

MINUTES

Meeting: South West Wiltshire Area Board
Place: Nadder Centre, Weaveland Road, Tisbury, SP3 6H
Date: 29 January 2020
Start Time: 6.30 pm
Finish Time: 9.05 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

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

Wiltshire Council Officers

Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer
Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager
Judy Edwards, Commissioner for Young Peoples Mental Health Services

Town and Parish Councillors

Bishopstone PC – Mike Ash
Dinton PC – C Taylor (also for Burcombe, Donhead St Mary & Berwick St John PC's)
East Knoyle PC – P Egginton & D Jenkins
Fovant PC – A Mallalieu
Hindon PC – D Robertson
Quidhampton PC – K Taylor
West Knoyle PC – V Brockway

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector P Sparrow, Inspector J Hughes & Sergeant K Harmsworth

Total in attendance: 40

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Vice Chairman, Cllr Tony Deane welcomed everyone to the meeting of the South West Wiltshire Area Board.</p> <p>He noted that Cllr Jose Green was unable to attend due to breaking an arm earlier that week.</p> <p>Cllr Deane would be referred to as The Chairman during these minutes only.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Jose Green – Chairman • Sandra Harry – Tisbury PC • Donhead St Andrew PC
3	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
4	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Decision</u> The minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th November 2019, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condolences - Former Salisbury District Council Cllr Ted Draper who passed away in December. • The 'Future of Salisbury' consultation was currently running online from 16 January to 28 February, with information on the Salisbury Central Area Framework also available in the Salisbury Library. • The next CATG meeting was on – 26th Feb, here at the Nadder Centre, at 2.00pm

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attention was drawn to the Flood Resilience Information detailed on p45 • The Our Community Matters Event was on 6th May – Karen gave further info on the event for the South West Wiltshire Community Area. • The Area Board ‘Finger Post Funding’ scheme which had been running for several years would continue into 2020/21. The Board considered the proposal made by Cllr Deane, to revert to the more simple application process, as detailed on the handout circulated at the meeting. <p><u>Decision</u> The Board approved the proposed Funding Process for Finger Post Initiative for 2020/21, as detailed in the report circulated at the meeting.</p>
6	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p><u>Police</u> – Inspector Pete Sparrow, Inspector Jill Hughes and Sargent Kevin Harmsworth were in attendance to provide verbal updates in addition to the reports detailed in the agenda pack.</p> <p>Jill Hughes, Inspector for Warminster area. Covering Mere and Tisbury community areas. Background with neighbourhood policing, broad knowledge and skill set to bring to the team.</p> <p>Kev Harmsworth had worked for last 16 years in Policing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Messaging is what we like people to sign up to, we also put updates out on Facebook and Twitter. • Local priorities include work on modern slavery and county lines, where we are looking at early intervention work, to steer the young people back. • Joint working with the rural team to focus on hare coursing. • On 2nd March there was a decision to decommission the Wilton Police Station, and to replace that facility with a touchdown location of Wilton Library. • PCSO Matt Smith was rural crime trained, he had recently completed training in drone work. • There had been a rise in Catalytic converter thefts across the whole of Wiltshire. These were being sold on for money.

Questions & Comments:

- I was aware that Wilton was not in use for some time, a co-location was a good idea, but the Wilton library was not open every day.

Answer: We will be there when it is open, Police will continue to do their patrols. We would not have a key to the building so only access when it was open.

- How would the drone help ease rural crime?

Answer: It was located in Devizes, however we have rural officer trained, including Matt. It could be used for missing people and for poachers. It has night heat seeking cameras and a half mile radius.

The Chairman asked if a phot could be provided to the CEM to be used to advertise what was happening in the area.

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC)

Deputy PCC Jerry Herbert gave an overview on the proposed increase to the precept, to deliver Policing for Wiltshire.

Community Engagement Manager

Karen Linaker gave an update on her work and projects in the area:

- Eco friendly villages: following on from the November meeting – Cllr Tony Deane would lead a local review of current projects and initiatives.
- [Waste Free February](#)
- Health & Wellbeing Group: An action plan for Dementia Awareness Week (May 2020) would be produced. Helping with the Make A Friend Be A Friend social isolation project
- Young People: helped to shape the main theme, and working with them for the 18th March Employment & Skills Event
- Community Safety Group: continued focus on speeding, and strengthening of local neighbourhood watch schemes
- Tisbury's first ever Silent Disco: would be held on 19th March, 10.30am at the Nadder Centre
- Flood Resilience Spring workshop: date to be confirmed
- Our Community Matters Conference: scheduled for 6th May, 6.30pm, at the Nadder Centre

Community Safety Group

Cllr Jeans noted that concern had been raised following the newspaper article which reported that Wiltshire was the second from bottom counties in England to produce fines for fixed cameras. The Group had decided to write to the MPs and the Leader of the Council, to ask if the cameras could be activated and for the fines be drawn back in. He noted that in the areas where the traffic moved at a

very high speed, it was not possible to have a SID.

He asked the Police if they were able to do anything in terms of enforcement?

The Chairman noted that speed cameras were there to slow the traffic, which is said to reduce accidents. Yet in Wiltshire we have the same levels of accidents as other areas that have the cameras.

Cllr Wayman added that the national papers had an article which stated that Wiltshire issued no fines for speeding. This was because it did not have fixed cameras. Our collision rate was pretty much the same as areas that have the fixed cameras. The biggest complaint that we hear is that people are distressed by people speeding through the villages.

Answer: Jerry Herbert – I attended the Strategic Road Safety Sub Group meeting with Cllr Wayman. There are a variety of different approaches that could be taken. There were other forces that issued large numbers of tickets. A small proportion of traffic fines do find their way back to the Police Force, but it had not been found to be a good way of funding.

The Community Speedwatch (CSW) system was our preferred way to reduce speeding in our villages. In the last 12 months, the PCC had invited the Chief Constable to target enforcement action where possible, now that there was a better idea of where speeding was takes place. The Local Inspectors know their areas well.

We were also looking to the Chief Constable to provide a specific unit to support the CSW teams.

The Chairman asked Jerry to feedback that more support of the CSW volunteers was needed.

It was noted that in Bishopstone, there had been a group of CSW volunteers up until October, when it ceased to operate due to feeling unsupported in their efforts. They felt that the Police did not give adequate support.

In the areas where CSW was not an option, could they have something other than a SID?

Answer: Jerry – There were two aspects to having a CSW, first was the traffic count, which needed to pass a certain threshold. Then secondly a risk assessment. Some sites were deemed too dangerous, but that did not mean a Police Officer could not make a visit there.

Youth Update

Rowland Hughes introduced himself, from the Landscape Partnership Scheme. He had met with Jaki and the young people and was keen to further develop joint working with them.

	<p><u>Grant Awards Update</u></p> <p>Mike Ash – Bishopstone Parish Council - Playtrail We had a play train in the village which was rotting, so we approached the Board for 50% of the project cost to replace the equipment. We firstly went out to consultation to find out what the village wanted. It came back that we should have a play trail. This project has been well received by local residents and people visiting our village. Thank you to the Board for the grant.</p> <p>Liv McLennan – Moving Music - Tisbury We achieved our five aims.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participants experienced a greater social connectedness with others in their community through taking part in regular structured music and movement sessions. 2. Participants increased their existing instrumental and musical skills 3. Participants had an increased sense of wellbeing through participating in a community music and movement project 4. Participants increased their regular physical activity as a result of attending the project 5. Participants experienced greater enjoyment of physical activity as a result of attending the project <p>The Chairman thanked the speakers for their presentations.</p>
7	<p><u>Main Theme - Young People's Mental Health</u></p> <p>The Chairman introduced Heather Newton, Member for Youth Parliament, who gave an introduction to the item.</p> <p>We took part in a survey for people aged 11 – 18 years, where young people were asked to input their opinions. Over a million responses were input in to the survey, and Young People’s mental health was the third top issue.</p> <p>It is recognised that we will all know someone that is affected by mental health issues.</p> <p>Judy Edwards, Wiltshire Council Commissioner for Young Peoples Mental Health Services provided information on iThrive, the CAMHs service, other commissioned services and activities, and local data on the need in this area.</p> <p>Wiltshire Council wrote its Strategy in 2015. Transformation Plan was updated annually. Since 2015 this had attracted additional funding year on year. Part of my role is to make sure that this funding is invested properly.</p> <p><u>NHS – Long Term Plan:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll out of Mental Health support teams – working with schools • 16-25 mental health services – address the needs of this age group

- Crisis Mental Health services

CAMHS for this area – covered by 6 GP surgeries:

- Mere Surgery
- Silton Surgery
- Hindon Surgery
- Tisbury Surgery
- Wilton Surgery
- Orchard Partnership

Of the 132 referrals for support received from this area, 36 of those from a GP.

Karen explained that work with the young people had been taking place over the last few months, it was vital that their views were heard. Some of the young people working with Jaki at Seeds4Success had been invited to take part in a question and answer session around key issues.

Youth Panel & Q&A Session

What Impacts on mental health?

- Education has a big impact. The pressure of deciding what to do with study choices and what directions to go and your exams.
- Transition from child to an adult.
- It is eye opening how many young people I know who are exposed to drugs and alcohol.
- Education, social groups and past trauma.
- The lack of resources outside of school, we are told we are loitering but there is nothing to do. No activities, and the cinema is too expensive. The library closes at 5pm, not that you can hang out there.
- People get wound up in drugs and alcohol as there is nothing else to do.

Where do you access support from?

- You hear about bad experiences your friends have had with going to the teachers or pastoral care at school, so no one wants to do it. Also you can be shamed for seeking support. Or pushed away when you do speak to a teacher or pastoral support.
- Other young people do approach me for support rather than going to an adult. As a young person it is hard to know where to signpost to.
- Clubs, cadets, karate, community systems support people more than the professionals who are set up to give the support.
- Stereotypes – wouldn't want to be the odd one out.
- Feeling scared and the pressure of what will happen if they do ask.
- Organising a way for all young people to be able to communicate with

one person is what is needed.

- Having open conversations about mental health is helpful.
- To not be told that we are being over dramatic and over the top.
- Pastoral support is the last route, a family friend or people you already are close with, like the club workers would be first choice. But they need training in how to deal with this.
- I may go to friends and they may come to me but need to be careful not to overload myself.
- Chatting to strangers on the internet – they are anonymous and are sometimes more direct.

Do you use online resources?

- No wouldn't really use them.
- There is something called Shout – I like the idea of being able to text someone anonymously.
- Waiting for a reply for several days isn't good.
- Having the same form tutor for the entire time at a school can help to build a trust and relationship, enabling me to go to them.

Karen thanked the young people for their input in this discussion.

The Chairman noted that two groups had been mentioned, the Cadets and Jaki through Seeds4Success. He invited the Cadet leaders to introduce themselves.

Questions and Comments included:

- The Cadets were looking for an alternative venue to hold their meetings to enable them to expand the sessions and training options.
- Peter Waterman from Wiltshire Libraries raised awareness of a service which was not widely known about. People could access lists of suggested books on mental health in a section headed 'reading well young people' online. There were 35 titles which had been specifically chosen to help young people dealing with a variety of issues. The books could be ordered in to local libraries.
- Cllr Church – Cabinet Member for Children and Education, thanked the young people for talking so openly and honestly. She planned to take the information back and share it, with the possibility of liaising with other Area Boards to replicate the session in other areas.
- The Chairman added that the South West Wiltshire was a big enough of a community area to take this topic up and schedule something more, outside of the Area Board.
- Cllr Wayman asked whether there were local mentoring schemes?

	<p><u>Answer:</u> At my current school a mentoring scheme had just been established.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police – There were opportunities for the neighbourhood teams to work more with the cadets. Would like to turn around any negative experiences you have had with the Police. • Jaki – We also spoke about the education system and that it was set up around attendance. So, a young person who was experiencing mental health issues, may not go to school, and end up being home schooled due to pressures put on to the parents by the schools. There can be bullying, and they end up refusing to go back to sch. Parents are encouraged to sign papers to start home schooling. They are then out of the system. <p><u>Answer:</u> Chairman – That issue needs a different forum than the Board. This meeting is aimed at spreading the message through our villages and parishes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have been out of school for a year now due to mental health issues. My mother was threatened with fines. <p><u>Answer:</u> Cllr Church - No one wants any child out of school. We are aware that there is a little bit of a culture of off rolling, more in primary than secondary schools. Head Teachers were now working together to find the right school for a child that has been found to be struggling in another. This is a huge project we are working on.</p>
8	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>Ebbesbourne Wake Parish Council – Fingerpost replacement – requested £400</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Board awarded £400 to Ebbesbourne Wake Parish Council towards the Fingerpost replacement.</p> <p><i>Reason</i> <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2019/20.</i></p> <p>Barford St Martin Defib Group – Village Defibrillator – requested £1464.20</p> <p>The applicant noted that they had raised enough funds to purchase three defibs. The grant request was now for training and sustainability.</p> <p>Cllr Wayman noted that the Board had previous run training sessions as part of an initiative. It was proposed that this type of initiative should be investigated with the view of running a second round, to be offered out to all parishes to put people forward.</p>

The Board would work with the CEM to form a proposal for a training session.

Decision

The Board refused the application and instead agreed to investigate funding a training session which would be made available to all parishes.

Able Hands Together CIC – Barn Project – requested £5000

Additional financial information had been requested by the Councillors and had been circulated by email.

The applicant gave an overview of the service, which would run from the barn. The work gave young people with learning needs the skills they needed to get jobs. It was confirmed that this was a charity and not a business.

Cllr Church had visited the current location. It was clarified that the application was to fund the new barn which was required due to moving sites to a farm where the landowner was giving up some land. It was also confirmed that Wiltshire Council used the charity for its commissioning service for adults.

Cllr Church moved the motion to award the full amount of £5000. This was seconded by Cllr Wayman. The motion was not carried.

The Chairman noted that the applicant had also approached Salisbury Board and Amesbury Board for funding, and that Salisbury had awarded 80% to match the reported 80% of users coming from Salisbury area.

Cllr Jeans supported the project, however felt that it should have been funded centrally from Trowbridge. He moved the motion of a reduced award of £3000. This was seconded by Cllr Deane.

Before voting, the Chairman took comments from the floor:

- I have listened to those young people this evening. There is a need to support people like this. This is coming to our area and a much-needed service. We should balance this against the capita – this should be supported.
- We should think ourselves lucky that the applicant wants to move this to our part of Wiltshire, it is so far reaching in its ideas.

The Chairman suggested an amendment to the motion to award £3000 now and to invite the applicant to return in the new financial year to apply for the remainder once the scheme was up and running and could present evidence of the benefits to the people of this community area.

It was noted that until the barn was funded, it could not be built, and therefore the service could not operate. This grant was to fund the barn.

The Chairman allowed further input from the public.

- I relate to the comments regarding this being funded from central Trowbridge, however it was initially incorrectly put forward, as the applicant had put her own financial investment in, and it is a charity not a business. She has two children with autism. This is in our area and accessible for us in our village so would be an asset.
- I work for the Youth Service, I know young people from this area who have to travel an hour to get to a placement. There are no facilities in this area.

Cllr Jeans withdrew his motion.

Cllr Church moved the motion of £4999. This was seconded by Cllr Wayman.

The Board voted on the motion.

Decision

The Board awarded £4999 to Able Hands Together CIC towards the Barn project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2019/20.

East Knoyle VH – Toilet refurb project – requested £5000

Decision

The Board awarded £5000 to East Knoyle Village Hall towards the Toilet refurb project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2019/20.

Teffont Parish Council – Fingerpost restoration – requested £145

Decision

The Board awarded £145 to Teffont Parish Council towards the Fingerpost restoration.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2019/20.

Youth Funding

The Board considered a bid from Seeds4Success for £172 to top up the previously awarded funding for Monday Night Youth sessions at the Nadder Centre.

Decision

The Board allocated £172 to Seeds4Success

	<p><u>Area Board Projects</u></p> <p>The Board considered a bid from Cllr Tony Deane, for up to £4000 to be ringfenced, for the Real Madrid Soccer Camp initiative at the Nadder Centre.</p> <p>Karen noted that there was only £7,900 in the Community Area Grants budget remaining for 2019/20 and suggested that £2,000 of the ringfenced money in the SID budget be used to make up the shortfall following the decisions to award the Able Hands grant and East Knoyle Village Hall Grant which totalled £9,999.</p> <p>The Board discussed this option and agreed that if required the SID budget would be released back into the main funding pot to accommodate the shortfall.</p>
9	<p><u>Close</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the South west Wiltshire Area Board will be held on Wednesday 18 March 2020, 6.30pm at the Nadder Centre, Tisbury.</p>