

## **AGENDA**

Meeting: Marlborough Area Board

Place: Court Room, Marlborough Town Hall, High Street, Marlborough, SN8

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Date: Tuesday 10 January 2023

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of: Aldbourne, Avebury, Baydon, Berwick Bassett, Chilton Foliat, East Kennett, Kennet Valley, Marlborough, Mildenhall, Ogbourne St Andrew, Ogbourne St George, Preshute, Ramsbury, Savernake, Winterbourne Monkton.

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#### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jane Davies, Marlborough West (Chairman)
Cllr James Sheppard, Aldbourne and Ramsbury
Cllr Caroline Thomas, Marlborough East (Vice-Chairman)

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	Items to be considered	Time
1	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions	7:00pm
	To welcome attendees to the meeting.	
2	Apologies for Absence	
	To note any apologies for absence.	
3	Minutes (Pages 1 - 12)	
	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2022.	
4	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
5	Chairman's Announcements (Pages 13 - 20)	7:05pm
	To receive announcements through the Chairman, including:	
	<ul> <li>Family Help Project</li> <li>King's Coronation – 6 May</li> <li>Electric vehicle charging grants</li> <li>Warm and Well Event – 25 January – Marlborough Town Hall</li> <li>All Things Roads – 23 February</li> <li>Town Centre Plan – see Marlborough Town Council's website for further details</li> </ul>	
6	Community Area Action Plan (Pages 21 - 22)	7:10pm
	The Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Manager (Andrew Jack) and Lead Councillors will provide an update about the progress made towards the Area Board's priorities.	
7	Partner Updates (Pages 23 - 48)	7:20pm
	To note the attached Partner updates and receive any further information partners wish to share:	
	<ul><li>a. Wiltshire Police</li><li>b. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue</li></ul>	

- c. Kennet and Avon Medical Partnership
- d. BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire Together (Integrated Care System)
- e. Healthwatch Wiltshire
- f. Transition Marlborough
- g. Jubilee Centre
- h. Town / Parish Councils
- i. Community First

#### 8 Community Wellbeing, Support Through Winter (Pages 49 - 52)

7:45pm

To find out more about the work going on in the community to support residents with the cost-of-living crisis over the winter period.

To note the awarding of the following Older and Vulnerable People's grant applications via the delegated authority of the Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Manager:

- Marlborough Town Council awarded £1,000 towards a Marlborough Area Cost of Living Crisis Partnership Coordinator. This is a part time, temporary, post to coordinate and publicise this work, which includes the provision of warm spaces.
- St Peter's Church Trust awarded £500 towards the provision of a warm space.

Note: further details about these grants can be found in the attachment to Item 12.

#### 9 Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group (Pages 53 - 54)

8:00pm

To receive an update from the latest meeting of the Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group.

To consider the following application for Older and Vulnerable People's funding:

 Greatwood Charity requesting £1,425 towards equine assisted intervention at a nursing home.

Note: please see the attachment to Item 12 for further details about the grant applications.

### 10 Local Youth Provision Update and Applications for Youth Funding (Pages 55 - 56)

8:10pm

To receive an update on the progress made towards appointing a youth worker for the Marlborough area. Please find attached a

document outlining the role is included in the agenda pack.

The Area Board will also consider the following Youth Grants:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Marlborough Scout Group requesting £2,901 towards youth activities.
- Marlborough Penguins Amateur Swimming Club requesting £2,895 towards volunteer and swimmer support.

Note: please see the attachment to Item 12 for further details about the grant applications.

## Local Highway and Footway Improvements, the Town Centre Survey and All Things Roads (Pages 57 - 74)

The Area Board will be asked to ratify the recommendations of the Marlborough Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG) meeting of the **24 November 2022**.

To find more about the results of a recent town centre survey, as Marlborough Town Council's future traffic plan will be coupled with the ideas generated.

To highlight that an "All Things Roads" event will take place on 23 February, at 6:30pm in Marlborough Town Hall.

#### 12 **Community Area Grant Scheme** (Pages 75 - 80)

The Wiltshire Councillors will consider the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:

- Avebury Cricket Club requesting £5,000 towards cricket nets at Avebury Sports Field.
- Aldbourne Scouts and Guides Supporters Association requesting £5,000 towards the renovation and extension of their hut.
- Winterbourne Monkton Community Hall requesting £2,727 towards new blinds.
- Ramsbury and Aldbourne Bowls Club requesting £1,975 towards a new mower.

#### 13 Any Other Questions and Urgent Items

The Chairman will invite any remaining questions from the floor.

#### 14 Close

The next meeting of the Marlborough Area Board will be held at 7.00pm on 21 March 2023.

8:20pm

8:40pm

9:00pm



# **MINUTES**

Meeting: Marlborough Area Board

Place: Marlborough Town Hall, High Street, Marlborough, SN8 1AA

**Date:** 11 October 2022

Start Time: 7.00 pm Finish Time: 9.15 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

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#### **In Attendance:**

#### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jerry Kunkler, Cllr James Sheppard and Cllr Caroline Thomas (Vice-Chairman)

#### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Samantha Howell – Director of Highways and Transport Andrew Jack – Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Manager Dominic Argar – Assistant Multimedia Officer Matthew Hitch – Democratic Services Officer

Total in attendance: 22

Minute No	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
53	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Vice Chairman, Cllr Caroline Thomas, welcomed attendees to the meeting. She noted that the Chairman, Cllr Jane Davies, had had to send apologies due to ill health, so she would be chairing the meeting. She then thanked the Jubilee Centre for providing refreshments.
54	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies for absence had been received from the following:
	<ul> <li>Cllr Jane Davies (substituted by Cllr Jerry Kunkler).</li> <li>Wiltshire Council's Shared Lives Team.</li> </ul>
55	<u>Minutes</u>
	As proposed by the Vice Chairman and seconded by Cllr Sheppard it was resolved to:
	Decision
	To approve the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 14 June 2022, as a true and correct record.
56	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
57	Chairman's Announcements
	The following announcements were received through the Vice Chairman.
	• Samantha Howell, Director of Highways and Transport, would be attending the Area Board to deepen connections between the local community and senior officers at the council. The director introduced herself and said that she looked forward to working with the Board.
	• A new staffing structure was in place to support Area Boards. The Vice Chairman was pleased to report that Andrew Jack would remain a key point of contact for the Board as the Strategic Engagement and Partnership Manager (SEPM).
	• An audit takes place to ensure that the electoral register remains up to date. Attendees were encouraged to reply if they had received a letter and had not already done so.
	<ul> <li>Delivery plans for Wiltshire Council's Climate Strategy had been presented to Cabinet earlier in the day and were available on the council's website.</li> <li>The Area Board were reminded that they had received an update from Family</li> </ul>

and Community Learning Service in March about the work that they did to help young adults back into work or full-time education. The team were now working on a project called Building Bridges, which assisted individuals with barriers preventing them from gaining work or getting into full-time education.

- Information was included on page 21 of the agenda pack to raise awareness about the use and control of temporary event notices, which can permit one off events lasting up to seven days for up to 499 people.
- Community First, a charity supporting rural communities throughout Wiltshire were holding their AGM on 12 October in Devizes Town Hall. The charity was also launching a campaign, between 17 and 27 October, to support LINK driving schemes.

The Vice Chairman then took the opportunity to provide information about the measures that Wiltshire Council were taking to address cost-of-living pressures, including offering warm spaces in libraries. She reminded attendees that the Area Board offered grant schemes. She also welcomed input from the community about how they had been impacted and the type of support that they might require.

The SEPM stated that Wiltshire Council was conducting a survey of town and parish councils to establish which ones were offering warm spaces. The information gathered would be used to create a map for residents offering details about food banks, warm spaces and community fridges in their local area. In addition, he highlighted that lots of other useful information was available on Wiltshire Council's website, including energy saving tips. A wellbeing hub, set up during the pandemic, would also be providing support, including 'phone calls, to the most vulnerable people.

#### 58 Community Area Action Plan

The SEPM reminded the Area Board that over the last 18 months they had been working with partners to deliver an action plan for the local area. He then went on to outline some of the actions taken to help drive forward the Area Board's priority goals, which were organised into five key themes. Examples of work going on in the Area Board's area by local groups included:

- Sustainable Marlborough were running a thriving repair café in the town.
- The Area Board's Health and Wellbeing Group had had a successful relaunch on 7 October.
- Wiltshire Council had received government funding for grants to improve high streets in Wiltshire's towns.
- Marlborough Sports Forum held a successful taster day in September and were holding discussions with the Area Board about repeating the event in 2023.
- Discussions were taking place about developing a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan, with the potential of these being used to support bids for funding from central government.

During the discussion, members of the public asked questions about access to

food banks in rural areas. It was mentioned that most food banks will deliver food to people if they have a voucher from a health visitor. Cllr Kunkler confirmed that Devizes Food Bank offered deliveries to vulnerable people.

The Vice Chairman noted that a survey was taking place to find out what local people felt were their priorities for Marlborough High Street. The survey had been given to pupils at St John's School to ensure that the views of young people were included.

#### 59 Partner Updates

The Vice Chairman noted that written updates were available in the agenda pack from the following partners:

- Wiltshire Police
- BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board
- Kennett and Avon Medical Partnership
- The Jubilee Centre (Agenda Supplement 1)

The following partners also provided verbal updates:

#### Wiltshire Police

Inspector Al Lumley gave an overview of incidents that had taken place in the local area, as well as how the force was responding to a recent inspection by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS). Key points included:

- The inspector reassured residents that convoys of unmarked cars passing through the area were to escort VIPs. The police's road training centre was based in Devizes, so they often ran practice convoys through the Marlborough area
- Victims of residential burglaries would now be given SelectaDNA kits. The kits would allow people to mark individual items in their house so they could identify them in the event that they might be stolen.
- Wiltshire Police had had a disappointing inspection by HMICFRS and had been placed into special measures. However, the force had taken steps to address the issues identified and the Chief Constable and Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) were due to report to an oversight panel on 19 October. Details of the progress being made could also be found on the PCC's website.
- The inspector stressed that all of his colleagues wanted to make a difference to the community and deliver a quality service.

During the discussion the following points were made:

- The Area Board thanked the inspector for the update and his honesty.
- The Vice Chairman noted that the Area Board was particularly interested in

local concerns such as drug dealing and speeding. She also highlighted that there was a perception that a large portion of crime went unreported.

- The inspector stated that the police's communications team were reviewing how updates were provided to Area Boards to ensure that they remained relevant. He also encouraged the public to come forward and report crime.
- It was confirmed that CRIB stood for Crime Recording Investigation Bureau.
- Cllr Sheppard noted that the PCC was asking police to deploy speed guns to tackle early morning commuters. The councillor then recommended that residents could contact the PCC directly to highlight issues.
- In response to concerns about anti-social behaviour in the Acres area, the inspector reported that significant action had taken place in July and August to tackle the issue and that this had led to a large reduction in the number of incidents.
- When asked about a recent recruitment drive, the inspector noted that Wiltshire Police still had a number of vacancies for uniformed roles, but that the Marlborough area had fewer vacancies than most areas.

#### **KAMP**

The communications manager at Kennet and Avon Medical Partnership gave a presentation about the role of the partnership in delivering vaccination programmes as well as the availability of GP appointments. She explained that they were around 80 percent of the way through delivering the autumn flu vaccination programme and had already ordered their jabs for next year. The communications manager praised the work of LINK drivers in enabling vulnerable individuals to attend centres to get their jabs.

She explained that KAMP has also played a role in the Covid vaccination programme, focusing specifically on the most vulnerable residents, such as those that are house bound. She encouraged the public to book their jabs through the national booking service and not through their local GP.

Addressing concerns about access to GP appointments, the communications manager stressed that this was a nationwide issue, as the UK had fewer GPs per head of population than comparable European countries. She informed that Area Board that KAMP had been attempting to recruit a GP for 18 months but had not yet had any candidates to interview. She stressed that KAMP were doing all they could to ensure that patients were able to get appointments. She was pleased to report that 90 percent of KAMP patients that had responded to a recent survey had said that they had had a good or very good experience of their service.

#### Jubilee Centre

Sally Wolfenden from the Jubilee Centre provided an update about the work that the centre was doing to support vulnerable individuals, including details about some of their recent day trips and forthcoming events. She reported that they were still looking for staff, volunteers, and guests and that they sometimes got referrals from GPs. She noted that it was often easier for individuals to start attending the centre in the earlier stages of dementia, so they were able to familiarise themselves with the environment. Ensuring that their members were able to access social events was very important for their wellbeing and often allowed them to stay living at home for longer.

Recent trips for members included a canal boat trip and helping one of their members play darts in the local pool club, the first time he had played in 20 years. Sally highlighted that these trips were as rewarding for staff and volunteers as they were for the members themselves. She also thanked Marlborough's Mayor, Lisa Farrell, for inviting their members as special guests at the late Queen's jubilee celebrations, a recent highlight of their work. She then gave details about their AGM planned for 7pm on 26 October, as well as their regular board game sessions on Wednesday afternoons.

#### Marlborough and District LINK Scheme

Both the chairman and head of recruitment at Marlborough and District LINK Scheme provided an overview of the charity's work. They explained that they were one of 45 LINK schemes in Wiltshire helping vulnerable people access a range of activities, including medical appointments and shopping. They reported that they helped around 100 individuals per month and completed between 2,500 and 3,000 trips per year. Demand for their services had increased since 2021 and they were taking on around 10 new clients each month.

Th representatives encouraged people to volunteer, highlighting that it was a great way to meet new people. They held a monthly meeting in the Jubilee Centre for their 40 active drivers. The group were keen to recruit younger drivers and would help vulnerable adults of all ages. They were also discussing a digital isolation project to be carried out in collaboration with young people.

During the discussion the Area Board praised the charity for the work they did in reducing social isolation. The Vice Chairman said that she was an occasional LINK driver and had met some interesting people, including a nurse awarded a medal of honour by the Dutch government. In response to a question about insurance, the LINK representatives stated that they would be able to assist in adding volunteering to insurance for free. They also noted that they welcomed new drivers, up to the age of 79, and driving coordinators.

Cllr Kunkler noted that Wiltshire Council had successfully bid to the Rural Mobility Fund to provide a demand-based minibus service and they were working on plans for a route running through Pewsey to Marlborough and Devizes. He suggested that there might be opportunities for coordination between the LINK scheme and the proposed new service.

#### 60 Shared Lives Update

The Vice Chairman noted that the Shared Lives Team had sent their apologies for the meeting but that it was hoped that they would be able to provide an update at a future meeting. 61 Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living Mary Reed, Chief Executive Officer of Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living (CIL) explained that they were a disabled people's user led organisation. She noted that there were CILs all around the world and that the first one originated from the need to care for Vietnam War veterans. The CEO stressed that helping people to live a fulfilling life was far more than about supporting basic care needs, so spoke about the importance of people building meaningful relationships, feeling valued and having independence. She then went on to outline some further background information, including the services that Wiltshire CIL provided: • The organisation is relatively small employing 27 people in total, all of whom have a form of disability. The CEO felt that the size of the organisation allowed them the flexibility to experiment with providing a range of different services. • They run a community connectors scheme, employing 14 people. • They work across five Primary Care Networks in Wiltshire and have contract with the Wiltshire element of the local Integrated Care Board. • Wiltshire CIL support vulnerable people who are provided a personal budget by Wiltshire Council to organise their own care, helping them to find an appropriate service. • She noted that they had they had been running a survey alongside Wiltshire Council about the local authority's accommodation strategy, to ask people what they want from their homes. • They also had a close working relationship with the Daisy Unit in Devizes, supporting adults with learning disabilities and/or autism. • In addition, they had held conversations with Wiltshire Council about working more with 12- to 25-year-olds. 62 Independent Living Strategy The Chairman was due to provide a brief update, so this item was deferred to a future meeting. Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group 63 A report about Marlborough Area Board's Health and Wellbeing Group's relaunch on 7 October was delivered by the group's chairman, Jill Turner. She explained that the event was attended by 55 people, including the local MP Danny Kruger, and that a wide range of organisations were represented. A distinguished Public Health clinician had attended to speak about the national Live Longer Better campaign. Discussions had also been held about trialling the Aging Well scheme and appointing and Older Person's champion. The Area Board were then invited to vote to note the awarding of an Area Board

initiative, in partnership with the Jubilee Centre, via delegated authority. On the proposal of Cllr Sheppard, seconded by Cllr Kunkler, it was resolved:

#### Decision

To note the Area Board initiative, in partnership with the Jubilee Centre, awarding £200 towards Health and Wellbeing Tea Party costs, as approved via the delegated authority of the SEPM.

#### Reason

To note the awarding of the Older and Vulnerable People's grant via delegated authority of the SEPM.

#### 64 Local Youth Network Update and Applications for Youth Funding

The Vice Chairman took the opportunity to praise Mayor Farrell for running the youth club in the town. She also updated the Area Board about the progress made towards employing a youth worker in the local area. She was pleased to report that a charitable incorporated organisation had been formed and that it now had three trustees and a bank account. She noted that the group were working closely with Marlborough Town Council and were looking for a person to run a pay roll.

The Area Board then considered applications to the Youth Grant scheme as follows:

<u>Sustainable Marlborough requesting £500 towards an eco-anxiety and eco-action talk, plus a question-and-answer session</u>

Hayley, the chair of Sustainable Marlborough, spoke in favour of their application. She explained that they set up fun events about how people can live more sustainably and tackle climate crisis. The £500 would be used to run an hour-long session for Year 13 pupils at St John's School, as well as for Year 12 pupils free at the time.

During the discussion members welcomed the scheme although did query the value for money of the single session. In response the representative explained that in-person events did have a high cost and it was important for young people to hear from other young people. It was also noted that there were around 450 pupils in the sixth form. On the proposal of Cllr Kunkler, seconded by Cllr Sheppard, it was resolved:

#### **Decision**

To award Sustainable Marlborough £500 towards an eco-anxiety and eco action talk, plus a question-and-answer session.

#### Reason

#### The application met Youth Grant funding criteria for 2022/23

<u>Sustainable Marlborough requesting £350 towards climate conversations for Year 11 to Year 13 pupils</u>

The chair of Sustainable Marlborough explained that this was a certified course that helped people to understand the carbon impact of everyday actions. A total of four two hours sessions would be provided for pupils at St John's School. On the proposal of Cllr Sheppard, seconded by Cllr Kunkler, it was resolved:

#### Decision

To award Sustainable Marlborough £350 towards climate conversations for Year 11 to Year 13 pupils.

#### Reason

#### The application met Youth Grant funding criteria for 2022/23

Manton Fest requesting £5,000 towards a family and community fundraising event

A representative spoke in favour of the application explaining that it was a community run charity event. Young people would have the chance to be involved including through the music department at St John's School. There would be opportunities for children to perform between acts, as well as to learn about production and sound engineering. He also noted that some former pupils at St John's had gone on to become professional musicians.

During the discussion members welcomed the application and sought information about the overall budget of the festival. They also sought reassurance about what would happen to the money if the event was cancelled. It was confirmed that the overall budget was £23,000 and that other fundraising events were planned for Christmas and Easter. The representative stated that the money would go towards organising the event and that the event had only ever previously been cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

Cllr Sheppard proposed that the Area Board award £5,000, which was seconded by Cllr Kunkler. Cllr Kunkler proposed an amendment, accepted by Cllr Sheppard, stipulating that the money be returned if the event did not take place.

#### **Decision**

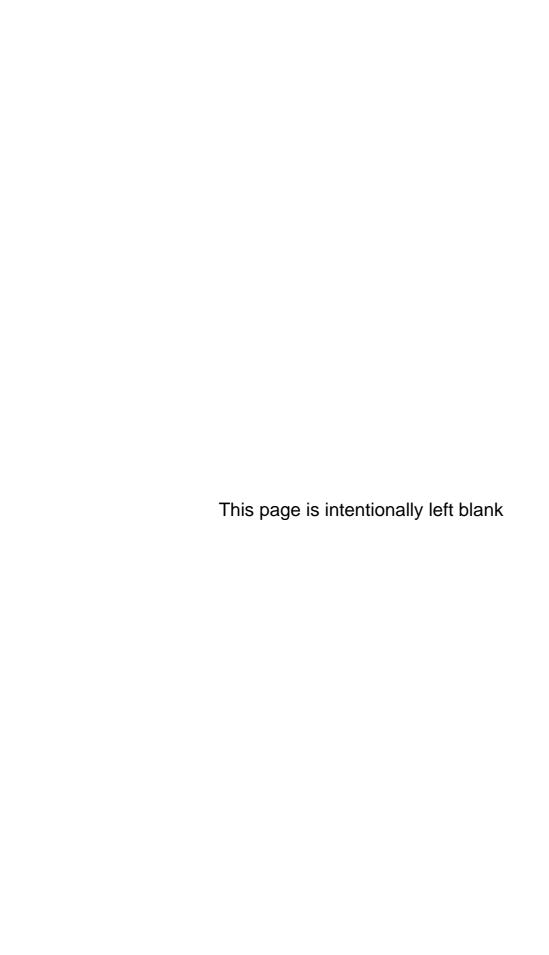
To award Manton Fest £5,000 towards a family and community fundraising

event, on the condition that the money be returned should the event not go ahead. Reason The application met Youth Grant criteria for 2022/23. A condition was imposed to protect the money should the event be cancelled. Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group 65 Cllr Sheppard, the chairman of the Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG), gave an overview of the high priority schemes as outlined in the agenda pack. He explained that it was hoped that a substantive bid would be put in place for grant funding for one of the schemes, traffic calming measures at Manton on the A4, by mid-November. Cllr Sheppard took the opportunity the thank the SEPM for his work in supporting the LHFIG and its predecessor group, the Community Area Transport Group, over the past few years. The councillor praised the additional funding given to the LHFIG and noted that he would welcome more officers to help deliver their projects. On the proposal of Cllr Kunkler, seconded by Cllr Sheppard, it was resolved: Decision 1. Marlborough Area Board to note the discussions from the LHFIG meeting of 22 September. 2. To confirm the five high priority schemes agreed by LHFIG: 1. Issue 7027 – double yellow lines B4003 2. 8-20-6 - Ogbourne Maizey - 20mph speed limit assessment 3. 8-21-6 - speed of traffic East of Mildenhall 4. 8-20-4 - A4 Manton traffic calming 5. 8-19-2 - No through road sign(s) Manton Hollow 3. To note the date of next LHFIG meeting as 24 November 2022. Community Area Grant Scheme 66 The Area Board considered the following application to the Community Area Grant scheme: St Michael's School PTA requesting £3,237 towards outdoor play and learning enhancement

The secretary of St Michael's School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) spoke in favour of their application, explaining that they needed a new shed to support

their outdoor play and learning scheme. She noted that the PTA had been heavily involved in fundraising for the project, which would support the wellbeing and social development of the children. During the discussion members welcomed the scheme and sought further information about the level of reserve finding held by the PTA. The representative highlighted that their reserves were earmarked for specific projects such as transport assistance and an outdoor learning classroom. In addition, she noted that other groups would also benefit from the facility, such as the local scout group. The SEPM confirmed that grant funding could not be used to support statutory services provided by schools but could fund additional provision and learning activities. On the proposal of Cllr Sheppard, seconded by Cllr Kunkler, it was resolved: Decision To award St Michael's School PTA £3,000 of a requested £3,237 towards outdoor play and learning enhancement. Reason The application was in line with Community Area Grant criteria for 2022/23. 67 **Any Other Questions** There were no further questions. 68 Urgent items There were no urgent items. 69 **Evaluation and Close** The date of the next business meeting was confirmed as 10 January 2023, at 10:00am. Any grant applications to be considered at this meeting would need to be submitted by 13 December 2022. The Vice Chairman and Cllr Sheppard took the opportunity to thank Cllr Kunkler for substituting the Chairman at short notice. Cllr Kunkler and Cllr Sheppard then

thanked the Vice Chairman for chairing the meeting.



#### **Area Board Briefing Note – FACT Family Help**

Service:	Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Partnership
Date prepared:	November 2022
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# Wiltshire Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Partnership Family Help Project Background Briefing November 2022

Wiltshire's multi-agency FACT partnership has identified how we work together as a system to provide early intervention and prevention (Family Help) as a priority transformation activity for the next two years.

These new Family Help arrangements will ensure that children, young people and families are able to access the right help at the right time through a co-ordinated approach to prevention and early intervention through:

- a co-ordinated approach at a whole population/universal level to prevent needs from arising and to build resilience across all residents
- a robust multi-agency approach to spotting any additional needs at the earliest point and providing effective joined-up support that prevents the needs from escalating further

There are certain elements that partners have agreed to develop and roll out across the whole of Wiltshire from the New Year whilst other elements are planned to be tested in a locality pilot approach in the Warminster and Westbury area.

Across Wiltshire, the project will deliver:

- A clear unifying brand for Family Help
- Online database of services, community resources & activities
- Co-ordinated whole system workforce development offer
- Consistency of core approaches across the Early Help workforce

The Warminster & Westbury pilot will also develop & test the benefits of:

- Wrapping a dedicated group of identified Early Help services & community groups around a cluster of schools/settings; embedding them in the communities they serve
- Establishing a local contact point for Early Help requests for support & case discussion whereby the responses make best use of local resources including the voluntary & community sector
- More flexible working practice with core workers delivering intervention in the place, way & time that achieves best impact eg home, school, online, group, breakfast time, evening
- A locally led inclusive & welcoming local community of practice for Early Help responding to local needs, identifying & sharing learning & good practice, engaging in reflective dialogue related to the pilot activity, promoting & delivering agreed culture & practice change activity



- Securing strong transition with a focus on pupils that need it most & joining up where siblings span multiple schools
- Specialist input on key themes including mental health, ASD, parental conflict & challenging behaviour delivered locally & taking account of the local context
- Local consultation mechanisms to ensure that we understand the needs & lived experience of children, young people & families in Warminster & Westbury

We are at the stage of engaging with the key local stakeholders in the pilot area to further develop our thinking and ensure that the next stage of activity is informed by their views, experience and context.

As such, we will be setting up a range of briefings and consultation meetings to give all services and groups in Warminster and Westbury the chance to hear more about the background thinking and to start to input to the plan for the pilot activity. There will be subsequent meetings that will involve wider stakeholders as we build an inclusive partnership to create and deliver the local model – we want to understand and make the most of the good practice and assets already in place locally as well as creating and testing new arrangements that will subsequently inform the pan-Wiltshire model. To enable the project to achieve its full potential we will be looking to engage with the widest possible network of organisations as well as setting up specific mechanisms to ensure that the voice of children, young people and families is at the heart of the project.

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Please email <u>FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> for further information or to get involved.



# The King's Coronation – Community Celebrations Briefing Note

**Service**: Enforcement, Highways and Transport.

Further Enquiries: Kevin Oliver

Date Prepared: 7 November 2022

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#### The King's Coronation - Community Celebrations

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 To ensure that Wiltshire Council has a robust and straightforward system in place to ensure that communities wishing to celebrate the King's Coronation are signposted to the council's web page where they will find the appropriate tools, support and guidance to apply to hold a community party.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 Although King Charles officially became Sovereign on Thursday 8 September 2022 when his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, passed away at Balmoral, Scotland, there will be a ceremonial Coronation to follow. The Coronation is a religious service that requires the King to take an oath before his country.
- 2.2 King Charles III Coronation will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey. The service has been carried out here for more than 900 years, and the King will be the 40<sup>th</sup> Monarch to be crowned in the Abbey.
- 2.3 The Prime Minister has decided to proclaim an additional bank holiday to mark the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III next year The Bank Holiday will fall on Monday 8 May 2023, following the Coronation on Saturday 6 May. This will be an opportunity for families and communities across the country to come together to celebrate.



2.4 Similar events have taken place in the county on many occasions with communities holding community parties, barbeques, and tea parties. Wiltshire Council have specified previous guidance and relevant officers will follow the same process as used for past celebrations.

#### 3. Procedure and Management of Applications

- 3.1 The application process will be a combined departmental effort, as with previous events of this nature.
- 3.2 The council's Traffic Orders and Highways teams will need time to ensure that all road closure notices and provisions are in place to allow for a safe and enjoyable event for all guests, while maintaining and facilitating access for emergency services at all times.
- 3.3 The council is committed to managing this process utilising a cross departmental approach. Such departments will include the Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Managers, Traffic Orders, Communications, Highways, Streetscene, Wiltshire Police and Waste.

#### 4. Production of Applications and Guidance.

4.1 The departments listed above have met and will continue to meet to discuss and agree responsibilities which will include the production of all relevant application and guidance documents. These will be approved by all relevant internal departments and will be signed off by the Communications Team.

#### 5. Conclusion

- 5.1 Relevant council departments are aware of the importance that community parties are to the residents of Wiltshire to celebrate the King's Coronation.
- 5.2 Planning in preparation for these activities is underway and the Licensing Committee can be assured of the successful delivery for the 2023 celebrations.
- 5.3 The Licensing Committee will be updated by the relevant departments as and when necessary.

Briefing Note produced by Kevin Oliver (Land Use / Events Authorising Officer)

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#### Wiltshire Council Grants for Electric Vehicle Chargers

Following the well-attended EV Charging Infrastructure for Town & Parish Councils Webinar on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, we are pleased to share this link with you. It contains the materials you need to progress your intentions for EV chargers in your communities:

Electric vehicles and charging points - Wiltshire Council.

The webpage at the link includes:

- 1. Wiltshire EVCPI grant guidance
- 2. The application form for the grants: EVCPI Grant Scheme (wiltshire.gov.uk)
- 3. Recordings of the presentations at the webinar please circulate to colleagues, each presentation is short (around 10m) and shareable:
  - National and Wiltshire EV strategy
  - National ORCS grant
  - Wiltshire EVCPI grant
  - Wiltshire Council's charge point installer Joju and their provision of free site assessments
- 4. Link to guidance for the national On Street Residential Charging Scheme (ORCS) grants from Government, which can be used in conjunction with the Wiltshire grants.

If you have identified sites, the first step in applying for the Wiltshire EVCPI grant (up to £2500) is to book a free site assessment from Joju, Wiltshire Council's EV Charging Infrastructure provider. Please contact <a href="mailto:info@joju.co.uk">info@joju.co.uk</a> with 'Wiltshire Council EV Charging Project' in the subject line.

If, having reviewed the materials, you have further questions for the Council, please contact <a href="mailto:fleet.services@wiltshire.gov.uk">fleet.services@wiltshire.gov.uk</a>.

These materials will be shared widely through Local Council channels.

# Marlborough Warm and well



Find out how to keep safe, warm and well this winter

Marlborough Town Hall Wednesday 25 January Drop in 12pm–4pm

- Cost of living support
- Help with bills and energy advice
- Marlborough warm spaces

Enjoy a FREE hot drink and a slice of cake



Marlborough Town Council



riority	Theme	Sub-theme	Action/project	Who	Status
			Develop E-W cycle path as far as Tesco's / Marleberg	MAB, MTC, Highways -	
			Grange	Sustainable Transport.	Amber
		Encourage cycling	Improve infrastructure for cycling within town and	MAB, CEWG, MTC, Highways -	
	Casas turnal		nearby villages. Develop LCWIP for Marlborough?	Sustainable Transport.	
	Green travel		Carry out assessment of establishing community car		
		Car ownership – community car club	club within Marlborough	MAB	
		A ation Transpl	Promote the use of Home Run app amongst local	MAB, School Travel Adviser,	
		Active Travel	schools	local schools	
		Promoto Wiltshire EV Charging and and	Encourage T&PCs to think about new charging points	MAD Highways	Amber
		Promote Wiltshire EV Charging policy	& apply for Wilts Council funding.	MAB, Highways	Ambei
limate Change / the environment			Gather data on air quality and regular feed back to	MAB, Public Protection	Amber
illiate change / the environment	Improve traffic management		MAB and input to Air Quality action plan	WAB, Fublic Protection	
	across area	Gather evidence on traffic flow volumes	Carry out Traffic Survey across Marlborough to study	Ongoing discussion with MTC	Amber
	Supporting Wiltshire's Climate Strategy		traffic flow, volume, type, etc.	& Highways	Allibei
		and options.	Begin discussions on traffic flow options on		
			Marlborough High St: traffic, pedestrians & parking	CATG, MTC, Highways	
			priorities		
			Work with local groups to support their ambitions e.g.		
			for a Repair Café-type system to reduce waste to	MAB, CEWG, Transition.	
		rategy	landfill (Transition, TH Whites).		
			Encourage organisations to undertake green audit	CEWG: Ongoing - Climate	Ambor
			with a view to reduce carbon footprint	event on 02/04/22	Amber
	Support appropriacehing	Develop ideas for apprenticeship scheme Marlborough	Ideas: Agricultural engineering; Grounds Maintenance		
	Support apprenticeships	Skills fair for young people & engagement	Ideas: supporting healthy eating	St John's, local business, VCS	
		Skins fall for young people & engagement	Cycle maintenance. Etc.		
		Promote Marlborough Sports Forum and	Sports taster day on Pos. Sont (21	Marlborough Sports Forum,	Green
hildren & young people	Supporting activities for young	funding	Sports taster day on Rec, Sept '21	Sept '21	Green
illuren & young people	people	Access to sport for all, esp. low-income	Begin to promote support via funding from Sports	MAB; Sports Forum. Funding in	Ambor
		families	Forum.	place. Promotion ongoing	Amber
				MAB; MCYP; Devotion; AYC;	
	Create new LYN		Investigate setting up new CIO or existing structure to	local clubs. Funding in place for	Amher
			employ a youth worker for Marlborough (& villages)	worker. Development ongoing	AITIDEI

	1			Ongoing HWB funding used	
	Reducing isolation and Loneliness			strategically to support local	Amber
				groups.	, and c
				Ongoing HWB funding used	
Older or Vulnerable People	Improving physical fitness & resilience		support our voluntary sector partners, to sustain and enhance local provision	strategically to support local	Amber
				groups.	
		Ongoing HWB funding used			
	Support for carers			strategically to support local	Amber
				groups.	
			Help develop bid to TNL's Together for our Planet	CEWG, MAB, MTC. Complete.	
			grant scheme (submitted but declined)	Application declined.	Red
	Supporting independent	Emphasia an ratail		CELLIC MAD MATC O	
	businesses	Emphasis on retail	Encourage businesses to take green audit and reduce carbon footprint	CEWG, MAB, MTC. Ongoing - Climate event on 02/04/22	Amber
			Investigate use of High Street funding to support		
			Marlborough.	MAB, Wilts Council	
Local economy		Promote the new Vibrant Wiltshire grant scheme	MAB, MTC, Wilts Council.		
•	Work with Marlborough TC on support for the High St.		Grant scheme postponed, Jan	Red	
			'22		
	Great West Way Support Marlborough area's tourism offer			MAB, MTC, Visit Wiltshire,	
		Overnight parking facility for camper vans, etc. at George Ln car park	Great West Way, Parking	Amber	
		Support Marlborough area's tourism offer	tourism offer	Services.	
		Provision of up-to-date tourist signage around town (&			
			villages)	Highways	
			In		
			Begin to promote support for young people via	MAB; Sports Forum. Funding in	Amber
			funding from Sports Forum.	place, promotion needed MAB, Sports Forum, local	
			Support sports clubs to increase memberships through improved facilities / infrastructure	clubs, Wilts Council Sports	Amber
				Development.	Allibei
	Access to sports, physical activity ar	nd social activities	Support community buildings to re-open and/or allow		
			community groups to meet and provide social	MAB, Public Health, local	Amber
Health			activities	groups	
			Support provision of play equipment and active play	MAB, T&PCs, Community	Amber
	Access to healthy food (esp. for low-income families)		, 6	Foundation	Allibel
			Continue to support Community Fridge	MAB, MTC, Transition,	Amber
		ncome families)		Community Fridge	
			Look for opportunities to give cooking classes, esp. to	MAB, LMKM, St John's,	
<u> </u>		families & young people	MAPAG, Community Fridge		



## Your CPT - Devizes

**Inspector:** Ben Huggins

Neighbourhood Sergeant: Luke Atkinson

#### **Neighbourhood Officers:**

PC Chris Rideout

PC Sarah Hardwidge

PC Nicola Crabbe

#### PCSOs:

Emily Johnson, Jonathan Mills (Pewsey)

Mark Braithwaite, Melissa Camilleri (Marlborough)

Andrew Maclachlan, Paula Yarranton, Kelly Watts (Devizes)

# Performance – 12 Months to September 2022

#### **Force**

- Wiltshire Police recorded crime reports a YoY increase of 13.0% in the 12 months to September 2022 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country per 1,000 population.
- Wiltshire Police has seen a 14.1% increase in violence without injury crimes in the 12 months to September 2022.
- In September 2022, we received:
  - 8,952 '999' calls, which we answered within 12 seconds on average;
  - 14,924 '101' calls, which we answered within 40 seconds on average;
  - 10,736 CRIB calls, which we answered within 4 minutes and 36 seconds on average.
- In September 2022, we also attended 1,531 emergency incidents within 19 minutes and 32 seconds on average.

Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
Totals	43,310	100.0
Violence without injury	7,521	17.4
Violence with injury	6,280	14.8
Criminal damage	5,127	11.9
Stalking and harassment	4,205	9.7
Public order offences	4,121	9.5
Other crime type	16,056	37.1

#### **Devizes CPT**

Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
Totals	3,310	100.0
Violence without injury	507	15.3
Violence with injury	467	14.1
Criminal damage	378	11.4
Stalking and harassment	293	8.9
Public order offences	288	8.7
Other crime type	1,377	41.6

#### Stop and Search information for Devizes CPT

During the 12 months leading to August 2022, 117 stop and searches were conducted in the Devizes area of which 59.8% related to a search for controlled drugs.

During 79.5% of these searches, no object was found. In 20.5% of cases, an object was found. Of these cases 80.3% resulted in a no further action disposal; 18.8% resulted in police action being taken; 10.3% resulted in an arrest.

Of the stop and search subjects who defined their ethnicity:

- White 92 stop and searches
- Black or Black British 8 stop and searches
- Asian or Asian British 3 stop and searches
- Mixed 3 stop and searches

# Performance – Hate Crime Overview

#### **Force**

Hate Crime is reporting as stable across the Force. Volumes are now reporting flatter across the year. Year on year trend data is reporting increases in Transgender and Sexual Orientation related hate which follows National trends.

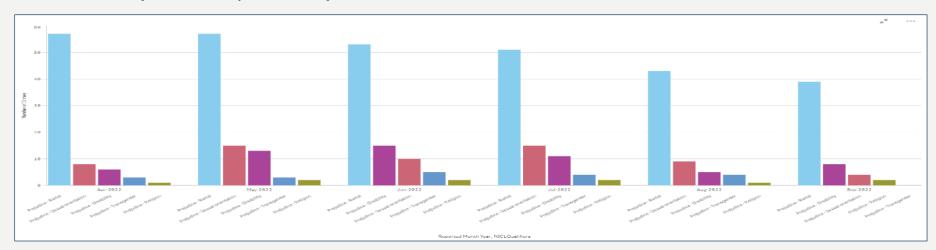
Work by the Hate Crime Silver Scrutiny Panel on hate crime video to raise awareness of Hate Crime and how to report it, including details surrounding how the Criminal Justice System responds to it is ongoing. There is an increased focus on Out of Court Disposal outcomes relating to Hate Crimes.

#### **Devizes CPT**

	Number of Crimes	Change (number)	Change (%)
Total	44	-6	-12.0%
Prejudice – Racial	35	2	6.1%
Prejudice – Sexual orientation	5	-6	-54.5%
Prejudice - Disability	5	-1	-16.7%
Prejudice - Religion	1	1	0.0%
Prejudice - Transgender	0	0	0.0%

Year on year comparison October 2021 to September 2022 (note: an individual crime can be tagged with more than one prejudice type e.g. sexual orientation & transgender)

#### Force Hate Crime (6 months to September 2022)



# Local Priorities & Updates

Priority	Update
Policing Operations	The Neighbourhood Team have worked with partner agencies on a number of policing operations in the Marlborough area in recent weeks. These include both Marlborough Mop weekends, the recent Christmas light switch on and the Remembrance Parade. These were all successful operations with no significant reported incidents requiring police attention.
Team Changes	The Neighbourhood team for Devizes, Marlborough and Pewsey has undergone a great deal of change since the last Area Board. Al Lumley has moved to pastures new and his replacement is Ben Huggins who has taken over the Inspector role. Sgt Gareth Cole has also moved on and his replacement is Sgt Luke Atkinson. Both Ben and Luke bring a wealth of experience in response and neighbourhood policing in areas such as Swindon Town Centre, Trowbridge, Calne and Chippenham. Marlborough officer PC Ellie Porter has also moved to a new post and her replacement is PC Chris Rideout. Ben, Luke and Chris all applied for posts working on the Neighbourhood team and are excited to bring positive results to the area.
Fatal Road Traffic Collision near Aldbourne	Unfortunately on the weekend of the 26 <sup>th</sup> November numerous police resources attended a road traffic collision outside Aldbourne which resulted in the death of a motorist and the closure of the Aldbourne to Ogbourne St George Road at Woodsend overnight. This is currently being investigated by our Serious Collision Investigation Team as is the case with all incidents of this nature. If you or your constituents have any information regarding this investigation then please let us know.
Christmas Drink Drive Campaign	Officers from the Neighbourhood Team, Devizes/Marlborough/Pewsey Community Response Teams and Roads Policing Units will be conducting a drink drive campaign in the run up to Christmas and into the New Year. Activity will be based around local public houses so we can attempt to safeguard the public and prevent offences of this nature from taking place. If you suspect someone is about to drink & drive at any time then please make contact with us on 101/999 passing as much information as you can so we can attend.

# Useful Links

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

- PCC's Website <a href="https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/">https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/</a>
- HMICFRS Website -<a href="https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/">https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/</a>
- For information on what crimes and incidents have been reported in the Devizes Community Policing Team area visit <a href="https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/">https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/</a>

## Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service –

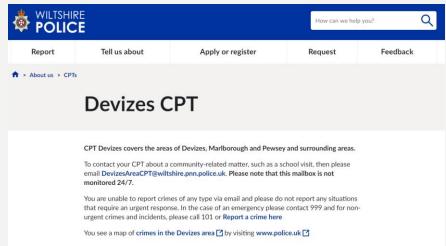
www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

#### Follow your CPT on social media

- Devizes Police Facebook
- Devizes Police Twitter
- Marlborough Police Facebook
- Marlborough Police Twitter
- Pewsey Police Facebook
- Pewsey Police Twitter

Find out more information on your CPT area at: <a href="https://www.wiltshire.police.uk">www.wiltshire.police.uk</a> and here <a href="https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk">www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk</a>





#### Partner Update – Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

## Police and Crime Commissioner asks for public support to increase precept

A survey to gauge public reaction to a proposal which could see the average police precept rise by up to £15 a year has been launched by Wiltshire's Police and Crime Commissioner.

Residents from across the county are being encouraged to take part in a short survey where PCC Philip Wilkinson explains the current financial situation being faced.

Mr Wilkinson is responsible for ensuring Wiltshire Police has the necessary resources to fight and prevent crime. He holds the entire budget for policing in the county - made up of a grant from government and from the policing part of the precept contained within council tax.

An early indication of a 1% increase in the Government's grant means that if the police precept stays at the current rate of £241.27 for a Band D property, Wiltshire Police would have to make £5.5m worth of savings.

"As with everyone's finances during this time, Wiltshire Police is facing increased financial pressures too," Mr Wilkinson said. "This comes at a time when we really need to be investing in our policing service to keep people safe and prevent crime but also ensure the necessary changes and improvements to bring the Force out of the HMIC Engage process.

"During the last year, communities have reinforced the need for more frontline police officers – and I agree with them. Using your precept support, we will have more visible policing.

"Working with the Chief Constable, and on his operational advice, we are aiming to deliver 40 additional police officers for neighbourhood and volume crime teams by the annual review of the current workforce mix. This means Wiltshire Police will better meet the needs of our communities.

"These additional officers will bolster the Force's work in the community and in crime investigation and are in addition to the Uplift officers who are also coming through the recruitment and training pipeline into our communities, as well as those assigned to specialist roles and the rural crime team for example."



#### Partner Update – Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Yesterday afternoon (12 Dec), the Government increased the cap on police precept, without local referendum, so that PCCs can now potentially increase by up £15 a year for a Band D household.

Originally, Mr Wilkinson could only increase the precept by 4.1% - through the police part of the council tax - and meant an average Band D household would pay an extra £10 a year, 83p a month or £251.47 annually.

Today's announcement means Mr Wilkinson could now increase by up to 6.2% and an average Band D household would be looking at an extra £1.25 a month, or £15 per year, with the total amount being £256.47 annually.

Mr Wilkinson said implications on finances if an average £15 precept increase per Band D household are now being worked upon and will be communicated to the public as soon as he is able.

"I understand any proposed increase, no matter how small, will be felt keenly," Mr Wilkinson added. "And the decision to ask residents for support for an increase has been difficult and one that I would not make if there was an alternative.

"Wiltshire is currently one of the lowest-funded police forces in the UK and the county's residents pay one of the lowest police precepts out of all the south west police forces - even with the proposed increases, this will remain.

"To ensure Wiltshire Police has the best possible financial position we have to consider utilising the increase in precept cap announced today, up to a maximum £15 a year and I will add this information in to my survey for residents to consider too. My financial team is currently working through this scenario and we have more information to support this in January."

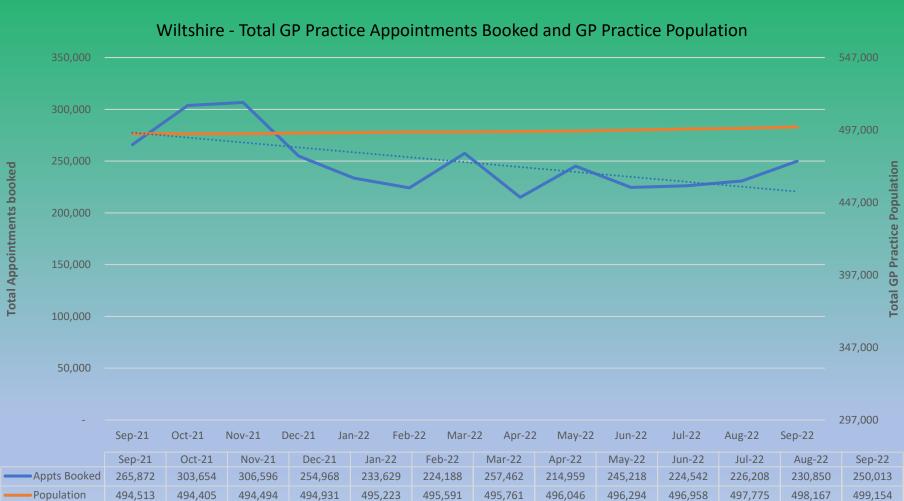
More details on what savings and efficiencies will be made and where any precept increase would be invested will be available in the new year once confirmation of the central grant from government is received.

Residents can access they survey here which is open until the end of January 2023



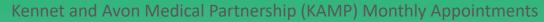










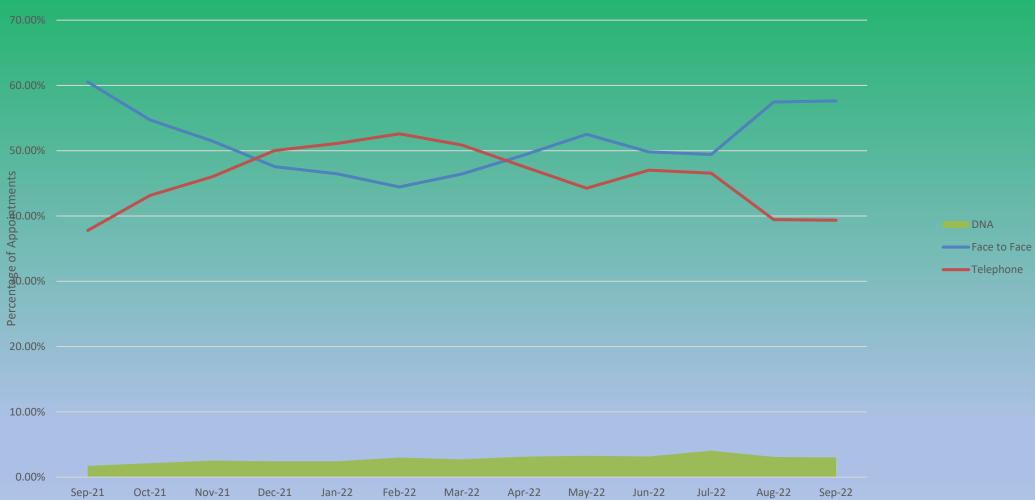






#### Appointments at KAMP











# The Friends and Family Test

#### **November 2022 Results**

**KAMP Patients were asked:** 

"Overall, how was your experience of our service?"

76% very good/good.

351responded to their text, 1 responded through the KAMP website.







## The Friends and Family Test

#### **November 2022 Patient Comments**

"Friendly and efficient receptionist. Nurse also very sunny disposition and efficient."

"Excellent Doctor sorted the issue immediately and professionally with great skill and attention to detail."

"The doctor was lovely and understanding and quick to provide a way forward."

"The doctor was very helpful and very professional."

"Friendly and highly efficient nurse and receptionist.



#### **Update for Wiltshire Area Boards**

December 2022

#### **Health & Care Model**

All of the organisations that make up BSW Together (Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire) are working together as a collective to improve the health and wellbeing of local people, tackle inequalities and reach better outcomes and access to services for everyone.

To help us all achieve this, we are collaborating with clinicians, staff, patients and carers from across BSW to develop our <u>Care Model</u>. We've created a short video to explain what our model is about and how it will affect patients and people who live and work in BSW. The video can be found here <a href="https://bswtogether.org.uk/blog/bswtogether/find-out-more-about-bsws-health-and-care-model/">https://bswtogether.org.uk/blog/bswtogether/find-out-more-about-bsws-health-and-care-model/</a>

Our health and care model focuses on five areas – all aiming to make sure our health and care services are fit for the future to meet the needs of local people.

To read more about the health and care model visit the BSW Together website <a href="https://bswtogether.org.uk/about-us/shaping-a-healthier-future/about-our-health-and-care-model/">https://bswtogether.org.uk/about-us/shaping-a-healthier-future/about-our-health-and-care-model/</a>

#### **Winter Pressures**

Members of the public can play their part in easing the pressure on the local NHS over the coming months by choosing the healthcare option most appropriate for their condition.

Many minor illnesses and injuries can be managed safely and effectively at home with rest and over-the-counter medication, while quick help for any person unsure of how to treat a less-urgent condition can also be sought from community pharmacies.

In addition, people can get useful medical information, including symptom details and at-home treatment plans, via their smartphone, tablet or laptop by visiting the NHS website at <a href="https://www.nhs.uk">www.nhs.uk</a> or through NHS 111 online.

Further information on health and care services across Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire, as well as details of how to access local pharmacies, can be found at <a href="https://www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk">www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk</a>.



#### Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire

**Integrated Care Board** 

#### Covid-19 and flu vaccinations

Any person in Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire due a flu or Covid-19 vaccine is being encouraged to come forward before Christmas.

Getting vaccinated now or in the next few days will ensure that people's immune systems have enough time to respond to the vaccine and build up a good level of defence against both flu and Covid-19.

Vaccinations for Covid-19 are still available from a wide range of locations across the region, with many people now able to have the jab closer to home, with more community venues now acting as vaccine centres. People can find their nearest vaccination centre through the NHS website or by calling 119.

Flu vaccines are free for all adults over 50 years of age, as well as for some more vulnerable people, including pregnant women, those with a long-term health condition and frontline health and social care workers.

More information about the flu and Covid-19 vaccines can be found online at www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk.

#### **Devizes Health Centre**

The new Devizes Health Centre is one of the region's first integrated care centres, this new state of the art facility will enable the delivery of enhanced services in an improved clinical setting for people in and around Devizes.

Patients of the four local GP practices – Lansdowne Surgery, Market Lavington Surgery, St James Surgery and Southbroom Surgery will be able to be referred for same or next-day medical care at the new health centre, making it easier for patients to access the care they need locally.

The healthcare facility will provide primary care services, such as those traditionally found in GP practices, along with hospital outpatient services, physiotherapy, audiology, blood tests, and mental health support. The new centre brings together providers so that patients can be looked after in the most joined-up way possible.

Devizes Health Centre will also lead the field in sustainable design, as one of a small number of net zero health facilities across England. The site will have an energy EPC rating of A+, and will utilise green technology, such as heat pumps and solar panels to enable the site to be self-sufficient.

For more information on Devizes Health Centre, visit <a href="https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/news-and-events/integrated-care-centres/devizes-health-centre/">https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/news-and-events/integrated-care-centres/devizes-health-centre/</a>

#### **Community First Update – December 2022**

#### Village Halls Week 2023

Village Halls Week is an annual event organised by Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) in celebration of the 10,000+ village halls and community buildings in England. Village Halls Week 2023 will take place between 23rd-29th January and will celebrate how village halls provide warm, welcoming and inclusive spaces for all.

Community First supports 180+ village halls and community buildings in Wiltshire through the Wiltshire Village Halls Association Network (WVHA). We will be promoting Village Halls Week across our channels throughout the week and also encouraging halls and buildings to get involved holding a coffee morning, afternoon tea or soup and roll lunch as a fundraiser or get together. It is hoped that these events will help to showcase events and activities in village halls and community buildings and explain how trustees are working to make their hall warm, welcoming and inclusive. This is especially important as vulnerable members of our communities feel the impact of the current energy crisis.

#### Warm Spaces (Village Halls)

The following village halls/community buildings have offered their venue as a Warm Space this winter:

- Ashton Keynes Village Hall (Swindon)
- Bradenstoke Village Hall (Chippenham)
- Edington Parish Hall (Westbury)
- Fovant Village Hall (Salisbury)
- Lansdowne Hall (Derry Hill)
- Rushall and Charlton Village Hall (Pewsey)

#### Impact of Energy Costs on Village Halls

Community First recently surveyed the WVHA network to find out what impact the increase in energy costs is having on halls and buildings locally. 114 member halls and buildings responded to the survey, which represents 61% of membership. Top level findings from the survey suggest that halls and buildings remain resilient despite increased energy costs and wider cost of living pressures. Despite this, there are future challenges ahead with fixed-term energy deals coming to an end and halls who are currently dipping into their reserves to stay afloat.

95% of halls/buildings will stay open throughout the winter, with 5% at risk of full or partial closure. This includes 2 halls who may close completely and 9 halls considering reduced opening hours. The primary motivation behind potential hall closures is the cost of heating the hall, including the cost of oil, electricity costs and other operational costs. 3 halls/buildings in Wiltshire are at permanent risk of closure due to increased costs.

The majority of halls (56%) are unable to offer a Warm Space this winter and whilst the cost of heating is a factor in this decision, many halls said that regular bookings prevent them from offering a warm space for the community. 8 halls/buildings will be offering a warm space (see above) and have been directed to the Wiltshire Council website to register their venue as a warm space. 42 halls/buildings are considering offering a Warm Space but do not yet have definitive plans. Community First will liaise with these halls and buildings should they require any additional advice or support.

The full results from our survey can be found on our website, we have also created an infographic with a summary of the findings which has been shared with ACRE and the WVHA network.

https://www.communityfirst.org.uk/news/wiltshire-village-halls-impact-of-energy-costs-survey-2022

#### **Community First Update**

#### **Minibus Driver Awareness Training (MiDAS)**

MiDAS is a membership-based scheme designed to enhance both driving and safety standards for drivers of minibuses. MiDAS is a nationally recognised standard for the assessment and training of minibus drivers. Community First is now taking new bookings for MiDAS minibus training with our Training Coordinator Martin Carter. Martin is a retired Police Advanced Driver with over 35 years' experience of driving minibuses.

The MiDAS training course includes a session on how to operate a minibus safely. This is followed by a 30-minute multiple choice assessment with 20 questions. Trainees will need to answer 16 questions correctly to pass the theory test. Finally, there will be a practical test which incorporates a driving skills training session and an assessment drive which will last just over an hour, with the assessment taking 30 minutes. Upon completion of the theory and practical test, trainees will receive a certificate which is valid for 4 years.

MiDAS training pricing is based on a minimum group size of 3 drivers per booking and starts at £105.00 per person. For more information or to reserve a training slot, please contact Martin Carter: mcarter@communityfirst.org.uk

#### **Bold – Creative Design & Development Services**

Bold is a creative design and marketing agency service from Community First. We offer professional creative services including print and digital design, branding, website design and bespoke campaigns. Bold is a marketing service designed especially for small businesses, charities, community groups and voluntary organisations and our rates are always affordable, at typically half the rate of commercial agencies.

We believe good design shouldn't cost the earth, that's why we're proud to offer quality, affordable creative services to small businesses, charities, voluntary organisations and community groups. We are passionate about helping our clients to harness the power of design to promote their cause and make local communities better places to live and work.

So, whether we're building WordPress websites that look great and are easy to use and keep updated, or designing a brand identity from the ground up, we use the latest technology, tools and techniques you'd expect from a creative design agency.

What's more when you work with Bold you are helping to support vibrant communities and brighter futures for the people who live and work in Wiltshire and Swindon. All of the funds raised through this unique creative design service are used to support the charitable aims of Community First.

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#### **FREE Community Organising Training**

Community First is offering FREE Community Organising training as part of a project to recruit new volunteers for Link Schemes and Community Minibus Groups. This course is ideal for anyone who is interested in engaging with members of their community, with the aim of creating or supporting exciting projects. You will be introduced to the foundations of Community Organising and Listening Training, which will give you the tools to recruit new volunteers or develop new ideas for your group.



#### **Community First Update**

During this course you will explore:

- · What community organising is
- The importance of listening to build relationships and uncover barriers
- How to motivate people to take action
- How to take your next steps to recruit volunteers

The course is free and will take place at the Community First office (Unit C2, Beacon Business Centre, Hopton Park, Devizes, SN10 2EY) on the following dates:

- 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023
- 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023
- 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023

For more information or to reserve your training place, please contact Samantha Lloyd: <a href="mailto:slloyd@communityfirst.org.uk">slloyd@communityfirst.org.uk</a> or telephone 01380 732800

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Impact of Energy Costs Wiltshire Village Halls

185+

Village halls and community buildings supported by Community First through Wiltshire Village Halls Association (WVHA) network

1114 Halls or buildings responded

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61% Response rate

5%

CLOSED

At risk of full or partial closure this winter

OPEN

95%

Will remain open throughout winter months

year when our current 3-year arrangement expires."

"We hope not to close but may have to increase lettings charges to cover energy costs but this would risk losing hirings."

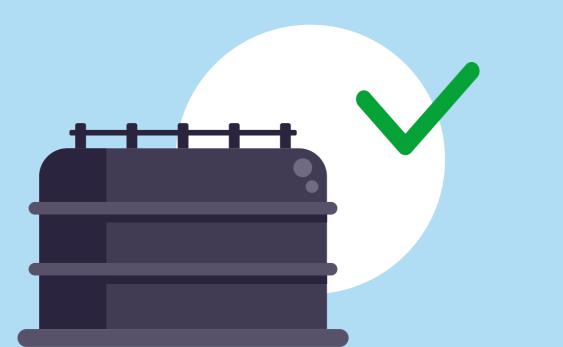
Considering <u>full closure</u> (2 halls)



Considering reduced open hours (9 halls)

"Our energy costs have rocketed. We have had to ask users for supplementary payment."

Factors affecting the ability of halls to remain open and viable



"The crunch time will

come in April next

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Cost of electricity



Increase in operational costs

Cost of heating oil



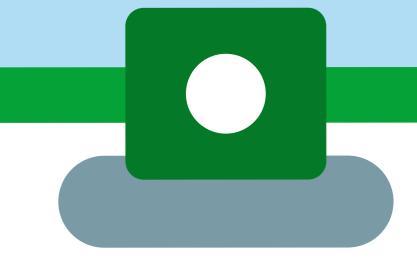
Fewer bookings

94 years

Average age of halls

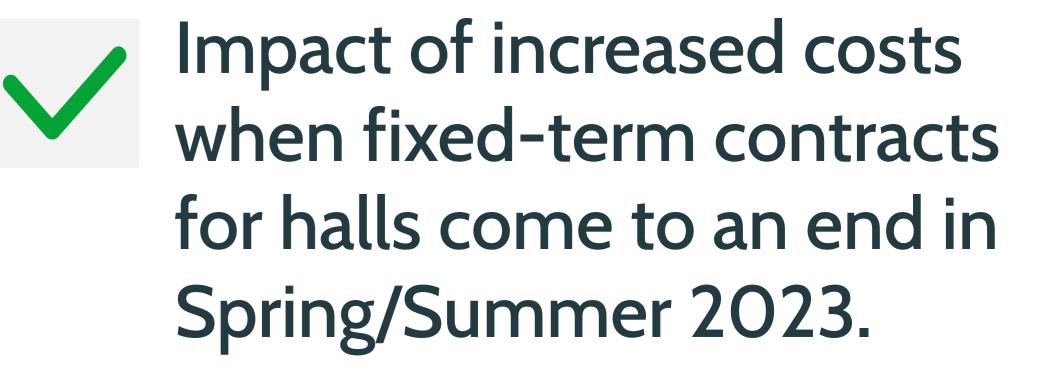
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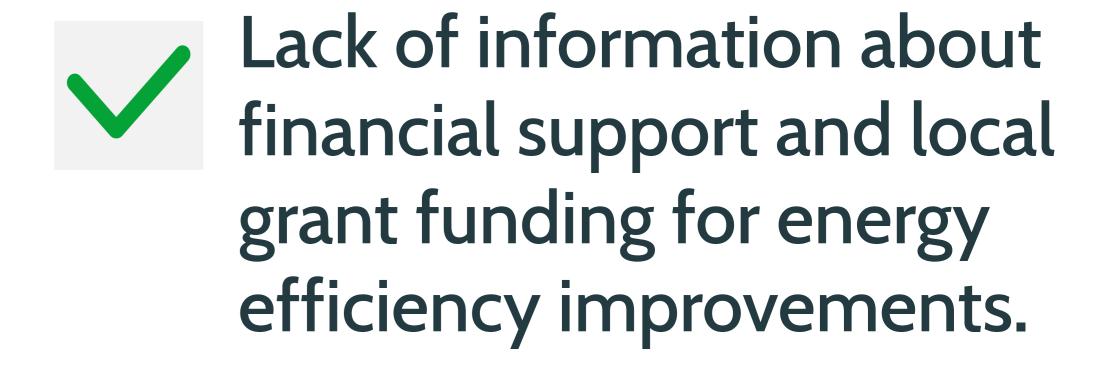
"The cost of heating has more than doubled, but we are struggling to maintain the current level of income leading to losses and draining of our reserves."





## Future Concerns





Halls using reserves to meet costs and impact on future sustainability.







### Area Board Update January 2023



## Get the right support this winter

As winter sets in and the cost of living crisis begins to bite, we have put together a range of infomation and signposting advice on our website, to support local people through these tough times.

Our latest articles include:

A guide to local organisations that offer practical help and support with the cost of living, such as where to get free, independent advice, where to find warm spaces and food banks, and how to keep on top of your finances. We'll continue to update this information through the winter.

Looking after your health during the colder months is especially important and our article offers tips on how you can stay

well and where to get care and support if you need it.

In a post-pandemic world, prioritising our mental health and wellbeing has become a necessity. We explain what the signs of mental ill health are and <a href="mailto:share tips on self-care">share tips on self-care</a> to manage your mood.

Our downloadable guides to mental health support in Wiltshire can also help you find local services for both children and adults. Since 2021, the guides have been downloaded more than 670 times.

Plus details of Wiltshire advocacy services are also available if you need help and support with the complaints process.

Find out more on our website.

#### Advice and information



Looking after your mental health this winter

In a post-pandemic world where the cost-of-living crisis is beginning to hit home for many of us,...

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Where to get cost of living support in Wiltshire

Local organisations that can give you practical help and support.

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How to stay well this winter

Tips to help you stay well this winter and get the care you need.

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View all



What you need to know about flu

Know the signs and symptoms of seasonal influenza (flu) and who is eligible for a free vaccine.

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## Area Board Briefing Note – Cost of Living Update – November 2022

#### Cost of Living Update - November 2022

As detailed in the update to Full Council in October, Wiltshire Council is focusing on three principal areas to meet the Cost of Living crisis, namely support for Businesses, Our Staff and the People in our communities.

The Council has provided extensive coordination of resources on a <u>dedicated Cost of Living page</u>. This includes links to information for sources of national and local support.

Officers have worked to pull together to create an interactive directory that allows people to find out what warm spaces and community food providers are in their immediate local area. The directory also includes what other facilities and services are provided at each location.

The directory has been created using information collected by the Council to establish what support is already up and running in the county and will be regularly updated.

Wiltshire Council's friendly library staff will be playing their part too, by working with Warm and Safe Wiltshire and The Rural Communities Energy Support Network, to assist residents seeking basic energy advice and make referrals to experienced energy advisors in all but its smallest libraries. All libraries will be able to signpost people to community partners and agencies that can support people through the rising cost of living. Libraries will also be collection points for Warm Packs, which includes a hot water bottle and blanket, for anyone who would benefit from some free essentials. These will be available for collection soon.

As well as existing customer contact channels, the Council is planning how to use the Wellbeing Hub line to help people find the right support.

#### **Support for Businesses and Schools**

The Enterprise Network (set up by the Council) is hosting a series of webinars designed to provide start up and small businesses help, support and advice to guide businesses through the current economic challenges. To find out more about the Take TEN series and to join the webinars or watch videos, people can go to: www.theenterprisenetwork.co.uk/support/cost-of-doing-business.

As part of the carbon reduction work, School Leaders are being encouraged to sign up to the Energy Sparks programme which can help them get on top of their energy bills and find ways to reduce costs. We are also supporting Council maintained schools with a grant to access their half hourly smart meter data for a year to give them the data they need to make informed choices.



#### **Support for Staff**

As well as ensuring staff have access to wellbeing and support resources, including a new Mental Health Advocate scheme, the Council will review policies and processes as appropriate, and will consider how staff can be flexibly deployed to meet emerging need.

#### **Targeted Support in the Community**

The Council has been administering the Government's national Household Support Grant Scheme designed to support those most in need across England, to help with the significantly rising living costs in the period up to the end of March 2023. The money can be used to support households in the most need who would otherwise struggle with energy bills, food and water bills, particularly those who may not be eligible for the other support that the Government has recently made available but who are nevertheless in need.

The council has been awarded £2,728,656 in total and has worked with partner agencies to allocate the money and ensure it gets to those who need it most. Payments began in October and are continuing to be made. People do not need to apply to Wiltshire Council as those eligible will be identified and contacted.

The Council is working with partners in the VCSE sectors to promote their campaign to encourage donations, particularly from those who have surplus fuel rebates, to help fund schemes to support those most in need.

Wiltshire Council has also provided funding to Wiltshire Community Foundation and partners to deliver support under the Surviving Winter campaign which provides practical and financial help for people living in fuel poverty. From 1 November, people who are in receipt of means-tested benefit and are aged over 65 or suffer from a long-term health condition, may be eligible for assistance including fuel vouchers and a range of advice. For more information about eligibility and the help available contact Warm and Safe Wiltshire on 0800 038 5722 email warmandsafe@cse.org.uk.

Funding is also being provided to Age UK Wiltshire for provision and delivery of hot meals to isolated elderly residents who are unable to meet the cost of this service themselves; for further information contact Age UK Community Meals on 01793 279606.

#### Support during the holidays

Wiltshire Council will be delivering its successful Holiday Activity and Food (FUEL) programme again this winter. The programme provides children eligible for benefits related free school meals, refugees, those currently in the care system and those referred by a professional service with access to free high quality activities, nutritious meals and food education during the school holidays.

The FUEL programme is delivered with funding from the Department for Education and



will run from Monday 19 December – Thursday 22 December. Eligible families will be able to sign up by following the application link listed on <u>FUEL programme - Wiltshire Council</u> The application window is open now until December 11, please sign up early to avoid disappointment.

The camps provide the opportunity for all participants to take part in a range of enriching activities including structured sports, arts and crafts, STEM activities, laser tag, circus skills, robotics and much more. Participants also will take part in nutritional workshops and be provided with a hot lunch each day.

Two FUEL Christmas camps specifically for young people with special educational needs and/or a disability will also place at Springfield Community Campus in Corsham and at Five Rivers Health and Wellbeing Centre in Salisbury and individuals will be able to take part in activities such as dodgeball, dance, new age kurling, cricket and boccia. Further information and sign up details are also available on the FUEL webpage. There is more info here in via youtube: <a href="https://docs.py.docs.

For further information about the Holiday Activity and Food Programme in Wiltshire please email fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk

#### **Promoting Fundraising Campaigns**

As part of our on going work with our Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise partners, Wiltshire Council is helping to promote the Wiltshire Community Foundation's Cost of Living Appeal through our networks.

Building on the work of previous appeals where people who can afford to are encouraged to donate any surplus winter fuel allowances, the wider community is being ask to help generate vital funds to help grassroots voluntary groups and charities in Swindon and Wiltshire who are supporting families and individuals in the face of escalating rent, food and energy prices.

The money raised through this joint appeal with fund a new grants programme to support projects which are keeping people fed and warm and provide additional practical support and advice to help people cope throughout this period of great hardship.

You can donate to the appeal <u>here</u> or call the donation line on 01380 738989 from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

#### MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD

### MARLBOROUGH HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP

#### **PROGRESS REPORT AND UPDATE JANUARY 2023**

The following report provides an update on the progress and plans of the Health and Wellbeing Group.

#### 1. 'Relaunch' event – 7th October 2022

The Group aimed to expand its focus and membership following the Covid 19 pandemic and held a re-launch tea party on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022 which aimed to:

- publicise the role of the Health and Wellbeing Group
- invite new members to join the Group
- promote the availability of Health and Wellbeing grants
- facilitate networking between attendees
- · develop a future work programme

MP Danny Kruger attend in addition to representatives from a range of local organisations associated with health and wellbeing. We were pleased to welcome the distinguished national Public Health clinician Sir Muir Gray CBE who introduced the national 'Live longer better' Programme ( <a href="https://www.livelongerbetter.uk/">https://www.livelongerbetter.uk/</a>) as we explored the potential to launch the programme in the Marlborough area.

Thanks are due to Councillor Jane Davies and Andrew Jack who provided valuable support in organising the event.

#### 2) New areas of focus

Following the October event progress will continue to be made to develop proposals including:

- the appointment of an Older Persons and Carers' Champion (part time role),
- a mapping and gapping exercise to identify areas requiring further support
- u3a in Kennet assisted Sir Muir in the development of the 'Live Longer Better' programme resources as the precursor to wider roll out
- · exploring other sources of funding

#### 3) Funding bids

Funding bids to support the local Cost of Living crisis initiatives have been awarded to Marlborough Town Council and St Peter's Church.

Group members considered and supported the Greatwood Charity's funding bid to build on a former project using retired race horses to provide therapy for Care Home residents. It was hoped that, if deemed successful, the project could be extended further.

Jill Turner,

Chair, Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group

December 2022

#### Marlborough Community Area Youth Worker Job Description

#### Background

While typically regarded as an affluent area, many young people in the Marlborough Community Area\* face challenges such as finding employment, poor mental health and a lack of support for positive activities, as well as ongoing disruption to education post Covid. In 2020, 5.7% of 0–19-year-olds in Marlborough Community Area were thought to be living in poverty and one area within the town sat within in the lowest 40% of most deprived areas of England; 9.1% of households were considered to be in fuel poverty and 23% of 10-11 year were obese or overweight. We can assume the situation is worse in the current cost of living crisis.

On the positive side we have a very strong local secondary school, great support from Marlborough College, a Leisure Centre and a Youth and Community centre in the town with a wide range of clubs supported by a vibrant community & voluntary sector.

A Youth Club currently runs in Marlborough on a Friday evening, offering a hot meal and tuck shop along with a variety of activities. But the volunteers are struggling to open the club, cook, organise activities and still have time with youngsters in need of a quiet conversation. It needs a Youth Worker to help bring new and existing activities together.

Like many market towns we have an increasing problem with County Line gangs targeting our young people, some anti-social behaviour and some graffiti 'artists' so we also need a Youth Worker who young people can relate to, someone to be out and about talking to them in the locations where they tend to congregate. In a recent survey "Anti-social behaviour & crime" was ranked sixth highest priority for Marlborough community area.

And outside the main town, local villages need support to tackle similar problems and to run or help set up their youth clubs. 'The Junction' in Aldbourne is a fantastic example.

To meet these needs, the Marlborough Area Youth Forum has been established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Registration number 1199626) and will provide a caring employment and support structure.

#### The Role

We are seeking a passionate advocate of young people to lead the planning, organising and enabling of our amazing volunteers, working with Marlborough Youth Club and other organisations like Youth Action Wiltshire, the Marlborough Sports Forum and local town/parish councils, to help our youngsters build life skills, develop healthy relationships, make decisions that are right for them and HAVE SOME FUN.

The Forum is offering a part time role, working in Marlborough and the local area, with planning time during the day, and face to face activity mainly in the evenings and weekends. The role will be home based but office space may be made available in Marlborough Youth and Community Centre if requested.

Fund raising – though grants and activities involving young people - will be a necessary component of the role to ensure it is sustainable after an initial one year fixed term period.

Typical responsibilities will include

• setting up and running activities and projects in Marlborough and surrounding villages

- building trust with young people through mentoring
- signposting to specialist provision such as counselling
- funding raising and applying for grants
- maintaining safeguarding and confidential records in line with our Data Protection and related policies
- recruiting and managing volunteers
- working with other organisations, such as schools, sports clubs, community groups, local town and parish councils, and the police.

#### Essential skills and qualities include:

- A strong track record of organising and delivering 1:1 support and group work activities for young people
- Well organised and motivated
- reliable
- willing to keep up to date with relevant regulations and good practice in relation to working with young people.

#### Qualifications required

• a Level 3 or Diploma in Youth Work Practice or related subject is desirable.

Support may be available for the right person to study for their qualified Youth Worker status (through a JNC recognised and National Youth Agency validated degree course - see https://www.nya.org.uk/career-in-youth-work/getting-qualified/).

#### Salary and Hours

£17,500 for 20 hours per week, of which 10 to 15 can be expected to be evenings or weekends.

A self-employed option will be considered.

Own transport is essential with a mileage allowance (45p per mile) paid

Caroline Thomas
Revised December 2022

The Marlborough Community Area is made up of Marlborough and the surrounding parishes of Aldbourne, Avebury, Baydon, Berwick Bassett & Winterbourne Monkton, Broad Hinton & Winterbourne Bassett, Chilton Foliat, East Kennett, Froxfield, Fyfield & West Overton, Mildenhall, Ogbourne St Andrew, Ogbourne St George, Preshute, Ramsbury & Axford and Savernake



Α	Item	Update		Actions and recommendations	Priority A, B or C
	Marlborough Loc	cal Highway and Footway Improv	ement Group (LHF	iG)	
	Date of meeting: 1	hursday 24th November 2022			
1.	Attendees and apo				
	Present:				
		as - Marlborough East			
	Cllr Jane Davies - N				
		nire Council Highways			
	Cllr Peter Morgan -	hire Council Highways			
	Clir Mervyn Hall – N				
		illiams – town clerk, Marlborough TC			
		Ogbourne St Andrew PC			
	Cllr Bob Parker – A	vebury PC			
	Cllr Sheila Glass - I	Ramsbury PC			
	Apologies:				
	Cllr James Shephe	rd - Aldbourne and Ramsbury			
2.	Notes of last meet	ing			
	2022. The minutes	previous LHFIG meeting held on the 2 can be found via this link	22 <sup>nd</sup> September were a	agreed at the Marlborough Area Board mee	eting on the 11 <sup>th</sup> October
	<u>Area Boards</u>				



#### Comments from the Chair on Local Highways & Footways Improvement Group (LHFIG) arrangements:

#### Reminder of the

- 2022/23 Budget decision to move from CATG to Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group
- and to double the overall budget allocated (£400k to £800k)
- which is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport and improve traffic management.

**Pedestrian improvements**: including dropped kerbs, new footways, substantive improvements to existing footways, pedestrian crossings (including assessments).

**Cycle improvements**: new cycle paths, cycle parking / storage.

**Bus infrastructure:** new and replacement Shelters (subject to agreement on future maintenance liability), bus border kerbs, bus stop road markings.

Traffic signing: new and replacement signs (including signposts), street name plates, village gateways.

New road markings: new and replacement of existing markings.

**Speed limits:** assessment and implementation.

Waiting restrictions: assessments and implementation.

Footpath improvements: styles, gates, surface improvements to rights of ways (council maintainable only).

**Drainage**: minor improvements, new gullies.

Street lighting: new installations.

Traffic management measures: including Sockets and posts for SID (Speed Indication Device) equipment.

Funds cannot be used for revenue functions, such as routine maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services. As a general rule, an asset should exist at the end of the project, i.e. something new that wasn't there beforehand.

#### Meeting dates and programme

While we have more budget, funds that are not committed – that is for work completed or orders placed with contractors for delivery within the current financial year – will be returned to WC to go into the Substantive Schemes pot. Exceptions will only be allowed when events outside of our control have impacted deliver, although I would hope in this first round there may be some leeway given on this.

This means we must be very clear, when agreeing priorities, which are

- Approved and deliverable/paid for this year,
- Approved but need more work so will be developed with a view for delivery in the subsequent financial year



Not yet approved but have potential to be reviewed when resources are available.

It is less about '5 priorities', so much as identifying which schemes are deliverable this financial year, being mindful of the workload on our officers, else little will ever reach completion.

I propose that for this November meeting, with most of the current priorities delivered or scheduled, we review the priorities for 23/24 so we roll forward smoothly and avoid delays. And I'm pleased to note we have one or two 'pipeline' activities that have had some initial work.

However, I understand the most likely contender for a Substantive funding bid – work on the A4 near Manton - has not progressed sufficiently far, for a bid to be submitted this year. The window offered was very short. Next year we should plan to have such bids ready in the summer.

The advice was that meetings should ideally take place as below, each one 2 to 4 weeks in advance of the Area Board meetings where this group's decisions are ratified. However, the 22/23 timetable was set beforehand so the dates are not as aligned as they should be moving forward.

April (May 22/23): Budget confirmation and budget allocation to projects. ---- confirm the 'green' and 'ambers'

July (September 22/23): Progress meeting. Budget allocation (note: projects allocated beyond this meeting may not be delivered by the end of March).

October (November 22/23): Progress meeting. Agree projects to be put forward for funding from Substantive bid, ahead of end of November submission deadline. Small scale and low-cost projects at this meeting may be delivered before end of year deadline.

**January (March 22/23)**: Progress meeting. Agreement of any funding to be returned for redistribution. Any projects prioritised at this meeting will not be delivered within this financial year.

As already noted, in this first year, we expect some leeway allowed on this return of funding point. Cabinet have agreed that this matter will be included in the 6-month review following this financial year to see how it has worked in practice.

Terms of reference expect town and parish councils to make at least a 20% contribution to the projects that pass through LHFIG. These can be circulated with the notes.

#### 3. Financial Position

Finance sheet – as at the September meeting - is attached.

This will be updated to reflect decisions made today.



4.	Process for loggi	Process for logging requests for highway improvement schemes				
		rms are on the Wiltshire Council website. <a href="http://www.wiltshire">http://www.wiltshire</a> nd agreed by the local town or parish council, request forms				
5.	22/23 Priority Sch	nemes (NB completed work moved to final section)				
	Item	Prior Position	Discussion Notes and Actions	Priority for Year		
a)	Issue_7027 New double yellow lining on B4003	Construction improvement to lay-by had been requested but unlikely to take place quickly due to complexity of construction issues within World Heritage site with land owned/managed by the NT.	Evidence suggests waiting restriction is being ignored  ACTION: SH to follow up targeted enforcement.	Waiting restriction - 22/23 (complete)		
		Waiting restrictions could be extended to edge of existing lay-by and the position reviewed when improvements have been undertaken. Costs if this is undertaken through CATG would be around £2500 including the advert procedure.	Position may be improved if the pot holes where cars are allowed to park were filled. NT is insisting on the correct type of chalk although noted that it's not their land so WC may need to take control.	Layby - TBC		
		Decision taken not to implement the waiting restrictions originally advertised and wait to advertise the 22m parking length.  Second advert ran 25 <sup>th</sup> August to 19 <sup>th</sup> September '22 at an additional cost of £2500	For the layby improvement, as a new piece of highway, WC need to ensure the design is robust enough including for HGVs. SH was planning a discussion with Atkins to initiate the work which includes checking the condition of the ground. May need archaeologists involved			
		Note 'Primrose' yellow lines are required within the World Heritage site. Advertisement received no objections.	due to the NT/World Heritage location.			

		Implemented of 22m parking length confirmed	JD suggested this is all beyond the remit of LHFIG expertise, time and budget.  ACTION – JD to raise with Dave Thomas to get specialist attention and traction. It's complicated, particularly with NT stipulations.	
b)	8-20-6 Ogbourne Maizey- 20mph speed limit assessment	This is on a list of 16 20mph limit schemes to be assessed by Atkins. Report completed and sent to Parish Council for consideration. Advert for speed limit change undertaken with no objections. Scheme delegated to complete works package for implementation. PC contribution capped at 25% of £6500 or a minimum of 20% of the costs.  Programmed to be implemented last week in November.	PC very pleased and thanked the Committee for help and support.  Will request a metro count to assess the implementation  ACTION – LC or JH (OsA PC) to confirm implementation next meeting	22/23 Priority
c)	8-20-4 A4 Manton traffic calming	Request for a substantive scheme to include 8-21-2, 8-21-3, 8-21-4 plus move speed limit and alteration to Pelican traffic light.  Design and cost to be developed and consideration as a substantive scheme. TEAMS meeting organised to discuss the project options, which were agreed as  Stage 1 – low cost signing and road marking scheme. Stage 2 – design work for new traffic island to the west of Downs Lane, Marlborough name signs and possible location of speed limit. Topo survey agreed to enable design.	ACTION – SH to progress Stage 1 and the TOPO Survey  Stage 2 to be developed for a substantive scheme bid, ready for summer 23.  ACTION - SH to revert back to the Committee to update us on progress at each meeting.	Stage 1 - 22/23 Priority if possible, else 23/24  TOPO Survey - 22/23 Priority  Stage 2 23/24 Priority



		Stage 1 plan and estimate sent to RSW for approval. Supported by Marlborough TC. Cost estimate increased to £6790. Contribution 25%. Confirmation from LHFIG to proceed.  Stage 2 cost estimate for topo survey sent to RSW for approval. Cost £1700. Confirmation from LHFIG to proceed.		
	8-21-2 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Rd, Manton – request for Traffic Island	Request for traffic island on A4 at Manton/ Marlborough boundary  Refer to 8-20-4		
	8-21-3 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Rd, Manton – request for transverse yellow markings	Request for transverse yellow road markings on westbound approach to crossing, plus solution between crossing and turning to Bridge Street.  Refer to 8-20-4		
	8-21-4 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Road, Manton – request for sign.	Request for sign indicating Bridge St turn westbound between the Pelican Crossing and Bridge St.  Refer to 8-20-4		
d)	8-22-9 Marlborough, Cardigan Rd	'No waiting at any time' requested - there is a soak away that can't be accessed due to the parking in an unrestricted area which applies to both sides of the road.	ACTION - SH to seek clarity over design advertising etc work to date (e.g. via Traffic Management Group / Infrastructure Team / Jamie Mundy).	22/23 Priority



		Long term issuerequests have been on the yellow line list previously and partially completed. But yellow lines now managed by LHFIG.	ACTION – SH to progress the advertising if it's required  ACTION – CT to ask Highways to provide clarity to town and Parish councils regarding changes to responsibilities (e.g. yellow lining)	
6.	Other Priority sch	emes – reviewed for progress and consideration as a 23	/24 Priority action	
	NB all items noted	I below as a 23/24 Priority will need putting into a priorit	y order to help SH manage his workload.	
a)	8-21-8	Request for virtual paths along Farm Lane, entire length	Speed data suggests continuation of design	23/24 Priority
	Aldbourne – virtual paths	of Marlborough Rd, Castle St to Whitley Rd. To replace 18-19-11	assessment is appropriate.	agreed
			SH confirmed that if prioritised and a satisfactory	
		TEAMS meeting undertaken with PC rep Chris Ainsworth.	solution can be developed, implementation could be in 2023	
		Checks including Speed data and traffic volume to be obtained to check for suitability of virtual footway along Marlborough Road from The Butts to the village centre.		
		Traffic volumes and speeds obtained along Marlborough Road being reviewed by SH		
b)	Issue <u>5190</u> Request for safety works at London	The £1500 area board funding allocated to a speed limit review costing £2500. Savernake PC contribution 25%. Request for speed limit review issued to Atkins.	Martin Phipps, Savernake PC has asked MC for 'reduce speed now' signs.	23/24 Priority agreed
	Rd, Marlborough 8-21-7 Forest Hill	Site visit undertaken and Speed report sent to Savernake PC (Guy Singleton/ Martin Phipps) 11/3/22 but which did	MH noted the Cricket Club is also now used in winter for football	
	speed limit review	not recommend a lower restriction to the current 50 mph	SH agreed the review and implementation (if suitable) is doable in 23/24	

		LHFIG agreed further investigation/ discussion was appropriate for a signing solution including at location of Cricket club.	ACTION – SH to request a signage review (Mark Stansby).
c)	8-19-10 Marlborough, Frees Avenue Traffic speed and	Request to increase the length of the speed limit. requires a further speed limit review to justify the cost. Cost of speed limit review £2500.	CT noted this was directly linked to item 8-22-2 as a pedestrian safety request in 2 parts - the speed limit and other safety measures
	pedestrian safety.	Marlborough TC support for a further speed limit review. Contribution of £625 with £1875 Area Board contribution agreed.	CT noted the proposal to extend 40mph to Rockley would need to be agreed by MTC as it wasn't what was requested. JD noted the benefits of reducing speeds approaching Frees
		Atkins site visit on Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> November to assess the situation while the rugby club was in operation. Report	Avenue.
		completed and sent to Town Clerk for distribution and consideration.	PM (Preshute PC) flagged that the PC wasn't sure it represented good value for its residents and it hadn't been included in their 23/24
		The report did not recommend the speed is lowered past the rugby club but does suggest the 40mph speed limit is extended further out of town to Rockley.	precept budget. MC flagged that Rockley is in Ogbourne St Andrew PC and PM noted its chair had said he wasn't sure residents would support it either.
		Scheme will cross into Preshute PC. Mervyn Hall to discuss contributions.	ACTION – Marlborough, Preshute and OsA PCs to confirm their positions on contributing to costs
		Preshute PC support 40mph limit from Rockley in principle.	for the 40mph restriction extension to Rockley; with the PCs potentially doing so based on respective headcounts in the 3 areas.
		£4500 costs (advert and implementation) supplied to RSW. 25% contribution £1125. Shared proportions to be agreed.	ACTION – MTC to also consider 100% contribution to just moving the 40/National Speed Limit signs west, to the edge of the Common.

			Nb Still have all the advertising costs so not a huge saving. NOTE It is not an option for MTC to move the 40mph where they wish.  PCs are asked to feedback to CT, JD, JS and SH as soon as they can.	
d)	8-22-2 Marlborough, The Common	Crossing points/ traffic calming Linked to 8-19-10  MTC in conjunction with the Rugby Club have produced a package of measures to help with safety.  Note that WC Highways owns just the carriageway area and no part of the verge.  SH and Clare Harris have discussed on site. SH to develop measures if prioritised.	<ul> <li>Linked to 8-19-10 above</li> <li>The pedestrian safety plans include <ul> <li>Enhance visibility of the current pedestrian crossing point with guide railings</li> <li>Put up 'welcome to Marlborough' white gates</li> <li>Add yellow line markings and warning signs</li> </ul> </li> <li>SH confirmed MTC can proceed with the railing and white gates at their cost, and the signage and road markings could be done in 23/24 if prioritised. Nb also potentially doable for 22/23</li> <li>ACTION – SH to progress work on signage and road marking designs and inform MTC of likely costs and implementation timescales.</li> </ul>	23/24 Priority agreed (if not 22/23)
e)	8-19-1 and 8-22-3 Request for new pedestrian crossing at Marlborough High St.	Marlborough Town Council supported and endorsed the petition signed by over 600 people requesting a pedestrian crossing in Marlborough High Street due to safety concerns for the elderly and visually impaired.  Consideration has previously been given to possible formal crossings in Kingsbury St by Patten Alley, across	SH noted he looked at the potential site this morning. It would need an island or change of surface in the middle. MC flagged possible use of existing pavement build outs in place on each side. A TOPO survey is likely to be required.	23/24 Priority agreed - to move forwards with initial feasibility

		to the Town Hall steps or across the High St by the White Horse bookshop. No location is suitable for a formal crossing.  Removed from priority list until temporary social distancing schemes were no longer necessary.  Crossing to be looked at in conjunction with the town wide traffic strategy.  CT took an action to agree an acceptable location for a zebra crossing with the Town Council and following a site meeting with MC and several Cllrs, a solution that doesn't take away many car parking spaces was drafted and reviewed by MTC before being passed on to SH in March.	It was noted the request had been raised as a disability issue. People can and do cross the High Street in numerous places but a safe place is required for the more vulnerable and some incorrectly assume there is a crossing point where the raised pavement extensions are. NOTE For justification of a formal crossing, a pedestrian count will have to be undertaken but this could include a distance 50m either side of the proposed location.  We can assume the scheme would need to be a Substantive bid and that we'd need to consider its priority with the A4 Manton work after the feasibility stage e.g. if 2 bids are not considered feasible and/or appropriate.	work by summer 23.
f)	8-21-12 Ramsbury – Back Lane	Traffic calming / priority system  Martin Cook suggested road markings to narrow the road could be undertaken quite quickly through maintenance.	Missed out by contractors even though other white lining was completed in the area. Various budgets are involved that weren't linked up  SH confirmed the work is doable in 23/24	Prioritise for 23/24
g)	8-22-8 Ramsbury,	However, this hasn't been allowed as they are new. 'Unsuitable for HGV's' sign request	If prioritised, the PC will only need to pay a contribution	Prioritise for 23/24
	B4192/ Crowood Lane	Ramsbury PC is happy to pay 100% to help push this forward but they still need Highways approval.  LHFIG approved and the request can now go to Mark Stansby's signage team.	ACTION – SH to progress a request for signage to include Foxfield Road (8-22-16) and Back Lane (8-21-12) warning signs.	



7. Other potential schemes				
	8-21-5 Footpath between	Request to widen footpath to access St Mary's school.		
	Van Diemans Close and George	Several owners of the land either side of the path. The Rights of Way team would need to be involved.		
	Lane.	CATG agreed to make this scheme a high priority to show political desire to move this forward but it is recognised that SH will not currently work on this scheme.		
		JD has contacted Perry Holmes, Head of Legal at Wilts Council. The first step is to contact landowners or neighbours to ask permission for use of the land. In light of the new crossing, his recommendation was to wait 1-2 years for landowners to get used to it before approaching them.		
		Town Council to write to landowners.		
	8-19-8 A346 (Cadley – traffic lights on A4) Now - traffic	Traffic modelling for a junction would be required. JS to pursue this with area board and town councillors. AJ discussed with Dave Thomas who initiated discussions with Atkins.	Wider traffic plan and need for a detailed survey and modelling is being taken forward by MTC as not an LHFIG item.	
	survey and modelling	Brief agreed in discussion with JD and CT Quote for traffic survey and modelling received for c£48,000. WC have agreed to contribute (as they have with Bradford on Avon)	Detailed proposals may be made at a later date so retain in the list	



:	8-20-8 Ramsbury – speed limit consideration- C6 east of village	PC to test via Metrocount to decide whether to progress with speed limit review  Whilst a full speed limit review cost £2,500, a Metrocount is free of charge. It was recommended SG tests vehicle speed via a Metrocount before committing to the full speed limit review.  Request submitted by PC.  SG reported that Ramsbury PC now has the Metrocount results and asked that this request be postponed until later.	Metro Count – 85% at around 60mph
	8-21-13 Marlborough – St Martins to Tin Pit	Request for footpath improvements and speed calming measures.	RSW noted Metro counts are on hold due to issues with the contractor
		Metrocount required to check speeds within the 30mph limit requested – request remains outstanding	ACTION - SH to check out what the issues are
	8-22-4 Marlborough A346	Pedestrian crossing between The Acres and The Common across the A346  SH said that a pedestrian count would cost a fixed rate of £2,500. SH can send to MTC the eligibility criteria for a new crossing so they can assess if this will be successful.  The Metrocount from November '21 was mentioned and how it showed that 85% of vehicles were speeding and these figures present a dangerous location for people looking to cross to The Common, especially children.  Because of the high speeds seen here, this location is	CT noted the 'impasse' we seem to have – dangerous 5-way junction with metro count indicating 85% of vehicles are speeding at a point where pedestrians need to cross from a residential housing area to The Common but the Police Speed watch team suggest it's too dangerous for enforcement.  A pole for a SID is being looked at by MTC.  ACTION - JD/CT/JS to follow up previous enquires with PW, the PCC, and possibly
		eligible for police speed checks to be carried out.	organise a visit.



	The speeds are too fast for Community speed watch apparently the Police had risked assessed it as unsaft for officers to use for their speed checks.	
8-22-5 Marlboro Cherry C		
		ACTION - SH to continue enquiries before group consider prioritising. We don't know how the steps are constructed/how feasible adding hand rails might be
		Options seem to be  No change Add rails Remove steps
		JD flagged that a handrail encourages use (which is dangerous); could be left to personal judgement
8-22-10 New Pav Chilton F	New raised pavement for Chilton Foliat rement at rolliat	No PC representative to discuss  SH initial view is that it doesn't look feasible.

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8.	New Requests / Is	sues not yet reviewed	
a)	8-22-11 Manton, Downs Lane	To be removed as already part of Manton A4 work	
b)	8-22-12 Crooked Soley (nr Chilton Foliat)	Footpath signpost replacements (maintenance issue)	
c)	8-22-13 Marlborough – Tin Pit	Improved parking provision request. There are 11 cottages along the lane, none of which have parking provision but all have vehicles (at least one, if not two or three). There are some large houses on Tin Pit with their own drives, however poor parking impinges access. Residents of the neighbouring Poulton Crescent have limited parking and so overspill into Tin Pit.	
d)	8-22-14 A346 Ogbourne St George to County Boundary north	Review of two bus stops along the A346 with a plan to make them more accessible and safer for residents.	
e)	8-22-15 Aldbourne, Castle Street	Request for 20mph assessment There is no footway along Castle Street, Aldbourne. It is not suitable for a virtual footway. Request to reduce traffic speed by introducing 20mph.	



f)	8-22-16 Ramsbury – Froxfield Road	Request for 'walkers in road' sign	Remove as separate item - to be considered as part of Ramsbury Unsuitable for HGVs request above		
8.	Other items	Other items			
a)	March LHFIG	Review Priority order of 23/24 items to assist SH with plann	ning his time.		
9.	Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023 10.00am Court Room, Marlborough Town Hall.				

#### **Completed Work**



8-21-6 Speed of traffic entering Mildenhall from the east.	Improvements for pedestrians including traffic calming requested.  Site meeting undertaken. Low-cost option includes warning signs and road markings to enhance the gateway.  Footway and bus stop can be reconsidered and time can be given to this if agreed through the CATG.  Design developed for low cost scheme, estimated <£2k. PC contribution 25%.	Complete	22/23
	Signing installed. Road markings to be implemented under the ad hoc process during the summer.		
	Road markings still not complete.		
8-19-2	Request for a sign at the entrance to Manton Hollow (at the junction with Downs Lane) advising 'No Through Road' as it appears on many maps and sat-navs as a through road resulting in cars and HGVs attempting to turn in the very restricted turning area at western end of the southern arm of Manton Hollow. This has resulted in damage to the two houses that front on to the turning area.  A 'No through road' sign' is already installed at junction of	Complete	22/23
	Downs Lane with A4.		
	MTC did not support a sign at junction of Downs Lane and Manton Hollow preferring to replace the sign at the junction of Downs Lane with the A4.		
	Cost estimate £175. MTC 25% agreed		
	Sign installed		
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M	8-22-7 Mildenhall, Voodlands Rd	Unsuitable for HGV sign To be funded by Mildenhall PC  Approved through LHFIG for ad hoc signing. Sign implemented.	Complete	
C	3-21-11 Clench Common - speeding	Request to review speed limit, add signing, introduce gates. Speed limit change considered unlikely. Possible warning signs. Community to discuss.  PC are prepared to pay 100% for white gates, locations to be established. Appropriate warning signs also to be considered. Savernake PC working with Martin Cook on white gates. Have landowners' permission and will update at the next meeting.	Gates bought and installation being progressed on Martinsell side where the village road is NSL while main road is 50mph	NFA

#### Marlborough Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group

#### **Highways Officer - Steve Hind**

#### 1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

#### 2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Marlborough Area Board.
- 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Marlborough Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of £1483

#### 3. Legal Implications

3.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.



#### 4. HR Implications

4.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

### 5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

#### 6. Safeguarding implications



Report To Marlborough Area Board

Date of Meeting Tuesday, 10 January 2023

Title of Report Marlborough Area Grant Report

## **Purpose of the Report**

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Marlborough Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub-groups.

## **Area Board Current Financial Position**

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For 2022-23	£ 15,835.00	£ 17,786.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 7,118.81	£ 5,850.00	£ 2,200.00
Current Balance	£ 8,716.19	£ 11,936.00	£ 5,500.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ -5,985.81	£ 6,140.00	£ 4,075.00

## **Grant Funding Application Summary**

Application Reference	<b>Grant Type</b>	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG852</u>	Community Area Grant	Avebury Cricket Club	Cricket Nets at Avebury Sports Field	£48000.00	£5000.00

#### **Project Summary:**

In February/March 2023 we aim to embark on a project to further improve the cricket facilities at Avebury. In recent years (due to creation of a 300-strong junior section, requests from Wiltshire Cricket to host junior county matches at the village and increase numbers of adult teams and community members using the facility) demand for "open access", good quality practice facilities has increased again and again. Our existing net facilities were built by us, by hand. Whilst we have been praised for our ability to get most of this right, serious flaws are appearing in terms of the way we did it – notably the slope, the unstable base surface, and the low-quality underlay and top surface, mean that it has become dangerous to use for hard ball practice – which is the purpose of the facility. Rebuilding as a professionally laid net facility will DRAMATICALLY improve our ability to host more cricket at Avebury, fulfil the objectives of our organisation, deliver more coaching, provide safe and secure practice facilities at Avebury, and improve Community life in Avebury and the surrounding area.

Grant Guides Supporters Guides Big New Hut Association	£100000.00	Aldbourne Scouts and Guides Big New Hut	'''	Community Area Grant	<u>ABG843</u>
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#### **Project Summary:**

The Aldbourne Scout and Guide Hut is now over 60 years old and is in urgent need of renovation. In addition, with the number of members rising each year, we felt it opportune to build a new extension at the same time as undertaking refurbishment work to the existing hut. The project will involve building a new extension to give us a second, smaller room for activities. The refurbishment work will include a new kitchen, toilets, windows, and entrance foyer.

ABG902	Community Area Grant	Winterbourne Monkton Community Hall	WMCH Window blinds	£5455.00	£2727.00
	Grant	Community Hall			

#### **Project Summary:**

The Community Hall is a new build but is essentially bare bones. We are applying for a grant to assist in the cost of installing blinds. These are for security, privacy, sound proofing and to reduce costs (heating loss).

<u>ABG912</u>	Community Area	Ramsbury and	Ramsbury and Aldbourne	£3950.00	£1975.00
	Grant	Aldbourne Bowls Club	Bowls Club mower		

#### **Project Summary:**

Our existing mower is 12 years old, and we rely on using this machine 3 times a week to keep the green's grass at the correct height and minimise the growth of none grass species. We need to have a spare mower to hand to use within 3 days in case of a breakdown of this old mower. This new mower will replace the old mower which will be maintained as a spare.

<u>ABG876</u>	Older and	Marlborough Town	Marlborough Area Cost of	£2000.00	£1000.00
	Vulnerable Adults	Council	Living Crisis Partnership		
	Funding		Coordinator		

#### **Project Summary:**

In response to the cost-of-living crisis and the need for warm spaces, Marlborough Town Council has partnered up with community organisations and neighbouring parishes. A networking forum has been developed to ensure co-ordination and communication regarding the provision of support and services for residents who are starting to find themselves in need as a consequence of the cost-of-living challenges (increase in fuel and food costs). The group has met on three occasions and has identified a need for additional capacity to support and co-ordinate the work of this group over the coming months.

<u>ABG898</u>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Saint Peters Church Trust	Saint Peters Church Warm Space	£500.00	£500.00

#### **Project Summary:**

In consultation with Marlborough Town Council and Wiltshire Council (Andrew Jack) it was agreed that the Trustees of St Peter's Church could make the building available as a Warm Space with hot drinks, and cake and biscuits, up to Christmas 6 days a week 10am-4pm. This grant application is to meet additional expenses that the charity will incur as a result of this project.

ABG905	Older and	Greatwood Charity	Equine Assisted	£2850.00	£1425.00
\	Vulnerable Adults		Intervention at a nursing		
F	Funding		home		

#### **Project Summary:**

The six week programme aims to explore and measure the impact on, and the benefit to physical and mental health of the residents in the care home, and to use these findings to build and promote the wider uses of former racehorses in the community, specifically supporting the mental wellbeing of the elderly.

ABG886	Youth Grant	2nd Marlborough Scout Group	Support for 2nd Marlborough Scout Group	£5802.00	£2901.00	
			youth activities			

#### **Project Summary:**

Funding to enable camping trips for young residents of Marlborough and subscriptions for young people from disadvantaged households unable to, otherwise, afford to attend scouts.

ABG923 Youth Grant Marlborough Penguins Marlborough Penguins £5790.00  Amateur Swimming Swimmer Support £5790.00	£2895.00
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#### **Project Summary:**

Marlborough Penguins Amateur Swimming Club (MPASC) (marlboroughpenguins.com) was founded in May 1958 and has been run as a "not for profit" organisation since that time. The Club is run entirely by Volunteers, except for the Head Coach, and regularly supports the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme for many of our Young Volunteers who now form an integral part of our Learn To Swim classes. The Club currently has 252 active swimmers between 5 and 65 years old, 222 being <19 years old, with 63 of those being between 13 and 19 years old. We have an active Learn to Swim, Competitive Squad and Masters Squad structure in place. Since Covid, we have unfortunately seen a decline in membership of the Club (our only income) ~25% reduction, increasing pool hire costs and many of our Volunteers stepping down from their positions. This has resulted in the Club losing money for the past 2 years vs. maintaining a steady state, a concern as we look to the future. For many of our Swimmers, the Club plays an integral part in their wellbeing, not only providing the opportunity to partake in regular exercise, with associated physical and mental health benefits, but also the opportunity to increase their social networks and interactions. Whilst the ramifications of Covid has brought challenges to the Club in terms of financial stability, our Swimmers have continued to perform extremely well. Last year, we had 4 swimmers reach the British National Swimming Competitions (including one Para swimmer), 17 swimmers in the South West Regional Competitions and 46 swimmers in 250 events at the Wiltshire County competitions. This year, in January 2023, we will have 56 swimmers swimming 369 events at the Wiltshire County competitions and anticipate a similar number to attend the South West Regionals (qualification period still open). We are requesting funding to: - Support the training of six our Teaching and Coaching Volunteers; a key requirement to ensure that we meet our governance requirements, as well as enhancing the services we provide to our swimmers. - Support our Hardship Fund which is offered to all members to ensure that we are as inclusive as possible and swimmers are not denied opportunities that may be unaffordable otherwise. - Support expenses to fund our Head Coach's attendance at the Wiltshire County and South West Regional Competitions, enabling the Club to provide expert poolside Coaching assistance for our Swimmers.

## 1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grant (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

## 2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young person's funding guidelines have been adhered to.
- 2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub-groups of the Area Boards.

## 3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

# 4. Financial Implications

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

# 5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

# **6. Human Resources Implications**

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

# 7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community-based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

# 8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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