

# AGENDA

**Meeting:** Pewsey Area Board

**Place:** Great Bedwyn Village Hall, Frog Lane, Great Bedwyn, Wiltshire, SN8 3PB

**Date:** Monday 17 June 2024

**Time:** 7.00 pm

The location and directions to the Village Hall are available here - [Village Hall Great Bedwyn - Google Maps](#)

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## Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jerry Kunkler, Pewsey (Chairman)

Cllr Paul Oatway QPM, Pewsey Vale West (Vice-Chairman)  
Cllr Stuart Wheeler, Pewsey Vale East

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### **Area Board Officers**

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Engagement and Partnership Lead – [caroline.lequesne@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:caroline.lequesne@wiltshire.gov.uk)  
Democratic Services Officer – [stuart.figini@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:stuart.figini@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Items to be considered	Time
<p>1     <b>Election of Chairman</b></p> <p>To elect a Chairman for the forthcoming year.</p>	
<p>2     <b>Election of Vice-Chairman</b></p> <p>To elect a Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year.</p>	
<p>3     <b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p>	
<p>4     <b>Apologies for Absence</b></p>	
<p>5     <b>Minutes</b> (<i>Pages 9 - 16</i>)</p> <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2024.</p>	
<p>6     <b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
<p>7     <b>Chairman's Announcements</b> (<i>Pages 17 - 22</i>)</p> <p>The Chairman will give an update on outcomes and actions arising from previous meetings of the Area Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highways Matters Q and A</li> <li>• Consultation on the Licensing Policy</li> <li>• Local Nature Recovery Strategy Public Engagement</li> <li>• Multiply – National Numeracy Day</li> </ul>	
<p>8     <b>Information Items</b> (<i>Pages 23 - 32</i>)</p> <p>The Board is asked to note the following Information items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community First</li> <li>• Healthwatch Wiltshire</li> <li>• Update from BSW Together (Integrated Care System)</li> </ul>	
<p>9     <b>Appointment of Representatives 2024/25</b> (<i>Pages 33 - 42</i>)</p> <p>To appoint representatives to outside bodies, to reconstitute and appoint Working Groups for the year 2024/25.</p>	
<p>10    <b>Area Board - End of Year Report</b> (<i>Pages 43 - 46</i>)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Part I – Looking Back</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To receive the Area Board End of Year Report as well as to report on progress made in addressing the Area Board priorities selected for 2023/24:</li> </ul>	

## Part II – Looking Forward

- To receive a summary of JSNA Survey Results.
- To highlight potential priorities for the Area Board to consider for 2024/25.

### 11 **Family Hubs**

To receive a presentation from Nicky Harris – Community and Family Navigator, introducing the work of the Family Hub.

### 12 **Partner and Community Updates** (Pages 47 - 74)

#### Verbal Updates

To receive any verbal updates from representatives, including:

- Pewsey Community Area Partnership
- Health
- Health & Wellbeing
- Youth
- Parish Councils

#### Written Updates

The Board is asked to note the following written and online updates attached to the agenda:

- Neighbourhood Policing Team – including a road safety update
- Age UK Update

### 13 **Area Board Funding** (Pages 75 - 78)

To note the remaining budgets and to consider any applications for funding, as detailed in the attached report and summarised below:

#### **Remaining Budgets:**

Community Area Grant	Older & Vulnerable	Young People
£16,744	£7,700	£14,135

#### **Area Board Initiatives:**

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
	N/A	

### Community Area Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
<a href="#">ABG1538</a>	Woodborough Social Club – new ladies toilets	£2,000
<a href="#">ABG1610</a>	Woodborough Parish Room - outside painting and garden project	£2,000
<a href="#">ABG1759</a>	Hilcott Village Hall - Two noticeboards for Barnard Meadow Hilcott	£640

### Older & Vulnerable Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
<a href="#">ABG1842</a>	Arts Together Projects for Isolated and Vulnerable Older People in Pewsey	£1,700

### Young People Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
<a href="#">ABG1793</a>	Burbage Parish Council provision of sessions of Youth Bus	£1,200

### Delegated Funding

The Board is asked to note any funding awards made under the Delegated Funding Process, by the Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager, between meetings due to matters of urgency:

- None

Further information on the Area Board Grant system can be found [here](#).

### 14 Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) (Pages 79 - 92)

To note the minutes and consider any recommendations arising from the last LHFIG meeting held on 24 April 2024, as set out in the attached report.

Recommendations:

1. To add the following Issues (with funding) to the Priority Schemes List:
  - 10-24-02 Bottlesford Warning Signs and Markings (£850)
2. To allocate funding to Issues currently on the Priority Schemes List:
  - 10-20-9 Chirton 20 mph Speed Limit (£4,500),
  - 10-22-8 Rushall Elm Row (Phase 3A) (£5,000)
3. To close the following Issues:
  - 10-20-3 Rushall Elm Row Footway (Phase 2),
  - 10-22-11 Woodborough Direction Signs,
  - 10-23-5 All Cannings Roundels
4. Financial Contributions:
  - That Parish and other Third Party Contributions should be set at 40% of the estimated cost, capped at a maximum amount of £5,000.

15 **Urgent items**

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

16 **Future Meeting Dates and Close**

Future Meeting Dates (7.00-9.00pm):

- 23 September 2024
- 25 November 2024

For information on applying for a grant or grant application deadlines for these meetings, contact the Engagement and Partnership Lead, [Caroline.LeQuesne@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:Caroline.LeQuesne@wiltshire.gov.uk)

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# MINUTES

**Meeting:** Pewsey Area Board  
**Place:** The Angela Yeates Memorial Community Sports Ground, Wilcot Road, Pewsey, SN9 5NL  
**Date:** 4 March 2024  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 8.50 pm

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Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman), Cllr Paul Oatway QPM (Vice-Chairman) and Cllr Stuart Wheeler

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Richard Rogers – Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager  
Caroline LeQuesne – Area Board Delivery Officer  
Dom Argar – Technical Support Officer  
Stuart Figini – Senior Democratic Services Officer

### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Sgt Chris Wickham

**Total in attendance: 29**

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<b><u>Minute No..</u></b>	<b><u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u></b>
104	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Area Board Members and Council officers.</p>
105	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Wiltshire Police Chief Constable.</p>
106	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The Chairman noted that a number of concerns had been raised about the lack of responses from the Director of Highways and Transport to questions about highways matters following the previous Area Board meeting on 27 November 2023. The Chairman reported that the Director had assured him responses would be published very shortly. The Area Board suggested that the Director of Highways and Transport be asked to attend the next Area Board meeting to comment on the Highway Schemes Maintenance Programme.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. The minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2023 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to minute 94 including additional wording from the Director for Highways and Transport that ‘Pewsey has been identified with the greatest need.’</b></li> <li><b>2. That the Director of Highways and Transport be asked to attend the next Area Board meeting to comment on Schemes included in the Highway Maintenance Programme.</b></li> </ol>
107	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Paul Oatway declared a non-registrable interest in relation to a community area grant for Milton Lilbourne Parish Council. Cllr Oatway commented on and voted on the grant application.</p>
108	<p><u>Chairman's Updates</u></p> <p>The following written Chairman’s updates were received and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Nature Recovery Strategy Public Engagement</li> <li>• FACT Family Help Programme Update</li> <li>• Archaeology Service Annual Newsletter 2023</li> <li>• Cost of Living Update</li> </ul>
109	<p><u>Information Items</u></p>

	<p>The following written updates and information items were received and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community First</li> <li>• Healthwatch Wiltshire</li> <li>• Update from BSW Together (Integrated Care System)</li> </ul>
110	<p><u>Chief Constable</u></p> <p>The Chairman reported that the Wiltshire Police Chief Constable had sent apologies for this meeting as unfortunately she had travelled to a different venue for the Area Board meeting and was now unable to attend due to the distance between the two areas. The Chairman agreed that this item would be deferred to the next meeting.</p> <p>In the Chief Constables absence, Sgt Chris Wickham responded to a number of questions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explained how phone calls to emergency services are processed at a local level.</li> <li>• Police officer shift patterns dictated the availability of PCSO's attending community engagement events such as coffee mornings. Sgt Wickham would consider this area of engagement further.</li> <li>• The increase in the number of mobile police station from 2 to 4.</li> <li>• The need to increase the clear up rate for burglaries in the County. It was noted that this was one of the Chief Constables priorities for the force.</li> <li>• Sgt Wickham reported that the Police were formally writing to the Leader of Wiltshire Council about the condition of the roads in the county and impact on police vehicles, although it was noted that this was not an area, he had much influence in.</li> <li>• The Area Board noted the increased use of drones to combat crime.</li> <li>• Police attendance at local events, such as the Shelbourne Car Show. Sgt Wickham confirmed that officers were in attendance at the Pewsey carnival.</li> </ul>
111	<p><u>Area Board Priority Updates</u></p> <p>Lead Councillors provided updates to the Area Board about the work undertaken in each of the Board's priority areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priority 1 – Improve Opportunities for young people – Lead member – Cllr Kunkler – A number of events were taking place with grant applications to be considered later in the meeting to support the activities, conversations with Parish Councils about the work of the Blue Bus.</li> <li>• Priority 2 - Addressing climate change and protecting the environment – Lead member – Cllr Kunkler – A thermal camera was purchased through a grant application undertaken by delegated authority by the Area Board members, work with a local farming cluster in the Great Bedwyn area and</li> </ul>

	<p>Pewsey Vale. Looking to explore important environmental issues at the next Area Board meeting. The benefits of the Open Homes Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priority 3 - Valuing and supporting our vulnerable and older people – Lead member – Cllr Wheeler – all activities remain ongoing. There is a need to examine new ways of working. Reference to the outdoor health hub with webpage linking activities providing a central point of information.</li> <li>• Priority 4 - To improve public transport and encourage walking and cycling – Lead member – Cllr Oatway – Great Bedwyn and Easton Royal were supporting the footpaths group initiative. The challenges faced by cyclists using rural roads. The huge success of the DRT in the Pewsey Vale area and the month on month increases in usage, although the buses needed washing on a more regular basis. Reminder about the VisitWiltshire website and the useful information contained in its pages. The good work recently undertaken on the byway south of Milton Lilbourne.</li> </ul>
112	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p>The Area Board received a number of updates from Partners and community organisations as detailed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) The Area Board received an update from the PCAP representatives, Colin Gale, Dawn Wilson and Susie Brew as follows:  Colin Gale – Buses and Trains <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) - Wiltshire Council have been awarded £2.1m per annum for the next 2 years, with a condition of the funding award that the bus service cannot be reduced during the period.</li> <li>• Colin attended the on-line GWR Stakeholders meeting on 27th February 2024, which was co-run by Mark Hopwood (GWR) and Marcus Jones (Network Rail).</li> <li>• The government published the draft Railway Reform Bill although there are unlikely to be any changes within the current parliament.</li> <li>• GWR acknowledged the poor level of service currently being experienced. Hitachi have not been delivering the right number of trains each day due a combination of damage from weather and vandalism. Network Rail also acknowledged that they were not providing the level of performance required.</li> <li>• Industrial Action - A deal had been reached with the RMT but still no deal with ASLEF and there was little chance of reaching a settlement with ASLEF within the current mandate.</li> <li>• GWR were looking at further electrification, however, there are no current published plans or long term strategy due to funding constraints.</li> <li>• It is likely that some proposals like the 4th platform at Westbury</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

may have to go backwards and there is likely to be more bus/rail links.

Susie Brew – Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership

- Commented on the work of the Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership, the establishment of footpath walking groups, grant applications to GWR, various trails in the Pewsey area and continued worked on newsletters.

Dawn Wilson/Susie Brew

- Commented on the removal of funding from VisitWiltshire from Wiltshire Council without consultation, and referred to a letter from the Leader of the Council which she had several concerns about the accuracy of the letters content. Susie reported that a tender exercise would be undertaken for the work of VisitWiltshire, although it was noted that there were no other organisations with the knowledge and skills required to undertake this role.

2. Health & Wellbeing  
There was no update.

3. Parish Councils

The Area Board received updates from the following Parish Councils:

Rushall Parish Council

- Flooding issues during the storms in January 2024 – worst for 30 years resulted in the need for sand bagging the house next to the River Avon by the Rushall Flood Group and moving a car under 10inches of water from its garage.
- Flooding made worse by a combination of drains having not been cleared along with blocked ditches. Concern at the ongoing lack of Wiltshire Council maintenance despite the issues being reported on the MyWilts app.
- Rushall along with other local parishes have not had a Parish Steward for 5 months.

Wootton Rivers Parish Council

- Flooding issues due to block drains and the need for leaf sweepers to undertake regular maintenance. (The Chairman confirmed that A and B road gullies were emptied on an annual basis).

4. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) – Wiltshire Intelligence Bringing Evidence Together

Richard Rogers – Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager (SEPM) introduced a presentation highlighting a range of useful information from a range of sources providing insight into how Wiltshire and its 18

	<p>community areas are performing.</p> <p>The SEPM explained that the JSNA was completed by the Council’s Public Health Intelligence Team in 2022. It was recognised that COVID had a great impact on the way people live and the economy. The JSNA identified 3 priorities – Ageing population, mental and emotional wellbeing and the cost of living. A detailed breakdown of the information gathered is available at this website - <a href="#">Wiltshire Intelligence - Bringing Evidence Together</a>.</p> <p>The Area Board were encourage to become involved in sharing views about the Pewsey community area by completing a short survey, available at the above website link.</p> <p>5. Neighbourhood Policing Team The Area Board received a written update and presentation from Sgt Chris Wickham, Wiltshire Police, which included detail about the Community Policing Team, Wiltshire Police performance to December 2023, hate crime overview and burglary overview, statistics for Pewsey (January/February 2024), community speed enforcement updates, and local priorities and updates in relation to the Pewsey area.</p> <p>Members and Area Board representatives commented on the lack of neighbourhood Police ‘walking the beat’ in Pewsey. Sgt Wickham explained that Pewsey was a large rural area for officers to cover and he would welcome more officers to provide an increase in foot patrols in Pewsey.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Sgt Wickham for attending the Area Board meeting and responding to questions.</p> <p>6. Age UK Update The written report attached to the agenda pack was noted.</p> <p>7. Pewsey Fire Station Cllr Oatway commented on rumours about Pewsey Fire Station closing. As Vice-Chair of Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Authority, Cllr Oatway categorically refuted the rumours and confirmed that no discussions had taken place about this.</p>
113	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered three applications for Area Board Initiatives Grant funding, four applications for Community Area Grant funding and three applications for Older &amp; Vulnerable Grant funding. The Chairman invited a representative of each application to give a brief overview of their project to the Area Board.</p>

	<p><b>Decision:</b></p> <p><b>To approve the following grant funding:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Area Board Initiative funding:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Pewsey Area Board - to award £429 towards Thermal Heat Loss Camera – For Information as approved under delegated authority.</li> <li>b. Pewsey Area Board – to award £3,500 towards Sports sessions for young people.</li> <li>c. Pewsey Area Board – to award £3,000 towards Rural youth work.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>2. Community Area Grant funding</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Pewsey Vale Rugby Football Club Ltd – to award £3,000 towards a Self-Propelled Grass mower.</li> <li>b. Easton Royal Footpath Volunteer Group – to award £700 towards Easton Royal Footpath Volunteer Group.</li> <li>c. Pewsey Heritage Centre Ltd – to award £2,098.27 towards Pewsey Heritage Centre CCTV System upgrade windows and Office PC for CCTV Monitoring.</li> <li>d. Milton Lilbourne Parish Council – to award £500 towards Milton Hill Defibrillator Project</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>3. Older &amp; Vulnerable Grant funding</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Easton Royal Parish Council – to award £350 towards a replacement defibrillator for Easton Royal.</li> <li>b. Pewsey Community Area Partnership known as PCAP – to award £804 towards Celebrating 10 years of the Pewsey Vale Community Memory Café.</li> <li>c. Our Time Project – to award £3,000 towards Pewsey Movement and Theatre Workshops for Elders.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>Note:</b> Cllr Paul Oatway declared a non-registrable interest in relation to the community area grant application at 2a above for Milton Lilbourne Parish Council. Cllr Oatway commented on and voted on the grant application.</p>
114	<p><u>Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG)</u></p> <p>The Area Board received the minutes and considered the recommendations arising from the last LHFIG meeting held on 31 January 2024, as detailed in the report.</p> <p>On the proposal of the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Oatway QPM, it was resolved:</p> <p><b>Decision:</b></p>

	<p><b>To add the following Issues (with funding) to the Priority Schemes List:</b></p> <p><b>10-23-9 A345 Sunnyhill Lane Bus Stop infrastructure - £2,000</b>  <b>10-23-10 A345 Oare Signing Review - £3,000</b>  <b>10-23-13 A345 Upavon – SID Infrastructure - £500</b>  <b>10-24-01 Pewsey Wilcot Road Calming Feature - £800</b>  <b>10-24-03 Woodborough The Sands Horse Warning Signs - £500</b></p>
115	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>
116	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates and Close</u></p> <p>The Area Board noted the following future meeting dates (7.00-9.00pm):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 17 June 2024</li> <li>• 23 September 2024</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p>



**Area Board Briefing Note**  
**Draft Licensing Policy 2024-2029 consultation**

**Service :** Public Protection

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**Date Prepared:** 26/03/2024

**Wiltshire Council Draft Licensing Consultation**

**Background**

As the Licensing Authority, Wiltshire Council is required, under the Licensing Act 2003, to promote four objectives, namely:

- The prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety
- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

The licensing policy sets out how the council would normally apply its functions under the Licensing Act 2003, particularly when making decisions on relevant applications for premises licences, club premises certificates and temporary event notices.

The council's current Statement of Licensing Policy came into effect on 10 November 2019 and will cease to have effect on 9 November 2024, and so the council must be in a position to formally adopt a revised policy from November this year. To satisfy the specific legal requirements set down in the Licensing Act, the council is required to carry out a consultation process on the proposed Statement of Licensing Policy.

At its meeting on 4 March 2024, the Licensing Committee agreed that a consultation on the Draft Licensing Committee can commence. The committee report can be found at [Licensing Committee Report March 24.pdf \(wiltshire.gov.uk\)](#)

**Consultation**

The policy must be consulted on with a range of specific stakeholders listed in the Home Office Guidance. This includes licence holders, police, fire and rescue, businesses and residents of the area. The consultation is now open and will run for six weeks with results collected online to make it easier to make comments and

analyse results The consultation can be found at [Draft Licensing Policy 2024-29 consultation \(wiltshire.gov.uk\)](#). Paper copies are also available in Wiltshire Council libraries. You are encouraged to share information on the consultation with anyone in your communities you feel would want to participate. The draft licensing policy can be found at [Statement-of-licensing-policy-Draft 2024-2029.pdf \(wiltshire.gov.uk\)](#).

## **Next steps**

Following the conclusion of the consultation the results will be analysed and the results will be reported back to the Licensing Committee at their meeting in June.

## **More information**

If you would like more information on the consultation or process, please email [claire.francis@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:claire.francis@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Area Board Briefing Note – Local Nature Recovery Strategy

<b>Service:</b>	<b>Environment</b>
<b>Date prepared:</b>	<b>16/04/2024</b>
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<b>Direct contact:</b>	<b>Alison.levy@wiltshire.gov.uk</b>

The Local Nature Recovery Strategy has been progressing with events through March collecting an understanding of what people’s priorities are for nature recovery in Wiltshire and what measures they would utilise to achieve those priorities. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The project group have now moved into the shortlisting phase. In this phase all the information we were given from the survey and events will be merged with information gathered from existing strategies that relate to nature such as river catchment strategies. Having created a master longlist a shortlisting group and a species specialist group will reduce the longlist into a shortlist for each area of Wiltshire. A validation group comprised of people who know their areas well will then check the working and confirm the outcomes.

Once a shortlist is completed, around the end of May, we will start mapping in earnest, using “Geographical information systems” (GIS) programs to model the best locations for those priorities and measures to be located, however as good as the work on this may be, it will be purely data driven and so we need those maps to be “ground truthed”, or in other words for people who really know the land to take a look and give us feedback on the suggested areas.

Events to give people more information and gather the needed feedback will comprise of three in person drop-in days, several webinars and an accompanying online survey.

**These events will take place across July** and details regarding their location and times will be sent out via our contacts database so please do sign up to receive notice and your invitations.

[Sign Up](#)

this link may also be found on our webpage (awaiting an update currently at bottom, will be moved to top) if you type in Wiltshire LNRS to google it should be the first result.

Your views, local knowledge and buy in are critical to not just the building of the LNRS but also its successful delivery. I sincerely hope some of you will be able to make it to our events and I look forward to seeing you there.



## Area Board Briefing Note – Multiply – National Numeracy Day

<b>Service:</b>	<b>Education and Skills</b>
<b>Date prepared:</b>	<b>23/04/24</b>
<b>Further enquiries to:</b>	<b>Catherine Brooks</b>
<b>Direct contact:</b>	<b>Catherine Brooks</b>

Multiply is an initiative to support adults to improve their numeracy skills. During May the Multiply team are celebrating National Numeracy Day. You can find out more on the Work Wiltshire website. If you would like support to improve your skills and confidence in Maths contact the team.

Website – [www.workwiltshire.co.uk](http://www.workwiltshire.co.uk)

Email – [multiply@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:multiply@wiltshire.gov.uk)



**Carers Together Wiltshire - New partnership to support unpaid carers**



Community First is proud to be working in partnership with Age UK Wiltshire and other organisations to offer respite and support to adult unpaid carers as part of a new project called Carers Together Wiltshire. The support offered through the partnership will include training, carers cafes and raising awareness of the role unpaid carers play in the community. Charity partners involved in Carers Together Wiltshire will continue to work closely with hospitals and GP’s to ensure unpaid carers are supported and carry out assessments for unpaid carers

Carers Together Wiltshire is jointly funded by Wiltshire Council and the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (BSW ICB) and includes a range of local partners including Age UK Wiltshire, Community First, Alzheimer’s Support, Wiltshire Service Users Network, Citizens Advice Wiltshire and Wessex Community Action.

The Carers Together partnership brings together and builds on the strengths of the partner organisations to support carers aged 18+ years. The partnership will help ensure there is no wrong door for Carers when they most need support. It provides support for families, including parent carers. Community First was also delighted to be awarded the young carers and young adult carers service. This will support younger adults and young carers aged 5-25. Support will focus on outreach and engagement in local primary schools, secondary schools and colleges. Community First will help younger adult carers and young carers understand their rights, what support is available for them and offer opportunities for respite and skills development.

It gives an opportunity to bring together the work Community First has been doing for many years to support young carers and make the seamless link between the services and organisations

More information about the service can be found on our website:

<https://www.communityfirst.org.uk/carers-together-wiltshire/>



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## Forward Carers



Forward Carers provides a range of online resources to assist you in your caring role via their Carer Friendly Wiltshire website. If you're caring for someone in Wiltshire, you can access our Benefits Calculator to see what you may be entitled to, register for a Carers ID Card, access online support groups and self-refer for help from local services.

[www.carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk](http://www.carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk)

The Carer ID Card offers a form of verified identification, recognised nationally, it acknowledges your caring role and provides access to various benefits, offers and services. The card, issued by Forward Carers includes your photograph and your In Case of Emergency (ICE) contact details.

<https://carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk/carers-id-card/>

Please see the blog post for more information:

<https://carerfriendlywiltshire.org.uk/2024/04/08/hello-and-welcome-to-wiltshire-carers/>

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## Building Bridges and Inspire Swindon Programmes

The Building Bridges and Inspire Swindon Programmes continues to support people in Wiltshire and Swindon to access personalised support to help them achieve and sustain ongoing employment and education outcomes. The Building Bridges Programme team recently worked with participant Lorraine, please see below for Lorraine's story and a summary of the support she received.

When Lorraine joined the programme, she was experiencing money worries and family problems. Lorraine was seeking help and guidance with employment. Lorraine felt she was not up to date with being able to complete job applications and wanted to access support with this. Lorraine received practical and skills-based support from Building Bridges including:

- Confidence building and strengths self-awareness activities which were support worker-guided
- Employability Toolkit - CV writing, Cover and Spec letter, careers IAG
- Tools for Success course
- Referral to local Food Bank
- Referral to local charity Rucksack45218 for clothing and household essentials
- Support to get free Library membership and digital skills learning at the library
- Household Support Fund money allocated to help with utility bill debts and food
- Multiply Maths life skills learning for time management and learning how to use her mobile phone for planning and reminders in her calendar
- Support with housing environmental health issues and signposting to Wilts Citizens Advice.
- Signposting to Warm & Safe Wilts for housing assistance during the winter period
- Support job searching
- Interview preparation and practice for Q&A

Lorraine said:

*"I felt the support was very valuable and has definitely given me stepping stones to believe in myself and not listen to people that want to bring me down and don't believe in me. I now have a much more*



*positive mindset and refuse to be dragged down by others again. It has been fantastic to have the support and now have a job offer outcome as an MDSA at a local primary school. I would 100% recommend Building Bridges as it is very valuable and brought me out of myself and has had a positive outcome. I hope the programme carries on benefiting and helping others.”*

For more information about The Building Bridges and Inspire Swindon Programme, please visit:

[www.buildingbridgessw.org.uk](http://www.buildingbridgessw.org.uk), call 01380 732821 or email: [hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk](mailto:hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk)

## New website for Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre

Community First is currently developing a new website for Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre which launched on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024. The website highlights our outdoor education offer for schools, clubs, groups and organisations, as well as the facilities on offer at Linkenholt Countryside Adventure Centre.

Oxenwood and Linkenholt Centres offer the perfect location for school and group residentials, day visits and curriculum enrichment days.

[www.oxenwood.org.uk](http://www.oxenwood.org.uk)



## New Services and Clubs at Oxenwood

We will also be offering corporate away days, corporate residentials and exciting offsite adventures including mountain days and climbing days. Stay tuned for more information about our Spring, Summer and Autumn holiday clubs or keep an eye on our website.

## Link Schemes Audit 2023

Each year, Community First gathers data from Link Schemes to prepare the annual Link Schemes Audit. The Link Audit is important because it demonstrates how vital local transport groups are to the health and wellbeing of Wiltshire residents, particularly those who live in rural areas. As well as collecting information about the number of miles travelled, tasks undertaken and volunteer hours given, each Link Scheme also collects data on the type of journeys carried out e.g. trips to local doctors surgeries, community hospitals and dentists. This helps us build up a picture of the important role Link Schemes play in helping people to access healthcare and other services that help them live fulfilling and independent lives, reduce isolation, manage health conditions and keep active.

### Summary of findings:

- There are 1,592 volunteers involved in supporting local Link Schemes in Wiltshire, with an average of 38 volunteers per Link Scheme.
- The number of volunteers for Link Schemes decreased by 2% in 2023.

- In 2023 Link Schemes travelled 743,413 miles, which is an 8% increase from 2022.
- There was an 18% increase in everyday tasks (40,299) completed by Link volunteers in 2023.
- Volunteers for local Link Schemes gave over 100,000 hours of their time in 2023. This is a 7% increase from the previous audit.
- 29,761 health related journeys were completed in 2023, which is a 13% increase from 2022.
- The economic value of Link Schemes is £1,352,232 based on ONS South West Average hourly pay (£12.48 per hour). This is a 7% increase from 2022.

Once again, we hope you will join us in congratulating Link Schemes for their fantastic achievements and their commitment to supporting some of the most vulnerable people in the county.

A PDF copy of the audit is included with this briefing document.

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## MiDAS - Minibus Driver Awareness Training

Community First offers accredited MiDAS (Minibus Driver Awareness) Training for organisations and groups. MiDAS is a membership-based scheme designed to enhance both driving and safety standards for drivers of minibuses. MiDAS is a nationally recognised standard for the assessment and training of minibus drivers. Community First is now taking bookings for MiDAS training for Summer/Autumn 2024.

Community First is now offering the **new national MiDAS training programme**. The big change is that the theory module is now completed individually by drivers prior to undertaking their driving assessments. Upon application drivers will be allocated a 'learner pass' to access the Community Transport Association (CTA) learning portal.

Once this module has been completed our Driver Assessor, will arrange to visit clients to complete a theory follow up followed by the driving assessment. On successful completion of both elements drivers will be able to log on the CTA portal to print off their personal MiDAS certificates.

Pricing is based on a minimum group size of 3 drivers per booking and starts at £165.00 per person (+VAT).

Please contact [mcarter@communityfirst.org.uk](mailto:mcarter@communityfirst.org.uk) for more information and how to book training.

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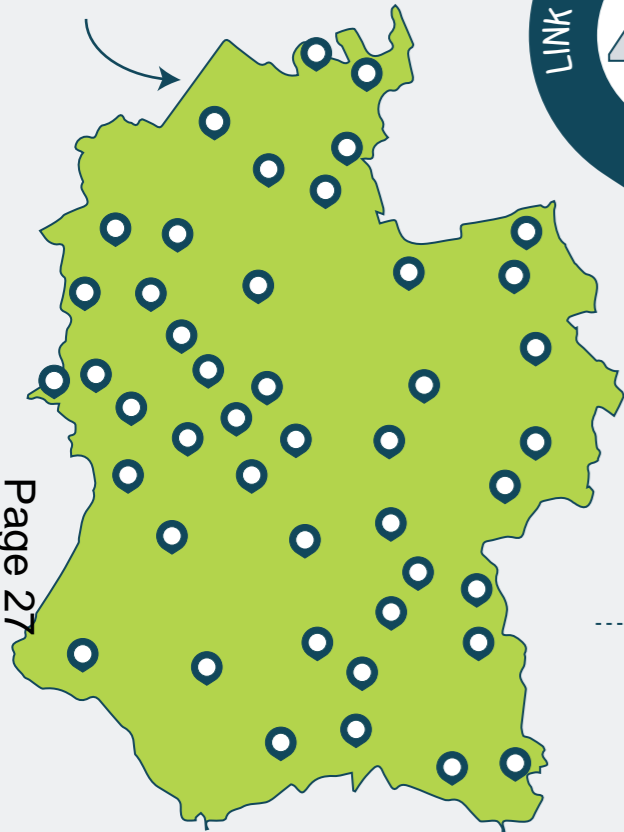
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# Link Scheme Audit 2023



## LINK SCHEME MAP OF WILTSHIRE

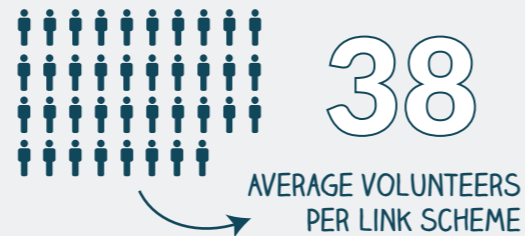


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LINK GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEMES  
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THE NUMBER OF LINK SCHEMES IN WILTSHIRE & SWINDON IS UNCHANGED FROM 2022

**1,592**  
NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED IN LINK SCHEMES



PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN LINK VOLUNTEERS FROM 2022  
**-2%**

IN 2023 LINK VOLUNTEERS OFFERED:  
**108,352**  
Hours

THE NUMBER OF HOURS GIVEN BY VOLUNTEERS INCREASED BY 7% IN 2023  
**+7%**



ECONOMIC VALUE BASED ON HOURLY RATE\*



**£1,352,232**

AVERAGE ADDED ECONOMIC VALUE PER VOLUNTEER HAS INCREASED BY 7% FROM 2022 LINK SCHEME AUDIT FIGURES

**£849.39**

AVERAGE ADDED ECONOMIC VALUE PER VOLUNTEER IN 2023

\*Based on ONS South West Average hourly pay - gross (£) - For all jobs @ £12.48 per hour

**+8%**

THE NUMBER OF MILES TRAVELLED BY LINK VOLUNTEER DRIVERS INCREASED BY 8% COMPARED WITH 2022 AUDIT FIGURES

IN 2023 LINK VOLUNTEERS TRAVELLED:  
**743,413**  
Miles

IN 2023 EACH LINK VOLUNTEER TRAVELLED AN AVERAGE OF:

**466 Miles**

**17,700 Miles**

IN 2023 EACH LINK SCHEME TRAVELLED AN AVERAGE OF

## EVERYDAY TASKS COMPLETED IN 2023\*

**40,299**

THE NUMBER OF 'GOOD NEIGHBOUR' TASKS COMPLETED IN 2022 INCREASED BY **+18%**

\*Some Link schemes offer good neighbour services including small tasks in the home & garden, shopping, prescription collection and befriending.

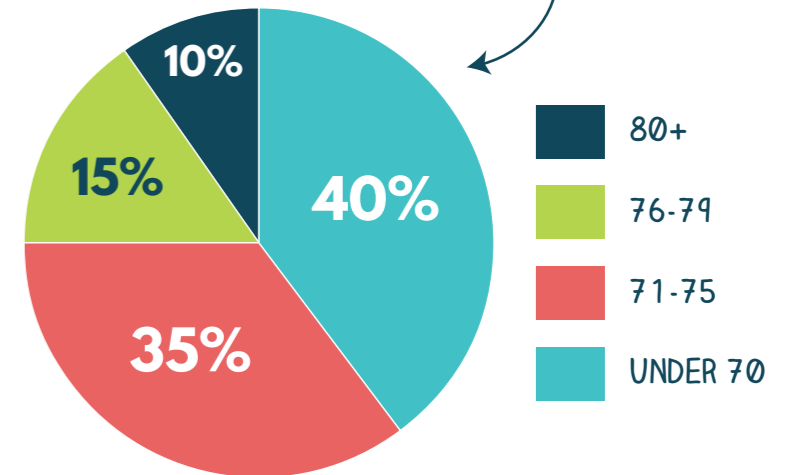


## HEALTH RELATED JOURNEYS IN 2023

**29,761** (+13% INCREASE FROM 2022)

DISTRICT HOSPITALS	<b>11,590</b>	(+20%)
DOCTORS SURGERIES	<b>6,855</b>	(-5%)
OTHER HEALTH & DENTISTS	<b>6,047</b>	(+20%)
OTHER HOSPITALS	<b>2,918</b>	(+20%)
COMMUNITY HOSPITALS	<b>2,351</b>	(+21%)

## LINK SERVICE DRIVERS AGE PROFILE



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## Help improve care for you, your loved ones and your community

Healthwatch Wiltshire is your health and social care champion. As an independent statutory body, we have the power to make sure NHS leaders and other decision makers listen to your feedback and improve standards of care.

You can help improve care for you, your loved ones and your community by sharing your experiences of services with us. Get in touch to tell us what you think.

You can also contact us if you need help finding a local service.

**Email:** [info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk)

**Write to:** Healthwatch Wiltshire, c/o The Vassall Centre, Gill Avenue, Fishponds, Bristol BS16 2QQ.

**Tell us online:** Fill in [our feedback form](#).

### Advice and support when you need it

The Healthwatch Wiltshire website offers [a](#)



[range of advice and information](#) to help you keep up to date with the latest changes in health and care.

The most recent articles include information about the Pharmacy First scheme, explainers on topics such as virtual wards and social prescribing, and details of where to get support if you're part of a military family.

### Volunteer with us

Our volunteers are at the heart of what we do.

They help us reach out to people across Wiltshire to listen to their experiences of health and social care services in the county.

Whether you want to gain valuable work experience, help improve care in your community or learn new skills, there are lots of ways you can join us to make a real difference.

Find out more about volunteering at [healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/volunteer](https://healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/volunteer)

## Sign up to our mailing list to stay in touch

We'd love to stay in touch with you following our transfer to our new provider, The Care Forum, in January.

To continue to receive our news and updates, please give your permission by

signing up to our mailing list again. Or if you're yet to join the list, then why not sign up today?

Sign up on our website, or email us at [info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk)

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## Update for Wiltshire Area Boards

April 2024

### Covid spring booster programme

The Covid-19 booster vaccination programme for those most at risk of serious illness from the virus will begin in April.

The advice for this Spring is to offer the vaccine to those at high risk of serious disease and who are therefore most likely to benefit from vaccination.

The JCVI advises the following groups should be offered a COVID-19 booster vaccine this Spring:

- Adults aged 75 years and over.
- Residents in a care home for older adults.
- Individuals aged 6 months and over who are immunosuppressed.

### Trailblazing health centre

Devizes' state-of-the-art health centre has recently celebrated its first anniversary, with staff at the site proud to have cared for more than 59,000 people during its inaugural 12 months.

The centre, which takes pride of place as the Wiltshire town's flagship location for health and care, had its official opening on 22 February 2023, just a few weeks after the doors first opened to patients.

Since then, the team at Devizes Health Centre, which holds the title of being one of the country's first fully integrated healthcare centres, meaning GP appointments take place alongside many other health and care services, such as outpatient clinics and community care, have carried out a total of 16,834 face-to-face appointments.

When combined with appointments carried out over the phone, the Devizes team cared for 59,457 people during their first year, which equates to approximately 238 patient interactions each day.

Along with being 100 per cent energy efficient – the site uses heat pumps and solar panels to generate its own power – Devizes Health Centre is also a hub for same and next-day care.

Patients of four nearby GP practices are able to be referred directly to the new urgent care service, meaning local people need not travel further afield for quick help and treatment.

Further information about Devizes Health Centre, as well as all other local health and care services, can be found online at [www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk](http://www.bsw.icb.nhs.uk).

## **BSW Care Coordination initiative wins prestigious HSJ award**

Medvivo and BSW ICB have won a prestigious Health Service Journal Award for a project to coordinate health and care services so that patients receive the best possible care to meet their needs, at the right, in the right place and avoids emergency admission.

The project, which has been running across BSW since December 2022, received a Gold Award in the category 'most effective contribution to integrated health and care'.

The Care Coordination Hub see Specialist Paramedics working alongside Advanced Clinical Practitioners and other Health and Care Professionals (in the hub and virtually) to optimise the flow of patients across the region. Working this way reduces the risk of harm and makes the best use of the resources to provide high-quality care.

## **New Partnership announced to support unpaid carers in Wiltshire**

Wiltshire has thousands of people who provide help as unpaid carers to those needing additional support. Wiltshire Council and the BSW ICB have a role to ensure those people are provided with respite, support and opportunities to network with other unpaid carers.

The council has announced that Age UK Wiltshire is working in a consortium with Community First, Alzheimer's Support, Wiltshire Service Users Network, Citizens Advice Wiltshire and Wessex Community Action (and many more charities). As a group they are called 'Carers Together Wiltshire' and will provide respite, and a range of support to adult unpaid carers from the age of 18. This will include training, carer cafes and awareness raising in the community for unpaid carers. They will also work closely with Wiltshire Council to continue conducting carer's assessments.

Community First has been awarded the contract for younger adult and young carers from ages 5 – 25, focusing on support in primary schools and supporting Wiltshire Council with their work with secondary schools and colleges, understanding their rights and what support is available to them and giving them opportunities to carry on doing the things they enjoy – whilst also teaching them key life skills as they grow up.

Both providers will work together to support carers aged 18 – 25 and family support including parent carers. There is also investment in online support so carers can access training, chats, helpful guides and support at any time.

There will continue to be a Wiltshire Carer Card which will provide unpaid carers with ID as a carer and record emergency contact details. This will be available as a physical card and a digital app for people's smartphone, if preferred. Unpaid carers can continue to use the emergency card they already have while they wait for the new card. The new providers will also continue to work closely with hospitals to ensure unpaid carers are supported. Assessments for unpaid carers will continue as normal.

From 1 April Carer Support Wiltshire will continue to run its services independently of the council including carer cafés, the Hear to Talk service, family support and activities, carer wellbeing workshops, young carer activities, carer grants and their Bereavement Help Points.

The unpaid carers contract is jointly funded by Wiltshire Council and BSW ICB.



### Pewsey Area Board 17 June 2024

#### Appointments of Representatives 2024/25

##### 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To appoint Councillor representatives for the Area Board. This will include appointing to Outside Bodies and to reconstitute and appoint to any Non-Priority Working Groups and the LHFIG for the year 2024/25.

##### 2. Background

- 2.1. Area Boards are invited to appoint Councillors to be their respective lead for particular Outside Bodies, Non-Priority Working Groups and the LHFIG. The following guiding principles are in place for Councillors when taking on one of these roles:
  - To be the main Area Board point of contact for local Officers within their respective area
  - To attend (and often Chair) relevant working groups of the Area Board
  - To work collaboratively with relevant local partners and community groups
  - To provide regular updates back to the Area Board in relation to their Group/Outside-Body including providing feedback on the success or limitations of previously funded Area Board grants (if applicable)
- 2.2. The Area Board is invited to appoint Councillor representatives to the Outside Bodies or Non-Priority Groups (which do not fall under one of the Area Board Priority areas) listed at **Appendix A**. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' terms of office, and will be reviewed annually, unless the Board determines otherwise.

##### 3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. The Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group ([LHFIG](#)) operates as an informal working group making recommendations to the Area Board for approval. Terms of Reference are set out in **Appendix B** for information. The Area Board are invited to appoint a Lead Councillor on an annual basis.
- 3.2. Any amendments to the currently appointed Representatives on Non-Priority Working Groups can be agreed by the Area Board here or at any future scheduled business meeting.
- 3.3. If a new Non-Priority Working group is required, the Strategic Engagement & Partnerships Manager will work with the Board to set out the exact purpose and Membership, which would then be agreed by the Area Board at its next scheduled business meeting.

## **4. Financial and Resource Implications**

4.1. None.

## **5. Legal Implications**

5.1. Some appointments carry responsibilities and duties, for example, those which involve becoming a trustee. Councillors are advised to seek advice on individual appointments if required. [Protocol 3](#) of the Council's Constitution sets out Guidance to Members on Outside Bodies.

## **6. Safeguarding Implications**

6.1 Processes are in place to ensure Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are undertaken as appropriate.

## **7. Environmental Impact of the Proposals**

7.1 None.

## **8. Equality and Diversity Implications**

8.1 None.

## **9. Delegation**

9.1 By convention, appointments to Outside Bodies which operate within the boundary of a community area are made by the relevant Area Board.

9.2 The appointment of Councillors and other representatives to Non-Priority working groups operating under the Area Board is a matter for the Area Board to determine.

## **10. Recommendation**

10.1 The Area Board is requested to:

- a. Appoint Members as Lead representatives to Outside Bodies, any Non-Priority Working Groups and to the LHFIG, as set out at Appendix A;
- b. Note the Terms of Reference as set out in Appendix B.

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**Lisa Alexander, Senior Democratic Services Officer**

**Appendices:**

Appendix A – Appointments to Outside Bodies, Non-Priority Working Groups and the LHFIG  
Appendix B – LHFIG Terms of Reference

**Unpublished background documents relied upon in the preparation of this report**

None.

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**Appendix A**

**Representative Appointments 2024/25**

Appointments on Outside Bodies and Non-Priority Working Groups will continue for the duration of Councillors' terms of office, and will be reviewed annually, unless the Board determines otherwise.

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>Councillor Representative</b>
Pewsey Community Area Partnership	<b>Cllr Paul Oatway QPM</b>
The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre	<b>Cllr Stuart Wheeler</b>

<b>Non-Priority Working Group</b>	<b>Councillor Representative</b>
N/A	

<b>LHFIG Councillor Representative</b> Note: This position is appointed annually	<b>Cllr Jerry Kunkler</b>
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## **LOCAL HIGHWAY & FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENT GROUPS (LHFIG)**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Membership of the LHFIG**

The LHFIG will normally be made up of:

- Members of the Area Board
- Town and Parish Council representatives
- Community / Stakeholder representatives

It is recommended that the groups do not normally consist of more than 10 representatives, but for larger community areas this may not always be feasible.

Representatives should act as a conduit between their organisations and the LHFIGs by putting forward the views of the body they represent and providing feedback to its members regarding the work of the LHFIGs. The group members will also need to be mindful of the needs of the community area when making their recommendations, as not all councils and groups may be represented on the LHFIGs.

Recommendations to the Area Board will usually be reached by consensus, but if necessary, these can be agreed by a show of hands by those representatives present at the meeting.

The group will normally be chaired by a Wiltshire councillor. Membership of the LHFIGs will cease when a member ceases to hold the stated office as first appointed, or when a parish/town council or group choose to nominate an alternative representative.

The LHFIGs may invite representatives from local organisations to its meetings to give technical advice or to share pertinent local knowledge on projects in the area.

#### **Appointment of LHFIGs members**

Appointment of Wiltshire Council members to the LHFIGs will normally be agreed at a full meeting of the Area Board. Membership may be varied, with the agreement of the Area Board Chairman, subject to approval at the next full Area Board meeting.

Where required for flexibility, the Area Board may appoint an unnamed representative of an organisation to the LHFIGs (e.g. town/parish council or Community Area Partnership) to ensure that the organisation is always represented at meetings. However, it is preferred that the same representative attends if possible to ensure consistency of membership.

#### **Media relations**

Members of the LHFIGs must not issue press statements on behalf of the Area Board.

Any press statements about the work of the LHFIGs should be agreed between the Chairman of the LHFIGs and the Chairman of the Area Board, and in consultation with

Wiltshire council's communications team. You can contact the communications team at [communications@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:communications@wiltshire.gov.uk).

### **Meetings**

It is recommended that the LHFIGs meet four times a year. Ideally the meetings should be 2 to 4 weeks in advance of the Area Board meetings. Meetings are intended to be limited to the membership set out above and is open to other members of the Area Board who wish to attend. It can be open to public if the LHFIG chair wishes, and by invitation. It should be noted that LHFIGs are advisory bodies and do not exercise delegated decision-making powers. All decisions are to be ratified by the Area Board.

### **Officer support**

Meetings will be attended by relevant officers from Wiltshire Council, including a Senior Transport Planner, a Senior Traffic Engineer, Local Highway Maintenance Engineer and the local Community Engagement Manager. Attendance by officers of other expert knowledge may be arranged when necessary.

Additional support will be provided outside of the meeting by the Corporate Office Business Support unit as currently for Area Boards, for the purpose of arranging meetings, venues, and the production of meeting action notes.

### **Terms of reference**

The LHFIGs have no formal decision-making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but act as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Board. Recommendations must be agreed at a full LHFIG meeting before being brought to the next Area Board for approval.

The LHFIGs terms of reference are set out at Appendix 1:

Examples of projects the LHFIGs can and cannot fund are set out in Appendix 2:



**Terms of Reference**

1. Small-scale transport schemes – discretionary funding

To make recommendations to the Area Board to determine priorities and levels of expenditure required for small-scale transport schemes in the community area. A discretionary highways budget has been allocated to the board by the Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste, Street Scene and Flooding. The funding allocation is a mixture of highways and council capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure. It is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport and improve traffic management.

It cannot be used to fund revenue functions, such as routine maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services.

A list of schemes which the groups can fund in contained in Appendix B

Schemes considered by the LHFIGs must have first been raised through the highway improvement request system and endorsed by the relevant town or parish council.

The LHFIG's can be directed to look at issues identified by Highways Officers when considered appropriate. For example, when an issue is raised for which other centrally held resource does not exist.

In choosing their local transport schemes, Area Boards will need to be mindful of the priorities of the Local Transport Plan and the likely availability of future funding for implementation.

2. Small scale transport schemes – substantive funding

To submit bids for funding from the centrally held substantive funds. A scheme qualifies as substantive if the estimated cost is more than the total discretionary amount available as part of the group's annual allocation.

**Appendix 2** – Example of projects which can and cannot be funded by LHFIGs

**LHFIGs can fund the following:**

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

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

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

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

**New road markings:** new and replacement of existing markings.

**Speed limits:** assessment and implementation.

**Waiting restrictions:** assessments and implementation.

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

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

**Street lighting:** new installations.

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

*As a general rule, an asset should exist at the end of the project, i.e. something new that wasn't there beforehand.*

**LHFIGs cannot fund:**

**Routine maintenance:** such as gully emptying, ditch clearing, hedgerow cutting, pot hole repairs.

**Service subsidy:** bus services

**Promotional campaigns**

**SID equipment**

**Improvements for individuals and properties**

*As a general rule, activities that repair, clean, tidy or remove something that is already present are likely to be considered routine maintenance and cannot be funded by LHFIGs.*

# Pewsey Area Board

## End of Year Report

April 2023 - March 2024



### Area Board Investment

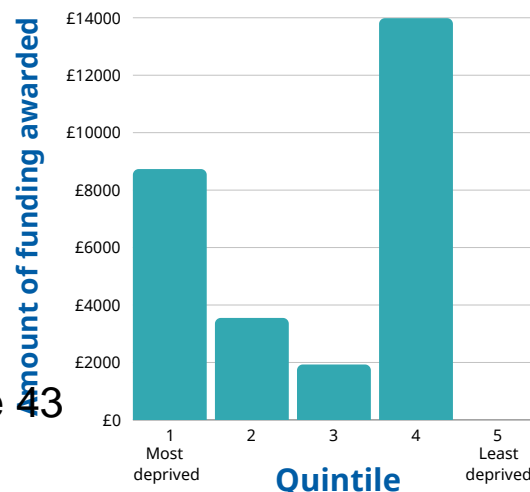
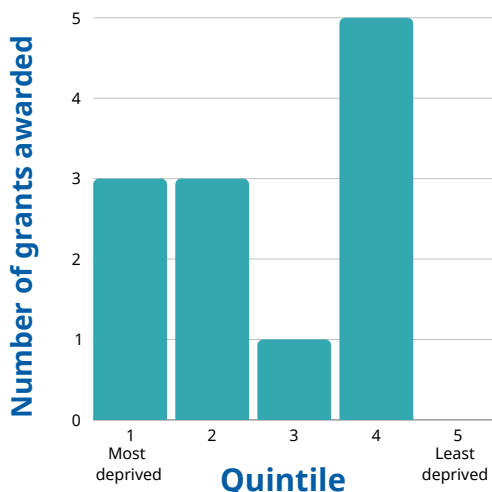
The Area Board invests in local community projects and initiatives that meet local priorities and deliver exceptional outcomes for residents. The Area Board aims to work in partnership to achieve maximum value for its investment.

#### Total Area Board Investment



The total amount invested in projects through additional community contribution, from fundraising, grants, services in kind or volunteering

### Investment by deprivation quintile



# Local Priorities

The Pewsey Area Board reviewed available local data and evidence and integrated this with local knowledge and community conversation to agree the following local priority themes. The Area Board has undertaken a series of more specific local actions to positively address them, including the key achievements below:

## Improve opportunities for young people



The Pewsey youth café has been successfully running weekly in the Pewsey Vale Leisure Centre for 8 months. New sessions of outdoor activities are proving very popular. We continue to support the Open Blue Bus in Burbage and Upavon and have now extended this to include Grafton and the Bedwys with sessions being organised at Oxenwood during the summer.

## Addressing environmental issues

We continue to support the fantastic work of Great Green Bedwyn and Pewsey Green. Especially the work they are both doing to include the farming community. We have funded a community thermal camera which is hosted by Pewsey Green and PCAP to meet a community need identified through their community survey. We have run a community survey to build on the ones run by the groups above.



## Valuing and supporting our vulnerable and older people



We have worked closely with PCAP to provide both a hardship fund and vouchers for families to buy food and other essentials. We have been exploring issues that the community and data say is important to the area such as supporting low-income families, as well as isolation and loneliness. We have established good relationships with Pewsey surgery and continue to support local initiatives including funding work in care homes, the memory cafe and the provision of defibrillators.

## To improve public transport and encourage walking and cycling

We have actively supported the introduction of the Wiltshire Connect on demand bus services into the Pewsey Vale. This has proved to be a success with patronage being very healthy with the on-demand services outperforming the remaining timetables ones. We have continued to support both walking and cycling including providing funding for a new bike repair station in Pewsey and for footpath groups. We held a successful special highways event in Autumn 23 and have supported actions to address public concerns.




# Engagements

The Pewsey Area Board works alongside other organisations to make things happen in the local community. These groups include the town and parish councils, voluntary and community groups, youth organisations, sports clubs and local charities.

The Area Board wouldn't be able to achieve what they do without these partners working on the ground with them. The Area Board hosts regular business meetings, engagement activities, events, surveys and working groups to stimulate and support local community action.

**Area Board Business meetings** **4**




**Attendances** **189**

**Area Board working groups** **5**



**Attendances** **37**

**Engagements/ events/ activities** **11**




**Attendances** **95**

# Local Highways and Footpath Infrastructure group

The LHFIFG is a sub group of the Pewsey Area Board, which deals specifically with highway issues. They aim to find solutions for local transport issues, such as road repairs, traffic problems, road layouts and parking. The amount allocated is dependent on the geographical size and population for the community area and the funding allocation is for capital expenditure and can be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure.

**LHFIFG meetings** **4**



**Attendances** **58**

**£**

**£26,219 investment**

**LHFIFG projects completed** **11**



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# SHALBOURNE – LIVE ISSUES

## CARVERS HILL ESTATE WINERY OPEN

- Wine tours soon available;
- 700 bottles of Rosé produced (very good). Commercial sales next year;
- Looking to expand functions, parties etc:
  - Traffic and noise;
  - In discussion with Planners which have involved Council.

## PUB (PLOUGH) CLOSED AND FOR SALE

- Wilts declared it Asset of Community Value in record time
- Discussions on buying, managing etc. - live.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL CLOSED

- In Conservation Area
- Land (including playing fields). buildings will revert to Wilts Council who must maximise value.
- Ongoing.

## SPEED LIMIT IN NEIGHBOURING HAMLET

- Ongoing.

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# Road Safety update – Pewsey Area Board

Monday 17 June 2024

Keeping Wiltshire Safe



# • #FATAL5 education



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## Careless or inconsiderate driving

The offence of driving without due care and attention (careless driving) is committed when your driving falls below the minimum standard expected of a competent and careful driver, and includes driving without reasonable consideration for other road users.

### Some examples of careless or inconsiderate driving are:

- overtaking on the inside
- driving too close to another vehicle
- driving through a red light by mistake
- turning into the path of another vehicle
- flashing lights to force other drivers to give way
- misusing lanes to gain advantage over other drivers
- the driver being avoidably distracted by tuning the radio, lighting a cigarette etc
- unnecessarily staying in an overtaking lane
- unnecessarily slow driving or braking
- dazzling other drivers with un-dipped headlights



# • Community Road Safety Team; what we do

## PARTNERSHIP WORKING

- Community safety initiatives
- Work with Wiltshire Council (WC) and Dorset & Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service (DWFRS) on road safety matters
  - Safe Drive Stay Alive (DWFRS)
  - Car seat checks (WC)
  - Op Close Pass – 2 wheels



## INTERVENTION

- Road safety campaign 2023
- Community Speed Watch (CSW) letters
- Visible presence
- Speed Indicator Device (SID) scheme



## ROAD SAFETY

## ENFORCEMENT

- Project Zero days
- Community Road Safety Team days of action
- Support to Tramline op
- Community Road Safety and Speed Enforcement officers
- Speed awareness courses, fine & points and court action
- Force wide operations



## EDUCATION

- Empowerment to communities to deliver CSW
- CSW letters
- SID scheme
- Visible presence
- Op Close Pass – Equine
- #Fatal5



# Community Speed Watch

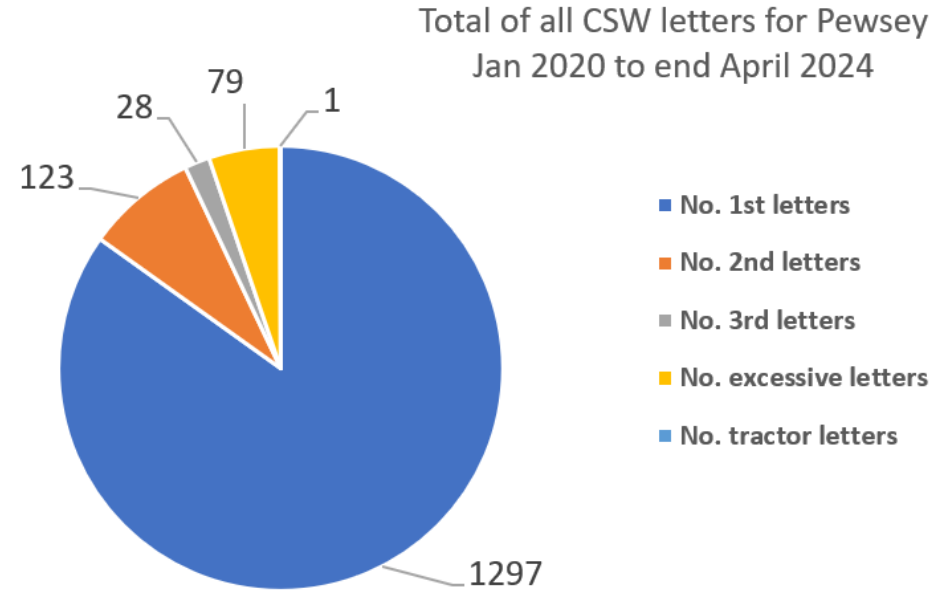
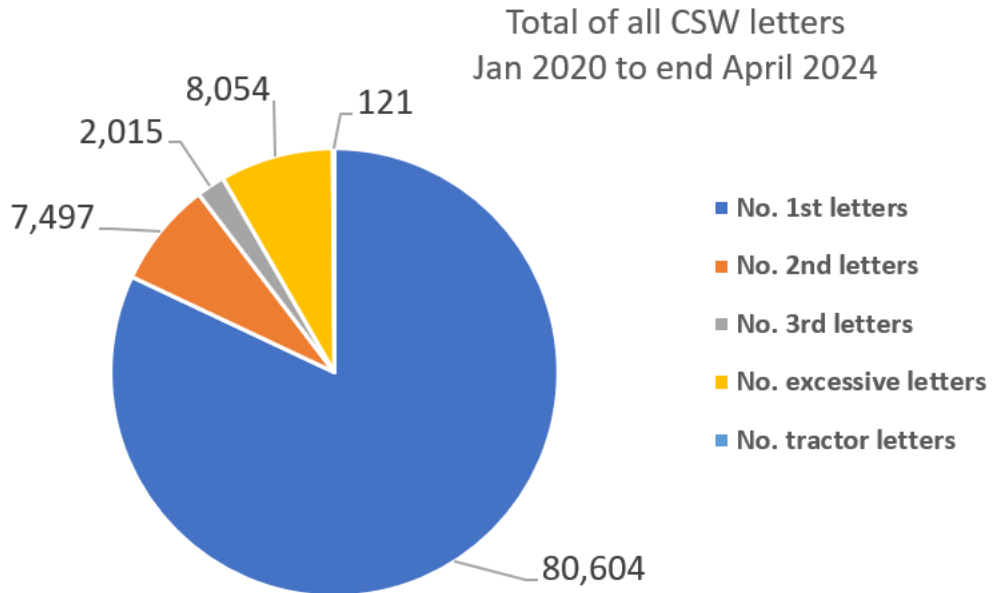
## CSW



# • CSW – Pewsey area - Data since July 2020 to 8 May 2024

Team	No. 1st letters	No. 2nd letters	No. 3rd letters	No. excessive letters	No. tractor letters	Total letters	No. of watches	Average speeders %
Beechingstoke	46	6	1	3	0	56	59	1.0%
East Grafton	16	0	0	0	0	16	7	1.5%
Easton Royal	399	45	8	23	1	476	150	3.4%
Manningford Bruce	22	4	0	2	0	28	70	1.3%
Oare	335	23	9	40	0	407	25	11.6%
Pewsey	68	2	1	1	0	72	16	4.8%
Rushall	146	6	0	1	0	153	29	4.3%
Woodborough	195	28	8	6	0	237	101	5.4%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1610</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1887</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>3.62%</b>

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# • Traffic surveys – Pewsey

January 2022 to 30 April 2024

## Wiltshire Council

Title	Result	Survey start date	Speed limit	85th percentile	CPT	Area Board
All Cannings - Chandlers Lane	No further action	23/01/2022	20	15.47	Devizes	Pewsey
Beechingstoke - C240 - Woodborough Road	No further action	29/01/2024	60	42.3	Devizes	Pewsey
Bottlesford - Yards Lane	No further action	07/12/2023	40	37.2	Devizes	Pewsey
Bottlesford UC Gores Lane	No further action	24/06/2023	30	32.8	Devizes	Pewsey
Chirton C241 Small Street	No further action	04/02/2023	30	30.9	Devizes	Pewsey
Chirton C51 The Hollow	No further action	04/02/2023	30	27.5	Devizes	Pewsey
East Grafton	Speed education	10/06/2022	30	39.02	Devizes	Pewsey
East Grafton A338	Speed education	15/08/2022	30	38.02	Devizes	Pewsey
Froxfield A4 Bath Road	No further action	12/06/2023	40	43.1	Devizes	Pewsey
Great Bedwyn - Browns Lane	Speed education	22/11/2022	30	36.4	Devizes	Pewsey
Great Bedwyn - Forest Hill	No further action	22/11/2022	30	32.2	Devizes	Pewsey
Manningford Bruce - C52 Wilcot Road	No further action	07/12/2023	30	30.3	Devizes	Pewsey
Milton Lilbourne - C199 Unnamed Road - New Mill 2nd Survey	No further action	07/12/2023	30	21.4	Devizes	Pewsey
Milton Lilbourne - C266 Unnamed Road - New Mill	Speed education	07/12/2023	30	35.4	Devizes	Pewsey
Upavon - Andover Road	Speed education	08/05/2022	30	36.5	Amesbury	Pewsey
Upavon - Devizes Road	Speed education	08/05/2022	30	38.07	Amesbury	Pewsey
Upavon - Pewsey Road (Cancelled)	Speed education	08/05/2022	30	40.71	Amesbury	Pewsey
Upavon - Trenchard Lines	Police	08/05/2022	40	59.32	Amesbury	Pewsey
Woodborough - C261 Church Road	No further action	11/09/2023	30	31.2	Devizes	Pewsey

# • Wider work recently

Our Roads Policing Unit (RPU) in the last quarter, covering January to April issued over **2390 tickets** to motorists, for numerous road related offences.

- [Op Tramline](#) is running every month, in April the main focus was on mobile phone enforcement.
- 5 more RPU officers have joined the team.
- RPU ran a [MIB](#) no insurance operation focussing on the M4 in conjunction with TVP, A&S and Gwent Police. Wiltshire had 12 vehicles seized off the M4 and the highest in the region.



Wiltshire Specialist Ops @WiltSpecOps · 06/04/2024  
#RPU have this vehicle stopped in Bulford due the driver only holding a provisional licence and the vehicle holding no policy of insurance, driver reported and vehicle seized  
#NoInsuranceNoLicenceNoVehicle #S165 #Seized @DriveInsured



6 10 190 4.3K

Wiltshire Specialist Ops @WiltSpecOps · 05/04/2024  
#RPU were out again running #OpTramline today in between other jobs and commitments 🙌  
Even more drivers found to be distracted at the wheel or not restrained #Fatal5



2 7 110 3.1K

Wiltshire Specialist Ops @WiltSpecOps · 17/03/2024  
Full house of document offences for this motorcycle, seized on the A429 near Kemble. No number plate; insurance; tax or MOT, ridden by a provisional licence holder.



11 10 290 7K

# Community Speed Enforcement Officers

CSEO's





# • CSEO – Dashboard – 1 January 2023 to 8 May 2024

## CSEO Activity Dashboard

Outcomes are dependent on previous convictions and history

10,667.00  
No. Speed awareness co...

1,450.00  
No. Fine & Points

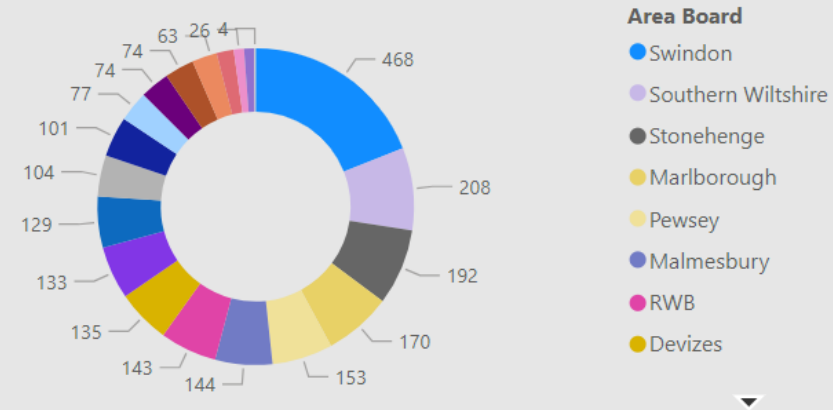
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No. of Locations

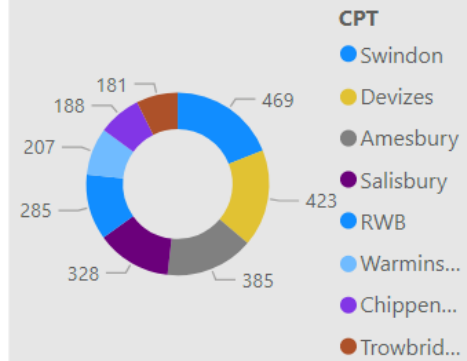
Location	Year	Month	Speed awareness course	Fine & Points	Court	CPT	Area Board
Swindon - Thamesdown Drive	2023	December	251.00	54.00	0.00	Swindon	Swindon
Swindon Queens Drive adjacent with Cambridge Close	2024	April	151.00	26.00	0.00	Swindon	Swindon
Law and Whitley - 365 Folly Lane	2023	November	129.00	15.00	0.00	Trowbridge	Melksham
Swindon - Thamesdown Drive	2024	January	103.00	16.00	0.00	Swindon	Swindon
Wilton - The Avenue	2023	August	102.00	31.00	4.00	Salisbury	South West
Harnham - Lime Kiln Way	2023	November	97.00	11.00	0.00	Salisbury	Salisbury
Cholderton - Church Lane	2023	March	95.00	4.00	1.00	Amesbury	South West
Swindon - Thamesdown Drive	2024	March	94.00	23.00	0.00	Swindon	Swindon
Swindon Queens Drive adjacent with Cambridge Close	2024	March	90.00	13.00	1.00	Swindon	Swindon
Wilton - The Avenue	2023	November	84.00	33.00	8.00	Salisbury	Southern
Cricklade - Spital Lane	2023	April	80.00	10.00	0.00	RWB	RWB
Tilshead - Candown Road	2023	August	78.00	10.00	1.00	Amesbury	Stonehenge
Wilton - The Avenue	2024	April	77.00	23.00	6.00	Salisbury	Southern
Coombe Bissett - Deegan House	2023	November	72.00	10.00	0.00	Salisbury	Southern
<b>Total</b>			<b>10,667.00</b>	<b>1,450.00</b>	<b>144.00</b>		

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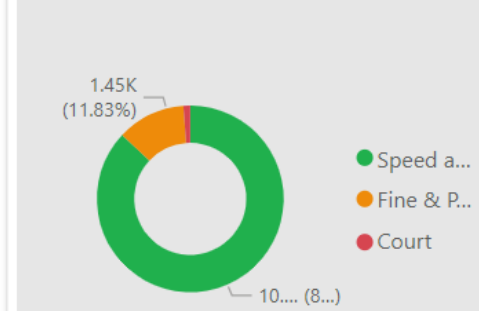
### Activity by Area Board



### Activity by CPT



### Outcomes



# • CSEO – Pewsey Area Board - 1 January 2023 to 8 May 2024

## CSEO Activity Dashboard

Outcomes are dependent on previous convictions and history

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72.00  
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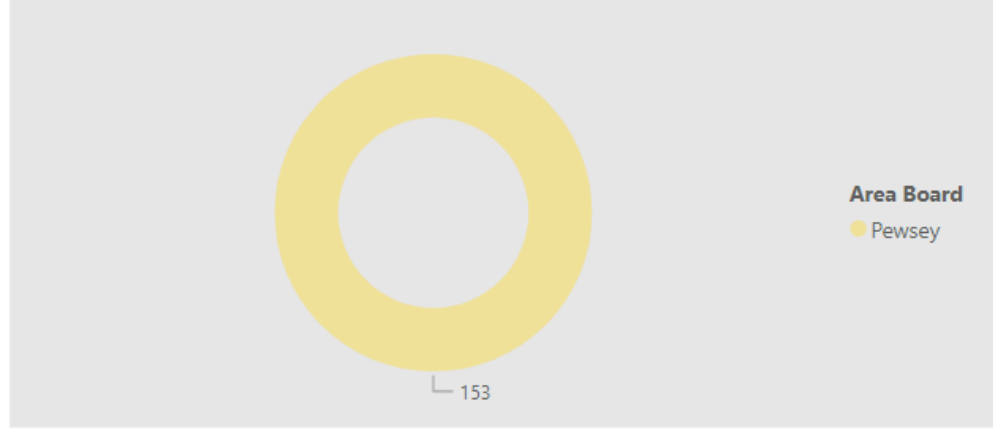
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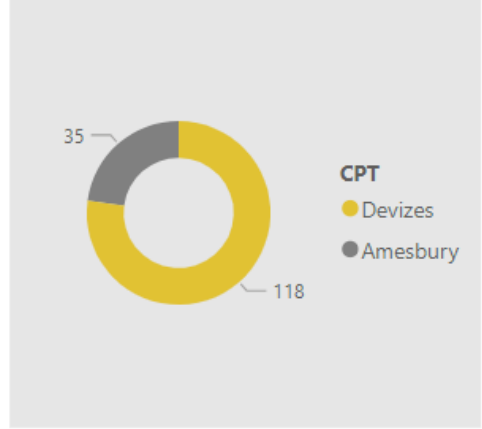
Location	Year	Month	Speed awareness course	Fine & Points	Court	CPT	Area Board
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	September	57.00	12.00	1.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	August	54.00	5.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	November	49.00	2.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Oare Village - Entrance to Oare House	2023	March	46.00	10.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Oare Village - Entrance to Oare House	2023	February	37.00	8.00	2.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Oare - opposite The Lodge	2023	June	33.00	9.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	October	26.00	0.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Oare - Bus stop halfway up the hill on the left (C)	2024	March	16.00	2.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Oare - Bus stop halfway up the hill on the left	2024	January	15.00	0.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Oare - Bus stop halfway up the hill on the left	2024	April	15.00	4.00	1.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Enford - Bus Stop	2023	February	12.00	0.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Alton - Alton Barnes	2023	October	11.00	2.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	July	11.00	3.00	1.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Enford - Old Vicarage	2023	December	11.00	0.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Enford - Bus Stop	2023	March	10.00	0.00	0.00	Amesbury	Pewsey
Rushall	2024	March	9.00	2.00	0.00	Devizes	Pewsey
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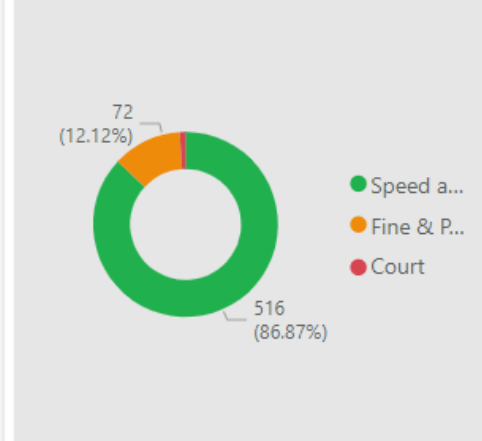
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### Activity by CPT



### Outcomes



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## AGE UK WILTSHIRE

# News and Views

## CEO Message - Providing Support, Encouraging Independence

Welcome to the fifth edition of our external newsletter. Sarah Cardy, CEO, gives an update on our services.

“Nothing stands still for long in Age UK Wiltshire. We are continuing to find new ways to deliver services and strengthen our income to ensure we are a sustainable charity.

Having opened our Salisbury charity shop with an information point at the end of last year, it has been fantastic to open in two further locations in Bradford on Avon and Marlborough. You can read more about these brilliant shops and information points on page 3 of this newsletter. We are working hard behind the scenes on our next location, so watch this space.

Since our last newsletter I am delighted to announce our new partnership with working in partnership with Community First, Alzheimer’s Support, Wiltshire Service Users Network, Citizens Advice Wiltshire and Wessex Community Action, under the umbrella, ‘Carers Together Wiltshire’. This partnership will allow us to provide tailored support to the thousands of unpaid carers across Wiltshire.

There are currently thousands of people identified as unpaid carers in Wiltshire, we wish to ensure that these individuals can achieve a healthy balance between their caring responsibilities and their own interests and wellbeing.”

You can find out more about Carers Together Wiltshire on page 6 of this newsletter.

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## Let's talk about: Offline and Overlooked – Age UK's new report on Digital Exclusion

Age UK has released a new report – 'Offline and Overlooked – Digital Exclusion and its impact on older people' – written to continue raising awareness of digital exclusion with MPs, local councils and service providers.

Age UK has been campaigning to highlight the impact on older people that the rush to go digital is having.

The report sets out how prioritising digital routes to accessing essential services like banking, NHS and GP appointments, parking, local council services and social security is disproportionately impacting older people. It highlights the important support being provided by local Age UKs to increase digital skills.

The report highlights that:

- 4.7 million people aged 65+ don't have the basic skills needed to use the internet successfully.
- 2.3 million people aged 65+ don't use the internet at all.
- 3.3 million people aged 65+ don't use a smartphone.

The report's recommendations are:

- All public services must offer and promote an affordable, easy to access, offline way of reaching and using them.
- The Government must make sure local government receives enough funding to provide offline services.
- More funding and support provided to enable people who are not internet users, but would like to be, to get online.
- The Government should lead on the development of a long-term, fully-funded national Digital Inclusion Strategy.
- The Government should change the law to require banks to maintain face-to-face services.
- Banks must accelerate the roll-out of Shared Banking Hubs.

To find out more, or to see how you can get involved, read more [here](#).

## News and updates.

### Charity Shops and Information Points

Following the success of our Salisbury Shop with Information Point, which opened in December, we have now opened in Bradford on Avon and Marlborough! Our charity shops are not just a retail space, but a place for people to come to us for information, help and access to advice.

These locations can only work with the support of our amazing volunteers and with the generous donations received. Each donation made, and purchase bought makes a real difference in the lives of older people living in Wiltshire.

Our shops are looking for more donations of clean, secondhand clothing and quality homeware.

What can you donate?

Clothes	Homeware
<p>Good quality and clean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Men’s clothes</li> <li>• Woman’s clothes</li> <li>• Kid’s clothes</li> <li>• Bags</li> <li>• Shoes (paired)</li> <li>• Jewellery</li> <li>• Accessories</li> </ul>	<p>In good condition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vases, ornaments, glassware</li> <li>• Soft furnishings (if new)</li> <li>• Small pieces of furniture</li> <li>• Toys and games</li> <li>• Books</li> </ul>



## Organisation News and Updates: Living Well

Through our Living Well service we have a team of Age UK Wiltshire staff, based within GP surgeries, providing a wide range of support to older patients. Alongside visiting people at home, we also go to local events spreading the news of our services.

On social prescribing day, the Living Well team visited Chippenham Community Hub to raise awareness in the community about the work of social prescribers. Information was shared about social groups, support services and relevant benefits.

The team had a mixture of people stop by from professionals, parliamentary candidates, and patients from the local surgeries. .



**“Age UK have been brilliant, you’ve done so much for me, I don’t know what I’d have done without you.”**



## Organisation News and Updates:

Our 'Wellbeing Checks with Meals' service is much more than just a hot meal delivered to your door, it is also:

- ✓ A wellbeing check for an older relative
- ✓ Peace of mind for a relative or carer
- ✓ The ability to remain independent, at home

"Thank you again for everything you do, your drivers are amazing, and it is because of you that mum can stay in her own home. So it is such a gift for us, thank you."

# Socials

You can stay up to date with our latest news by following our social media accounts:



<https://www.facebook.com/ageukwiltshire/>



<https://twitter.com/AgeUKWiltshire>



<https://www.instagram.com/ageukwiltshire/>

Following our accounts and engaging with what is shared is a fantastic free way to help increase the reach of our services.

## Organisation News and Updates:



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This partnership will allow us to provide tailored support to the thousands of unpaid carers across Wiltshire.

There are currently thousands of people identified as unpaid carers in Wiltshire, we wish to ensure that these individuals can achieve a healthy balance between their caring responsibilities and their own interests and wellbeing. Caring for another person can be challenging. We work closely with Wiltshire Council to offer Carers Assessments, to enable unpaid carers to take regular time away from their caring responsibilities, and we also offer practical and emotional support.

We will work together with our partnership organisations to provide support to individuals providing informal unpaid care to another person through a range of support services.

We can provide:

- Activities
- Carer breaks
- Information
- Advice
- Information of Carer ID cards
- Counselling
- Coaching
- Training and support (including peer-support) for carers.

We are here to support carers, offer a listening ear and practical help and support. You can contact us on 01380 710300 or email

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[enquiries@carerstogetherwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@carerstogetherwiltshire.org.uk)

## Organisation News and Updates: Fitness & Friendship

Our Fitness & Friendship Clubs are social clubs for older people with an emphasis on keeping active.

Sessions include gentle exercises, games, quizzes, Tai Chi, with plenty of time for a friendly chat over refreshments.

Our brand-new Fitness & Friendship Club has opened in Devizes at Northgate Gardens Retirement Housing and meets alternate Wednesday's 10.30am-12.30pm.

To find out more, you can contact: [fitnessandfriendship@ageukwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:fitnessandfriendship@ageukwiltshire.org.uk)

### Happy birthday George!

George, a member of our Salisbury Fitness & Friendship Club, recently celebrated his 100th birthday with the club!



### Information & Advice

Information & Advice received an exciting visit from some of Age UK National staff working on the Building Resilience project. They visited the team in Salisbury to see how they operate, as well as taking the opportunity to chat with volunteers and staff about the service. They were very complimentary and could see how much everyone put into the service.

## Organisation News and Updates: Local Energy Grant


Local energy  
Grant

Could you be entitled to £100s off your fuel bills?

£200 Wiltshire Energy Grant

You could be eligible if you:

- Are over State Pension age
- Receive a means-tested benefit (core) *or* income below £366pw (single) person) / £527pw (couple or household) (discretionary)
- Worry about the cost of heating

We also advise on other benefits and schemes

Contact Age UK Wiltshire

0808 196 2424

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## Organisation News and Updates: Padwell Road Day Centre

Padwell Road Day Centre recently celebrated its 40th Birthday!

A fantastic time was had by all.



With plants kindly donated by B&Q, Padwell Day Centre guests were able to start potting. The plants are now in the Day Centre Garden and we are delighted to share that the strawberry plants are coming along brilliantly!



## Organisation News and Updates: Supportive Independence



# Supportive Independence

more connected more resilient more mobile

We can provide information, guidance and support to help older people in Swindon stay active and connected.

Would you be interested in discovering local events and socialising?

Do you feel a bit unsteady on your feet and would like to know how you can prevent falls?

Do you feel, with a little support, you could be more active?

Want to make sure you are getting all the income you're entitled to?

Struggling to get around town?

Interested in learning about aids and adaptations to make your home more comfortable?



If you answered "YES" to any of these, feel free to get in touch with Dani Gibbs at 07933513209 for a friendly chat.

## Organisation News and Updates: Melksham Community Support

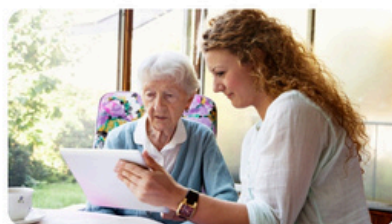
The Melksham Community Support service is commissioned by Melksham Town Council and Melksham Without Parish Council, to improve the wellbeing of older people living in the area, by offering support, access to information and practical help.

Funding for the second year of the project has recently been confirmed and we're busy promoting the support we can offer.

### Melksham Community Support

- Would you like to go out and socialise if you had some information about what's going on, or someone to go along with?
- Do you feel, with a little support, you could be more active?
- Would you like to check you're receiving all the income you're entitled to?
- Do you find it difficult to get the things you need from the shops or chemist?
- Would you like information about aids and adaptations for your home?
- Maybe you just need a few things sorting at home to make it a happier place to be?

If you said YES to any of these, and would like to discuss a home visit, please call 01225 809265.



## Organisation News and Updates:

### Meet the trustee



Working hard behind the scenes are our amazing Trustee Board who provide a strategic lead and oversight for the direction of Age UK Wiltshire.

Chair of our Trustee board is Richard Purchase and we thought this newsletter was a perfect opportunity to find out a bit more about him.

#### 1. Why did you decide to become a trustee of Age UK Wiltshire?

“I applied for the role as Chair and went through a rigorous selection process! Professionally I have worked in health and through my companies' provided services to the health, housing and social care sectors. It made sense therefore to continue supporting an organisation whose services are already great but could become more widely available utilising my commercial skills to help others.”

#### 2. What difference do you feel the charity is making?

“In the last two years, and with a new strategic plan, we have seen growth and expansion with more people able to access our services whilst at the same time we have been striving to become more financially self-sufficient.”

#### 3. What are you most excited about for the charity?

“ We have a fantastic and forward thinking Exec Team led by a brilliant Chief Executive - there will be increasing need for our services as the population ages, other charities falter and government/council requirements expand. We are very well placed and are excited to step into this space.”

#### 4. Outside of your role with our charity, what do you enjoy doing in your free time?

“I have a number of commercial interests; however, I am a great rugby supporter, Vice Chair of Marlborough RFC, I play golf badly, have young grandchildren and I enjoy travel.”

#### 5. What book, film, or song has had a significant impact on you and why?

“I am not sure you can pick one and it becomes an accumulation of experiences over the years. However I would encourage everyone in business to read the books by Michael Heppell and particularly "How to be Brilliant" - he has other books and all are worth a read!”



## Join our team

Age UK Wiltshire is a local independent charity with around 60 members of staff, mostly part-time. We help over 1500 local older people every year, offering activities, events, social contact and information. It's a great place to work if you really want to make a difference in people's lives.

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## Volunteer with us

We rely on volunteers to support the services we deliver. We welcome applications and support from all parts of the community and will work with people so they get the best experience possible from working with us.



If you are ready to volunteer with us then the first step is to read about our volunteer roles on our [website](#) and complete our application form. This is how we first get to know you and understand what you want to get out of volunteering.

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**Pewsey Area Grant Report**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Pewsey Area Board. These could include:
  - community area grants
  - youth grants
  - older and vulnerable people grants
  - area board initiatives
2. To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

**Area Board Current Financial Position**

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2024/25	£ 16,744.00	£ 14,135.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 0.00
Current Balance	£ 16,744.00	£ 14,135.00	£ 7,700.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 12,104.00	£ 12,935.00	£ 6,000.00

**Grant Funding Application Summary**

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG1538</a>	Community Area Grant	Woodborough Social Club	Woodborough Social Club new ladies toilets	£4000.00	£2000.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>                      The Club has been focused on delivering better facilities for our community when using our premises so have through fund raising and a past area board grant installed an accessibility toilet, now we are hoping to update our ladies toilets to be more hygienic and suitable for children and ladies to use. The existing toilets have a tiny sink, not suitable for the best sanitation that is now required, the floors cannot be cleaned to the highest standard and we have no baby changing facilities. So we will install 2 new close coupled WC's, lay a new floor which will include hospital type skirting, install radiator heating and a new larger washbasin and surround.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1610</a>	Community Area Grant	Woodborough Parish Rooms	Woodborough Parish room outside painting and garden project	£4000.00	£2000.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  The Woodborough Parish rooms is a focal point for the rural village of Woodborough and plays an important role in bringing together the local community. All ages benefit from the rooms, whether it is some of our more elderly residents, who enjoy the regular coffee mornings, or children attending birthday parties, everyone in the local community has at some point attended one of the many organized activities or attended one of the groups invited to make use of the room. Given that the rooms are self funding we rent out the space and where we can run additional events which recently have included a Thai evening and a Pumpkin Trail at Halloween, all of which proved hugely successful in bringing the village together and raised some critical funds in keeping the lights on and the heaters working. Whilst we have been able to carry out some internal decoration with some fabulous local volunteers, we are now looking to reinvigorate the outside space. The garden has great potential to be a well utilized resource and we would love for our villagers to be able to use it alongside the rooms, for example having the coffee morning in the garden or even having some BBQs in the summer which we know would be very well received and attended. The outside space needs a significant amount of work including patios and paths to be laid to make it safe for all to use and walk on and set up chairs and tables. We would also like to include some nice planting and easy to maintain shrubs. In addition to the garden, the outside of the building itself needs decorating and the sheds at the back, currently used for storage are in need of repair. We will as always be able to utilize goodwill from our generous local residents, who no doubt will be willing to kindly volunteer time and donate some materials, but we don't want to have to rely on this alone and would really like the work to be completed properly and professionally to a high standard so that residents really want to make use of this lovely space. Additionally, we want any work completed to be to a high professional standard to ensure the safety of all who use it. We will continue to organise local events and look to encourage more local groups to make use of the facilities. Recent new users have been a local Beaver Scout group and hopefully before long further Scout and Cub groups. Any funds we could receive would be very gratefully received and put to very good use to ensure that the Parish Rooms continue to play an important role in the local community.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1759</a>	Community Area Grant	Hilcott Village Hall	Two noticeboards for Barnard Meadow Hilcott	£1280.00	£640.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  Following on from previous grant from PAB for fencing at Barnard Meadow, we are now in a position of clearing the ground and are applying for planning permission for a small car park and community area. We would like to erect two noticeboards on the land to advertise news and events, and also health and safety aspects and disclaimers.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG1842</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Arts Together	Arts Together Projects for Isolated and Vulnerable Older People in Pewsey	£7905.00	£1700.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Arts Together is a Wiltshire charity that has been running creative support groups for isolated and vulnerable older people in six areas of Wiltshire for 24 years. We provide regular, meaningful activities that build trust, confidence and friendship, supporting group members within their community and combatting the damage caused by isolation. From September 2024 to February 2025 we will run 3 new art projects for lonely and vulnerable older people in Pewsey. Each project is led by a different artist and supported by a team of local volunteers. Projects are stimulating and challenging and adapted specifically so that they are accessible to all. Each project will take place over a 5-week block, in the Pewsey Scout Hut. Assisted transport is arranged for the group members, the majority of whom would be unable to attend otherwise. We also provide refreshments and freshly cooked lunch in addition to a warm accessible place to enjoy each weekly project session, all vital for frail older people during this cost-of-living crisis. Our art tutors are professional artists fully insured and with DBS checks. Our group manager and volunteers (also DBS checked) are trained in supporting members who might have barriers to taking part, be it through poor health, disability or mental health issues. An accredited carer is at each group session as the dedicated emergency first-aider and for any personal support needs. The group manager has extensive experience and offers wellbeing support to each beneficiary beyond the weekly sessions to enable them to keep attending the group and signpost them to other support services as required. We are as frugal as possible and have managed to keep transport, food and materials costs as low as possible, despite increasing the number of regular members in the Pewsey group from 12 to 16 since we last applied for funding. The Pewsey group is immensely popular and is currently at capacity with a waiting list due to increased need and referrals. The group has become a place of immense support and friendship for the members and the volunteers. We are constantly fundraising and request £2,700 from Pewsey Area Board towards the cost of running three of these engaging, confidence building and life enhancing projects for some of the most vulnerable older members of our community.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1793</a>	Youth Grant	Burbage Parish Council	Burbage Parish Council provision of sessions of Youth Bus	£2400.00	£1200.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>The Youth Bus under the Open Blue Trust organisation have been visiting Burbage for a session on a monthly basis for some time. There is a desperate need for youth activities in Burbage outside of sporting activities already on offer. The Bus provides this and it is hoped that this provision can be sustained until or unless a stand alone youth club can be set up.</b></p>					

## Background

3. 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.
4. 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)
  - Youth Grants (revenue)
  - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

## Main Considerations

6. 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 persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

### **Safeguarding Implications**

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

### **Public Health Implications**

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

### **Environmental & Climate Change Implications**

11. 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.

### **Financial Implications**

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

### **Legal Implications**

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

### **Workforce Implications**

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

### **Equalities Implications**

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

### **Proposals**

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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

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	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
	<b>Pewsey LHFIG – Notes of on-line meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 14:00 hrs</b>			
1.	<b>Attendees and apologies</b>			
Page 79		<p>Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chair)</li> <li>Cllr Paul Oatway</li> <li>Cllr Stuart Wheeler</li> <li>Colin Gale – Rushall PC</li> <li>Tim Burgess – Chirton &amp; Conock PC</li> <li>Dianah Shaw – Shalbourne PC</li> <li>Steve Heppenstall – Froxfield PC</li> <li>John Brewin – Woodborough PC</li> <li>Andrew Flack – Upavon PC</li> <li>Dawn Wilson – Wilcot, Huish &amp; Oare PC</li> <li>Lisa Brindley – Pewsey PC</li> <li>Stephen Welford – Clerk to Patney PC</li> <li>Steve Colling – Burbage PC</li> <li>Kathryn Richardson – Wilcot, Huish &amp; Oare PC</li> <li>Andrew Gray – North Newton PC</li> <li>Thomas Hayward – Local Highways</li> <li>Phil Rushmere – Traffic Engineer</li> <li>Andy Cadwallader – Area Highway Engineer</li> <li>Mark Stansby – Principal Traffic Engineer</li> </ul>	Area Board to note.	AB
		<p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tom Doyle – Easton Royal PC</li> </ul>		

2.	<b>Notes of last meeting</b>			
		The notes of the previous LHFIFG meeting held on 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 were presented to the Area Board on 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2024, passing all recommendations.	LHFIFG to note.	All
3.	<b>Financial Position</b>			
		<p>The closing balance for 2023/24 is confirmed as £35,480.00 (see Appendix 1). Invoices for items which were billed late will be issued shortly.</p> <p>The discretionary fund awarded for 2024 / 25 remains the same as last year, at £26,712.</p> <p>The opening balance for this year, inclusive of monies not spent in 23 / 24, less previous commitments, is £33,911.00 (see Appendix 2).</p> <p>The group noted that a number of larger projects has been put forward for development and this would impact on the finances available.</p> <p>Following discussions, it was proposed that Parish and other Third Party contributions should be raised to spread the cost of these schemes. It was proposed that contributions should be set at 40% of the estimated cost, capped at a maximum amount of £5,000.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board that Parish and other Third Party Contributions should be set at 40% of the estimated cost, capped at a maximum amount of £5,000.	Chair
4.	<b>Priority schemes</b>			



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a)	<p><b>Issue 10-20-3</b></p> <p>Rushall Elm Row Phase 2 – Bus Shelter to Manor Cottage continuation of footway.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Rushall Parish Council on 30/01/20</p> <p>A Stage 3 Safety Audit (as built) which is expected flagged up two minor issues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Some vegetation to cut back (this is to be addressed by the Parish Steward).</li> <li>2. Transission kerb which will be addressed as aprt of the next phase of work.</li> </ol> <p>Total expenditure can now be confirmed at £42,457.35, inclusive of legal fees for road closure and Safety Audits at Stages 2 and 3.</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be closed.</p>	<p>Chair</p>
b)	<p><b>Issue 10-20-9</b></p> <p>Chirton – request for 20 mph speed limit assessment, to include Conock.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Chirton Parish Council on 24/11/20</p> <p>A report on the Speed Limit Assessment is included as Appendix 3. The criteria has been met for a 20 mph limit and the estimated cost for this, inclusive of legal fees is £7,500.</p> <p>The Parish wish to pursue this, and have offered a 40% contribution, a sum of £3,000.</p> <p>The group were content to support this.</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board an allocation of £4,500.</p>	<p>Chair</p>
c)	<p><b>Issue 10-21-2</b></p> <p>Woodborough C261 (West End of village) – request to extend kerbing and / or footway</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Woodborough PC on 20/01/21</p> <p>Following a successful bid for Substantive Highway Schemes Funding, the project has been provisionally programmed to commence on the ground on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 and is likely to run for approximately 10 working days, under a full road closure.</p>	<p>Area Board to note</p>	<p>AB</p>

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d)	<p><b>Issue 6374 &amp; 6541</b></p> <p>Upavon – repositioning of No Entry Signs</p>	<p>Issues submitted on 08/06/18 &amp; 31/07/18</p> <p>Final cost is now confirmed as £5,766.31, which includes for the cost of a larger duplicate sign which the Parish agreed to fund, a sum of £112.47.</p> <p>The Parish contribution therefore amounts to £2,939.39.</p>	Highways to issue invoice to PC	Highways
e)	<p><b>Issue 10-22-10</b></p> <p>North Newnton – request for Phase 3 of Footway project to complete the link from Rushall Road to the Bus Stops on A345.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Noth Newnton Parish Council on 05/07/22</p> <p>Following a successful bid for Substantive Highway Schemes Funding, the project has been provisionally programmed to commence on the ground on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 and is likely to run for approximately 10 working days.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
f)	<p><b>Issue 10-22-8</b></p> <p>Rushall Elm Row Phase 3 – New footway from Manor Cottage to newly built footway from Whistledown farm</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Rushall Parish Council on 27/04/22.</p> <p>A preliminary design has been completed (see Appendix 4) and an estimate calculated to include the following:</p> <p>Civils works £33,500            BT Works £8,000            Road Closure £3,000            Vegetation and fencing £5,000            Safety Audits £2,780            Total £52,280</p> <p>BT are concerned that our work may destabilise their poles and are adamant that these must be moved. We accept that our regrading work will remove some of the depth around these poles.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board an allocation of £5,000.	Chair

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		The Parish wish to submit this forward for Substantive Scheme Funding, which was endorsed by the group. The Parish has offered a £5,000 contribution, to be matched by the LHFIG.		
g)	<b>Issue 10-22-11</b>  Woodborough – request for direction signs to indicate Parish Room and Defibrillator	Issue submitted by Woodborough Parish Council on 02/08/22  An invoice has been issued to the Parish Council.	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be closed	Chair
h)	<b>Issue 10-23-2</b>  Froxfield A4 – request for Speed Limit Review	Issue submitted by Froxfield Parish Council on 11/01/23  The public consultation has been complete with no objections being received. Design work is now underway, the new Order will be Sealed on 19/06 with the new limit operational on 01/07.	Highways to design and implement.	Highways
i)	<b>Issue 10-22-9</b>  A345 Upavon – request for footway link from Riverside Park to the village centre, in the vicinity of Grey Flags	Issue submitted by Upavon Parish Council on 29/06/22  A site meeting established the key wishes of the land owner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To retain a natural look to the environment.</li> <li>• The provision of a planted boundary, to limit noise pollution, but with no fencing.</li> <li>• The provision of a neutral coloured footway surface, not standard “black-top”.</li> </ul> Highways has completed a feasibility study and a ball park estimate to undertake this work, inclusive of legal fees is £25,000. The cost difference of using a coloured resin against a standard black top material is approximately £4,000.  The Parish has met with the property owner again, but have been unable to reach an agreement and no solution to develop a footway has been identified.	Highways to forward a plan showing the extent of public highway for consideration.	Highways

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		Consideration might now be given for a footway on the opposite side of the road, and the Parish has asked Highways to confirm land ownership.		
j)	<b>Issue 10-23-5</b>  All Cannings Lipgate Road – request for 20 mph carriageway roundels	Issue submitted on 11/05/23 by All Cannings Parish Council  An invoice has been issued to the Parish Council.  One of the roundels has failed to adhere – Highways to refresh as part of their maintenance programme.	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be closed.	Chair
k)	<b>Issue 10-23-6</b>  A4 Froxfield – request for SID infrastructure (ground socket & Post)	Issue submitted on 22/05/23 by Froxfield Parish Council  The SID will monitor both directions and so a permanent post can be installed. The Parish are content for this work to be included with the speed limit changes.	Area Board to note	AB
l)	<b>Issue 10-23-8</b>  Beechingstoke Woodborough Road – request for village gates	Issue submitted on 12/07/23 by Cllr Oatway on behalf of Beechingstoke Parish Council  Regrettably, this project could not be accommodated on our Contractor's programme for last financial year. However an Order has now been released and the job should be completed late May / early June.	Highways to monitor progress.	Highways
m)	<b>10-23-11</b>  Oxenwood – request for Speed Limit Review	Issue submitted on 01/10/23 by Shalbourne Parish Council  The speed limit assessment has been completed and the results are included as Appendices 5, 5A and 5B.  A ball park estimate to undertake this project is £11,000, inclusive of legal fees.	Parish to discuss and report back at the next meeting.	Parish Council

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		The Parish are pleased with the findings of the report, but wish to undertake local consultation.		
n)	<b>10-23-9</b>  A345 Junction with Sunnyhill Lane – request for Bus Stop infrastructure and footpath link.	<p>Issue submitted on 29/09/23 by Wilcot, Huish and Oare Parish Council</p> <p>A preliminary design is included as Appendix 6 for consideration. Indicative costs currently stand at £22,600, inclusive of a Topo Survey which will be required. A sum has already been set aside for the Topo. This figure does not include for the refurbishment of the existing shelter. Costs for this are being sought from a specialist company.</p> <p>This scheme could potentially be put forward as a bid for Substantive Scheme Funding. The Parish has asked for more time to discuss this and will advise Highways should they wish to proceed wit the Topo Survey.</p>	Parish to discuiss and report back.	Parish Council
o)	<b>10-23-10</b>  A345 between Prospect and Rainscombe Farm, North of Oare – request for Signing review	<p>Issue submitted on 29/09/23 by Wilcot, Huish and Oare Parish Council</p> <p>A review is to be undertaken to cover Oare village and Oare Hill to Rainscombe Farm. Consideration is to be given for gates at North end of Oare, road markings and traffic signs. An Engineer has been appointed and the review will commence shortly.</p>	Highways to undertake review	Highways
p)	<b>10-23-13</b>  A345 Upavon Pewsey Road / Riverside Park – request for a new post for SID Deployment	<p>Issue submitted on 27/11/23 by Upavon Parish Council</p> <p>Ground sockets will be required for the 2 sites identified by the Parish. Temporary traffic management will be required to undertake installation.</p>	Highways to arrange installation	Highways

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		<p>The estimated cost is £1050. Currently the LHFIG has allocated £500 towards this, with the Parish contribution set at £100.</p> <p>The Parish are keen to progress this and have increased their contribution to £550 to cover the new estimate.</p>		
q)	<p><b>10-24-01</b></p> <p>Pewsey Wilcot Road – request for Planter to form a calming feature</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 15/01/24 by Pewsey Parish Council</p> <p>Previously, £1,100 has been allocated for this project, £800 from the LHFIG and the remainder by the Parish.</p> <p>Highways has suggested a “Muscaria” planter, measuring 1300 x 600. Height is 500mm. Parish to confirm colour preference of brown or grey.</p>	Parish to confirm colour of planter	Parish Council
r)	<p><b>10-24-03</b></p> <p>C38 Woodborough The Sands – request for Horse Warning Signs</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 19/01/24 by Woodborough Parish Council</p> <p>An order for standard Horse Warning Signs has been placed with our contractor. Installation is anticipated towards the end of June.</p>	Area Board to note.	AB
<b>5.</b>	<b>New Requests and ongoing Issues</b>			
a)	<p><b>Issue 10-21-12</b></p> <p>C52 Safety and Speed between Manningford and Wilcot</p>	<p>Issue Submitted by Manningford Parish Council on 26/10/21</p> <p>Parish have raised safety concerns about Cross Hayes and Little Abbots crossroads and of through traffic using this route.</p> <p>Area Highway Engineer confirmed that patching work at Little Abbots now more likely to take place in 24/25 due to financial constraints.</p>	Cllr Oatway to chase Parish Council for a decision.	Cllr Oatway

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		<p>A site meeting was held last August with potential solutions discussed.</p> <p>LHFIG awaiting update from Parish Council on how they wish to proceed:</p>		
b)	<p><b>Issue 10-22-12</b></p> <p>Upavon High Street – request for footway between 21 High Street and Jarvis Street.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Upavon Parish Council on 04/10/22</p> <p>There is no kerbed footway provision at the narrow section of the High Street a length of approximately 50 metres. Measurements taken on site show that an 8m extension to the current footway would be possible, but the carriageway width is too narrow to extend beyond this.</p> <p>An outline drawing has been prepared and is included as Appendix 7. A ball park estimate currently stands at £11,450.00.</p>	Parish Council to discuss and report back.	Parish Council
c)	<p><b>Issue 10-23-4</b></p> <p>Rushall Pewsey Road – request for footway improvements near Chudleigh Cottage</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 27/04/23 by Rushall Parish Council, as a consequence of aborted work by Local Highways Team.</p> <p>Request is for raised kerbs to prevent through traffic from using the footway as an extension to the running carriageway.</p> <p>A preliminary design drawing is included as Appendix 8. A road closure will be required to undertake this work which is estimated at £18,200.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that the Members would discuss this issue with Director of Highways, Sam Howell.</p>	Cllrs Kunkler, Oatway and Wheeler to discuss with Director of Highways.	Wilts Members

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d)	<p><b>Issue 10-23-7</b></p> <p>Burbage Stibb Green – request for footway improvements near The Old Bakery</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 12/07/23 by Burbage Parish Council, as a consequence of aborted work by Local Highways Team.</p> <p>Request is for footway widening to achieve 1.2 metres and a solution to retain the bank, good for the next 20 years. The length spans approximately 125 metres and is confirmed as being public highway (to the fence line).</p> <p>A draft drawing and estimate of £29,221.10 was shared with the group.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that the Members would discuss this issue with Director of Highways, Sam Howell.</p>	<p>Cllrs Kunkler, Oatway and Wheeler to discuss with Director of Highways.</p>	<p>Wilts Members</p>
e)	<p><b>10-23-12</b></p> <p>East Grafton, The Green – request for a speed limit review, warning signs and traffic calming</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 09/11/23 by Grafton Parish Council</p> <p>Speed Limit reviews are currently charged at £3,100.</p> <p>The Parish representative has not been present at a meeting since this issue was submitted.</p> <p>Highways suggests that the Parish request a single point survey to inform of current speeds, which is a free service. Details can be found on the Area Board / LHFIFG page of the Wiltshire website (see “traffic survey requests”).</p>	<p>Parish to arrange a Traffic Survey to establish current speeds.</p>	<p>Parish Council</p>
f)	<p><b>10-23-14</b></p> <p>Froxfield Upper Oakhill – request is for verge marker posts, construction of passing places and refurb of edge of carriageway markings</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 27/12/23 by Froxfield Parish Council</p> <p>Area Highway Engineers has confirmed that the edgelines will be refreshed as part of their summer programme.</p> <p>Highways will investigate the placing of verge marker posts, as part of the speed limit implementation at Froxfield.</p>	<p>Highways to investigate and action.</p>	<p>Highways</p>



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g)	<p><b>10-24-02</b></p> <p>Bottlesford, nr Seven Stars public house – request is for warning signs for pedestrians, horses and to indicate that the road narrows.</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 18/01/24 by North Newnton Parish Council</p> <p>A site meeting has been held with the Parish representative and proposals for new warning signs and SLOW carriageway markings are shown as Appendix 9. Estimates are as follows: Signing - £950.00 and Road Markings £750.00</p> <p>The Parish Council has offered a 50% contribution and the LHFIG were content to take this forward.</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue is added to the Priority Schemes List and to allocate £850.00</p>	<p>Chair</p>
h)	<p><b>10-24-04</b></p> <p>Great Bedwyn, Granary Road – Request to provide concrete and sets to prevent damage to a verge within the estate.</p>	<p>New Issue submitted on 14/03/24 by Great Bedwyn Parish Council.</p> <p>Damage mainly caused by large service and delivery vehicles.</p> <p>Highways confirmed that the area in question was adopted highway.</p> <p>As the Parish representative did not attend the meeting, Cllr Wheeler agreed to discuss matters with the Parish Council direct.</p>	<p>Cllr Wheeler to discuss with the Parish Council.</p>	<p>Cllr Wheeler</p>
<p><b>6. Other items</b></p>				
a)	<p><b>Highways Maintenance Programme 2024 / 25 to 2029 / 30</b></p>	<p>Details of our proposed Major Maintenance programme for the next 6 years has been released for information. It should be noted that this programme may be subject to change, depending on future rate of deterioration of these and other locations not yet included. Details are included as Appendix 10.</p>	<p>To note</p>	<p><b>All</b></p>

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b)	<b>Deadline for submitting LHFIG Requests.</b>	Requests are to be submitted two weeks prior to each meeting. Requests received after the deadline will be held until the following meeting.  Requests to be sent to LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk  The deadline for our next meeting is Wednesday 10 July 2024.	To note	<b>All</b>
7.	<b>Dates of future meetings:</b> <b>24<sup>th</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> October and 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025.</b> <b>Meetings to commence at 14:00 hrs and will be held on-line until further notice.</b>			

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Highways Traffic Officer – Mark Stansby

Area Highway Engineer – Andy Cadwallader

**1. Environmental & Community Implications**

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

**2. Financial Implications**

2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Pewsey Area Board.  
 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Pewsey Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of **£23,111.00**

**3. Legal Implications**

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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.

### **7. Recommendations to Pewsey Area Board**

7.1 To add the following Issues (with funding) to the Priority Schemes List: 10-24-02 Bottlesford Warning Signs and Markings (£850)

7.2 To allocate funding to Issues currently on the Priority Schemes List: 10-20-9 Chirton 20 mph Speed Limit (£4,500), 10-22-8 Rushall Elm Row (Phase 3A) (£5,000)

7.3 To close the following Issues: 10-20-3 Rushall Elm Row Footway (Phase 2), 10-22-11 Woodborough Direction Signs, 10-23-5 All Cannings Roundels

7.4 Financial Contributions: That Parish and other Third Party Contributions should be set at 40% of the estimated cost, capped at a maximum amount of £5,000.

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