

MINUTES

Meeting: SOUTH WEST WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD
Place: Nadder Centre, Weaveland Road, Tisbury, SP3 6H
Date: 20 March 2019
Start Time: 6.30 pm
Finish Time: 9.23 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

Lisa Moore (Democratic Services Officer), Tel: 01722 434560 or (e-mail) lisa.moore@wiltshire.gov.uk

Papers available on the Council's website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Tony Deane (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Jose Green (Chairman), Cllr Pauline Church, Cllr George Jeans and Cllr Bridget Wayman

Cllr Richard Clewer – Cabinet Member for Housing

Wiltshire Council Officers

Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer
Karen Linaker, Salisbury Community Engagement Manager
Simon Hendy, Director of Housing
Diane Ware, Highways Engineer
Tim Bruce, Strategic Asset Management
Eamon Maccelland, Tenants Engagement Officer

Town and Parish Councillors

Bishopstone Parish Council – M Ash
Bower Chalke Parish Council – J Body & M Wherrell
Chilmark Parish Council – P Boyles
Fovant Parish Council – A Mallalieu
Hindon Parish Council - Robertson
Mere Parish Council – J Jordan
Swallowcliffe Parish Council – B Fitzpatrick
Tisbury Parish Council – P Murray
West Tisbury Parish Council – I Lacey

Wilton Town Council – I Seviour

Partners

Wiltshire Police - Inspector Pete Sparrow

Total in attendance: 60

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
12	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Jose Green welcomed everyone to the meeting of the South West Wiltshire Area Board.</p> <p>The new Community Engagement Manager, Karen Linaker was introduced.</p>
13	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Mitchell – Tollard Royal PC • Steven Banas – Swallowcliffe PC • Clare Churchill – Quidhampton PC • Phil Matthews - Wilton TC
14	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
15	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Since the agenda was published, there had been a correction to minute number 10 – Health & Wellbeing Funding, to reflect the correct decision taken by the Board on the Sensory Garden project.</p> <p>That decision should have been recorded as an award of £4,500 with the condition that Tisbury PC also put in a further 50% (£2,250). With a note: That the applicant was still fundraising so all income would need to be in place before the Board funding released.</p> <p>This amendment had been made online and included as part of the signed minutes.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 30th January 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
16	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Nadder Centre open day had been held on 16th March. • Compliments to the local farmers on the hedge cutting, as they were now noticeably neat.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Great Spring Clean Event – This initiative was proceeding within some willages and would be supported by Wiltshire Council. • Alfred FM – A new radio station had been introduced in Shaftesbury – covering some of our rural villages on the periphery of Dorset. • Real Madrid Football Team would be hosting coaching at the Nadder Centre during the summer holidays, from 26th to 30th August. • Salisbury to get ultrafast Broadband. It would be the first city centre to be wholly fibred by April 2020, that would include homes and businesses. Cllr Church added that it was amazing that Salisbury would be the first full fibre city in the UK, Openreach aimed to complete the programme in a year, it would be a very fast roll out. More info was available on the Council website. When complete it will include a map of the areas covered.
17	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Board noted the written papers attached to the agenda and the verbal updates from partners present.</p> <p><u>Police – Neighbourhood Teams - Inspector Pete Sparrow</u> In addition to the written report included in the agenda pack, he gave an update which included the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Inspector for the West has not been able to attend. His update would be in the minutes. • There had been a national increase in knife crime, however a very small number of incidents could influence those figures. • County Lines – The key message was to look out for your children, if they were showing signs of having some wealth, like new trainers or phones and you had not bought them, then it was likely that they were getting those items from other means. The drugs sellers recruit our local youths to do the running. They can make a lot of money running for the dealers. This could then lead on to drugs and knife crime. Please look out for this in the early stages. If you see signs that don't make sense then challenge. • Our Special constabulary had already provided over 8100 hours of free service in the first 3 months of the year, just in the Salisbury area. • Wilton area – crime was still very low, with no particular spikes or trends in any areas. • We are starting to see a rise in outbuilding thefts and lead thefts. The advice it to record your serial numbers so you have a chance of identifying items after they are stolen, and to make your items easily to

	<p>identify by painting them with bright or distinctive marks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A decision had been taken to split the area into two sections. Pete would take command of the Salisbury end and a new inspector would be coming in for the Amesbury section. <p><u>Questions and comments:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Deane - You mention boundary changes, why are the police not amalgamating the police for the south west area, to cover our area? <u>Answer:</u> The Inspector going to Amesbury was coming from another area. We want to keep the Officers on the ground. The decision was that Mere and Tisbury should stay under Warminster for now. • We saw a picture of you with an award, of a skateboard. What was the award for? <u>Answer:</u> In November we ran a month of hairy officers, where we grew our facial hair for the Movember Charity campaign, to raise awareness and money for Men's health charities. Our force came first in raising the most money. • We never see a policeman walking in Tisbury, there are less than ever. <u>Answer:</u> I can give some context, my area is Salisbury, Wilton and Alderbury. At times you only have 3 Police Officers on duty, and they have to be deployed where the crime is, fortunately Tisbury is a low crime area. Patrols are put in place when crimes are happening. They have a large area to cover. • Would this change once the PCC had applied the money to recruit the additional 40 Officers? <u>Answer:</u> Absolutely, once they are trained up they would be deployed out on patrols. • If we see a problem, we call 101, but that does not always result in action. It would be nice to see a policeman from the Tisbury Area at one of these meetings. <u>Answer:</u> They come every other as they alternate with cover from the Salisbury area. There was an Officer which covered Tisbury at the last Area Board meeting.
18	<p><u>Housing Needs in South West Wiltshire</u></p> <p>The Board received a presentation from the Cabinet Member Cllr Richard Clewer and Director for Housing Simon Hendey, which outlined the housing need in this community area, and the potential affordable housing options available to meet that need.</p> <p>Nationally we have a housing crisis. In Wiltshire we have a housing problem with different housing problems across the county. We currently had 96 families in temporary accommodation in Wiltshire.</p>

We have council housing stock that was part of the District Council stock prior to unitary. We are adding to that stock, and looking at other innovative ways to provide new housing.

There is a shortage of housing for key care workers, if we could house them in areas of need we could make sure we are targeting the best social need.

There had been a refresh of the Core Strategy, we were not expecting new housing numbers before 2026.

Housing need in South West Area

- In the South West Wiltshire area housing need was calculated at 1871 households from 2016 – 2036, with the highest proportion of 47% of that figure requiring two bed properties.

Affordable housing need was calculated from using data from the WC housing register. Figures this week indicated that 92 families were registered in the South West area with a housing need.

Affordable Rented Housing

Rents set at 80% of market rent or local housing allowance. Access into that affordable housing is quite strict.

Shared Ownership Housing

Provided by registered housing providers as well as the Council. Minimum of a household income of £18k a year. They get a mortgage for a percentage of the cost of the property, with the remaining cost being paid as a rent, alongside the mortgage repayment. [Help to Buy South](#)

Community Land Trust (CLT)

Land or property in these schemes cannot be sold off for private gain. Often schemes which are provided by local providers, community groups.

The Chairman then welcomed three speakers from the local area.

Ione Lacey – Nadder district wide CLT

I had been to a talk in Salisbury and the national speaker for the National Land Trust was there. We held a community meeting here and were lucky to get some excellent people from the area on board. They have been able to set up a legal framework and we are now a registered charity.

The advantages are that the land belongs to the community. That is really important, as in the past some of the properties have been sold off. We can also raise funds as we are a charity. The concept is created by local people for local people.

Ashley Truluck – Broadchalke

Broadchalke is a thriving rural village with 5 working farms. Several years ago we found that we were in trouble, as in danger of becoming a sleepy hollow, with too few local amenities. We took the chapel and rebuilt the inside, converting it into a post office and shop, and still used for services on a Sunday.

Having created the momentum that a crisis produced, we then went on to look at our housing needs, so we went on to build a Neighbourhood Plan (NP). There were a lot of people in our village still needing homes, with game keepers at 45 years old still living with their mums. Elderly people in large houses, not able to afford the fuel bills with no smaller homes for them to downsize to.

We are focused on community housing not affordable housing, the two are different. We are 5 years in to the NP, it has been a huge deal of work, but there is a lot of help available. We are working with WC to move this forward and have raised £800k capital and have spent £8k of Government money on consultancy.

Place Studios in Bristol were finalising the plan for us. All of the time and effort is worth it for the homes. We have created a housing need survey from responses from 600 people in our village, we have found we require 9 new houses. In the next generation we would need a further 18, we have procured the land, so that will sit dormant for the future.

This was all put in to a legal framework, using architects to produce drawings which we were taking to meetings to show what would be available. We have teamed up with Wessex Community Land Trust so that we can control the housing there and partnered with White Horse Housing.

We would have gone to Wiltshire Community Land Trust if they had been in place 5 years ago. We are building a village green. We have 12 policies and 11 of those are already implemented. The creation of the NP has really brought the community together. Happy to speak to anyone interested in taking this forward.

Mike Ash – White Horse Housing (Chair of this association)

Rural homes cost 11 times the average salary for the area. This was about retaining younger people and older people in our villages. We rely on younger people to be a part of our communities and if we are not able to provide housing for them then we are in trouble.

There are more than 30 Housing association in our area. Some associations are happy to do small scale developments others are not so supportive.

We were established in 1984 and now have 364 properties in 45 villages in Wiltshire and Somerset. These include a selection of homes for affordable rent and ownership.

We work closely with Parish Councils to build our own homes on rural exception sites. There were new delivery options.

People need to make sure that they were registered on Homes4Wiltshire, otherwise they would not get the homes when they come along.

WC need to ensure through its planning policies that small scale developments continue to take place to meet local need.

Cllr Clewer added that Housing associations did vary, people should pick one that could deliver what was required.

Round Table discussion –three questions were considered:

1. What type of additional housing (including affordable) do you think will meet the needs of your local community?
2. Where do you think this additional housing could be developed?
3. Who do you think should develop the affordable housing?

Feedback:

- People in big houses living by themselves, should have more attractive downsize options.
- More carers accommodation available.
- Lack of three and four bed houses in mid-range.
- More housing developed, but not in Tisbury due to access, but maybe Dinton.
- Mixture of development options, maybe a collaboration, but not WC.
- Need for greater flexibility around housing particularly on the exception sites.
- If we are to develop they should be small scale in the villages.
- Community shaped housing not just community led. Allowing Parishes to have a greater voice, to be seen more as a partnership.
- Place making – not having standard replicated schemes, but instead blending in to each community.
- New housing across the whole of Wiltshire, with the provision coming from everybody, a mixture of all. The community needs to be involved with all.
- Types – at the moment large expensive houses were being build, whereas the need was for more 2 bed, terrace, and bungalows, with a 50/50 mix for young and old.
- The AONB was a barrier in some areas, so new build would have to match what was already there.
- To include the infrastructure needs, getting to doctors and dentists.
- Commercial market values for plots of land.

- Finding sites can be difficult.
- Getting on to the register can be quite hard.
- In villages or surrounding local areas we need some new housing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All to develop. • Types – should be flexible to meet the needs during various stages of life. CLT may be best way to address that need. • Homes for younger families, with shared ownership as an option. • Brown fields and exception sites to be considered. • The more local the better for development.
19	<p><u>Highways Maintenance Schedule 2019/20</u></p> <p>Diane Ware, Principal Technical Officer for Highways gave a presentation on the proposed Highways Maintenance schedule for 2019/20.</p> <p>The South West Wiltshire (SWW) area had been ranked at having the worst road network across Wiltshire. This would mean that SWW area would be allocated the highest amount of funding.</p> <p>The parishes were also returning their wish lists on the additional funding.</p> <p>The Board was asked to approve the recommendations as set out in the report attached to the agenda.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> The South West Wiltshire Area Board agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) To welcome the road surfacing work and repairs carried out in 2018/19 and notes the improvement in the overall condition of Wiltshire’s roads in recent years, but acknowledges that further investment is still required.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) To approve the highway maintenance scheme list for 2019/20 prepared for the Area Board.</p> <p>To note the new provisional five-year programme, which will reviewed annually to ensure best value for money and whole life costing for the highways asset.</p>
20	<p><u>Local Youth Network</u></p> <p>The Board noted the report of the Community Engagement Manager and considered the recommendations for funding from the Youth Budget for 2018/19.</p> <p>Jaki Farell from Seeds4Success was in attendance with a group of young people who gave a short outline on the work and projects they had taken part in. These included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearing footpaths and widening them to improve access. • Learning practical skills, working as a team and social skills.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working to earn reward trips – quad biking and an archery trip. • The work carried out by the young people benefited both them and the community. • Requests to work at community events - its not just conservation work. <p><u>Seeds4Success</u> Weekend leisure credits programme – requested £5,000.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Area Board awarded £5,000 of Youth Funding to Seeds4success, towards the weekend leisure credit programme.</p> <p><u>Woodford Valley Primary Academy</u> Salisbury Schools Mini Marathon event – requested £500</p> <p>This event engages 30 schools across four community areas. The Southern Wiltshire AB granted £500 towards this event, and the Amesbury AB also are considering £200 towards the event. The event had run for 30 years.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Area Board refused Funding to Woodford Valley Primary Academy towards the Salisbury Schools Mini Marathon.</p> <p><i>Reason</i> <i>The project has already received full funding from alternative Area Boards.</i></p>
21	<p><u>Community Safety Group</u></p> <p>The Board noted the Community Safety Group report attached to the agenda and considered the recommendations contained within.</p> <p>Cllr Wayman was pursuing the matter of criteria for SID installation and would feedback in due course.</p> <p>Action: Feedback on the SID installation criteria for insurance to be circulated when available.</p> <p>Cllr Jeans – read out statement from Highways Engineer, David Button regarding the SID installation. He went on to say that if you have a SID in your parish, if you stand behind it and it doesn't cause a danger, as long as your parish insurance covers the work and they are aware that there are WC protocols, and do not require you to follow those to be covered, then you are insured.</p> <p>Mike Ash – The WC protocol says anyone deploying the SID has to have a Streetworks accreditation. Our volunteers will stop doing it if this cannot be resolved.</p> <p><u>Decision</u></p>

	<p>The South West Wiltshire Area Board approved the recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the CEM issue a communication to the general public with the best numbers and systems to use when wishing to report speeding. 2. The Community Safety Group further develop work already started by Mike Davidson to encourage greater use of the online system to map local neighbourhood watch schemes and increase use of the neighbourhood alert system, by organising more community safety events in Tisbury, Mere and Wilton
22	<p><u>Nadder Centre</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from the Community Engagement Manager. The main points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A public announcement was made yesterday confirming that Real Madrid, one of the world’s most iconic football clubs, would be giving young British football players the opportunity to experience top-class coaching this summer here at the Nadder Centre from the 26th - 30th August. Coaching sessions would be available to boys and girls aged 6-16 of any footballing ability. • Open Day - A huge thanks for all who attended, ran a stall, or were involved in whatever way on the day. It was a great day, there will be many more to come. • Now that the centre was more than up and running well, Karen would be setting up a Steering Group of principle users in April, so that – moving forward we could all work as one team at the centre. Further improve operations, enhance services, maximise the footfall and income generation and strengthen the reputation of this centre here in south west Wiltshire. • Karen was working with Messums to deliver the art installation event in July this year <p><u>Last a handful of mentions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A March Leisure offer helped to generated 14 new members • A unique Karate Course would start this Saturday bringing Anti Bullying, Autism and Karate together • The Bounce Castle return to the centre on the 8th April bringing castles of all shapes and sizes – last Sunday’s session saw over 100 children and families attend • A Roller Disco was booked with Disco Dion for Wednesday 10th April • New regular Soft Play sessions had begun by popular demand on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 2.00-4.30pm

	<p><u>Question:</u> Mere TC - Town Cllrs used to visit Area Boards at other community areas, but now the Board only uses the Nadder Centre. <u>Answer:</u> Karen - I am hopeful in encouraging the AB back out to the Mere and Wilton Community Areas. We are however limited to using free venues only.</p>
23	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Update</u></p> <p>The Board noted the update and considered the recommendations within the report attached to the agenda.</p> <p>Cllr Deane noted that it had been quite an interested meeting, and thanks to the highways budget and the work to be done in the area, we are not quite committed with our funds.</p> <p>Cllr Deane also stated that Highways Engineer, Dave Button has said that they would address the white lining. In CATG there was £10k allocated to white lining, that may now not be needed for that works, so we may have that money back in the pot.</p> <p>We are again looking for two applications for villages to investigate 20mph scheme. The Tisbury scheme apparently cost around £6k.</p> <p>Cllr Wayman noted that the Brook Hill scheme for a flashing sign was premature, and felt that it should go back to CATG. We may be the decision makers but it's the CATG group that make the recommendations. We do not have proper costings at this stage.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The South West Wiltshire Area Board approved the following funding recommendations of the CATG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue 4714 – Dinton Steep Hollow signage – agreed to fund the scheme at a cost of £750 subject to a contribution of 25% from DPC and agreed to make it a top 5 priority. • Issue 6041 - Semley, Junction by Church Farm – improvements to the layout of the junction – agreed to make top 5 priority. • Issue 6658 - C25 Stops Hill – Grade 2 listed Bridge Tunnel Improved signage prior to crossroads at Beckford Arms – agreed to make top 5 priority. • Issue 6894 – B3092 – Coombe Barn Lane, Farm Vehicle Warning Sign - Agreed to fund the scheme at an estimated cost of £750 subject to KPC contributing 25%. • Issue 6998 – Market Square Wilton – Dropped kerb for pedestrian access to Wilton Baptist Church - agreed to fund the scheme at an estimated cost of £1500 subject to WTC to contributing 25%.

Area Board Funding

The Board considered two applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme for 2018/19, as detailed in the report attached to the agenda.

Chilmark Horticultural Society

Chilmark 400th Anniversary Fayre – requested £1000

Applicant Mike Scott outlined the event. This year marked the 400th anniversary of the first recoding of the fayre. This year many of the participants would be in period traditional dress. The Parish Council had also put £300 of funding towards the event.

Cllr Jeans – what would the £1000 be spent on specifically? Answer: We need to hire a big tent for the activities to be under cover should the weather not be good. Making more provision for the expected numbers of visitors, by putting toilets in and costumes.

The event would be held on 20th July.

Cllr Deane - Any one of the villages could come to us for the same thing. In the past they have all been run without subsidies. The Tisbury PC has a large tent they might hire out to you. Answer: This is a community activity, and special this year as 400th anniversary, we are putting on more than we have in the past as it is a special celebration. Somehow, we need to fund an event that will benefit the community as a whole. It brings people together when they rarely do get that opportunity.

Cllr Church - This is a community village event. We should be supporting. I support this as it's the 400th anniversary. I propose £500.

Chairman of the PC – When we looked at the detailed budget, showing what was required in terms of the costume hire and the tent hire etc. We were happy to support the event.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board awarded £500 of funding to the Chilmark 400th Anniversary Fayre.

Reason

The application met the community area grant criteria for 2018/19.

Wilton Town Council (WTC)

Wilton ecoTown Project - solar scheme Castle Meadow – requested £1500

WTC had been trying to become greener in what they do and were trying to put a solar installation on to the pavilion. It has cost approximately £6k to put the system up.

Plans also included installing an electric charging point for cars in the town and a milk refill point from a vending machine in the town.

Cllr Church – I thought the work had been done today? Answer: I am not sure whether it has been. I know we want to get the panels in before the end of the month.

Cllr Wayman – Would the electricity consumption benefit users? Answer: We built it a few years ago after taking a public works loan. It is not available for public use, with that use increasing. The rental tariff could be reduced for users.

The CEM confirmed that the announcement that day on Facebook was a trailer to the completed works which were hoped to be complete by L – when the 29th March.

Cllr Deane proposed £1000 towards the green project moving forward.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board awarded £1000 to Wilton Town Council

Reason

The application met the community area grant criteria for 2018/19.

Health & Wellbeing Funding

The Board considered the report of the Community Engagement Manager, detailing the funding bids to the Health & Wellbeing Fund.

The first bid had been awarded under delegated powers to the CEM in line with Area Board decision taken at the meeting on 21st November 2018.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board ratified the delegated decision to award Mere Parish Council £362 towards the Bigger Bottom Walk Event.

Moving Music, Tisbury – requested £2,570

Applicant Olivia McLennan, Co-director for this community interest company outlined the project. The Group would meet every 2 weeks, with a total of 11 sessions.

Cllr Deane - You are linked to the Memory Group. I feel these sessions should be held here if available, so if we award the we need to add a condition.

Decision

The Area Board awarded £2570 to the Moving Music Tisbury project, with the condition that the project was held at Nadder Centre if there was availability to do so.

Sheltered Housing Schemes Gardening Club Project in Donhead St Mary,

Tisbury, Zeals, Fovant, Wilton and Mere – requested £3,180

Eamon McClelland - Resident Engagement Officer (REO) working for WC, worked with community groups. Foragers Farm was a social enterprise, not for profit, working at reclaiming sites, making gardens accessible and getting rid of obstacles for Social Housing residents.

Questions:

- What evidence of support have you got from the residents? Answer: The scheme meetings are held every 2 months.
- Cllr Jeans – Which scheme in Mere? Answer: Both, and we work with Jaki Farrell on both schemes.
- Cllr Deane - Lets ask Simon Hendy, the Council houses must give a good return to the council, could the Housing Team provide any money towards this? Answer: There is a small-scale improvement budget. This would be the sort of scheme that could apply for that.
- Do the residents pay service charges? Answer: General upkeep, not specific gardening schemes.
- What evidence was there the residents would support the scheme? Answer: We hold scheme meetings every 2 months.
- Could we have an update at the end of the Summer? Answer: Yes, we can feedback on the scheme at a later Area Board.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board awarded £3180 towards the Sheltered Housing Garden Scheme.

Fingerpost Funding

The Board considered the bids for Fingerpost Funding as detailed in the report circulated at the meeting.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board allocated up to a maximum of £800 to West Tisbury to refurbish/replace 2 x fingerposts (£400 max each), with the condition:

- **That no funds are released until the required quotes were provided to the CEM confirming the cost for each post, along with photos of the posts, before and after.**

Note: The Area Board will fund up to 50% of the cost to a maximum of £400 per post.

25

Close

The next meeting of the South west Wiltshire Area Board will be held on Thursday 23rd May 2019, 6.30pm at Nadder Centre Tisbury.