

MINUTES

Meeting: Tidworth Area Board

Place: Ludgershall Memorial Hall

Date: 24 June 2024

Start Time: 19.00pm Finish Time: 20.05pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Christopher Williams (Chairman), Cllr Tony Pickernell (Vice-Chairman) Cllr Mark Connolly

Wiltshire Council Officers

Karlene Jammeh – Engagement and Partnership Lead Max Hirst – Democratic Services Officer Dominic Argar – Assistant Multimedia Officer

Partners

Lt Col Whitelegge – MOD Tidworth Town Council Ludgershall Town Council Ludgershall Memorial Hall

Total in attendance: 18

Minute No	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Election of Chairman
	The Democratic Services Officer sought nominations for the position of Chairman of the Tidworth Area Board for the 2024/25 municipal year.
	<u>Decision</u>
	Councillor Christopher Williams was elected Chairman of the Tidworth Area Board for the 2024/25 municipal year.
2	Election of Vice-Chairman
	The newly elected Chairman sought nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman of the Tidworth Area Board for the 2024/25 municipal year.
	<u>Decision</u> Councillor Tony Pickernell was elected Vice-Chairman of the Tidworth Area Board for the 2024/25 municipal year.
3	Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Tidworth Area Board.
4	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from:
	Graeme Morrison - SEPM
5	<u>Minutes</u>
	The minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2024 were presented for consideration and it was:
	Resolved:
	To approve and sign as a true and correct record of the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2024.
6	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
7	Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman provided information about:

Local Nature Recovery Strategy

Draft Licensing Policy 2024-2029

8 Information Items

The board noted the information items attached to the agenda pack:

- Multiply
- AGE UK
- Healthwatch Wiltshire
- BSW Together
- Community First

9 Partner Updates

Written updates attached to the agenda were noted by the board. Verbal updates were received from:

Tidworth Town Council

- The Civic Centre had been successfully opened.
- Events including Tidworth Festival, Litter picking, a D-Day event with wartime vehicles and an Easter Disco for children, had been popular and successful.
- 2 speed indicator devices had been installed.
- A Flood Working Group had been formed.
- Upcoming events included a skate park event, open air cinema, and a chapel open day.

Ludgershall Town Council

- The local litter pick was described as very successful, with another planned soon.
- Three new benches had been installed and were already being used frequently.
- A D-day event and an Easter event had both been very popular.

• There had been a refurbishment of the local clover gardens.

Ludgershall Memorial Hall

- The hall thanked the Board for its grant towards a new boiler and tank, which had been fitted.
- The hall was still receiving a large number of bookings.

MOD - Lt Col Rupert Whitelegge

- The Head of the US and British Armies had visited the area.
- Lt Col Whitelegge wished to express his success with the MyWilts App, with numerous reported potholes being repaired very quickly.

10 AGE UK Wiltshire

The Board received a presentation from Kate Brooks from AGE UK Wiltshire. A report was also noted as attached to the agenda.

In her presentation Kate Brooks demonstrated how AGE UK Wiltshire could assist older people with free information and advice on subjects including finances, housing, care and support and later life planning.

Statistics could be found on the Wiltshire Community Foundation website in their Needs Report.

After asking for feedback from attendees, comments were received regarding opportunities to work with local groups, such as the Ludgershall Memorial Hall's Thursday group. The Over 60s group in Tidworth was also suggested as a great opportunity to give advice and connect at their monthly meeting. The opportunity to talk on a local radio station was also suggested as a means to reach the target audience quickly.

It was raised that questions and opportunities could be emailed to kate.brooks@ageukwiltshire.org.uk

11 Area Board End of Year Report

The Board received the Area Board End of Year Report from Karlene Jammeh (Engagement and Partnerships Lead). The full report was attached to the agenda pack.

Resolved:

To note the achievements of the Area Board over the last year.

12 <u>CAJSNA</u>

The Board took the opportunity to review the results of the Community Area Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Local Survey, presented by Karlene Jammeh, and also the recent drop-in day at Tidworth Civic Centre. This report was attached to the agenda.

13 Area Board Priorities

The Board received a report from Karlene Jammeh which looked ahead to the coming municipal year and beyond. As part of this item, The Chairman, Cllr Christopher Williams moved the following motion, which was seconded by Cllr Tony Pickernell:

1) That the following priorities be adopted by the Tidworth Area Board for 2024/2025 as well as the respective Lead Councillors:

Improving the health and wellbeing of our community – Cllr Christopher Williams

Developing a sustainable and inclusive youth provision – CIIr Tony Pickernell

Local Environment Action – CIIr Mark Connolly

2) That the following Councillors be allocated the respective Outside Bodies for 2024/2025:

Tidworth Leisure Centre – Cllr Christopher Williams

3) That Cllr Mark Connolly be re-appointed as Councillor Representative for the Tidworth Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG), with it noted that all other members were welcome to attend meetings.

Resolved:

To accept the motion and the appointments within.

14 Area Board Funding

It was noted that application ABG1722 regarding The Barleycorn Inn had been withdrawn from the agenda as further investigation was required.

Community Area Grants

Castledown FM Community Radio Station applied for £1595 a studio refresh and outside broadcast facilities.

Proposed by Cllr Chris Williams and Seconded by Cllr Tony Pickernell it was:

Resolved

To award Castledown FM Community Radio Station £1595 towards their studio refresh and outside broadcast facilities.

Older and Vulnerable Grants

Carer Support Wiltshire applied for £1278 towards their Help For Heroes Military Carer Cafe.

Proposed by Cllr Chris Williams and Seconded by Cllr Mark Connolly it was:

Resolved

To award Carer Support Wiltshire £1278 towards their Help For Heroes Military Carer Cafe.

Armed Forces Equine Charity applied for £3965 towards their activity sessions for the lonely and isolated.

Proposed by Cllr Chris Williams and Seconded by Cllr Mark Connolly it was:

Resolved

To award Armed Forces Equine Charity £3965 towards their activity sessions for the lonely and isolated.

Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group

The Board considered the notes and recommendations from the two recent meetings of the Local Highways and Footways Improvement Group (LHFIG) which took place on 24 April and 5 June 2024.

Proposed by Cllr Mark Connolly and seconded by Cllr Chris Williams it was:

Resolved

To approve the recommendations from the meetings of the Local Highways and Footways Improvement Group on 24 April and 5 June 2024.

16 Urgent items

There were no urgent items.

17	Date of Next Meeting
	The next meeting will be on 7 October 2024.