

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** Corsham Area Board  
**Place:** On-Line Meeting  
**Date:** 14 October 2021  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 9.05 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Dr Brian Mathew (Chairman), Cllr Ruth Hopkinson (Vice-Chairman) and  
Cllr Derek Walters

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager  
Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer  
Dave Thomas - Head of Highways Asset Management and Commissioning

**Total in attendance: 28**

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<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
16	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome, Introductions and Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the on-line meeting and introduced the councillors and officers present.</p> <p>The following Chairman's Announcements contained in the agenda pack were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate strategy and natural environment plan consultations</li> <li>• Taxi Tariff Changes</li> <li>• Ash Dieback</li> </ul>
17	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Helen Belcher.</p>
18	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b>Decision</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 14 October 2021 were approved as the correct record</b></li> </ul>
19	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
20	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The following updates contained in the agenda pack were noted:</p> <p>Wiltshire Police – Inspector James Brain (written)</p> <p>Local priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speed checks around Corsham Newlands road, Valley Road, Park Lane, Pickwick &amp; Pickwick road</li> <li>• Drug dealing and smoking in the Springfield park area</li> </ul>

- Londis shop patrols underage alcohol sales Speed checks Gastard and Box
- Woodland damage Quarry hill (Box & Box Hill)

Points made by the Area Board members:

- That it would be good to get some feedback on the outcomes of the work of the SpeedWatch volunteers
- Well done for local policing – re Gastard speeding
- That it would be good to get feedback on Wiltshire Police and the Auto SpeedWatch system
- Well done to PC Les Fletch on his retirement – well done for his work in the local community area

Russell Holland – Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner introduced himself, and looked forward to working with the Area Board

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – written report was noted

Transcoco – Adam Walton – written report was noted

- That Transcoco were changing their name to Corsham Climate action

Corsham Town Council – written report was noted

Box Parish - Council – written report was noted

Colerne Parish - Council – written report was noted

Lacock Parish Council – written report was noted

Healthwatch – written report was noted

The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.

21	<p><u>Gigaclear</u></p> <p>Representatives of Gigaclear were unable to attend the meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Area Board would hold a special meeting with Gigaclear to discuss issues that needed answering, (the meeting was arranged for Wednesday 1 December 2021).</p>
22	<p><u>5 Year Highways Plans</u></p> <p>Dave Thomas - Head of Highways Asset Management and Commissioning at Wiltshire Council outlined the 5 year highways plan for the Corsham community area.</p> <p>The full report was contained in the agenda pack.</p> <p>It was noted that areas not included in the report could still be submitted to the Wiltshire Highways Department for consideration.</p> <p><b>Decision</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>That the Corsham Area Board noted the list contained in the report and passed to the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to progress further.</b></li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Dave Thomas for attending and outlining the report.</p>
23	<p><u>Grant Funding Applications</u></p> <p>The Wiltshire Councillors considered the following application to the Community Area Grants Scheme:</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing Grant</p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Wiltshire Music Centre awarded £1,500 for Celebrating Age Wiltshire</b></p>
24	<p><u>Community Priorities Update</u></p> <p>Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager advised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That leads for each priority were needed to push things on</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the update would now become a regular standing agenda item</li> <li>• Focusing on mental health and economy at the next meeting</li> <li>• Outlined the youth survey</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Ros Griffiths for her update.</p>
25	<p><u>Working Group updates</u></p> <p>Health and Wellbeing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting to be arranged for November</li> </ul> <p>Community Area Transport Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting notes of the meeting held on Wednesday 29 September 2021 were agreed</li> </ul>
26	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday 27 January 2022</li> </ul>
27	<p><u>Close</u></p>