Welcome to Pewsey Area Board

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Community Engagement Manager - introduction

My role – is to help deliver the vision to strengthen local communities and help them to do more for themselves

- Maximise the involvement and engagement in council services and decisions; particularly those that affect our local area
- Assist the area board to deliver its local priorities
- Encourage grant applications and the administration of these
- Support the various groups of the area board; Community and Transport Grants (CATG), Health and wellbeing, Local Youth Networks (LYNs)
- Facilitate and coordinate community events and activities
- Connect communities and maximise opportunities
- Communicate what's happening

What I will cover this evening…

- Area boards – what they do
- Budget for this year
- Priorities for this year
- Community events and activities – what's happening

Area boards and what they do…

- Host events and meetings where the local community can participate
- Invest in local community projects
- Agree the local priorities and take action to combat these; such as obesity, social isolation, mental health issues
- Influence and take decisions on local service delivery
- Support and deliver activities for young people
- Communicate information every week
- Encourage participation and volunteering in community activities
- Act as a consultee on council policy and changes

Area boards over the past 8 years - some headlines…

- **75,000** people took part in events and meetings
- **£12m** invested in local community projects
- **E**very £1 invested secures £4 in external funding
- **5,000** local projects and community groups
- **25,000** people receive information each week
- **25,000** - volunteers supported events and activities
- **6,000** local people helped set local priorities
- **15,000** young people benefited from projects supported by area boards each year
- **4 million** area board news articles viewed each year

Budget - grants funding - total

- Total funding allocated:
  - £1.75 million devolved to 18 area boards - 2017/18
- Splits into:
  - £800k for community grants (capital)
  - £400k for community transport (capital)
  - £450k for youth projects (revenue)
  - £138k for health and wellbeing (revenue)

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Pewsey area board budget 16/17

- Total funding allocated:
  - £69,217 - 2017/18

- Splits into:
  - £32,787 for community grants (capital)
  - £19,804 for community transport (capital)
  - £8,926 for youth projects (revenue)
  - £7,700 for health and wellbeing and older people's champion (revenue)

What the grants are for...

- Community and transport grants
  - prioritise and approve minor highway works
  - Improve pavements and paths
  - Fund new works, not routine maintenance

- Health and wellbeing
  - Support for older people and those who are vulnerable
  - Support healthier communities

- Older people's champion
  - Coordinate support for the elderly and vulnerable
  - An advocate and advisor to the board on behalf of older people

- Local youth Networks
  - Involving young people
  - Increasing the level of activities

Setting local priorities

- Every two years public data produced by partners and services that provides a strategic assessment (Oct 2016 - Feb 2017)

- Local people review and agree what matters in their area

- Identify actions with support of area boards

- Monitor the outcomes and difference made

- In this area the priority areas are:

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Pewsey Community Area - Local Priorities 2017 - 2019

Children and young people	
Mental and emotional health	**61%**
Positive leisure time activities	**48%**
Child poverty	**45%**
Childhood obesity	36%
Job prospects	30%
Educational attainment	28%
Special educational needs and disability	21%
Teenage pregnancy	7%

Community Safety	
Protecting the vulnerable	**59%**
Highway safety	**59%**
Alcohol and drug abuse	**55%**
Anti-social behaviour	36%
Domestic violence	33%
Rural crime	17%
Social cohesion	16%
Emergency planning	8%

Culture	
Participation in arts, crafts and culture	**60%**
Diversity and social inclusion	**45%**
Affordable access to cultural activities	**44%**
Arts, crafts and heritage economy	39%
Local landscape and heritage	34%
Library use	26%
Local history	20%
Cultural and arts venues	9%

Economy	
Broadband and digital	**70%**
Apprenticeships and work experience	**48%**
New business creation	**41%**
Employment opportunities	38%
Inward investment	38%
Training and skills	26%
Support for existing businesses	20%
Debt and financial inclusion	3%

Environment	
Fly tipping and litter	**57%**
Improving rights of way	**52%**
Protecting the countryside	**45%**
Recycling rates	34%
Flooding	34%
River quality	26%
Wildlife and biodiversity	25%
Countryside crafts and skills	11%

Health and wellbeing	
Mental health	**69%**
Obesity (children and adults)	**66%**
Healthy lifestyles	**50%**
Support for carers	30%
Physical fitness and activity	24%
NHS Health checks and vaccinations	7%
Skin cancers	2%
Breast feeding, pre and post natal care	0%

Older People	
Social isolation and loneliness	**78%**
Dementia	**75%**
Support for carers	**48%**
Independent living	26%
Positive activities for older people	18%
Safeguarding the vulnerable	14%
Avoiding emergency admissions	14%
Poverty	8%

Transport	
Road improvements	**86%**
Access to public transport	**74%**
Speeding and road safety	**60%**
Highway infrastructure	22%
Cycling and walking	16%
Reducing car use and traffic	9%
Street cleaning	7%
Air quality	5%

Our Community and housing	
Affordable housing	**86%**
Deprivation and poverty	**57%**
Community events and activities	**32%**
Digital engagement and broadband	26%
Volunteering	24%
Homelessness	16%
Fuel poverty	15%
Diversity and inclusion	11%

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Community events and activities

- Aim is to bring communities together

- Take action to address priorities

- Support national and local campaigns; such as 'The Great British Spring Clean' (March 2017)

- This year there are a number of county-wide and local activities:

  - Tree planting to commemorate the ending of WW1 – talk a little more about this – this evening

  - The Big Pledge

  - Clean up Wiltshire – more to follow on this eliminating litter campaign

Want to know more?

- If you're new to area boards you can find out more on the following link: *watch here*

- Plus:
    - Visit 'Our Community Matters' - community website
    - Regular weekly email newsletter from each board
    - Linked Twitter and Facebook pages
    - Local community news reporters
    - Partners linked in

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Welcome your questions…

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