

## Update for Melksham Area Board

<b>Name of Parish/Town Council</b>	<b>Melksham Without Parish Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	<b>Weds 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023</b>

### Headlines:

- Cllr John Glover re-elected as Chair and Cllr David Pafford re-elected as Vice Chair at the Annual Council meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May. All committees and organisation representatives remain as before.

### Objectives & Priorities for 2023/24

- Melksham Neighbourhood Plan\*
  - Implementation, monitor and use of policies in NHP#1.
  - Review of current Plan, production of draft NHP#2, formal consultation and submission to Wiltshire Council
- To input and influence Wiltshire Council's Local Plan Review\*
- To influence and lobby Central Government to change the new NPPF (National Planning Policy Framework) legislation for Neighbourhood Plans protected to a 3-year land supply, to hold for more than 2 years, working with the Wiltshire Area Localism & Planning Alliance (WALPA).
- Water refill points – to progress installation of water refill points at Bowerhill & Shaw sports fields
- To review the Emergency Plan\*
- Bowerhill Sports Field enhancement project – teen shelter/gym equipment
- Shurnhold Fields car park and improved entrance project\*
- To continue to maintain a good working relationship with Wiltshire Council, the Area Board and all the neighbouring parishes who abut Melksham Without.
- Progress East of Melksham Community Centre with Melksham Town Council
- Move towards pilot of Real Time Information (RTI) in bus shelters (Mitchell Drive and Melksham Market Place)\*

### Longer Term Objectives & Priorities for 4-year term of office 2021-2025 (Updated May 23)

- To continue to use less paper/become more climate friendly (in line with Wiltshire Council's goal of being Carbon Neutral by 2030).
- Work towards obtaining Quality Gold Award <https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/local-council-award-scheme>
- Continue to provide enhanced access to council meetings via remote technology to improve community engagement.
- To obtain mains drainage for Beanacre (Westlands Lane installation already taking place in 2023)
- To achieve the best outcome for the parish as a whole, for the proposed A350 Bypass.
- To continue to progress wider Realtime Information (RTI) in bus shelters across the parish and town\*

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- To seek to obtain higher speed internet access in the parish
- To develop a strategy to improve road safety in the parish, maximizing the levers that the council have control or influence over

\* Working with Melksham Town Council

### Forthcoming events



The poster is a colorful graphic divided into several sections. At the top left, there is a circular logo for 'Community WHITLEY & SHAW Action' with a red apple and a pink donut with sprinkles. To the right, a green background contains the text 'SATURDAY June 17 FREE ENTRY!' in large, bold letters. The central part of the poster features the title 'SUMMER FAMILY MUSIC FAIR' in large, bold, pink and blue letters. Below the title, the location and time are listed: '2-7pm @ Shaw Village Hall, SN128EP'. To the right of this, the text 'FEATURING:' is followed by a list of acts: 'People Like US', 'Sebastian and Me', 'The Decades', 'Jade Young', and 'Rock Choir'. At the bottom left, a pink box lists various activities: 'Live music stage | Dog Show', 'Classic Cars | Climbing Wall', 'Raffle | Games | Welly Throw', 'Bouncy Castles | Soft Play', and 'Bar 'n' BBQ | Cakes & Coffee'. At the bottom right, there is a logo for 'The Music Licence' and a small crest, along with a large, stylized illustration of a pink electric guitar.

Community WHITLEY & SHAW Action

SATURDAY  
**June 17**  
FREE ENTRY!

**SUMMER  
FAMILY MUSIC FAIR**

**2-7pm @ Shaw  
Village Hall, SN128EP**

**SHUTTLE BUS**  
Stopping @ Atworth,  
George Ward &  
Whitley

**FEATURING:**  
People Like US  
Sebastian and Me  
The Decades  
Jade Young  
Rock Choir

Live music stage | Dog Show  
Classic Cars | Climbing Wall  
Raffle | Games | Welly Throw  
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The Music Licence

Teresa Strange, Clerk, Melksham Without Parish Council  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2023