Engagement and Partnerships report

The Southern Wiltshire Area Board in May 2022 reviewed available local data and evidence, and integrated this with local knowledge and community conversation to agree the following local priority themes:

- ❖ **Addressing environmental issues**
- ❖ **Youth engagement and rural youth outreach**
- ❖ **Support older people and vulnerable adults' health and wellbeing**

Each priority theme has a series of more specific local actions that the Strategic Engagement and Partnership Manager and Area Board Delivery Officer will work with the Southern Wiltshire Area Board to positively address them. The full action plan can be found at the end of this document. Two examples of support and change that the Area Board has influenced since last reporting in Oct 2022 :

Support Older People and Vulnerable Adults Health & Wellbeing

Awarded a small grant of £350 towards Downton's International Day of the Older Person (Oct 2022) Event

This community led event took place on the 1st October at Downton Memorial Hall attracting around 50 older people and facilitated by 6 volunteers. On the day 9 new volunteers expressed an interest to help with future events. An impressive range of activities were facilitated with a total budget of £500, including a £150 parish council contribution: armchair yoga, motto book making, talks from Lover Repair Café and on 'Fascinating Downton', move and make music session, tai chi, tea and cake with piano music and a Silent Disco with 48 people taking part!

Key links to Wiltshire Council's Business Plan: We Stay Active ; We Live Well Together

Youth Engagement & Rural Youth Outreach

Continuing to help Winterslow Youth Club re-start

Delivered the 3rd youth pop up event of 2022 at Barry's Field Pavilion, Winterslow on the 9th November

Update to be provided at the 17th November area board meeting

Key links to Wiltshire Council's Business Plan: We Get the Best Start in Life; We Live Well Together.

Southern Wiltshire Area Board work plan and local priorities

Priority	Action(s)	Target(s)	Lead	Status
Sustainable Environment	1. Convene an online engagement event of interested stakeholders to involve community representatives and	By the end of 2022	Cllr Andy Oliver	

	groups in responding to this priority		
	2. Help Parish Council estates go carbon neutral by 2030		Cllr Andy Oliver
	3. Facilitate Solar Panel info/workshops		Cllr Andy Oliver
	4. Organise village hall greening workshops		Cllr Andy Oliver
	5. Support the Salisbury-Amesbury Cycle Route Project		Cllr Andy Oliver
	6. Continue to support the Laverstock Schools Travel Plan Working Group	Working group continuing to focus on what credible actions can improve the situation. Hope to see tangible benefits over coming 2-3 years as new year groups turn the tide to better sustainable travel habits	Cllr Ian McLennan
Health & Wellbeing (Older People & Vulnerable Adults)	1. Deliver Make a Friend Be A Friend Project in Downton and Redlynch	Increase numbers of isolated older people to feel better supported and integrated into village activities	Cllr Rich Rogers
	2. Facilitate new/support ongoing activities, for older people	Help older people feel supported and better connected to local activities and support	Cllr Rich Rogers
	3. Silver Sunday Outreach - oversee and monitor	Increase numbers of isolated older people to feel better supported and integrated into village activities	Cllr Rich Rogers
	4. Dementia Support	Understand better where the area board can add value. Currently consulting with Alzheimers Support and the South Wiltshire NHS Memory Service on up to date data and trends and liaising with community led groups on how to strengthen community led dementia support	Cllr Rich Rogers
	5. Carer Support, particularly to facilitate more		Cllr Rich Rogers

	opportunities for respite		
	6. Respond to the cost of living crisis	4 Warm Spaces have set up and the 17th November Area Board meeting will offer more information, support and encouragement to others to set up warm spaces where there is a need	Cllr Rich Rogers
	7. Celebrating Age Programme	Wiltshire Music Centre is the lead partner for Celebrating Age Wiltshire (CAW), a county-wide project delivering culture and heritage events and activity in community settings to support the wellbeing of vulnerable older people. The Area Board approved £750 for the programme in October 2022 Participants include those who are socially isolated or vulnerable due to dementia, reduced mobility, ill health or caring responsibilities, and those who are particularly impacted through the current Covid-19 circumstances. CAW is currently working across 11 local areas across the county. In each area, CAW works with arts and community organisations to deliver accessible, high-quality arts and heritage activity through four core strands of activity: - Online concerts and performances (Monthly) - Outdoor and Indoor Concerts - 1:1 Creative Conversations - For those who are isolated at home - Noticing Nature workshops - An art & wellbeing project with local	Cllr Rich Rogers

	1. Oversee implementation and monitor impact of PSPO to control catapulting in Downton and Redlynch	To reduce incidents of catapulting.	Cllr Zoe Clewer Cllr Ian McLennan	
	2. Support the proposed new Streetwatch Scheme in Downton and Redlynch	To introduce trained adult volunteers to Downton streets as support to deter ASB	Cllr Zoe Clewer Cllr Ian McLennan	
	3. Oversee and support implementation of the Rural Youth Outreach Project Yr1 and 2			
Youth Engagement & Rural Youth Outreach	4. Consider potential Op Spectra intervention		Cllr Zoe Clewer Cllr Ian McLennan	
	5. Deliver a youth employment fair	Planning to deliver this after the Area Board Spring Social event in 2023	Cllr Zoe Clewer Cllr Ian McLennan	
	6. Deliver a youth volunteering fair	Planning to deliver this after the Joint Area Board Youth Employment Event in the first half of 2023	Cllr Zoe Clewer Cllr Ian McLennan	

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17th November 2022