

MINUTES

Meeting: TIDWORTH AREA BOARD
Place: Collingbourne Ducis Village Hall, Chicks Lane, Collingbourne Ducis
Date: 15 May 2019
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 8.40 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, Cllr Mark Connolly and Cllr Chris Williams

Wiltshire Council Officers

Richard Rogers – Community Engagement Manager
Kev Fielding – Democratic Services Officer

Town and Parish Councillors

Collingbourne Ducis Parish Council – Keith Cockerton, Terry Greenwood & Peter Knowlson

Collingbourne Kingston Parish Council – Nigel Braybrook

Chute Forest Parish Council – Carolyn Wall & Susan Stock

Enford Parish Council – Richard Roberts & Mark Hiskett

Everleigh Parish Council – Denis Bottomley

Ludgershall Town Council – Mike Giles, Catherine Allan, Janet White & Owen White

Netheravon & Fittleton Parish Council – Alan Wood, Mary Towle, Sheila Symes,

Trevor Barker, Lesley Barker, Andy Linscer & Maureen Mitchell

Tidworth Town Council – Humph Jones, Ann Birch & Mike Sheppard

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Acting Inspector John Hutchings

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Dave Adamson

Tidworth Garrison – Paul Eagle

Lovell – Neil Hicklin

TCAP – Reia Jones
St James, Ludgershall & Holy Trinity, Tidworth - Rev Tim Laundon

Total in attendance: 50

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
14	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome, Announcements and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Tidworth Area Board and thanked Collingbourne Ducis Village Hall for hosting and providing the excellent refreshments.</p> <p>The following Chairman's Announcements contained in the agenda pack were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Led Housing Project • Homelessness Strategy Consultation • North Wessex Downs Walking Festival • Salisbury Maltings Masterplan <p>Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling gave a brief outline of the new digital system that Wiltshire Council were rolling out, and advised the meeting that members of the team responsible for the roll out would be available after the Area Board meeting to give demonstrations and to receive any feedback.</p>
15	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
16	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
17	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4 March 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
18	<p><u>Police Update</u></p> <p>The written update was noted from Acting Inspector John Hutchings.</p>

19	<p><u>Fire & Rescue Update</u></p> <p>The written update was noted.</p>
20	<p><u>Workshop to initiate the Paths for All (RoW Improvement) Project</u></p> <p>Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling welcomed everybody to the workshop and advised that the Tidworth Men's Shed group were keen to support any projects that came up during the workshop.</p> <p>Richard Rogers then introduced Judy Hayne who gave a brief overview of the Bedwyn Footpaths Group.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That when the Bedwyn group were first formed the local pathways were very overgrown with many in a poor state of repair. • That the group aimed to protect the walking environment. • That a variety of walks were now arranged in and around the Great Bedwyn community area. • That various social activities were held for group members to enjoy. • That working parties regularly remove nettles and foliage etc. • That the Rights of Way Wardens were always good to liaise with • That the group was now working with local land owners to mark pathways. <p>The attendees were invited to sit in groups and take part in a short workshop. Each group were allocated maps of their own community areas, and as a group a short worksheet was completed. The outcomes of the workshop would be presented at a future Area Board meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that a steering group meeting would be held on Wednesday 12 June to carry on the initial work of the workshop.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Blair-Pilling and everyone involved for the workshop and presentations.</p>

21	<p><u>Community Engagement Manager Update</u></p> <p>Richard Rogers – Community Area Manager.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That applications for grants that met local priorities were sought from local clubs and organisations. • That a membership deal at Tidworth leisure centre during May was unlimited gym and swim for £119.99. • Wiltshire Big Pledge. <p>The Chairman thanked Richard Rogers for his update.</p>
22	<p><u>TCAP Thematic Group Updates</u></p> <p>Health & Wellbeing Group – Reia Jones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group had last met on Thursday 4 April. • Next meeting Thursday 11 July. • That Reia would be attending a meeting on Thursday 27 June at the Castle Practice Surgery. <p>Multi Faith Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Lt Col Balls was working with local church groups. <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.</p>
23	<p><u>Community Transport Group Update</u></p> <p>Cllr Mark Connolly gave the CATG update.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the group had last meet on Monday 29 April. • That a site visit was planned re the Everleigh speed limit proposal. • That a new CATG reporting process was now in use.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Wellington Academy Tucan crossing was nearly complete. <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Connolly for his update.</p>
24	<p><u>Ludgershall Community Youth Centre - update</u></p> <p>The written update was outlined by the Chairman.</p>
<p><u>Ludgershall Community Youth Centre update</u></p>	
25	<p><u>Updates from Town and Parish Councils, the Army, NHS and other Partners</u></p> <p>NHS Wiltshire – The written report was noted.</p> <p>Healthwatch Wiltshire – The written report was noted.</p> <p>Ludgershall Town Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the recent town meeting had been very well attended. <p>Tidworth Town Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Brian Pratt had been elected as the new town mayor at the recent town meeting. <p>Army</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Rebasing carried on schedule. <p>Lovell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That work continued to progress well. <p>Fittleton Parish Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Fittleton Parish Council thanked the Area Board for it's recent grant funding of the Phoenix Hall.

	<p>Everleigh Parish Council – The written report was noted.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.</p>
26	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>There were no grant applications to consider.</p>
27	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Tidworth Area Board will be on Thursday 18 July at Enford Village Hall.</p>

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Community

Youth Centre

Ludgershall

Interim Report April 2019

The Community Youth Centre in Ludgershall has been opened by the Trustees in September 2018 after extensive repairs and renovations following a 4 year closure.

The Buzz Action Foundation have taken on the role of Local Youth Facilitators and are developing a youth programme for the Centre.

The Centre has 2 outdoor activity areas, 1 indoor activity area and a large social area

The Centre is equipped with quality equipment including Pool Tables, Table Footballs, a kitchen, some musical keyboards, an Xbox 360, a small monitor/TV (we do not watch TV), a karaoke machine, a variety of board games. We also have regular use of a Tumble Track, Circus Equipment and other musical instruments, including keyboards, guitar and a Yamaha Drum Kit.

During the first 6 months we have:

Recruited and inducted 5 volunteers with ongoing training in youth work.

Established a Youth Club for 12 to 14 year olds on a **Tuesday night**.

Terressa Slater will be taking over the leadership of this club from May 14th with Emma Burton. We shall continue to provide full support. This will become a 13 to 15yrs old club in September.

Established a Youth Circus for all ages on a **Wednesday Evening**

Established a Youth Club for 9 to 11 year olds on a **Thursday night**. Jonathan will be running this with 2 sessions from September for school years 5 &6, and yrs. 7 & 8.

Youth Clubs are not childcare. We have a duty of care but we are not mollycoddling young people. If a child is not ready to make their own way to or from the youth clubs, they are probably not ready to join a youth club. A youth club is part of the growing up process. The young people are expected to behave in a more self-reliant and socially able way. Youth Workers will help them on that path, so the most junior youth club will have a much more protective environment, which will help prepare them for life in secondary school and other social environments. However, youth workers will intervene for safeguarding and welfare reasons, they will not dictate or spoon feed the activities. If ten youngsters say they want to sit in a chair and be bored, the youth workers will not force them out of the chairs, they will encourage them. I am pleased to say that our activities are diverse and challenging, young people join in and participate willingly.

We organised the following **low price activities** during school holidays:

Performance Magic Workshop for Children

Circus Activity Workshop for Children

A “Chillax” relaxed activity day using all of the equipment from mid-day until 9pm over Easter. With a flexible programme and a hot noodles tea all for just £4. This activity included a walk to the castle, guest instructors from other youth projects.

3 Saturday Activity Afternoons.

7 Organised trips to Basingstoke, Milton Keynes, St Georges Day Salisbury, Moors Valley Country Park, Old Sarum and Durnford Manor walk, Tidworth Festival of Learning.

Over 60 young people regularly (at least twice a month) attend the youth centre.

Residential Activities

There will be 2 week long summer activities Easton Farm Park in Suffolk and Purbeck Valley Folk Festival in Swanage. These are low cost activities, very family orientated and young people can bring their families or attend without them.

Going Forward:

More Activities

Youth Club for vulnerable young people and additional needs

Friday Night Premium Youth Nights.

Volunteers

Storage

During this summer there will be more trips and activities based at the Youth Centre. We have approached several bodies including the Department for Education to offer ourselves as providers and hope we shall get funding for this provision. We hope to have some discos to raise fund and see the centre used properly in the next few months.

Vulnerable Youth There is an identified need for a youth club aimed at the more vulnerable young people. Like the Element Café in Amesbury, this needs a higher adult to child ratio. We are still building a volunteer base and we are adopting an integrated volunteer strategy to help keep the existing clubs operating smoothly. From September I shall begin work on this project.

Friday Night Open Access

We would like to get to the point where we have a trained youth and culture around the centre so we can have a drop in Youth Café style night on Fridays. All visitors will register and pay an entrance fee but it will be like a social club rather than a youth club. We are probably a year or so away from this but it is something we should aim for.

Volunteers

We are DBS checking and inducting all our volunteers. We currently have 5 adult home grown volunteers supported occasionally by 5 volunteers from Amesbury. This enables an uninterrupted provision. We need at least another 10 volunteers who can come and provide adult presence. This will take time but we think we have high quality in the volunteers working at the centre.

Storage

We have learned a lot about using the space. In order to provide high quality activities without losing a lot of space we need a storage solution. We hope to see a large container/shed type container on the grounds in the next few months so we have equipment on hand and stored safely. We also need store some furniture which is often used but is also often in the way. This will enable us to maximise the indoor activity space.

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