The Lens	Civic Centre
13	Farmers' Market	Fore Street
14	The Rat Pack Vegas Spectacular	Civic Centre
15	Sunday Club	Civic Centre
14	Christmas Card Workshop	Museum
18	Weekly Market	Fore Street
18	Blood Donor Sessions	Civic Centre
20	Abba Mania	Civic Centre
21	Pro Evolution Wrestling	Civic Centre
25	Christmas Card Workshop	
25	Weekly Market	Fore Street
27	Farmers' Market	Fore Street
28	Paper Hearts and Angel Tree Decorations	Museum
28	Christmas Lights Switch-On	Fore Street
28	Shoppers' Carol Service	St. James' Church
28 & 29	Christmas Craft and Food Fair	Civic Centre

#### **DECEMBER**

2,5,9,12,16.19,22,23	<u>Victorian Christmas Parlour</u>	Museum
2	Weekly Market	Fore Street
5	Festive Felting	Museum
5	Motown @ The Civic ft. 'Soulside'	Civic Centre
9	Weekly Market	Fore Street
9	Festive Felting	Museum
11	Farmers' Market	Fore Street
11,12,18,19	Christmas Party Nights	Civic Centre
16	Weekly Market	Fore Street
19	Charity Carol Singing	The Shires
23	Weekly Market	Fore Street
30	Weekly Market	Fore Street
31	<u>'Superheroes &amp; Princesses'</u>	Civic Centre

A host of great entertainment is on its way to the Civic Centre for 2016!! February sees the return of Roy Chubby Brown, Jethro is back in April, and in May we welcome Bill Bailey. Just announced; May 11th – The Fureys May 20th – A Night of Dirty Dancing June 10th – The Magic of Motown June 24th – Buddy Holly's Winter Dance Party July 15th – Summer Dreaming July 23rd – The Bon Jovi Experience October 1st – Johnny Cash Revisited

All of the above information is correct as at October 27th 2015. All event dates, timings and locations are subject to change.

