

# AGENDA

**Meeting:** Malmesbury Area Board  
**Place:** Crudwell Village Hall & Recreation Ground, 2 Tetbury Lane, Crudwell, SN16 9HB  
**Date:** Tuesday 28 February 2023  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

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## Wiltshire Councillors

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Cllr Gavin Grant, Malmesbury (Chairman)  
Cllr Martin Smith, Sherston  
Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall, Brinkworth (Vice-Chairman)

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	<b>Items to be considered</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	<p><b>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>The Chairman will welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	7.00 pm
2	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
3	<p><b>Minutes</b> (<i>Pages 1 - 20</i>)</p> <p>To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2022.</p>	
4	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
5	<p><b>Chairman's Announcements</b> (<i>Pages 21 - 24</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following announcements through the Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• King Charles III Coronation - Community Celebrations</li> <li>• Wiltshire Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Partnership Family Help Project Background Briefing</li> </ul>	7.05 pm
6	<p><b>Area Board Priority Update</b></p> <p>To receive updates from Lead Councillors for the local Area Board priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Positive activities for young people</b> – Cllr Gavin Grant</li> <li>• <b>Green Issues</b> – Cllr Martin Smith</li> <li>• <b>Reducing loneliness and social isolation</b> – Cllr Chuck Berry</li> <li>• <b>Highway Safety</b> – Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall</li> <li>• <b>Community resilience</b> – Cllr Gavin Grant</li> </ul>	7.10 pm
7	<p><b>Wiltshire Police</b> (<i>Pages 25 - 36</i>)</p> <p>To receive an update from Wiltshire Police on local issues.</p>	7.20 pm
8	<p><b>Partner Updates</b> (<i>Pages 37 - 48</i>)</p> <p>To receive updates from the following partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dorset &amp; Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</li> <li>• BSW Together (Integrated Care System)</li> <li>• Healthwatch Wiltshire</li> <li>• Community First</li> </ul>	7.40 pm

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health and Wellbeing Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Malmesbury Area Health and Wellbeing Forum</li> <li>○ Health &amp; Wellbeing Champion</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Town and Parish Councils</li> <li>• Dorothy House Hospice Care</li> </ul>	
9	<p><b>Proposal of Emergency Contact Hubs and their purpose - Helping Resilience in the Community</b></p> <p>To receive a presentation on the proposal of Emergency Contact Hubs and their purpose.</p>	8.00 pm
10	<p><b>Scottish &amp; Southern Electricity Priority Service</b></p> <p>To receive a presentation from Scottish &amp; Southern Electricity about registration for their priority service.</p>	8.15 pm
11	<p><b>Cost of Living</b> (<i>Pages 49 - 54</i>)</p> <p>To have a discussion about food provision and information regarding benefits and grants available to families.</p>	8.25 pm
12	<p><b>Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)</b> (<i>Pages 55 - 68</i>)</p> <p>The Area Board will be asked to consider the recommendations from the 24 January 2023 Malmesbury Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG) meeting outlined in the report.</p>	8.40 pm
13	<p><b>Area Board Funding</b> (<i>Pages 69 - 74</i>)</p> <p>To consider the following applications for funding:</p> <p><b><u>Community Area Grants:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sailability at Whitefriars aka SatW - £5,000 requested towards Sailability at Whitefriars Quayside Project Phase 2 of a planned upgrade to the pontoon and jetty</li> <li>• RENEW Malmesbury CIC - £1,680 requested towards Improvements to community offer at Renew Malmesbury</li> <li>• Malmesbury Cricket Club - £200 requested towards Refurbishment of Ladies Toilets at Malmesbury Cricket Club</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sherston Community Choir - £260 requested towards Sherston Community Choir Music Fund</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Youth Grants:</u></b></p>	8.45 pm

- The Stay Safe Initiative CIC - £725 towards The 2023 Digital Empowerment Programme
- The Last Baguette theatre company CIC - £1,500 towards Arts workshops for young people in Malmesbury in 2023

14 **Urgent items**

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

15 **Close**

The next meeting of the Malmesbury Area Board will be held on 6 June 2023.

**9.00 pm**



# MINUTES

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**Place:** Brinkworth Village Hall, B4042, Brinkworth, SN15 5AF  
**Date:** 29 November 2022  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 9.30 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

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### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Andrew Jack, Strategic Engagement Partnerships Manager  
Dominic Argar, Assistant Multimedia Officer  
Ben Fielding, Senior Democratic Services Officer  
Helean Hughes, Director of Education and Skills  
Louisa Young, Area Board Delivery Officer

### **Town and Parish Councils**

Malmesbury Town Council, Brinkworth Parish Council, Dauntsey Parish Council, Charlton Parish Council, Great Somerford and Startley Parish Council, Ashton Keynes Parish Council, St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council

### **Partners**

Kim Power, Chair of Malmesbury Health and Wellbeing Forum & Mayor of Malmesbury  
Russell Holland, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon

**Total in attendance: 28**

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<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
29	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Malmesbury Area Board.</p>
30	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were provided from Sergeant Jamie Ball (Wiltshire Police), Mark Lewis (Dorset &amp; Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service), Mercedes Apps (Shared Lives Team Leader) and Julie Dart (Health and Wellbeing Champion).</p>
31	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2022 were presented for consideration and it was;</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>To approve and sign as a true and correct record of the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2022.</b></p>
32	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of disclosable interest.</p>
33	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman and Members of the Area Board made the following announcements, which were contained in the agenda pack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wiltshire Council Climate Strategy Delivery Plans</b> Cllr Martin Smith noted that attached to the agenda pack was a briefing note, which set out details of the new delivery plans to support the Council's adopted Climate Strategy. Cllr Smith drew attention to 2 of the 7 themes in relation to the Malmesbury Area, including the Transport Grant Scheme which had been established to help the installation of electrical charging points as well as the local cycling and walking infrastructure plan. Cllr Smith noted that some homes had been retrofitted for insulation and that there have also been pilot schemes in the county to rewild road verges. Attention was also drawn to the Solar Together Wiltshire Scheme, which had the aim of bulk buying solar panels for domestic installation with over 1,000 Malmesbury residents having partaken. Cllr Smith also provided information regarding waste and how attempts had been made to divert more waste from landfill, such as residents now being able to recycle certain batteries through their Wiltshire Council kerbside collections.</li> <li>• <b>Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Alliance (BSW</b></li> </ul>



	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Integrated Care Board) Update</b></p> <p>Cllr Chuck Berry noted that within the agenda pack was an update from the Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Alliance (BSW Integrated Care Board). The updated provided an overview of the role of the VCSE leadership alliance as well as noting the progress which had been made so far within the voluntary sector over the past 18 months. Cllr Berry drew attention for the need for volunteers to look after those who might be older, less wealthy and struggling within communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Update from Community First</b> The Chairman drew reference to an update included within the agenda pack from Community First. The update covered their recent AGM and Awards celebration, which took place on 12 October 2022 as well as a volunteer recruitment campaign and current vacancies that they were looking to recruit to. Cllr Grant also drew attention to the importance of community mini-buses and their drivers who enable communities to be connected. The following <a href="#">Enquiry Form</a> allows those interested to get in touch with Community First for more information.</li> <li>• <b>Temporary Events Notices</b> Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall noted that a briefing note had been attached to the agenda pack to raise member and public awareness around the use and control of Temporary Events Notices under the Licensing Act 2003. The briefing note explained Temporary Events Notices, the types of events notices available as well as what restrictions they might have as well as links to the Events Notices webpages.</li> </ul>
34	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>Updates were received from the following partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wiltshire Police</b> The Area Board noted a written statistical update attached to the agenda pack.</li> <li>• <b>Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon</b> The Area Board was joined in attendance by Russell Holland, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon, who provided the following points as a verbal update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Sceptre has recently taken place as a national piece of work to reduce knife crime with effort placed on alerting people.</li> <li>• Op Scorpion recently took place across the whole of the Southwest with Philip Wilkinson and other Police and Crime Commissioners working to tackle drug dealers. Several raids were conducted with £4,000 cash and a large amount of drugs seized.</li> <li>• In relation to hare coursing, the Police had recently purchased some new night-vision goggles and bright torches which without causing permanent</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

damage, could be used to slow criminals down.

- Attention was drawn to a recent article in the RSPB magazine which stated that an individual who had been killing birds in Wiltshire and then throwing them down wells had now been successfully prosecuted.
- The importance of community intelligence was stressed and how this can be a starting point for successfully tackling crime. The following [Website](#) allows residents to report any intel and issues that they might have.
- Regarding speeding, three new speed enforcement cameras had been purchased.

Following the update there was time for the following questions and points to be raised:

- The Chairman provided appreciation for Chief Inspector James Brain, Sergeant Jamie Ball as well as the Police and Crime Commissioner Team, who had been made aware of the anti-social behaviour problems in Malmesbury and had since instigated investigations. In addition, praise was given to the Police Force for providing two street briefings which allowed residents to directly attend and led to charges being made.
- Regarding auto speed watch it was stressed that it would be positive to see how many letters had been issued as a direct result of auto speed watch as it would be reassuring for those completing the work.
- The Police were thanked for their recent efforts towards an illegal gathering of cars that had taken place in Brinkworth.
- It was suggested that it would be positive for the Police to quickly place reports on social media whenever they had visited locations with their speed cameras as this could act as a deterrent to other drivers.
- It was questioned where there would be an amnesty box for those carrying knives as part of Op Sceptre, to which the Deputy PCC stated that he would check whether this would be provided.

- **Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service**

The Area Board noted a written update attached to the agenda pack. In addition, it was raised how helpful the Fire and Rescue service had been in responding to concerns raised by residents in relation to the electrical storage systems being built around the Minety electrical substation. It was confirmed that the Fire and Rescue service were set to look at their plans and comment on the planning application set to be placed.

- **BSW Together (Integrated Care System)**

The Area Board noted a written update attached to the agenda.

- **Healthwatch Wiltshire**

The Area Board noted a written update attached to the agenda.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Malmesbury Area Health and Wellbeing Forum</b> Kim Power, Chair of the Malmesbury Area Health and Wellbeing Forum, provided an update to the Area Board, which covered the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was outlined that the Health and Wellbeing Forum is formed of a mixture of local people, including those from care homes, independent living settings, the local surgery, Wiltshire Carer's Support, local churches, and the community minibus.</li> <li>• The Forum is currently concentrating on those who are older and vulnerable as well as the issues that might affect them such as staying at home, isolation, and mental health.</li> <li>• It was stated that over the past year, Celebrating Age Wiltshire with the support of the Area Board, had provided 22 events for older people free of charge.</li> <li>• It was noted that recently a grant had been received for a new Cartmell Minibus, which should be arriving in December and would be for use of local groups.</li> <li>• The recent notes of the Health and Wellbeing Forum were included within the minutes pack.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
35	<p><u>Area Board Priority Update</u></p> <p>The Area Board received the following updates from the respective Councillors in regard to the following local Area Board priorities:</p> <p><b>Positive activities for young people – Cllr Gavin Grant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Malmesbury area has an excellent Local Youth Network, which has been working in partnership with Malmesbury Town Council as well as the Rise Trust Team.</li> <li>• Active engagement took place with Malmesbury School and Assistant Headteacher Dan Baker to hold a youth survey and then a youth engagement event featuring the results of the survey.</li> <li>• The survey provided a good sense of what young people in the local area need as well as issues to follow up on.</li> </ul> <p><b>Green Issues – Cllr Martin Smith</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was noted that the Adopt a Street initiative in Malmesbury was being driven by Malmesbury Town Councillor Campbell Ritchie. As part of this, work is being done to set up a volunteer event for green groups in the new year to increase local litter picking.</li> <li>• Work has been conducted with communities in Sherston and Cowbridge Mill regarding electrical vehicle charging points installation with successful grant applications having taken place.</li> <li>• Regarding cycling, the LHFIG has encouraged a cycleway from Sherston to Malmesbury.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work has been conducted with Sustainable Sherston to promote recycling by using special collection points for plastics.</li> <li>• Residents have been encouraged to compost their kitchen waste through the Wiltshire Council Hot Johanna scheme.</li> <li>• Grants for tree planting have been provided by Wessex Water, with trees set to be planted in Sherston School.</li> </ul> <p><b>Reducing loneliness and social isolation – Cllr Chuck Berry</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attention was drawn to the Grandmentors programme, which requires volunteers to work with young people on a weekly basis to give them confidence. The criteria for the programme was outlined with a requirement for volunteers to be over 50, have good people and communication skills, patience, and a DBS check. The following phone number was provided for those interested: 07949544350.</li> <li>• It was outlined that work is being conducted to combine the 60+ charities in the Malmesbury area together to share facilities and administration together to reduce costs and improve delivery.</li> <li>• A potential site for the Men’s Shed has been identified with Strategic Engagement Partnerships Manager, Andrew Jack set to follow up.</li> <li>• WhatsApp groups have been set up for local streets, villages, and towns for communities to be connected again.</li> </ul> <p><b>Highway Safety – Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work has been taking place to set up a lorry watch scheme, which would be similar to community speed watch with volunteers trained by the Police. This is due to issues in Malmesbury which has a 7.5-ton limit, Lyneham Banks and Sherston.</li> <li>• The lorry watch scheme is currently on hold, but the Police and Crime Commissioner has been contacted and is currently reviewing the situation.</li> <li>• Work is being conducted on auto speed watch as well as a way of using the information that it produces.</li> </ul>
36	<p><u>Cost of Living Crisis and Warm Spaces</u></p> <p>A briefing note was included in the agenda pack from the Engagement and Partnerships Team (Wiltshire Council), which outlined the role of Area Boards and examples of how they can support the cost of living in Wiltshire. In addition, attention was drawn to a poster within the agenda which included a list of organisations and websites, which may be able to provide help for anyone who is concerned about the rising cost of living.</p> <p>A verbal update was provided by Strategic Engagement Partnerships Manager, Andrew Jack, which covered the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wiltshire Council was awarded £2,728,656 of funding from central</li> </ul>

government to support residents through winter.

- The following support mechanisms were outlined including the £50,000 Household Support Grant, the Surviving Winter Campaign, Warm and Safe Wiltshire, Council Tax support and Age UK Wiltshire.
- At a local level, community groups are available to apply for funding from the Malmesbury Area Board, with further attention drawn to the following [Wiltshire Council Website](#) which provides advice for a range of issues.
- An [Interactive Community Directory](#) has been created, which shows what is available to residents in their local community, with 95 warm spaces logged so far, however many are yet to be logged.
- The interactive map provides information on local warm spaces, their opening times as well as the service they provide.
- The criterion for becoming a Warm Space is not prescriptive but Wiltshire Council is looking to make use of existing organisations and extend their existing provision.
- The following [Survey](#) enables local organisations to share details of a warm space that they have set up.
- A similar map for community food provision has also been set up with a need for community fridges, larders, foodbanks and other community food providers to be registered to assist them in becoming more well known. The following [Survey](#) enables such food providers to provide their information to Wiltshire Council.
- It was noted that for those not able to access the internet, all of the libraries in Wiltshire have registered as Warm Spaces with staff trained on warm spaces and able to assist those needing to use a computer.

A verbal update was provided by Kim Power (Mayor of Malmesbury and Chair of Malmesbury Area Health and Wellbeing Forum), which included the following points:

- A weekly calendar has been created in collaboration with Cllr Gavin Grant and Andrew Jack to highlight what is available locally, with services spread over the course of the week.
- The calendar includes various key people and sources including the library, Malmesbury Abbey, King's Church, the Activity Centre and Riverside Centre.
- It was outlined that the calendar has the aim of providing for all demographics and locations in Malmesbury, with examples of the Toddler Group and Thermal Thursdays cited.
- In addition to the Community Fridge and Foodbank, a new Coat bank is opening in partnership with the Riverside Centre and HEALs.
- St Aldhelm's Church will also be resurrecting the Luncheon Club at the Town Hall.

Heather Chivers, Trustee of the Malmesbury and District Foodbank was invited

	<p>to speak to the Area Board. Heather covered the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Malmesbury and District Foodbank covers the North Wiltshire Area, with centres located in Malmesbury and Cricklade.</li> <li>• The Foodbank has seen an increase in the number that they are supporting, with 14 individuals attending an hour and a half session last week.</li> <li>• Regarding demand, last year the Foodbank was receiving 800kgs of food for distribution, but this has now risen to be 2.2 tonnes of food.</li> <li>• It was stated that if anyone would like to be able to refer to the foodbank, they could get in touch with Heather through the following details, phone: 07929 338059 or email: <a href="mailto:heather@malmesburydistrict.foodbank.org.uk">heather@malmesburydistrict.foodbank.org.uk</a>.</li> <li>• The foodbank previously received grant funding from the Area Board, which allowed the service to provide fresh food cards to individuals, which acted as vouchers to be used in shops.</li> <li>• Though the Foodbank receives many referrals from organisations such as local surgeries, housing organisations, schools and HEALs, there are still areas which have black holes with few referrals taking place.</li> </ul> <p>Following the updates there was time for the following questions and points to be raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Admiration was shared for the Foodbank, particularly with how they had dealt with the increase in demand.</li> <li>• It was questioned whether the Foodbank was in need of more donations, with it clarified that the Foodbank uses their <a href="#">Website</a> to highlight what items are needed and what are not. Furthermore, the website lists the donation points in the Malmesbury Area.</li> <li>• It was stated that an issue often experienced by charities are people that go under the radar.</li> <li>• It was suggested that for promoting the Warm Spaces and the Foodbank that local village newsletters and noticeboards are used as generally they have a greater outreach to those without the internet.</li> <li>• The Chairman drew attention to the <a href="#">Wiltshire Council Cabinet Meeting</a> which took place on 29 November, where the Leader provided a further update on cost of living support.</li> <li>• It was clarified that the Community Fridge is independent from the Foodbank and is ran by HEALs and is stocked by Aldi and the Co-op.</li> <li>• Andrew Jack reminded Heather that the Foodbank would be eligible for grant funding from the Area Board and that she would be able to apply for funding for both Malmesbury and Cricklade.</li> </ul>
37	<p><u>Green Square Accord</u></p> <p>The Chairman introduced David Loon, Head of Localities for Green Square Accord to the meeting. After which, David Loon spoke to those at the meeting,</p>

which included the following points:

- An overview of Green Square Accord was provided, with it noted that in his role of Head of Localities, Mr Loon was responsible for all of the tenancy and management of Green Square Accord stock, which included 8,000 homes in Wiltshire and around 450 homes in the Malmesbury area.
- It was outlined that Green Square Accord wanted to attend the Area Board as an opportunity to reconnect with the Malmesbury area.
- Mr Loon shared that Green Square Accord had introduced new initiatives including a Tenancy Skills Team, which was looking to help those struggling with such issues as rent arrears, child poverty and hoarding.
- Information was provided that there is a dedicated Tenancy Enforcement Team for when issues arise and conditions need to be enforced, with support provided across all localities.
- Mr Loon stated that his team is responsible for Age Designated Housing, identified for residents over 50, which are managed within one locality rather than a silo approach.
- Regarding questions that had been received about customers moving, it was outlined that there is a free national database called [HomeSwapper](#), which enables mutual housing exchange and is available to all Green Square Accord Customers.
- It was outlined that Green Square Accord have their own Community Impact Fund, which can award grants of up to £500. Further information and guidance was included and attached to the minutes pack.
- Recently new appointments in the Housing Services team had taken place, with a new Locality Manager and Housing Officer appointed. The contact details were provided for each as follows:  
Simon Henstock (Locality Manager)  
[Simon.Henstock@greensquareaccord.co.uk](mailto:Simon.Henstock@greensquareaccord.co.uk)  
Emma Cahill (Housing Officer) [emma.cahill@greensquareaccord.co.uk](mailto:emma.cahill@greensquareaccord.co.uk)

Following the verbal presentation there was time for the following questions and points to be raised:

- It was questioned whether housing providers and developers have conversations about the local landscape, to which it was clarified that generally organisations have preferred areas and with new developments a lot depends on Section 106 agreements and whether the providers have grant funding. Additionally, there are opportunities for providers to speak to landlords regarding stock swaps and transfers.
- Sympathy was shown towards housing providers having previously had to reduce rent amounts by 1% and now being unable to increase rent amounts due to the cost of living.
- It was suggested that Green Square Accord make their customers aware of the voluntary services within the area, such as HEALS, Malmesbury League of Friends and Malmesbury Community Trust. All of which would be able to provide support.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An additional suggestion was received that a way of tackling anti-social behaviour in rural areas could be to move such tenants to a town environment which would have the resources to deal with such issues.</li> <li>• It was clarified that Green Square Accord does not have a policy to sell off rural properties and normally stock is sold when it is not economically viable to repair.</li> </ul>
38	<p><u>Shared Lives Presentation</u></p> <p>Mercedes Apps (Shared Lives Team Leader) was unable to attend the Area Board meeting and provided apologies. It was agreed that the Shared Lives Team would be invited to attend and present at a future Area Board meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Fostering</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to the Fostering presentation which was received by the Area Board at their previous meeting and stressed the importance of the scheme. It was stated that anyone who would like to get in touch with the Fostering Team could do so via the following details: Phone: 0800 169 6321; text 'foster' to 60002 or find out more at <a href="http://www.fosteringwiltshire.uk">www.fosteringwiltshire.uk</a>.</p>
39	<p><u>Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)</u></p> <p>Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall introduced the minutes and recommendations from the LHFIG meeting held on 25 October 2022.</p> <p>After which, it was;</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>The minutes of the Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group meeting held on 25 October 2022 were agreed as a correct record.</b></p>
40	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered the following applications for funding:</p> <p><b><u>Community Area Grants:</u></b></p> <p>Cross Hayes Preschool - £3,000 towards Cross Hayes Preschool Outdoor Shelter.</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>Cross Hayes Preschool was awarded £2,500 towards Cross Hayes Preschool Outdoor Shelter which would be ring-fenced for the applicant until they had raised the remaining part funding.</b></p>



	<p>Malmesbury Morris - £500 towards Malmesbury Morris Dancers.</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>Malmesbury Morris was awarded £500 towards Malmesbury Morris Dancers.</b></p> <p><b><u>Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding:</u></b></p> <p>The Kings Church Malmesbury - £450 towards keep warm at Kings.</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>The Kings Church Malmesbury was awarded £450 towards keep warm at Kings.</b></p> <p>M and VCAP - £1,912 towards Warm Spaces and Winter Support.</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>M and VCAP was awarded £1,912 towards Warm Spaces and Winter Support.</b></p> <p><b><u>Youth Grants:</u></b></p> <p>The RISE trust youth - £3,910 towards Malmesbury safe space and outreach project.</p> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b>The RISE trust youth was awarded £3,910 towards Malmesbury safe space and outreach project.</b></p>
41	<p><b><u>Urgent items</u></b></p> <p>The importance of the Fostering scheme was stressed as well as the Grandmentors scheme for those in the local area who might be interested. The Area Board wished those in attendance a merry Christmas.</p>
42	<p><b><u>Future Meeting Date</u></b></p> <p>The date of the next meeting is 28 February 2023.</p>

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## NOTES OF THE MALMESBURY AREA HEALTH & WELLBEING FORUM MEETING

Thursday 17th November 2022 at 10.30am (Zoom Meeting)

### 1. INTRODUCTIONS AND UPDATES:

As usual, everyone on the call had an opportunity to remind people of who they represent and their roles.

#### Points of Note:

- **Sherry Baffour** – Sherry is a member of Kings Church, Abbey Row in Malmesbury. She introduced herself as a new member and gave some background to the Kings Church, which has a small congregation at present, but has a keen interest in supporting older and vulnerable people. Their grant application to the Area Board was discussed later on in meeting.
- **Fatima Burkitt** – Fatima who is the Care Co-ordinator Wiltshire Health and Care for the area, is working from the Tolsey Surgery, Sherston and is now concentrating on hospital discharges into the Care System.
- **Andy Donald** – Andy advised that after 17 years as the manager of the Malmesbury Activity Zone (Wilts Council), he is shortly moving on to take up a managerial role at the Olympiad in Swindon. The new manager in Malmesbury will be Marc Bowden and he will be invited to our next meeting.
- **Jan Forsyth** - It was reported that Jan, the Community Co-ordinator from the Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living/ North Wiltshire Primary Care Network (PCN) has resigned and there is no news of her replacement.
- **Jo Harrison** – LivingWell Team Lead for the Primary Care Network; Jo is a new member of the team, based at the New Court Surgery, Royal Wootton Bassett, but also covering Malmesbury and the rest of the PCN area. Her new title is 'Team Lead Social Prescribing Link Worker North Wiltshire PCN' and deals with social prescribing.
- **Andrew Jack** – Andrew is the new Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Manager – Malmesbury, Marlborough and Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade, for Wiltshire Council and supports the Area Board. There has been some re organising of roles and he replaces Alexa Davies, who was the previous Community Engagement Manager. Unfortunately, Andrew was unable to attend due to another meeting, but we will hopefully meet him at the next forum meeting.
- **Debbie Pritchard**- Debbie is the Activities Manager advised that Hill House Care Home, Little Somerford, is now called Somerhill and is being run by Cedar Care Homes, who have a group of Care Homes in the South West.

#### Community Transport Update: Cartmell Bus

- The new minibus which will be paid for from a Big Lottery Grant of nearly £60,000 is still being built, but has been given a tentative new date of Dec 2022 for delivery.

- The existing Cartmell Minibus, known as the 'Cream Bus', could still be used more. This can be driven by a representative of a community organisation or group. Hire costs are inexpensive and include full insurance and petrol at £1.20 per mile, with a minimum payment. If you have a 'd' on your driving licence you are able to drive the bus after a quick test run assessment as a volunteer. If not then you can become qualified to drive the bus after a short course. Pre-Covid, nearly all the local care homes had drivers available, with some extra volunteer drivers who were able to help out with an occasional trip. The number of volunteer drivers has now reduced, which is sad as the Minibus is a great way to take people out and about, but could be used more and especially when the new bus arrives. So, there is a call out to all for new volunteer drivers. If anyone wishes to know more, then please contact John Fairhurst by email [jfairhurst@btinternet.com](mailto:jfairhurst@btinternet.com) for more information.

## **2) IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY, ACTIVITIES AND SUPPORT FOR OLDER AND VULNERABLE PEOPLE**

- Everyone agreed that the entertainment and support sessions provided by Celebrating Age Wiltshire so far this year have been great! We look forward to enjoying many more and have been working in partnership with them to maximise accessibility.
- Julie Dart reminded us of the Public Living Room which is available to all at Malmesbury Library Tuesdays 1.30pm to 4.30pm and which is gathering momentum. "A free relaxed space for folk to sit, get together and share a cuppa. Come along and meet people in your community. Everyone is welcome."

### **Promotion of Events:**

- Please remember if you have an event coming up and wish me to circulate details to others in the forum, then please just email me, with plenty of notice if possible.
- Malmesbury Town Council has a What's On newsletter, which is issued by the Tourist Information at the Town Hall, which you can ask to include your event. They can be contacted via their website [www.malmesbury.gov.uk](http://www.malmesbury.gov.uk)

### **Event Reminders:**

Reminder that two very friendly 'drop ins' for older people are in happening in Malmesbury:

- Every Friday Morning 10am at Burnham Court, **Malmesbury Seniors Coffee Morning.**
- **Saturday Friends** is the first Saturday in the month at Riverside from 2pm to 4pm and includes more substantial refreshments and activities, all of which are free of charge and transport may be provided.

If you would like any further details about these, then please contact me.

### **Upcoming Events:**

See att. flyers!

- **Saturday 3rd December 2022 2pm to 4pm** - Saturday Friends Christmas Party at Riverside Community Centre Party with entertainer and singer Neil Patterson- Free of charge and transport may be provided;
- **Thursday 15th December 2022 2.30pm** - Christmas Tea Party by Celebrating Age Wiltshire and Malmesbury Town Council at Malmesbury Town Hall, with food and entertainment - Free of charge and transport may be provided;
- **Wednesday 25th January 2023 10.30am (tbc)** – Tortheatre Pantomime by Celebrating Age Wiltshire and Malmesbury Town Council at Malmesbury Town Hall, with morning coffee and cake - Free of charge and transport may be provided;

Ramona Gherendi, Manager of White Lodge also gave us a flavour of the events they had lined up, including their 30th Birthday Mad Hatter’s Tea Party and a Market coming up on 26th November. She advised all would be welcome.

### **3) COST OF LIVING CRISIS AND WINTER SUPPORT**

The background to the ongoing work of supporting the more vulnerable and elderly in our community was discussed in depth. This is a winter support programme, where several venues open to the public have come together to organise a rota of free warm spaces plus refreshments, which will be available for people to come to during the winter months. The aim is to help those who are unable to afford to heat their homes sufficiently and who may also need help with food. Older and vulnerable people, plus people with young children are considered to be those who may especially need help to stay warm and well. The detailed grant applications to Wiltshire Council have been made to support the various venues to provide warm spaces, food and drink and to help set up a Coatbank.

Two grant applications made to the Wiltshire Council Area Board for the Malmesbury Community Area in this respect were seen and discussed, being for **£1912** and **£500**. There was unanimous support for these applications from the members of the Forum present at the meeting.

Thanks were given to all and the Chair advised she will be circulating dates for next year’s meeting in due course.

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The meeting was attended by:

**Beeches Homecare** – Penni Kingsbury;

**Carers Support Wiltshire** - Ashley Harris, Community Connector;

**Community Transport** – Kim Power, Cartmell Minibus and MDCT member;

**Health and Wellbeing Forum Chair** – Kim Power;

**Kings Church Malmesbury** - Sherry Baffour;

**Malmesbury Abbey** - Deborah Scott- Bromley, May Moore Chaplain and Associate Priest ;

**Malmesbury Activity Zone (Wilts Council)** – Andy Donald;

**Malmesbury Primary Care Centre** - Jo Harrison, LivingWell Team Lead;

**Malmesbury Primary Care Centre** -

Fatima Burkitt, Care Co-ordinator Wiltshire Health and Care;

**Radfield Home Care** – Jeremy Kemp;

**Friends of Riverside** – Margaret Perrin- Trustee;

**Friends of Riverside** –Catherine Doody-- Trustee;

**Friends of Riverside** –Mary O’Brien - Trustee  
**Somerhill Care Home** Deborah Pritchard, Activities Manager;  
**Townsend Court** – Nicola Steven, Manager;  
**White Lodge, Minety** - Ramona Gherendi –Manager;  
**White Lodge, Minety** – Lucy Plumbley –Activities Assistant;  
**Wiltshire Council Area Board Volunteer Champion** - Julie Dart;  
**Wiltshire Councillor (Area Board Representative) & Chair of Malmesbury Dementia Action Alliance** – Roger (Chuck) Berry;  
**Wiltshire Sight Support** – Sarah O Rourke;

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## **GreenSquareAccord Community Impact Fund 2022-23 Information and Guidance**

### **Introduction**

The GreenSquareAccord (GSA) Community Impact Fund awards grants to community groups and organisations whose projects benefit GSA customers and their local communities.

A judging panel made up of members of the GSA Customer panel and Community Involvement & Investment team is responsible for awarding the grants from the Fund. The Fund can award grants of up to £500 for projects.

We have tried to make the application form as easy as possible to fill in. If something is not clear, please contact the Community Involvement & Investment Team by emailing: [communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk](mailto:communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk).

### **How to apply**

Please read the guidance thoroughly, in particular the 'eligibility' section. When you are sure you are eligible to apply, please complete an application form. You can complete an online application form on our website, or you can download and complete a Word version of the form.

If you complete the online application form you can submit it online. If you complete the Word version, please email your completed form to [communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk](mailto:communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk).

### **Deadlines**

Applications can be submitted at any time throughout the year. Grants will be awarded until the total funding pot for any given year has been allocated. The 2022-23 Community Impact Fund will run until the end of March 2023.

The judging panel will meet on a bi-monthly basis, subject to the quantity of applications received.

Please note that we will need to know exactly how much money you need and what it will be spent on, so please get quotes to make your figures as accurate as possible.

## Eligibility

The Fund is aimed at supporting the work of tenant and resident groups, local charities, voluntary and community groups and organisations who operate in our areas to develop projects that deliver outcomes to benefit GSA customers and the communities we work in.

- ◆ Applicants must demonstrate how the grant will benefit the lives of GSA customers.
- ◆ Applicants will need to be constituted groups and will be required to provide their organisations' latest accounts/annual report if they have one and insurance details.
- ◆ If a group or organisation is new, a draft or latest income and expenditure forecast will be sufficient.
- ◆ Groups/organisations will need a bank account to receive grant payments. GSA cannot pay grants to individuals or via crowd funding or fundraising pages.
- ◆ Where relevant to the project, groups will need to submit their Safeguarding policy for work with people under 18 or vulnerable adults.
- ◆ We don't offer funding for party-political or religious activities; commercial ventures; retrospective funding; individuals or projects run by individuals; or activities excluding people by religion, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

If you are not sure whether you are eligible to apply, or how to meet these criteria, please contact us at [communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk](mailto:communities@greensquareaccord.co.uk).

## Priorities

The projects we fund need to directly benefit GSA customers. Our main priorities for the Fund are:

- ◆ **Providing opportunities to access employment and develop relevant skills**  
*e.g. projects that help people into work through access to training and educational courses, volunteering opportunities.*
- ◆ **Developing financial capability**  
*e.g. supporting people to be financially independent, information & guidance, budgeting advice, projects addressing cost of living increases.*
- ◆ **Improving digital inclusion**  
*e.g. projects that develop peoples' skills and confidence to get online or improve access to devices, digital champions projects.*
- ◆ **Promoting health and well-being**  
*e.g. running clubs and activities for targeted groups such as young people or older, isolated adults, improving green spaces, projects that improve sense of community, connection and safety, food & nutrition projects, projects that reduce health inequalities.*

Previous grants we have awarded include:

- ◆ Provision of seated dance sessions for older people in sheltered accommodation
- ◆ Supporting children with speech and language development
- ◆ Allotment project to enable young people access to gardening skills
- ◆ Outdoor therapy for vulnerable, isolated people



- ◆ Production and distribution of a free independent community newspaper
- ◆ Recruit, train and resource volunteers to go into schools to support primary students with their reading
- ◆ Engaging young people at risk of anti-social behaviour (ASB) with positive activities.

### Assessing applications

Once your application has been received it will be reviewed by the Community Involvement & Investment Team and relevant Locality Management Board.

All eligible applications will then be assessed by the judging panel, a small group of GSA Customer Panel members and the Community Involvement & Investment team, who have been delegated responsibility for the Community Impact Fund. The judging panel will meet bi-monthly and you should be informed of the outcome of your application within 8 weeks of submitting it.

### Successful applications

If you are successful, you will be sent an Award Letter detailing the conditions of your grant and your responsibilities. Payment will be made via a BACS transfer.

There are a few requirements for projects that are awarded grants. These include:

- ◆ The money must be used within 1 year of the date of the award.
- ◆ We will need you to complete an evaluation form and provide information/photographs to demonstrate how your grant was spent. We will provide you with a template for this.
- ◆ You must be able to provide copies of all receipts and invoices associated with your grant.
- ◆ You will need to acknowledge GSA's financial support in your publicity, printed or website material, relating to the project and use the GSA approved logo (we will share this with you and can help if you are unsure of how to do this).

### Apply now

If you meet our eligibility criteria, we would be delighted to receive your application. You can download the application guidance and an application form at [add website link](#).

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**The King's Coronation – Community Celebrations  
Briefing Note**

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

**Further Enquiries:** Kevin Oliver

**Date Prepared:** 7 November 2022

**Direct Line:** 01380 826335

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

<b>Service:</b>	<b>Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Partnership</b>
<b>Date prepared:</b>	<b>November 2022</b>
<b>Further enquiries to:</b>	<b>Simon Thomas</b> <b>FACT Programme Lead</b>
<b>Direct contact:</b>	<b>FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk</b>

### 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.

Please email [FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk) for further information or to get involved.

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# Area Board Update

Royal Wootton Bassett Community Policing Team

February 2023 – **Malmesbury Area Board**



Agenda Item 7

# Your CPT – Royal Wootton Bassett

**Chief Inspector:** C/Insp James Brain

**Inspector:** Insp Louis McCoy

**Neighbourhood Sergeant:** Sgt Kate Smith

**Neighbourhood Officers:**

**PC Joanne Phelps (Malmesbury Town)**

PC Lucy Wright (Royal Wootton Bassett Town)

**PCSOs:**

**Rebecca Walsh (Malmesbury Town)**

Kelly Hillier (Royal Wootton Bassett)

Monique Beasley (Cricklade and Purton)

**John Bordiss (Ashton Keynes and Minety)**

**Juliet Evans (Malmesbury Rural)**



# Local Priorities & Updates

Priority	Update
Repeat Offenders	The next court date for two repeat young offenders is 21 <sup>st</sup> March. The Neighbourhood Team are applying for a Criminal Behaviour Order to be imposed should the offenders be convicted. Other offences which they are suspected of committing remain under investigation whilst we await the results of digital evidence.
Anti Social Behaviour	We have increased patrols during the evenings and over the half term holidays to target ASB within the town, plus have inputs planned to present to Malmesbury school students in the new term.
Community Engagement	Our Neighbourhood Team has been recognised as the highest-performing team in Wiltshire Police in terms of community engagement over the last few months. In January alone we met over 700 people in our local community, through community events, school visits and meetings and we have toured our beats from the 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> February with the community bus reaching out to over 150 people from all different sections of the community.

# Project Zero and Wiltshire Spec Ops

- Project Zero is the Roads Policing Unit & associated partners dedicated response to a particular geographical area within Wiltshire.
- The team attend locations of public concern regarding anti social driving and speed complaints and target through various intelligence means drink and drug drivers.
- Recently, the team conducted speed checks in Brinkworth, Hook and Malmesbury with multiple traffic offence reports issued plus:
  - 1 arrest for drug driving
  - 14 Fixed Penalty Tickets for varying offences including illegal window tints and seat belt offences
  - 12 Traffic offence reports for things such as mobile phones and speeding
  - 3 vehicle seizures for disqualified driving and no insurance offences
- Wiltshire Spec Ops are working with Road Safety Units and Citizens in Policing to enhance the work they are doing and provide even greater visibility and deterrence.
- They will be back in your area very soon!
- Twitter @WiltsSpecOps

## PCSO Becky Walsh – Malmesbury Town Centre -A snapshot of her work

- Becky has been working with our response teams to provide a visible presence and intervention in response to youth related ASB
- Working with Malmesbury secondary school, sharing information, problem solving together and supporting lunch time patrols
- Monitoring and working towards resolving parking issues around the Triangle and 3 Cups
- Working with local community groups to encourage reporting of incidents to we can gain a true picture of what is going on to respond effectively

# PC Jo Phelps – Malmesbury

## - An understanding of community investigations

- Investigating a series of offences is complex and time consuming, requiring dedication, expertise and support.
- PC Phelps is investigating a series of offences in Malmesbury over a number of months and we have had positive court outcomes with further work still ongoing.
- It is not simply, arrest, charge and result. Evidence collation is key and can be multi-faceted and we must consider partner agencies.
- It all takes time!
- Examples of who we work with:
  - Greensquare
  - The Rise Trust
  - Social Services
  - Youth Justice Services
  - Malmesbury Secondary School
  - CPS
  - Trial preparation Unit
  - Response teams
- This can be applicable to a number of concurrent investigations involving different individuals, there is often no quick fix.
- Policing in 2023 is more than just the Police.

# Our Community Engagement



# Our Community Engagement



# Useful Links

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

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

# 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](http://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk)

## Follow your CPT on social media

- [Royal Wootton Bassett Police Facebook](#)
- [Royal Wootton Bassett Police Twitter](#)
- [Malmesbury Police Facebook](#)
- [Malmesbury Police Twitter](#)

Find out more information on your CPT area at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk) and here [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)



The screenshot shows the Wiltshire Police website. At the top is a blue navigation bar with the Wiltshire Police logo and a search bar. Below the navigation bar are five menu items: Report, Tell us about, Apply or register, Request, and Feedback. The main content area is titled 'Royal Wootton Bassett Area CPT'. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text: 'CPT Royal Wootton Bassett covers the areas of Royal Wootton Bassett, Malmesbury, Cricklade, Ashton Keynes and surrounding areas.' This is followed by a paragraph: 'To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email [RoyalWoottonBassettAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:RoyalWoottonBassettAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk). Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7.' The next paragraph states: 'You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for non-urgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or [Report a crime here](#)' The final line says: 'You see a map of crimes in the Royal Wootton Bassett area [by visiting www.police.uk](#)'



## 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."

Yesterday afternoon (12 Dec), the Government increased the cap on police precept, without local referendum, so that PCCs can now potentially increase by up to £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 the survey here which is open until the end of January 2023](#)



## DORSET & WILTSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

### WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD REPORT

#### **Community Safety Plan**

DWFRS Community Safety Plan can be found on the DWFRS website;

<http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/>

#### **Prevention**

We are committed to making a real difference to the lives of people in Dorset and Wiltshire. Our aim is to reduce the level of risk and harm to our communities from fire, targeting those most at risk. We do this primarily through our Safe and Well visits.

A Safe and Well visit is **FREE** and normally lasts about one hour covering topics such as:

- Using electricity safely
- Cooking safely
- Making an escape plan
- What to do if there is a fire
- Keeping children safe
- Good practice – night time routine and other points relevant to you
- Identifying and discussing any further support the occupier may need

Are you or anyone you know:-

- Over the age of 65?
- Need a smoke detector?
- Have a long-term health condition?
- Suffer from poor hearing or sight loss?
- Would you struggle to escape in the event of a fire?

If you can answer yes to more than one of these questions, then please call us on 0800 038 2323 or visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/>



## Protection

On-going interaction by Protection Team members with Local Authorities, Private landlords and tenants regarding fire safety-related matters: external cladding systems; fire detection and warning systems; fire resisting doors (& self-closers); combustibility/fire resistance of construction materials; commercial and residential sprinklers systems and water-mist suppression systems

### **General Enquiries**

If you have a general fire safety enquiry regarding commercial property, please email [fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk](mailto:fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk) and the Fire Safety Team will respond in office hours.

### **Fire Safety Complaint**

If you wish to tell us about fire safety risks in commercial premises, such as locked or blocked fire exits, you have three options:

- You can email the fire safety department at [enforcement@dwfire.org.uk](mailto:enforcement@dwfire.org.uk)
- Call 01722 69 1717 during office hours (9am-5pm).
- Call our Service Control Centre on 0306 799 0019 out of office hours (5pm-9am)

## On Call Recruitment

Have you always wondered if you could join the fire service, but haven't had the opportunity to find out more? Have you found yourself seeking your next challenge, keen to give back to the local community or wanting to learn new skills including leadership and teamwork? Then becoming an on-call firefighter is for you.

As a paid position, on-call firefighters commit anywhere between 60 to 120 hours per week, during which time they must be able to respond to the station immediately.

Many have 'normal' jobs during the day, then upon their return home make themselves available overnight or during the weekends. Some of our crew respond from their workplaces during the day, and we are very grateful to their employers for releasing them to perform their vital duties.

Anyone over 18 years old can apply (although you can also apply once you are 17½) you must be able to respond and attend the fire station within 5-8 minutes, you have a good standard of physical fitness (i.e. you are generally active), and you must have the right to work in the UK.

Further information on becoming an On Call Firefighter can be found at [www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/](http://www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/) or should you have any questions, you can call **01722 691444**.

## **Recent News & Events**

### **Local man says thank you after firefighters save his life**



A man whose life was saved by Malmesbury firefighters has been to the fire station to thank them.

Ray Gilson, 75, had been at the town's football club on 7 November for a skittle match when he collapsed, banging his head on a pool table as he fell.

The fire crew were on station for their weekly drill night when a member of the public came in and asked for help. A team of six immediately went to the clubhouse and found Ray to be not breathing and unresponsive.

After starting CPR and using their defibrillator to administer four shocks, the crew successfully restarted Ray's heart and, by the time South Western Ambulance Service took him to hospital, he was conscious and starting to respond to the crew.

After 10 days at Bristol Heart Institute, Ray was able to return to his home in Sutton Benger and is now making a good recovery.

On Monday (19 December), Ray visited Malmesbury fire station to give his personal thanks to Watch Manager Chris Harvey, Crew Manager Jamie Johnstone, and Firefighters Bret Gardiner, Alex Hughes, Neil Risby and Jae Wright.

Mr Gilson said: "The fire service saved my life. I know how lucky I was that they were at the station that evening doing training. I wouldn't have been here if they weren't there that night."



## **DWFRS celebrates after Deputy Chief Fire Officer is recognised in New Year Honours List**



Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service is celebrating with Deputy Chief Fire Officer (DCFO) Derek James today, after he was recognised with a King's Fire Service Medal (KFSM) in the 2023 New Year Honours List.

DCFO James has been recognised for his outstanding leadership and commitment to serving the communities of Dorset & Wiltshire. Derek was instrumental in the formation of Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service and Authority in 2016. Derek's vision helped protect frontline services, while achieving savings of over £8m per year and subsequently securing high ratings from government Inspectors.

## **Driving in adverse conditions**



The best way to be safe in extremely bad weather is to avoid driving at all. However, that's not always possible. In addition, bad weather can be unpredictable and it's common to get caught out while on the road.

For further information, please visit: -

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/education/road-safety/driving-in-adverse-conditions/>

## Flooding



Over recent years, we have seen more and more properties affected by flooding during periods of significant rain.

Flooding can be caused by rivers and watercourses overflowing; it can also be caused by drains and culverts being

unable to cope with excess surface water on the roads. Everyone whose home is at risk of flooding should have a plan of what to do if the worst happens.

Please note, the fire and rescue service may not always be able to help in the event of a flood. While your property may be flooded, there has to be a certain level of water before we can pump it away, and we have to be able to pump it somewhere without it having a detrimental effect elsewhere. This often means waiting until the rain has stopped or the river level has fallen.

As such, a fire crew will not automatically be sent; depending on the volume of calls, we may be able to send an officer to assess the situation and, if they feel that we can assist, they will call for a fire crew. The fire service can only help in certain situations, such as if there is risk to life, or water is affecting electrics, leading to a risk of fire. Please only call 999 if these risks exist.

For further information, please visit: - <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/flooding/>

## Energy saving tips



There are various ways to save energy around the home, and every penny counts with the costs of gas and electricity going up as they are. There's lots of advice online about ways to reduce your energy usage – such

as [www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home)

Please also visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/save-safely/energy-saving-tips/> for further information and ideas.



## **Demand**

Total Fire Calls for Malmesbury Fire Station for period;- Oct, Nov, Dec 22 (Q3) = 15

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Incidents</b>
Deliberate Fires	2
Accidental Dwelling Fires	0
AFA Domestic	1
AFA Non Domestic	5
RTC	1
<b>Total</b>	

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Station Manager**

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## 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 Care Model. 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

<https://bswtogether.org.uk/blog/bswtogether/find-out-more-about-bsws-health-and-care-model/>

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 <https://bswtogether.org.uk/about-us/shaping-a-healthier-future/about-our-health-and-care-model/>

### 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 [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) 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 [www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk](http://www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk).

## **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](http://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 <https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/news-and-events/integrated-care-centres/devizes-health-centre/>

## 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 information 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 [share tips on self-care](#) to manage your mood.

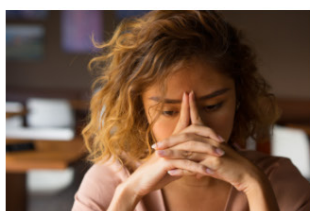
[Our downloadable guides](#) to mental health support in Wiltshire can also help you find local services for both children and adults. Since 2021, the guides have been downloaded more than 670 times.

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

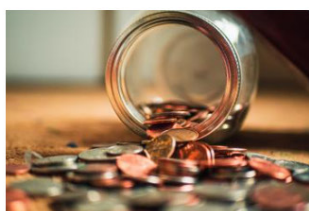
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#### Looking after your mental health this winter

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

13 December 2022



#### Where to get cost of living support in Wiltshire

Local organisations that can give you practical help and support.

28 November 2022



#### How to stay well this winter

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

28 November 2022



#### What you need to know about flu

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

28 September 2022



### Destination Adventure

The Youth Action Wiltshire minibus appeal 'Destination Adventure' will be running throughout December. The appeal aims to raise £30,000 towards the cost of a replacement minibus for Youth Action Wiltshire. For more information about the campaign or to make a donation visit: [www.justgiving.com/campaign/yaw-minibus](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/yaw-minibus)

### Do you need help with community engagement in 2023?

Community First works with local councils, groups, charities and organisations to deliver community engagement projects which offer actionable insights and solutions to issues which are important for residents and communities across the county. One of the ways we do this is through door-knocking.

Door-knocking is a proactive form of community engagement which aims to reach into the heart of a community or place and speak to people face to face. Door-knocking is an extremely effective way to engage with harder to reach people and has a proven track-record for reducing isolation, bringing people together and making communities stronger and more resilient. Trained Community Organisers visit individual houses, knock on every door and speak to local people about services, projects, initiatives, ideas, opportunities or events which can help to improve their lives and tackle issues which are important to them.

### Digital Consultation

In addition to face-to-face and direct outreach we can also design and launch online surveys on a variety of different subjects including neighbourhood planning, feedback on proposed new development and community feedback on local facilities and how they can be improved as part of a needs analysis. A premium survey tool is used, which allows for exceptional flexibility with an unlimited number of questions, question types and responses.

This service takes the hassle out of survey design by creating a bespoke survey branded with your logo and colour scheme. Surveys are user friendly, mobile optimised and easy to complete, with a full password protected data export at the close of the survey date. Technical support and a weekly update on the number of respondents can also be provided, as well as advice on how to promote your survey to maximise responses.

Our team is experienced in qualitative/quantitative analysis and thematic analysis. We can produce a variety of different reports with analysis of both open and closed question types, key findings and recommendations.

**For more information about how we can help you reach out and connect with local communities through door-knocking, community engagement initiatives or digital surveys in 2023, [please see our information leaflet](#) or contact Harry Tipple: [htipple@communityfirst.org.uk](mailto:htipple@communityfirst.org.uk)**

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Organisation name: Community First

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022



## Cost of Living Update – January 2023

For a summary of the resources and recent announcements, take a look at the Council's [dedicated Cost of Living page](#). This includes links to information for sources of national and local support.

The [interactive community directory](#) which helps people to search for warm spaces and community food providers in their area, also lists the easiest bus routes to help people find help more easily.

It's worth noting that [most single fares cut to just £2 or less this winter](#) which should reduce the cost of getting to community resources

### Bus fare reductions over winter

Wiltshire bus users can now travel on most routes in the county for just £2 or less for a single fare until 31 March.

The fare price reduction has been funded by the Government and is aimed at getting more people to use buses across the country during the current cost of living challenges.

As part of the promotion, many single bus fares in Wiltshire have been capped at just £2 for both adults and concessions. If the single fare was originally less than £2, it will remain at the reduced price, and many day return tickets have also been reduced.

### Households to get new cost-of-living payments from spring 2023

The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) announced on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January, more detail on the payment schedule for the next round of cost-of-living support unveiled in the Chancellor's Autumn Statement on 17 November.

The £900 payment for over eight million eligible means-tested benefits claimants (including those on Universal Credit, Pension Credit, and tax credits) starts in spring. Payments will go directly to bank accounts in three payments over the course of the financial year. There will also be a separate £150 for over six million disabled people and £300 for over eight million pensioners on top of their winter fuel payment.

Payments will be made automatically if individuals are eligible and there will be no need to apply. Claimants who are eligible for any of the cost-of-living payments and receive tax credits, and no other means-tested benefits, will receive payment from HM Revenue and Customs shortly after DWP payments are issued.

Exact payment windows will be announced closer to the time but are spread across a longer period to ensure a consistent support offering throughout the year. They will be broadly as follows:

- **£301** – First Cost of Living Payment – **during Spring 2023**
- **£150** – Disability Cost of Living Payment – **during Summer 2023**
- **£300** – Second Cost of Living Payment – **during Autumn 2023**

*Note: Briefing drawn up Leader's Announcement at Cabinet on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023*

- **£300** – Pensioner Cost of Living Payment – **during Winter 2023/4**
- **£299** – Third Cost of Living Payment – **during Spring 2024**

Those eligible will be paid automatically, and there will be no need to apply. For more information, please visit [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

### **Winter Fuel Payment videos**

The DWP has also created some short videos answering key questions about Winter Fuel Payments. The videos are now also available in British Sign Language version

We would encourage you to share these videos:

[Winter Fuel Payment - British Sign Language](#)

[Winter Fuel Payment Information](#)

Most of those eligible do not have to claim their Winter Fuel Payment, as it is awarded automatically.

People who have not been paid by 13 January 2023 are encouraged to check their bank account before contacting the Department's [Winter Fuel Payment Centre](#).

### **Vital help with energy bills for more homes**

Support with winter energy bills is on the way for millions more households across the UK with additional schemes that include:

- Households across Great Britain that use alternative fuels like heating oil will receive a £200 payment this winter
- 900,000 households in England, Scotland, and Wales without a direct relationship to an energy supplier – such as care home or park home residents – will be able to apply online for £400 of non-repayable help with their fuel bills.

These schemes sit alongside the [Energy Price Guarantee](#) which saves a typical household in Great Britain around £900 this winter and an equivalent level of support in Northern Ireland.

There is more information on the DWP press release for [Great Britain](#)

Whilst Wiltshire Council will have a roll in verifying addresses and administering the payments, as of the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, the government is piloting the approach and the application portal had not yet been opened.

People can subscribe to the DWP's newsletter, Touchbase [here](#).



## Warm & Safe Support

Wiltshire Council's friendly library staff are continuing to play 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 can signpost people to community partners and agencies that can support people through the rising cost of living. Libraries are also collection points for Warm Packs, which includes a hot water bottle and blanket, for anyone who would benefit from some free essentials. In all but the smallest libraries there are at least two energy champions who are trained to offer advice and support people to access help.

There are no criteria for anyone who might need to use the library as a warm space, staff and volunteers will be friendly and welcoming so that people feel as comfortable as possible. There are also opportunities to spend more time in the library to take part in board games, colouring, jigsaws and tea and chat where these are part of a local library programme.

The council is always looking for volunteers to support library services, so if anyone has time to spare and wants to join a friendly team this winter they should email [libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk) or visit [Libraries](#).

## Rural Communities Energy Support Network

The Rural Communities Energy Support Network, delivered as a partnership between the Council and the Centre for Sustainable Energy, is looking to recruit people from local communities would like to be able to offer people in their community more support around staying warm and keeping the bills down

Volunteers would gain access to training and resources so they can offer energy saving advice.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, or you know someone else who might be, please go to [www.cse.org.uk/rcesn](http://www.cse.org.uk/rcesn) or email [warmandsafe@cse.org.uk](mailto:warmandsafe@cse.org.uk)

## Warm and Safe advice service

The service has continued to play a prominent role in Wiltshire's cost of living support to low-income households, by providing energy, debt, bill advice, small grants, insulation advice and referrals. Since the beginning of October, the service has received **1009 enquires**, made **144 heating and insulation referrals**, **87 Priority Service Register sign ups** and provided **£26,000 in food and fuel vouchers** and distributed **£30,328 of Surviving Winter Grant** to Wiltshire households.

## Boater Support

Public Health working alongside Economic Development secured UK Shared Prosperity Funding (UKSPF) to support the boater community, who find themselves disproportionately affected by the cost-of-living crisis. The funding has allowed Public Health to mobilise an outreach programme with Julian House to support our boating community with emergency fuel and food vouchers, within an extremely tight timescale to ensure the boaters secured the funding at a time of great need. The project was delivered throughout the 3-week cold period in December and helped **71 Boaters and 4 Roadside Travellers** with both fuel and food vouchers. Households were identified by Julian House based on eligibility criteria: low income, health condition, single parent and children with health condition.

## Wiltshire Installs project

The Wiltshire Installs project is delivered by Warm and Safe Wiltshire and has been particularly busy this winter. The scheme aims to provide new boiler/repairs, Fuel and food voucher support to households that can demonstrate that they comply with the strict eligibility criteria: low income, have a health condition, their energy needs are off the mains Gas network and have a prepayment meter. The scheme has supported **209 households** since the beginning of October 2022, through a mixture of prepayment meter and food vouchers, in addition **11 new boilers** have been fitted where households have had a no heating situation.

A Testimonial from a resident helped by the scheme:

*"I didn't realise how living in a very cold house was affecting my mental state, I really believed I was coping with my log burner, hot water bottles, everything thermal and duvet. It wasn't until the new boiler was fitted that I did realise how absolutely awful it had been."*

## Support for households that rely on life saving equipment.

Warm and Safe Wiltshire has worked in partnership with both Integrated Care Board and Adult commissioning to identify households that rely on life saving equipment, who are disproportionately affected by the high energy prices. Through November families have been offered support through the provision of food and prepayment meter vouchers, to date **13 families** have been supported.

## Community Case Worker

This winter we have increased the ability to support Council, Primary Care, NHS and Voluntary and Charitable organisations with outreach work through the Community Case Worker project (Warm and Safe), which has allowed us to deliver 24 events, outlining the Warm and Safe service and the referral routes available to

organisations to allow households ease of access into the service. In addition, this role has allowed us to provide 1 to 1 support and advocacy to people in crisis.

### **Wiltshire's Wellbeing Hub is available to help advise people through the cost-of-living crisis**

As well specific and general telephone contacts, the Council is making their Wellbeing Hub phone line available for people who may be worried about the cost-of-living crisis and needing some information and advice.

The hub was originally set-up at the start of the pandemic to provide information and advice. Anyone can access the hub and it can provide confidential advice, information, and signposting from the council's friendly team in relation to the current high cost of living.

People can call the hub Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm and Friday from 9am to 4pm on 0300 003 4576 or email [wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk). The opening hours will continue to be regularly reviewed depending on what the demand is for the service.

### **Promoting Fundraising Campaigns**

As part of our 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 asked 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 will 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 [here](#) or call the donation line on 01380 738989 from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.



## MALMESBURY LOCAL HIGHWAY AND FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENT GROUP (LHFIG) ACTION TRACKER

	Item	Update	Latest Actions & Recommendations	Priority	Who
	<b>Date of meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Meeting Notes</b>				
<b>1.</b>	<b>Attendees and apologies</b>				
	Present:	Cllrs Elizabeth Threlfall, Chuck Berry, Martin Smith, Gavin Grant.			
	Apologies:	Steve Hind, Becky Chivers, Peter Hatherell, Dai Davies, Phil Exton, Graeme Wood, Martin Evans, Becky Robinson, Chris Pope, Roger Budgen, Ian Cain, Steve Carroll, Catherine Ball.			
<b>2.</b>	<b>Notes of last meeting</b>				
		The minutes from the CATG meeting dated 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 are here  <a href="#">Agenda for Malmesbury Area Board on Tuesday 29 November 2022, 7.00 pm   Wiltshire Council</a>			

## MALMESBURY LOCAL HIGHWAY AND FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENT GROUP (LHFIG) ACTION TRACKER

3.	<b>Financial Position</b>				
		<p><b>Budget 2022-23</b></p> <p>(a) £26,150.00 - LHFIG allocation 2022-23</p> <p>(b) £42945.41 - Underspend from 2021-22 (Inc. committed schemes)</p> <p>(c) £0.00 Area Board underspend</p> <p>(d) £0.00 - 3<sup>rd</sup> party Contributions TBC</p> <p>(e) <b>£69,095.41</b> Total Budget 2022-23 (a+b+c+d)</p> <p>(f) Committed /New schemes 2022/23 = £42,550.00</p> <p><b>Current Balance £26,545.41 (e-f)</b></p>			
4.	<b>Top Priority Schemes (Priority 1)</b>				
	<p><b>7-20-7</b> Submitted (08/10/20) Gloucester Road / Old Station Mews Malmesbury</p>	<p>Drop kerb request adjacent to Malmesbury Fire Station.</p> <p><a href="https://www.google.co.uk/maps">https://www.google.co.uk/maps</a></p> <p><b>07/09/21</b> Footway could be extended by approx. 20m on western side of Old Station Mews to enable crossing point to south of Kwik Fit. It is understood that the land required for the footway extension is owned by Wiltshire Council but not highway land so investigation required. The post box would also have to be moved.</p> <p><b>16/11/21</b> Land issue complications established and to be resolved if the decision is made to extend the footway. This will take time.</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b> Approval from Royal mail received to move the post box.</p> <p><del>Construction programmed for 6<sup>th</sup> Feb.</del> Note: following the LHFIG meeting, SH has been notified that because of construction delays due to Ringway winter maintenance duties, this scheme will now be programmed within the Milestone contract from April.</p>	<p><b>1.</b></p>	

## MALMESBURY LOCAL HIGHWAY AND FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENT GROUP (LHFIG) ACTION TRACKER

		<p>SH to organise TEAMS meeting to discuss. Phil Exton, Gavin Grant, Elizabeth Threlfall to be invited.</p> <p><b>08/02/22</b> Decision to continue in two phases. 1 Continue with dropped kerb crossings where possible. 2. Continue to progress issues to enable footway to be extended including land and moving post box.</p> <p><b>26/04/22</b> 3 way lights required for the sets of dropped kerbs near the fire station and currently in the Ringway programme for Feb 2023. If the land issues regarding the footway extension can be resolved then it is possible this could be undertaken at the same time.</p> <p><b>25/10/22</b> Land issues still being resolved. Liaison with Royal Mail to move the post box being undertaken. Malmesbury TC to confirm 30% contribution.</p>			
	<p><b>7-21-12</b> Sign / road markings on cycle route between Malmesbury / Sherston</p>	<p><b>08/09/20</b> Request by 'sustainable Sherston' to promote cycle link on Foxley Road between Malmesbury and Sherston (and vice versa). Refer to submitted document. Route signing, road markings etc. Approx. length 4.25km</p> <p><b>01/12/20</b> Outline design remains outstanding. Broad estimate of costs for cycle route direction signs and road markings along length £2000+ Suggest repeater signs and painted signage on the road are unnecessary. Consider at junctions only to reduce impact on local environment.</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b> Construction pack issued to Ringway and completion date anticipated for 10<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<p><b>1.</b></p>	

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		<p>Contribution to be requested from PC.  <b>12/07/22</b>                  Discussion with Martin Smith undertaken. Design and costs being developed. Current estimate £6500.  <b>25/10/22</b>                  Martin Smith confirms Sherston PC have approved design to be implemented. Works package and implementation to be progressed.</p>			
Page 58	<p><u>Issue 3699 / Issue 4260</u>  <u>Issue 4677, 5602</u></p> <p>Junction layout at the Triangle War Memorial.</p> <p>Review of weight limit signs at entrances to Malmesbury.</p>	<p><b>26/04/22</b>                  SH to arrange site meeting to discuss the junction at The Triangle and in relation to the HGV issues in Gloucester St. (GG, ET, PE, SH)  <b>12/07/22</b>                  Site meeting undertaken.                  It was agreed that effective enforcement of the existing weight restriction was the initial way forward. Councillors to discuss with Police and consider 'lorry watch'.                    Town Council considering relocation of war memorial.                    Site meeting with Becky and Councillors to clarify maintenance issues along Gloucester St.                    Becky to arrange refresh of road markings at junction of Abbey Row with the 'Triangle'    <b>25/10/22</b>                  Further complaints received regarding HGV's on the corner on Gloucester St.</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b>                  Weight limit signs at entrances to Malmesbury being reviewed.                    Discussions regarding 'Lorry Watch' being raised again with the Police.                    Discussion required to consolidate this range of issues including temporary removal of the war memorial issue.                  SH, ET, GG</p>	1.	



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		<p>It is a long process to relocate the war memorial and the TC will continue with this.</p> <p>It was agreed to review the weight limit signs at the entrances to Malmesbury.</p> <p>A separate issue to be raised by Malmesbury TC to review the speed limit in Gloucester Road.</p>			
	<p><b>7-21-1</b>                  Sherston - Bollards, Church St                  (opposite Gray's garage)                  Submitted 14/2/.2021</p>	<p>Request for bollards. Large vehicles mount the footway to pass oncoming traffic.  <b>22/06/21</b>                  Bollard solution possible. Traffic Management costs could be expensive. SH to discuss with Ringway.  <b>16/11/21</b>                  Cost estimate approx. £3,000                  Confirmation from Parish Council that 30% contribution is acceptable. Martin Smith to confirm style of bollard. This may affect cost.                  (Check whether any permissions are required for a conservation area.)  <b>08/02/22</b>                  As the work is within the highway, permissions from conservation officers are not required unless controversial.  <b>26/04/22</b>                  Bollard solution prioritised to be progressed. Add to <b>Priority 1 list</b>  <b>12/07/22</b>                  Detail being considered. General concern within Highways about placing bollards closer than 450mm to</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b>                  Bollard installation. Works package with Ringway. Target completion end of January.</p>	<p><b>1.</b></p>	

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		<p>edge of carriageway. Possible changes to footway. Further discussion required with Martin Smith.</p> <p><b>25/10/22</b></p> <p>Further discussion undertaken. Low cost solution to install a flexible 'Jislon' bollard a few metres to the south of the entrance to Anthony Close, agreed by Sherston PC. PC contribution up to £1k agreed. Design and implementation to be progressed.</p>			
<p><b>7-21-2</b> Ashton Keynes – Old Manor Farm, North End, SN6 6QR Road safety issue Submitted 1/1/2021</p>	<p><b>26/04/22</b></p> <p>Issues associated with the Thames Path to be prioritised</p> <p>Hedge trimming Refresh of centre lines and consideration of cats eye replacement. Locations for pedestrian in road signs. Add to <b>Priority 1 list</b></p> <p><b>12/07/22</b></p> <p>Signing and road marking proposal being developed. Existing hedge growth likely to affect sign locations. Extent of hedge trimming to be established once design proposal is available.</p> <p><b>25/10/22</b></p> <p>Signing and road marking proposal developed and distributed for approval.</p> <p>Cost estimate £3500</p> <p>Parish Council to agree approval and contribution.</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b></p> <p>Parish Council confirmation to go ahead with signing and road marking proposal.</p> <p>Note that this order will not be undertaken by Ringway due to the end of the contract. Milestone will undertake this work which will be programmed from April onwards.</p>	<b>1.</b>		

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		One particular tree obstructing visibility. BC to investigate.			
	<b>7-22-5</b> B4042 Lea Top	<p>Request for safety measures.</p> <p><b>26/04/22</b> Check collision history. Consider tree trimming and warning signs. Possible bus shelter removal. Add to <b>Priority 1 list</b></p> <p><b>12/07/22</b> Site visit undertaken. Signing and road markings being developed. Hedge growth prevents sign installation on approach from the west and cannot be removed until end of bird nesting season (March to end of August). Further discussion required on whether bus shelter is to be removed.</p> <p><b>25/10/22</b> Signing and road marking proposal developed and distributed for approval.</p> <p>Cost estimate £4500 Parish Council 30% contribution agreed. BC to investigate hedge trimming. PC queries regarding scheme proposal to be resolved.</p>	<b>24/01/23</b> Works package submitted to Ringway. Target completion end of February.	<b>1.</b>	
	<b>7-22-9</b> Brinkworth – Bridleway 50	<p>Request for £1500 funding to improve part of the bridleway.</p> <p><b>25/10/22</b></p>	<b>24/01/23</b> Discussion required to understand how funding is to be exchanged and clarity		

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		Lay scalplings. Stephen Leonard (Wiltshire Council Rights of Way) to be involved. 30% PC contribution agreed. Raise to <b>Priority 1</b>	for the ordering and implementation process.		
	<b>7-22-10</b> Little Somerford – RoW 7,9 and 10	Request to replace 10no. stiles with self closing gates to promote easier access. <b>25/10/22</b> Agreed in principle but exact costs of gates to be confirmed including delivery (total approx. £2000) Stephen Leonard to be involved to secure licenses and supervise installation by footpath group. PC agreed contribution of around £600. Raise to <b>Priority 1</b>	<b>24/01/23</b> Discussion required to understand how funding is to be exchanged and clarity for the ordering and implementation process.		
<b>5.</b>	<b>Other Priority issues</b>				
a)	<a href="#">6314</a> Lea village	<b>16/11/21</b> ET requested issue to remain on the tracker. ET discussing with Danny Everett from Wiltshire Council Drainage team. <b>26/04/22</b> ET to discuss with Danny Everett. <b>21/10/22</b> No progress	<b>24/01/23</b> Site visit undertaken. Scheme is not an LHFIG issue.  To be CLOSED		
b)	<b>7-21-6</b> The Dauntsey / Seagry Road south from Great Somerford	Request for speed limit change <b>22/06/21</b>	<b>24/01/23</b> No progress		

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	<p>running between Honey Acre Farm and Broadfield Farm. Submitted 21/9/20</p>	<p>Metro count has been requested. Send SID process to Elizabeth Threlfall. <b>07/09/21</b> SID process sent to Elizabeth Threlfall. Possible extension of speed restricted area in the future. PC to consider and discuss with ET <b>16/11/21</b> Not suitable for a 30mph limit. A speed limit review to assess for suitability would cost £2500. <b>08/02/22</b> Parish Council to submit a Traffic Survey Request form for a metro count. <b>26/04/22</b> Traffic survey counts still to be undertaken. PC requests for verge Planter box details and locations will have to be approved by Becky Chivers. <b>25/10/22</b> Waiting for Traffic Survey information.</p>			
c)	<p><b>7-22-2</b> Sherston – approach speeds</p>	<p>20mph assessments, gateways, loading bay outside Coop. PC to discuss village gate locations and details with Becky Chivers. <b>12/07/22</b> Becky is liaising with PC <b>25/10/22</b> Site meeting to be undertaken – Becky Chivers/ Martin Smith</p>	<p><b>24/01/23</b> Gate installations being progressed. BC/ MS</p>		

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d)	<b>7-22-6</b> Corston, A429 junction with Mill Lane.	Road safety on bend on approach from Malmesbury. <b>12/07/22</b> PC considering a SID <b>25/10/22</b> Mounting SID on lighting column is ok but shouldn't be connected to electrics.	<b>24/01/23</b> BC confirms this has been accepted by Wiltshire Council and that an order has been raised for Atkins to enable the SID to be connected to the lighting column.		
e)	<b>7-22-8</b> Lea and Cleverton PC - The Spinney access to B4042	Request to move 30mph sign further out towards Lea. <b>25/10/22</b> It is not appropriate to change position of 30/40mph limits at this location. Separate non-LHFIG visibility issue with substation position. Scheduled improvement to signing and lining at LEA Top should influence vehicle speeds here.	<b>24/01/23</b> Teams discussion undertaken. Suggest Traffic survey (metrocount) to check speeds for vehicles travelling east down the hill from Malmesbury and then possible SID.		
f)	<b>7-22-11</b> Little Somerford – raised footway	Request to repair raised footway, currently unusable between Little Somerford and Great Somerford. <b>25/10/22</b> Site meeting to be arranged SH/ ET/ BC.	<b>24/01/23</b> Site meeting undertaken. Structure is precarious for walkers but sound and usable if kept clear of undergrowth.  To be CLOSED		
g)	<b>7-22-12</b> Brokenborough – footpath gate.	Request to replace of old footpath stile with kissing gate. <b>25/10/22</b> Stephen Leonard to be involved. Cost of kissing gate approx. £400 plus VAT. 30% PC contribution to be agreed.	<b>24/01/23</b> PC contribution agreed. Discussion required to understand how funding is to be exchanged and clarity for the ordering and implementation process.		
<b>6.</b>	<b>New Issues submitted since previous meeting</b>				

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	<b>7-22-14</b> Malmesbury – Market Lane	Request to remove ‘No Entry’ sign at Oxford Road and bollards installed to enable Market Lane to be pedestrianised.	Planters suggested.  To be CLOSED		
	<b>7-22-15</b> B4042 Brinkworth – Footway Phase 2	Continuation of footway following completion of Phase 1 in May 2022.	Site visit to be undertaken.		
	<b>7-22-16</b> Grittenham	Request for location signing	PC to approve. Estimate for total scheme cost of up to £1000.		
	<b>7-22-17</b> Corston near Southside Close	Request for formal crossing	Site meeting required SH, ET		
	<b>7-23-01</b> Malmesbury, Cross Hayes car park.	Request for disabled parking space to be allocated adjacent to ‘Imperial Hearing’	GG to investigate two existing disabled bays nearby and discuss with ‘Imperial Hearing’.		
<b>7.</b>	<b>Other items -</b>				
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reminder that all Highways Improvement Requests should be sent to <a href="mailto:LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk">LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk</a> otherwise they may get overlooked. The link to raise an issue is here <a href="#">Local Highway and Footway Improvement Groups - Wiltshire Council</a></li> <li>2. Malmesbury TC/ Gavin Grant issue with some existing lighting columns in Malmesbury not suitable for installation of CCTV and that if a new column is installed it is understood funding would have to come from LHFIG. Application for replacement lighting columns submitted for a substantive bid.</li> <li>3. Schemes that are greater than the cost of the LHFIG budget can be assessed for possible submission as Substantive Schemes once agreed through the LHFIG.</li> </ol>				

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8.	<b>Agreement of Priority 1 schemes</b> Note: Issues which are 'Greyed out' indicate approved schemes which are progressing towards implementation. Schemes Highlighted in yellow require Area Board approval)
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gloucester Rd/ Old Stn Mews – initial dropped kerbs. Cost estimate <b>£4000</b> (LHFIG £2800, Malmesbury TC £1200) plus additional footway to be considered</li> <li>2. Malmesbury to Sherston cycle route signing. Cost estimate £6500 (LHFIG £4550, Sherston PC £1950).</li> <li>3. 7-21-1 Sherston, Church Street proposed bollards. Cost estimate being reviewed.</li> <li>4. 7-21-2 Ashton Keynes – Issues associated with Thames Path crossing of the B4696.</li> <li>5. 7-22-5 B4042 Lea - safety measures to be considered.</li> <li>6. Review of weight limit signs at entrances to Malmesbury.</li> <li>7. 7-22-9 Brinkworth – Bridleway 50, lay scalpings. Cost Estimate £1500 (LHFIG £1050, Brinkworth PC £450)</li> <li>8. 7-22-10 Little Somerford – Replace 10no. stiles with self closing gates. Cost estimate £2000 (LHFIG £1400, PC £600)</li> <li>9. 7-22-12 Brokenborough – footpath gate. Cost estimate £400 (LHFIG £280, PC £120)</li> </ol>
9.	<b>Date of Next Meeting:</b>
	<b>4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 via TEAMS</b>

Malmesbury Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group

Highways Officer – Steve Hind



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### **1. Environmental & Community Implications**

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the CATG 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 Malmesbury Area Board.

2.2. If funding is allocated in line with CATG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Malmesbury Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of £26545.41.

### **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**

6.1 There are no specific safeguarding implications related to this report.



<b>Report To</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday, 28 February 2023</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Grant Report</b>

## Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Malmesbury 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 subgroups.

## Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
<b>Opening Balance For</b> 2022-23	£ 17,219.00	£ 14,679.00	£ 7,700.00
<b>Awarded To Date</b>	£ 14,047.50	£ 5,036.00	£ 5,723.25
<b>Current Balance</b>	£ 3,171.50	£ 9,643.00	£ 1,976.75
<b>Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations</b>	£ -1,208.50	£ 7,418.00	£ 1,716.75

## Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG921</a>	Community Area Grant	Sailability at Whitefriars aka SatW	Sailability at Whitefriars Quayside Project Phase 2 of a planned upgrade to the pontoon and jetty	£22195.44	£5000.00

### Project Summary:

The Quayside Project aims to improve the safety and environment of the berthing facilities of our fleet of sailboats used by our disabled sailors and volunteers. It involves improving and making safe the existing concrete jetty used for berthing our fleet of specially adapted sailboats. The pontoon and immediate area, known as Sailability Quayside, is used both during Sailability sessions for hoisting people into boats and for berthing the larger boats when not in use. The existing concrete jetty was built many years ago and has now started to fall away towards the lake and for the past three years has been out of bounds for safety reasons. As S@W has grown with more sailors and more sailboats, this area needs to be brought back into use as a safe working platform for berthing, rigging and maintaining boats. Our Project will enhance the facilities provided for disabled people and so mean more people can be active, sail safely and enjoy all the other benefits of being part of Sailability@Whitefriars. Sailors will also benefit from time spent in the Cotswold Water Park, which is also a Site of Special Scientific Interest. See Project Proposal Document.

<a href="#">ABG990</a>	Older & Vulnerable Adults Funding	Sherston Community Choir	Sherston Community Choir Music Fund	£260.00	£260.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Supply of musical scores to enable our continuation for the benefit of choir members &amp; the organisations in the village that we support.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1027</a>	Community Area Grant	RENEW Malmesbury CIC	Improvements to community offer at Renew Malmesbury	£3360.00	£1680.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>PRINTING: Renew offers a much-needed printing facility to local residents and organisations following the loss of this facility when our local stationers "A4 stationers" ceased trading. The printing has been well used but the small printer we have is unable to cope with demand and the complexity of some jobs. So, we would like to update our print facility.</b>  <b>STORAGE: We need to improve our storage of print products and range of papers and also of art materials which we use to deliver our well used children's workshops in the holiday periods</b>  <b>DISPLAY: We are just starting our planned delivery of free advice and info eco workshops. We need notice boards and leaflet display racks to support this work.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1036</a>	Community Area Grant	Malmesbury Cricket Club	Refurbishment of Ladies Toilets at Malmesbury Cricket Club	£1000.00	£200.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Malmesbury CC is a Community Amateur Sports Club based with open age and diverse policy in line with those of our governing body. The Club provides for junior and adult teams who play cricket in Wiltshire and surrounding areas, with mixed goal and boy junior teams and two predominantly male adult teams. It is the Club's desire to widen its provision for women and girls to include women and girls only as well as mixed cricket. Our current changing facilities are not suitable for women or girls and this refurbishment is a part of a phased set of works to make our facilities and sport more attractive for women and girls, players, partners and parents.</b></p>					

<a href="#">ABG935</a>	Youth Grant	The Stay Safe Initiative CIC	The 2023 Digital Empowerment Programme	£1450.00	£725.00
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**Project Summary:**

To help address the ever-growing issue of online harm / abuse and the impact social media is having on young people, for example.... 1: Online grooming cases in the UK have risen by 80% since the pandemic (NSPCC). 2: The impact social media is having on young people's mental health by being exposed to content promoting self-harm and suicide is increasing every day. Highlighted by the death of Molly Russell 2022. 3: 68% of local young people have told us they know someone who has been a victim of online hate, bullying or sexual harassment. 4: Almost half (48%) of young people we have worked with over the last year have told us that social media and online interactions can have a negative impact on their mental health. .... today more than ever, young people and their families need as much direction, advice and support as possible. The Digital Empowerment Programme has been designed to be delivered in secondary schools to enable us to reach hundreds of our communities young people and families and will not only help them to stay safer online, but will also allow them to have a bright and positive digital future. This project has four main elements: ELEMENT 1 – Preparation - Prior to us working with anyone all young people are given a voice! Allowing young people to share their own personal thoughts on living in the Digital World and giving them the opportunity to be heard is what shapes all of our work. It's for this reason that before we visit a school, we invite all pupils to take part in an anonymous online student digital life survey. This not only gives us a great insight into our audience, but also allows us to reference lots of the group's thoughts and concerns during our live face-2-face sessions. ELEMENT 2 – Working with the whole family Parenting in the Digital Word 'Virtual sessions' Before we work with young people, we want to bring parents and carers up to speed, to allow them to have a greater understanding of their young people's digital lives. Exploring what they are doing online, understanding the risks, and providing straightforward help and advice to keep everyone at home safer. Knowing that many feel overwhelmed trying to keep up with the constant evolution of games, app's and social media platforms, they are quite understandably worried about online bullying, grooming and what their children are sharing online. This session will allow them to be well informed and NOT scared ELEMENT 3 – 'In school' sessions for young people. These sessions are 100% about them. We will work with every Yr7 and Yr9 student in school. Yr7's 'Keeping up with my growing digital life' Yr9's 'Building a positive digital future' It's by reaching these audiences individually, that we are able to provide age-appropriate advice, direction and support throughout their secondary school journey. All of these sessions are delivered in a professional, relaxed and engaging way and involve audience participation / involvement throughout. It's important to us that our audiences always have the opportunity to be heard and are able share their thoughts and ideas. This allows for open and honest discussions to help promote critical thinking in young people when considering future online activity and behaviour. We don't want to talk AT THEM but instead WITH THEM. We address and discuss issues such as... Social Media Pro's and Con's Online Hate (bullying and hate speech) Online Sexual Harassment (child on child abuse) Online Grooming and interacting with strangers Sexting (sharing indecent images online) Digital Resilience Self-Image and Identity Digital tattoo / footprint (my online future) Getting help and support and more... ELEMENT 4 – Follow on support and evaluation Ongoing Support: Due all live sessions we highlight and signpost a wide range of places both young people and parents can get instant, free, and non judgemental (and in some cases anonymous) advice and support after our visits. To back this up, every student and family at school will be provided this an extensive resource pack with lots of additional information, help and support they can use moving forward. This pack will sign post them to a wide range of charities and support networks should they need them in the future. Evaluation: Following all sessions students and parents will be invited to evaluate what they have learnt and have the opportunity to feedback how useful they found the project. To enable this to be as transparent as possible this follow on evaluation survey will be 100% anonymous to everyone wishing to share their open and honest views. This will allow us to continue to evolve both content and delivery of this project moving forward.

<a href="#">ABG978</a>	Youth Grant	The Last Baguette theatre company CIC	Arts workshops for young people in Malmesbury in 2023	£4000.00	£1500.00
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**Project Summary:**

We are applying to support 3 free arts projects for young people in Malmesbury in 2023: - During May half term we will lead a play-in-a-week theatre project for 20 young people aged 11 to 18. We will work with the young people to create a performance about issues and themes that are important to them. - In August we will work with HEALS to lead 2 days of theatre and radio workshops in their summer programme for young people from disadvantaged families. - In August & September we will work with Malmesbury Carnival to offer free workshops for young people to create an outdoor performance for the procession. The workshops will involve big craft sessions over 3 days, using recycled materials to make fun, colourful mobile structures to parade in the procession. These projects will build confidence in speaking, performing and teamwork, & will provide affordable cultural activity for young people during the school holidays. We expect to work with a total of 40 young participants during these projects.

## 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 Grants (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 subgroups 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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Malmesbury Area Board:

Grant Scheme Budgets at 28/02/2023 if applications are awarded as per recommendations:

Scheme	Remaining balance
Capital	£-1,208.50
Youth	£7,418
Older & Vulnerable Adult	£1,716.75
Total:	£7,926.25

\*Area boards will not be able to roll forward any underspend.

Grant applications 2022/23 requesting more funding than was awarded:

Budget	Grant ID	Project Title	Total project cost	Amount requested	Amount awarded	Grant uplift	Justification:
Capital	<a href="#">ABG645</a>	Sherston Apple Day juicing equipment grant	£2,793.33	£1,396.66	£1,047.50	£349	Uplift brings award to 50% limit of total project cost
Capital	<a href="#">ABG832</a>	Cross Hayes Preschool Outdoor Shelter	£6,000	£3,000	£2,500	£500	Uplift brings award to 50% limit of total project cost
Youth	<a href="#">ABG851</a>	RISE Trust - Malmesbury safe space and outreach project	£8,020	£3,910	£3,910	£100	Uplift brings award to 50% limit of total project cost
These grants are not yet awarded:							
Youth	<a href="#">ABG921</a>	Sailability at Whitefriars Quayside Project	£22,195.44	£5,000	(£2,500)	£2,500	To avoid Capital budget becoming overdrawn, recommend this is awarded from Youth budget – 66% of sailors aged 13-25 with a disability Uplift brings award to maximum level
Youth	<a href="#">ABG978</a>	Last Baguette - Arts workshops	£4,000	£1,500	(£1,500)	£500	Uplift brings award to 50% limit of total project cost
Capital	<a href="#">ABG1036</a>	Ladies Toilets at Malmesbury Cricket Club	£1,000	£200	(£200)	£300	Uplift brings award to 50% limit of total project cost
						Total:	£4,249

Budgets remaining if recommended grant uplift amounts are applied:

Scheme	Remaining balance
Capital	£142.50
Youth	£1,818
Older & Vulnerable Adult	£1,716.75
Total:	£3,677.25

