

South West Wiltshire Area Board - Current Projects

UPDATE

Project	Funding committed	Financial year	Brief outline	Latest update (17 March 2014)
Public Rights of Way Improvement Programme	TBC	TBC	Joint initiative with Public Rights of Way team (WC) and parishes willing to engage. To enhance the local rights of way through improving accessibility; schemes could include replacing stiles with kissing gates, new stiles, linking existing rights of way, new surfacing etc.	Launch event held on 16 January 2014; 97 people attended one of the sessions. All parish councils and volunteers provided with audit forms and guidance, requested an update by 9 March 2014 so that the Area Board can gauge the willingness to engage and make a decision on funding. 16 parishes responded by deadline; proposal to be considered at Area Board meeting on 26 March 2014.
Discover Chalke Valley	£5,000	2013 /14	To mirror the Nadder Valley Tourism Project undertaken by the CC&WWD AONB (see below), this time for the Chalke Valley.	Launch event took place in February 2014. Walking/cycling routes currently being finalised; volunteers wanted to trial new routes.
Discover Nadder	£4,800	2013 /14	Expenses for an unpaid intern position to work in partnership with the CC&WWD AONB to research information for a new 'Discover Nadder' website (www.discovernadder.org.uk). Funding also used to populate the site which contains local walking/cycling/riding routes, details of local B&Bs, businesses, things to do etc.	Website now fully populated. Information on Mere and Wilton to be added, as 'gateways to the AONB'.
Community Winter Weather Response Scheme	£11,894	2013 /14	6 tailgate spreaders and 10 push-along devices to be used in a strategic way to cover all of the parishes within the Mere, Tisbury and Wilton areas that do not have their own devices and do not already have roads/areas cleared by Wiltshire Council	Training for using the tailgate spreaders has now taken place with some volunteers; further session to take place in Spring 2014 to ensure scheme is completely live for winter 2014. Final routes being determined and salt due to be delivered to agreed locations. Purchase of push-along devices taking place.
Cecil Beaton exhibition	£5,000	2013 /14	Supporting Salisbury museum by contributing towards the cost of marketing the exhibition, in return for a specific focus on promoting tourism and supporting local businesses in the Chalke Valley and the South West Wiltshire area	Promotion of exhibition underway. Salisbury Museum and CC&WWD AONB linking up re. a Beaton walking route that will be added to 'Discover Chalke Valley' website.

Finger post funding	£7,000	2013 / 14	Parish and Town Councils able to make one application in the financial year for a replacement finger post, up to £550 can be requested (including £200 Highways fee for removing/re-inserting the post)	Finger post funding agreed for; Sedgehill & Semley, East Knoyle, Zeals, Sutton Mandeville and Dinton. Mere have made application to be considered on 26 March 2014.
Joint working initiative with local business chambers/association	£42,000	2012 / 13	Series of projects and activities delivered over a two year transitional period, after which they expect to be financially self supporting.	6 month update provided at Area Board meeting on 16 October 2013. Reports can be viewed at http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=169&MId=7467&Ver=4 (item 9). 1 year reports and 2nd tranche of funding to be considered on 26 March 2014.

