

AGENDA

Meeting: Melksham Area Board

Place: Melksham United Church, High Street, Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 6JU

Date: Wednesday 6 November 2024

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of: Broughton Gifford, Melksham, Melksham Without, Steeple Ashton, Keevil, Great Hinton and Semington.

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jonathon Seed, Melksham Without West & Rural (Chairman)

Cllr Mike Sankey, Melksham East (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr Phil Alford, Melksham Without North and Shurnhold

Cllr Nick Holder, Bowerhill

Cllr Jon Hubbard, Melksham South

Cllr Jack Oatley, Melksham Forest

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Items to be considered		Time
1	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	7.00pm
2	<p>Minutes (<i>Pages 1 - 12</i>)</p> <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2024.</p>	
3	<p>Chairman's Announcements and Information Items (<i>Pages 13 - 26</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following briefing notes and announcements through the Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Living Update • Community First Update • BSW Together Update • Spurgeons Update 	
4	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee or Monitoring Officer.</p>	
5	<p>Partner and Community Updates (<i>Pages 27 - 32</i>)</p> <p><u>Verbal Updates</u> To receive any verbal updates from representatives, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police • Town and Parish Councils • Community Conversations Update <p><u>Written Updates</u> The Board is asked to note the following written and online updates attached to the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police • Town and Parish Councils 	7.10pm
6	<p>Canon Square Project</p> <p>To discuss the Canon Square Project.</p>	
7	<p>Supporting the Vulnerable Through Winter</p> <p>To discuss the local support available to people during the winter period.</p>	7.50pm

8 Area Board Priority Updates

8.05pm

To receive updates from Lead Councillors for the local Area Board priorities:

- To improve opportunities for all children and young people (Cllr Hubbard)
- To help tackle deprivation (Cllr Alford)
- To create safer communities and improve transport (Cllr Sankey)
- To support older and vulnerable people (Cllr Oatley)
- To protect and enhance our heritage and environment (Cllr Seed)

9 Area Board Funding (Pages 33 - 36)

8.20pm

To note the remaining budgets and to consider any applications for funding, as detailed in the attached report and summarised below:

Remaining Budgets:

Community Area Grant	Older & Vulnerable	Young People
£19,446.48	£5,866.01	£7,269.00

Community Area Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2008	Keevil Community Amenities Trust - Keevil Banfield Recreation Ground In Ground Trampoline.	£2,083
ABG2010	The Parochial Church Council of the Melksham Parish of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Melksham Salisbury - To purchase and refurbish 11 Canon Square for parish and community benefit.	£5,000
ABG2022	Riverside Club - Melksham Riverside Centre toilets.	£5,000

Older & Vulnerable Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2026	HELP Counselling Services - Counselling Boxes for our new rooms in Melksham	£265.73

Further information on the Area Board Grant system can be found

	here.	
10	<p>Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG)</p> <p>To note that the next LHFIG meeting would be held on 7 November 2024.</p> <p>Further information on the LHFIG process can be found here.</p>	8.50pm
11	<p>Urgent items</p> <p>Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.</p>	
12	<p>Close & Future Dates</p> <p>Future Meeting Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 February 2025 – Subject to be changed. <p>For information on applying for a grant or grant application deadlines for these meetings, contact the Engagement and Partnership Lead: Caroline.LeQuesne@wiltshire.gov.uk</p>	9.00pm