

Town Council Report to Area Board 7th July 2011

POLICY

Car Parking – The Town Council remains concerned that WC still do not appreciate the differences between towns and the impact increased charges are having on revenues.

Proposed ban on HGVs Cleveland Bridge, Bath – B&NES Council has advised that they are yet to decide to issue a draft proposal and that the Town Council will be consulted.

Town Council Strategy – the review process was initiated by Council on 17th May, revisions and additions are now under consideration which will inform the Council's priorities for service development and vision for the town for the next three years.

Annual Accounts and Annual Report – The Annual Report has been published following approval of the accounts for 2010/2011 on 28th June.

SERVICES

Museum & Tourism - The next committee meeting is 27th September.

Exhibitions – Beyond the Bounds - Trowbridge Villages closes on 30th July.

Textile & Weaving Festival will follow, 13th August, until 12th November.

Tourism Event – The sheep trail has been extended until the end of August.

Museum Expansion – The HLF application decision is due in September.

Town Promotion – The Council is working with the Trowbridge Initiative Group to update the town centre schematic map for organisations to use for promotional purposes.

Leisure Services - The next committee meeting is scheduled for 27th September.

National Play Day – August 6th in the Park activities for children of all ages!

Summer Activities – The road show, Fun Days and Football Camps will be operating through the summer at various venues in the town.

Youth Services – The council is supporting a visit to Thorpe Park in the Summer and joint activities at national play day in addition to the regular sessions at Studley Green.

CAYPIG met us on 10th May. The priority of lighting the skate park is being progressed to the next stage by the council and we are seeking to engage with workplace transformation to discuss the campus. The next meeting with CAYPIG is 12th July at 17:30

Newtown Swimming Pool – The official opening took place on the 5th May.

Direct Services – The next committee meeting is scheduled for 30th August.

Wiltshire Armed Forces and Veterans Celebrations is being held on 25th and 26th June, supported by a Town Council grant.

Carnival Country Fayre - Saturday 3rd September, supported by a Town Council Grant.

Sunday Club – 10th July at Longfield.

Seymour Shop – The lease with Selwood has been signed and the underlease for the TARA is being finalised, following appointment of the TARA trustees.

Youth Shelter Studley Green – Finance for the capital costs have been secured. The Town Council will now proceed to install the shelter.

Trowbridge Town Football Club – Intend to erect new buildings over the Summer. We will be submitting a Paths Improvement Grant Scheme application to contribute to dedicating the footpath link between Bradley Road and Boundary Walk by 15th July.

Civic Centre – The project remains on budget and schedule to be open by the end of the year. External finishes are now almost complete.

Trowbridge In Bloom – All displays and other work is complete ready for judging in July.

TOWN DEVELOPMENT – Committee meetings are 12th July, 2nd & 31st August.

Transforming Trowbridge – There remains interest for the development of sites in the town centre to provide leisure facilities including a cinema as well as the Campus including swimming. The Town Council will be working with the group to ensure these are facilitated by the Core Strategy.

West Ashton Road Employment Allocation – I am seeking to clarify the confusion over this site, particularly the interdependency of this site with H11 (above) and the phasing of the construction of the East Trowbridge Distributor Road (ETDR) which will link Leap Gate to the West Ashton Road.

Wiltshire Core Strategy – The latest draft of the Wiltshire Core Strategy is out for consultation until the end of August.

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planninganddevelopment/planningpolicy/wiltshirecorestrategy.htm

The Town Council will be making a comprehensive response generally supporting the plan, but with some suggestions for improvement.

CIVIC & DEMOCRATIC ACTIVITIES

Twining

Leer – a delegation from Leer, visited Trowbridge from 5th- 9th May.

Elblag – The Mayor and Cllr. Brice visited Elblag in June.

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

Tuesday 12 th July	Town Development	TTC offices
Tuesday 19 th July	Full Council	Longfield Community Centre
Tuesday 26 th July	NO MEETING	

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Tuesday 2 nd August	Town Development	TTC offices
Tuesday 9 th August	NO MEETING	
Tuesday 16 th August	NO MEETING	
Tuesday 23 rd August	Town Development	TTC offices
Tuesday 30 th August	Direct Services	TTC offices
Tuesday 30 th August	Civic Centre Sub Committee	TTC offices

Mayor's Civic Service – Will be held at St James' Church on Sunday 17th July at 6:30pm.