

MINUTES

Meeting: South West Wiltshire Area Board
Place: Online
Date: 17 March 2021
Start Time: 6.30 pm
Finish Time: 9.25 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jose Green (Chairman), Cllr George Jeans, Cllr Tony Deane (Vice-Chairman) and Cllr Bridget Wayman

Wiltshire Council Officers

Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer
Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector P Sparrow & Sergeant K Harmsworth
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – R Bridgman

Total in attendance:

<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
14	<p><u>Welcome</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Jose Green welcomed everyone to the meeting of the South West Wiltshire Area Board.</p>
15	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Pauline Church • Inspector Simon Cowdry – Warminster Policing Team
16	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
17	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>A request for a correction was made by Mr Derryman, in relation to minute number 5 – Chairman’s announcements. It was agreed by the Chairman to add additional wording as underlined below:</p> <p>Mr Derryman – thank you Jerry for visiting in December to discuss this in detail. I am delighted to hear of the investment and response on A36. The response I had had following an article I wrote for the parish magazine was very good. Please to see the future investment in this locally, <u>however the speed / static camera is in place in South Newton and we need to find a way between the Council and Police to reactivate it. This will ensure 24 hour a day monitoring of speeding motorists.</u> If it needed central government to send money back to local councils then that would need to be looked at as well.</p> <p>Subject to noting the above amendment:</p> <p><u>Decision</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held online on 13 January 2021, were agreed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
18	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <p>A survey had been circulated to Members for feedback on how they saw the future of meetings, whether that be virtual, hybrid or in person.</p>

	<p>A reminder that Census responses were to be completed and submitted by 21st March.</p> <p>Congratulations to Jaki Farrell of Seeds4Success, who was presented with a certificate from the High Sheriff for her community involvement.</p> <p><u>Tis The Future – Update</u> Martin Thomas updated on the progress of the project which was now up and running. The facility had been open for business for 2.5 weeks and had an Instagram account with 702 followers in a matter of days.</p> <p>They had also received a government grant to fund two kick-starters and was setting up an informal network of village champions. He thanked all at the Council for the support received.</p> <p>The Chairman wished them every success.</p>
19	<p><u>Written Information Updates</u></p> <p>The Board noted the written updates and information items available in the agenda pack, these included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Commissioning Group – March update • Healthwatch Wiltshire – March Update • Wiltshire Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Become a Councillor II. Targeted Covid-19 Community testing III. Independent Visitor scheme IV. Foster Caring – the CEM also gave a short presentation
20	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p>The Board noted the written updates attached to the agenda and received the following verbal updates:</p> <p><u>Police – Neighbourhood Teams</u></p> <p>Pete Sparrow – Wilton area There was now a roadmap to lead us out of lockdown, however it was vital that people did not rush into planning events until it was fully safe to do so.</p> <p>Community Speedwatch was hoped to be back in operation from 29th March.</p> <p>This would be Inspector Sparrows last area board, as after 5 years he was moving to a new role as Response Inspector. The incoming inspector would be Tina Osborne.</p>

PC James Barret was moving roles, and PC Matt Holland would be retiring after 30 years of policing in the Salisbury Area. There would be 3 new PCs in April.

Burglaries remain low, these were expected to rise during periods of rising unemployment and as people start to leave their homes.

Residents that had the Ring doorbell camera recorders, who were also registered to the community messaging service, may be asked for any additional CCTV footage for incidents in residential locations.

The Chairman wished Pete all the best in the future.

Questions:

- Where could area specific crime rate data be found?

Answer: If you ask the new Inspector Tina Osborn she will point you to who can find that data for you.

Kevin Harmsworth – Mere & Tisbury areas

There were similar changes in the Warminster NHPT area.

Inspector Simon Cowdrey would be moving on from 9 April.

We will have Inspector Alan Lumley would be in post from April.

PCSO Peter Tscherniawsky would be awarded with a certificate to recognise his work with us. His replacement PCSO Daniel Gill- already had a handover

Operation to respond to breaches of Covid legislation continued with the dedicated patrol vehicle.

A new app for reporting terrorism was called 'I Report It'

In Mere – there were continued patrols at the recreation ground. Op Septre was a national initiative to combat knife crime.

There had been 5 checks throughout Feb & March in the area of CSW.

There had been some media around there being a community speedwatch enforcement Officer Role. Hope to bolster the work we will do with CSW.

The force website was undergoing upgrades so some of the links were not currently working. Please let us know if you are unable to get the info you need from the new website.

Response policing would be based at the new Warminster Police station in the town centre.

Questions:

I am trying to form a CSW for South Newton and Stowford. I first asked for data in August last year and not yet received it. Did you have any influence over the

	<p>installation of the metro-counts? Answer: No that is down to Barney Applestone. The metro-counts generally were postponed during the lockdown. I will update at a future meeting on the progress of the CSW.</p> <p><u>Fire & Rescue</u> The written report from fire has been uploaded to the agenda as supplement 1. New to our area, Raymond Bridgman Station Manager SWW was in attendance.</p> <p><u>Questions:</u> There were some interesting job opportunities on your report. Answer: On the recruitment side, Wayne Presley was in the meeting to answer questions. The Salamander scheme was in operation for young people and recruitment for on-call officers was also ongoing. Further information was available on the website and after lockdown eased, interested persons could pop into a station on drill night.</p> <p>In addition, the details for the Fire & Rescue draft Community Safety Plan 2021-2024 and accompanying summary video and a feedback form is available via the link in the agenda pack: www.dwfire.org.uk/draft-community-safety-plan-2021-24</p>
21	<p><u>Community Area Work Plan</u></p> <p>Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager ran through the Community Area Work Plan which was attached to the agenda. The Board was then asked to approve the recommendations set out in the report and on the screen.</p> <p>The slides are attached to the minutes.</p> <p>Questions;</p> <p>Mike Ash – I was struck by the Local Plan Review consultation paper that had recently been circulated. There was a whole area of activity opening on that front that I hope the Board would be able to engage in after the election. We are also involved with a local broadband project with over 100 houses but were stuck at the moment. The pandemic has shown us that having fast BB is not just about employment it is needed for education and health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Cllr Deane - It is a marvellous piece of work and something that the next Board would need to look at it in more detail. The top 5 priority method works for CATG, but we are resource limited by staff, my thoughts were that here we may be spread so thinly. I would hope that when we are able to meet in person again we could sit down to thrash out what the priorities should be for our areas.</p> <p>Cllr Wayman - Looking through the list there were opportunities to get other groups involved and then to hand over to appropriate working or external</p>

	<p>groups to move areas forward. Providing affordable housing in the villages was vital for maintaining our vibrant communities.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u></p> <p>The South West Wiltshire Area Board agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) to recommend to the new Area Board (AB) in May, to follow a similar rolling prioritisation process to that followed by the Community Area Transport Group (CATG), to agree which top 5 pieces of work on the attached plan it would focus on in 2021/22. (2) To recommend to the new AB in May, to prioritise its resources including funding upon those issues identified in the status report. (3) To request the Community Engagement Manager work with the Local Member to work with key partners, agencies and community groups to encourage them to consider where they were best placed to take actions around the priorities identified. (4) For regular updates to be submitted to the Area Board on progress made in relation to its own action plan. (5) To express thanks to those who gave their time to help bring this report and its appendices together.
22	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Update</u></p> <p>Cllr Deane, CAT chairman, noted that the Transportation Engineer, Julie Watts has now departed from the council and Salisbury Officer Paul Shaddock would be standing in to cover whilst a replacement was recruited.</p> <p>The Board noted the remaining CATG budget figure of £4,875 and considered the recommendations for funding arising from the last CATG meeting held on 17th February 2021, as detailed in the report attached to the agenda.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u></p> <p>The Area Board approved the CATG recommendations for funding as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6c – Tisbury 20mph - £1500 (CATG to fund £1500 & TPC to put in £1000) • 6d – Tollard Royal - £2000 (conditional on TRPC putting in £777)
23	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Board noted the remaining funding available in each budget, this was:</p>

- Capital = £39,900
- Youth = £19,800
- Health & Wellbeing = £2,470

The Board then considered the funding bids which had been submitted and detailed in full in the report attached to the agenda.

Applicants present were invited to speak in support of their projects and answer any questions. Following debate Members voted on each application in turn.

Health & Wellbeing Funding

Music for Wellbeing CIC (music project) requested £1050

Applicant Liv McLennan spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Wayman moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.

Decision

Music for Wellbeing CIC was awarded £1050 towards the music project.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Tisbury Bowling Club (maintenance of green) requested £910

Applicant Joe Selby spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Jeans moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Wayman.

Decision

Tisbury Bowling Club was awarded £910 towards the maintenance of the Green.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Wilton Help CIC (community project) requested £1500

Applicant Steve Milton spoke in support of the project.

Questions/comments:

- The amount remaining in the Health & Wellbeing budget was £510.
- In Mere we had 90 volunteers on a similar scheme, we did allocate a bit of money for PPE but not much. Not against the remainder of our HW budget being awarded, but this seems a lot of money for volunteers and the local councils should be paying for this, Otherwise we should look at giving £1500 to all 3 community areas.

Answer: SM - I would strongly support an award to all of the covid – 19

groups as they have been doing an amazing job. We branch out in to surrounding villages and there were a high level of older people in Wilton town.

- I don't see that Wilton had done anything more than the other areas. Happy to award the remaining £510 but no more. The business case mentions funds for a part time administrator for the group
Answer: SM – We were looking to try and build a sustainable model. Not many charitable organisations operated without paid employees. We would need someone to run the accounts.

Cllr Deane moved the motion to award the remaining £510 to the project. This was seconded by Cllr Green.

Decision

Wilton Help CIC was awarded £510, towards the maintenance of the Green.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Community Area Grant Scheme

Mere Electric Car Club (AB initiative) requested £11,000

Cllr Jeans spoke in support of the project, noting that the name of the scheme would be re-named following further planning.

The number of households in Wiltshire with no cars was quite high, and many households were based in rural areas, therefore reliant on public transport.

The proposal was to pilot a scheme in Mere and see if it that could then be spread further across our area.

Cllr Jeans moved the motion to award the full amount to the Initiative. This was seconded by Cllr Wayman.

Decision

The South West Wiltshire Area Board allocated £11,000 to the Area Board Initiative – Electric Car Club Pilot.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Kilminster PC (clerk laptop) requested £368

Applicant Ruth Burrows spoke in support of the project

Cllr Deane moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Green.

Decision

Kilmington PC was awarded £368 towards the purchase of a new clerk laptop.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Quidhampton PC (replacement fence) requested £3781

Applicant, Fiona West spoke in support of the project.

Questions/comments:

I would expect the PC to have a fund put by to take care of this type of thing.

Answer: Cllr Wayman – This was a large area which needed to be made safe for the children.

Cllr Wayman moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.

Decision

Quidhampton PC was awarded £3781 towards a replacement fence.

Reason

The application met the grant criteria for 2020/21.

Fovant Village Hall Management cmmtt (energy saving project) requested £5600

Applicant, Michael Carey spoke in support of the project.

Questions/comments:

- One of the things that should be installed is decent wifi for meetings and use by local children to use for homework etc.
 - They could come back as a separate bid for wifi if they want to.
- Answer: MC - I don't know what the cost for bringing wifi would be as we don't have a telephone line at the moment.

Cllr Green moved the motion to award £5000 and noted that it would be nice to see Wifi added to the facility in the future. This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.

Decision

Fovant Village Hall Management Cmmtt was awarded £5,000 towards the energy saving project.

Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2020/21.

Cllr Jeans noted that Broadband was now considered the fourth utility and that the board would welcome a future bid in the new financial year, if they needed help

AB Fingerpost scheme

	<p><u>Bowerchalke PC requested £400</u> Applicant, Alice Rawdon-Mogg Cllr Green moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Bowerchalke PC was awarded £400 towards the replacement/repair of one fingerpost in 2020/21.</p> <p><u>Mere TC requested £400</u> John Jordan of Mere TC spoke on the application.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Mere TC was awarded £400 towards the replacement/repair of one fingerpost in 2020/21.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Youth Funding</p> <p><u>Seeds4Success</u> requested £10,000 Applicant, Jaki Farrell spoke in support of the project.</p> <p>Lucy spoke on her involvement as a young person in S4S over the years.</p> <p>Cllr Wayman moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Seeds4Success was awarded £10,000 of youth funding towards the Open Access provision.</p>
24	<p><u>2020/21 - Remaining Budget Allocations</u></p> <p>Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager presented the recommendations.</p> <p><u>Youth</u> Cllr Wayman highlighted some of the statistics from the end of year report, which showed how many individuals had been helped or worked with over the last year.</p> <p>There had been 4698 voluntary hours of work across SWW. In the business plan for the forthcoming year there were a number of shortfalls for several of the projects. She noted that the cost to cover the shortfall was approximately £30k and moved the motion to award the remaining £9k in the youth budget to Seeds4Success to aid some of those projects.</p>

	<p>This was seconded by Cllr Jeans.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Seeds4Success was allocated the remaining £9814.42 of youth funding towards the provision of future youth projects as detailed in the S4S Business Plan.</p> <p>Karen then ran through the proposals to award remaining budgets to Area Board projects and schemes as detailed in the agenda.</p> <p>Cllr Jeans moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Wayman.</p> <p><u>Decision</u></p> <p>The Area Board approved the recommendations to allocate remaining budgets to the following schemes and projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countryside, Rights of Way & Leisure improvement schemes - £15k • Top of SIDs fund -£4751k
25	<p><u>Grants Review 2017 - 2021</u></p> <p>Karen Linaker gave an overview of the Area Board's funding allocations over the past four years.</p> <p>A copy of the slides are attached to the minutes.</p>
26	<p><u>Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for their support as she would not be standing for re-election in May and this would be her last Area Board.</p> <p>The Board Members and those in attendance joined together to thank Cllr Jose Green for the amazing job she had done during all of her years in the Local Authority.</p> <p>The next meeting of the South west Wiltshire Area Board will be held on Wednesday 30 June 2021.</p>