

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** CALNE AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Calne Hub & Library, The Strand, Calne, SN11 0RD  
**Date:** 20 March 2018  
**Start Time:** 6.30 pm  
**Finish Time:** 8.50 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Christine Crisp (Chairman), Cllr Alan Hill (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Ian Thorn, Cllr Tom Rounds and Cllr Tony Trotman

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Will Kay (Youth Development Coordinator), David Parkes (Democratic Services Officer) and Jane Vaughan (Community Area Manager)

### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Calne Town Council – John Boaler  
Bremhill Parish Council – Isabel McCord  
Cherhill Parish Council – David Evans  
Compton Bassett Parish Council – Jane Marshall  
Hilmarton Parish Council – Mel Wilkins

### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Stuart Welch  
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue – Tom Burns

### **Others**

Calne Our Place – Malcolm Gull  
Marden House Centre - Graham Spencer

Marden House Centre – Margaret Garratt  
Calne Community Hub and Library – Terry Couchman  
Older Persons/Carers Champion – Diane Gooch  
The Rise Trust – Sharon Hughes  
Age UK Wiltshire – David Evans  
Lansdowne Monument Campaign – Deborah Bassett  
John Bentley School – Jason Tudor  
John Bentley School – Peter Grant  
local resident – Roy Golding  
local resident – Councillor Ross Henning

**Total in attendance: 30**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
74	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to Calne Area Board and introduced the Councillors and Officers present.</p>
75	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Ade Hurren, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service, Ed Jones, Calne Without Parish Council, Lynne Sargeant, Heddington Parish Council and John Skinner, Calne Our Place.</p>
76	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 were approved and signed as a correct record.</p>
77	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
78	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>There were no Chairman's announcements.</p>
79	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The Area Board received and noted the following updates from key partners:-</p> <p><b>(a) Wiltshire Police</b> The written report was received and noted.</p> <p><b>(b) Dorset and Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service</b> The written report was received and noted.</p> <p><b>(c) NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)</b> The written report was received and noted along with a brief update on the future of Patford Surgery, Calne.</p> <p><b>(d) Healthwatch Wiltshire</b> The written report was received and noted.</p> <p><b>(e) Bremhill Parish Council</b> The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan being undertaken.</li> <li>• The Emergency Community Plan has been published.</li> <li>• The Parish Council website had been updated and more user friendly.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planting trees as part of the WWI Trees for Commemoration project.</li> </ul> <p><b>(f) Cherhill Parish Council</b> The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A replacement parish clerk had now been appointed (Paula Purslow).</li> <li>• Two new defibrillators installed in the village, one outside the school and one in a disused telephone box. The Area Board were thanked for their contribution towards the defibrillators.</li> </ul> <p><b>(g) Compton Bassett Parish Council</b> The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Parish Council Neighbourhood plan was now in operation and proving very useful to refer to.</li> <li>• 40mph road sign would soon be installed along with a signage scheme to deter lorries diverting off the A3012.</li> <li>• A 5k run to be held by Calne Running Club.</li> <li>• Fund raising for a new village hall roof.</li> <li>• Planting trees as part of the WWI Trees for Commemoration project.</li> <li>• Parish Council to receive a presentation on AONB at their meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018.</li> </ul> <p><b>(h) Calne Town Council</b> The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Six week consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan commenced.</li> <li>• Annual meeting of the parish of Calne and civic award presentation on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018.</li> <li>• Spring Sing across various locations in Calne.</li> <li>• A successful Spring Clean event held.</li> </ul> <p><b>(i) Hilmarton Parish Council</b> The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Double yellow lines had now been implemented on the road near to the village school.</li> <li>• The Parish Council has agreed to develop a Neighbourhood Plan.</li> <li>• A number of Parish Councillor vacancies existed.</li> </ul>
80	<p><u>Our Community Matters</u></p> <p>The Area Board was provided with an update on community issues and progress on Calne Area Board working groups as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Local Youth Network (LYN)</b> The Area Board considered a Youth Grant Funding request from the LYN Management Group for John</li> </ul>

Bentley School to hold their annual Summer School for pupils joining the school in September 2018. The report highlighted the detailed activities of the Summer School. Cllr Ian Thorn proposed the award, seconded by Cllr Alan Hill.

The Area Board were also informed that the LYN initiative 'Intergenerational Dementia Project' would no longer be taking place and the previously awarded grant of £1,000 would be returned to the Area Board budget.

**Resolved:**

1. **To award £5,000 to the John Bentley School Summer School project; and**
2. **To note that the 'Intergenerational Dementia Project' would no longer be taking place and the previously awarded grant of £1,000 would be returned to the Area Board budget.**

- **Calne Area Parish Forum** In the absence Ed Jones, Chairman of the Forum, this item was deferred until the next meeting.
- **Older People/Carer's Champion** Diane Gooch gave a verbal update and reported that the current project 'Celebrating Age' was working with Cherhill's 'Oldbury Wednesday Club', the local Methodist Church and memory group. A presentation on the project would be held at the Calne Hub and Library on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018. A classical concert for older people and carers was being held at the Calne Hub and Library in June 2018. Preparations were being made for a Volunteer Fair in Calne.
- **Health and Wellbeing Group (Calne Health & Social Care Forum)** David Evans reported that the Groups last meeting was held in January 2018, where they received a talk from a veteran's support group. The Group's next meeting was scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at Marden House.
- **Dementia Friendly Calne Community Working Group** The Area Board were informed that Dementia Action week was taking place in May 2018 and the alliance would be holding another public Dementia Friends session in the Community Hub. The next meeting of the Group was scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

Diane Gooch, Older People/Carer's Champion highlighted the difficulties experienced by people with memory loss attending short walks due to the condition of the pavements.

- **Air Quality Working Group** Councillor Alan Hill reported that air quality in Calne was in a state of transition. He referred to a number of applications from Hills Waste Services to change the way they operate in Lower Compton, which could potentially reduce the number of heavy

goods vehicles using the A4.

The Area Board noted that the Group would be meeting shortly. Cllr Hill raised a number of matters relating to air quality including, the impact on air quality in Calne due to pupils being transported to schools outside of the town, and the need to have air quality monitors in the vicinity of New Road, Calne.

- **Calne Our Place Projects** The written report was received and noted.

- **A4 Tourist Route and Signage** The Area Board was informed that the new entry signs to into Calne had now been installed and received thanks for the Board and Town Council's contribution towards the signs. It was noted that a new finger sign would also be installed to promote the Heritage Car park.

- **Lansdowne Monument Campaign** The Area Board received a report and presentation from Deborah Bassett about the Lansdowne Monument and the restoration project, which was now coming under the umbrella of Calne Our Place. She set out the historical context for the monument and the difficulties in engaging with the National Trust. It was noted that the monument was erected to the grandfather of the 1st Marquis of Lansdowne, Sir William Petty, (1623 - 1687).

The Monument celebrates its 175 birthday on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020 and the project aims to have a full restoration by this anniversary. Information about the project would be added to the Cherhill Parish Council website.

The Area Board expressed their support for the project and congratulated Deborah Bassett on her endeavours to secure the restoration of the monument.

**Resolved: The Area Board supports Calne Our Place, Lansdowne Monument restoration project.**

- **Calne Community Safety Forum** In the absence Glenis Ansell, Chairman of the Forum, this item was deferred until the next meeting.
- **CATG (Highways Working Group)** The Area Board received a report of the Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste about the Road Surfacing Programme 2018/19.

The report provided information on the progress made in improving the condition of the County's roads, and advised on the road surfacing

	<p>schemes to be undertaken in 2018/19, including the schemes for Calne.</p> <p>The Chair reminded the Area Board that the CATG had previously considered the Schemes and suggested that Stockley Road and Compton Road should be considered in the future, this was noted at the last meeting of the Area Board on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.</p> <p>The Area Board noted that one of the reports proposals included an acknowledgement that there had been a substantial improvement in the overall condition of Wiltshire's roads in recent years. The Council members felt that they could not support this statement.</p> <p><b>Resolved: The Area Board:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>i) Approves the highway maintenance scheme list for the Calne area in 2018/19 and that Stockley Road and Compton Road be included within a future list; and</b></li> <li><b>ii) Notes that a new five-year programme will be developed shortly, making use of the Council's new Highways Infrastructure Asset Management System (HIAMS), to ensure best value for money and whole life costing for the highways asset.</b></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Training and Skills Working Group</b> The written report was received and noted.</li> <li>• <b>Calne S106 Working Group</b> The Area Board received a briefing note about the review of a traffic calming scheme for Abberd Way, Calne.</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved: The S106 Working Group give further consider to the traffic calming scheme for Abberd Way, Calne and that Cllr Thorn be invited to the Groups discussion of this scheme.</b></p>
81	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered three applications for Community Area Grant funding. The Chairman invited the application representatives to give a brief overview of their project and an opportunity to respond to questions from the Area Board.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>That the following grant applications be agreed:</b></li> <li><b>a) Calne Community Hub Volunteers (new computer equipment as part of an upgrade of the information service provided at the Hub) for £674.97;</b></li> <li><b>b) Heddington Parish Council (Trees for Commemoration of WWI) for £280.00; and</b></li> </ul>

	<p align="center"><b>c) Area Board Initiative – Our Walk Project (development of the OurWALK Digital App for the Calne community area) for £1000.00</b></p>
82	<p><u>Community Asset Transfer</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered a report from the Community Engagement Manager, about an application to transfer Marden House Centre, Calne from Wiltshire Council to the Marden House Trustees.</p> <p>The Area Board were informed that the Marden House Trustees had been operating at the property for 25 years and would continue to host a wide variety of community groups, projects, activities and events that have been previously supported by the Area Board. The Trustees had conducted an extensive consultation of users and visitors, who expressed their support for the transfer.</p> <p>It was noted that the application was for a third sector transfer which would be subject to a 125-year lease. If the property stopped being used for community purposes the lease may be terminated by Wiltshire Council.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Trustees highlighted the benefits to the community of the proposed transfer, potential for future investment, ability to broaden the number of user groups and offer of volunteer opportunities.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><b>To approve the transfer of Marden House Centre from Wiltshire Council to Marden House Centre Trustees on a 125-year lease, subject to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>i) The lease being upon such terms as Wiltshire Council Estates considers reasonable;</b></li> <li><b>ii) The ability of Wiltshire Council to terminate the lease if the property ceases to be used for community purposes; and</b></li> <li><b>iii) Each party bearing their own costs.</b></li> </ul>
83	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>
84	<p><u>Close</u></p> <p>The next Area Board meeting would be held at 6.30pm on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018, at Calne Library and Hub, with refreshments available from 6.00pm.</p>