

Welcome and Introductions

Westbury Area Board – 15 February 2024



Wiltshire Council

Our Councillors



Cllr Carole King – Westbury North

Cllr Matt Dean – Westbury West



Cllr Gordon King – Westbury East

Cllr Suzanne Wickham - Ethandune



Apologies for Absence

Minutes for Approval

To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2024.

Declarations of Interest

Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

Chairman's Announcements

Information Items

- Wiltshire AGE UK
- BSW Together (Integrated Care System)
- Community First
- Healthwatch Wiltshire
- Police and Crime Commissioner Annual Report
- Local Nature Recovery Strategy Public Engagement

Partner Updates

WILTSHIRE POLICE



Community Report

Warminster Westbury Mere and Tisbury Neighbourhood
Policing Team

February 2024



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Neighbourhood policing team

Inspector: Insp Louise Oakley

Neighbourhood Sergeant: Sgt Vicky Howick

Neighbourhood Officers:

PC John Pagan

PC – Vacant post- gone out to advert closing date 9th Feb

PCSOs:

Roland Revers - Westbury Town

Alice Moore – Westbury Rural

Community Commitment

WHAT? (What is the situation?)

- The **Community Commitment** is a contract between our NPTs and their communities, laying out clearly what service can be expected regarding their engagement at a local level, and how it will be delivered
- This document has been developed by Corporate Comms and Engagement and Local Policing. Consultation has taken place with C/Insp, IAG Chairs, Public Service Board & Public Contact, Engagement and Neighbourhood Policing Board (PCENP)
- Within the Community Commitment, NPTs will commit to activity under 5 key themes:
 - ✓ **Engaging regularly with communities by holding face to face events**
 - ✓ **Engage regularly through online channels**
 - ✓ **Publish information about their local team, local priorities and update on activity**
 - ✓ **Consult and engage with communities on key decisions**
 - ✓ **Increase and broaden their engagement across need to reach communities**
- **Prior to public launch**, the Community Commitments were cascaded in to NPTs through local engagement with Inspectors and Chief Inspectors to ensure understanding of expectations for delivery.
- **The Community Commitments** were launched on Monday 8 January in line with the TOM1 launch.

SO WHAT? (What is happening?)

WILTSHIRE POLICE
COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

Our mission: Keeping Wiltshire Safe

Our priorities:

- Safer public spaces
- Violence
- Burglary

Neighbourhood Policing Teams will:

ENGAGE REGULARLY WITH COMMUNITIES BY HOLDING FACE TO FACE EVENTS

- We will hold at least one public meeting / surgery per month, giving you a chance to meet your local team and find out more information on local policing priorities, crime stats and engagement opportunities.
- We will advertise our public meetings and surgeries on the **Your Area** section of the Wiltshire Police website, on local Neighbourhood Policing Team social media channels and Community Messaging.
- Every engagement opportunity will be recorded so we can ensure we are meeting our commitment to you.
- We will hold regular face to face meetings and events with a wide range of community groups such as businesses, faith groups, youth groups and residents' associations.
- We will bring policing out to your community, through the proactive use of the Neighbourhood Engagement Vehicles.

ENGAGE REGULARLY THROUGH ONLINE CHANNELS

- We will actively use local Neighbourhood Policing Team social media channels to engage with our communities.
- Every Neighbourhood Policing Team will host quarterly Facebook Live events.
- We will exchange information with those signed up to our Community Messaging alert system via email, text or phone and continue to promote this free service to new members.

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LOCAL PRIORITIES

Neighbourhood Policing in Police websites if the Wiltshire Police consult you when we are

to help

at least once a week, responding to local policing issues and concerns

- We will publish local policing updates, whenever possible, in community magazines / newsletters or bulletins.

CONSULT AND ENGAGE WITH COMMUNITIES ON KEY DECISIONS

- We will ask the public to take part in questionnaires and surveys to build information and improve our policing service.
- We will provide visibility at Parish Council meetings and, in the absence of physical attendance, will provide a written update. We will also support a programme of additional meeting attendance through Area Boards or Community Safety Groups.
- We will action feedback, concerns or complaints – and tell you what action has been taken. If we cannot help, we will help signpost the public to who can.
- We will work closely with our partners, such as local authorities and parish and town councils, and community representatives i.e. businesses, faith groups, schools to tackle community issues.
- We will work closely alongside local watch schemes to enable strong partnerships between the police and communities.
- We will consult regularly with our Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs) to ensure they have a voice as a critical friend to help shape our policing service.

INCREASE AND BROADEN OUR ENGAGEMENT ACROSS NEED TO REACH COMMUNITIES

- We will build Community Beat Profiles for each of our Neighbourhood Policing Team to help us better understand the specific communities within our local areas.
- We will engage with specific community groups and those living and working in particular geographical areas about those issues that are important or impacts most upon them.
- We will work with young people and our partners in education settings to help improve safety, reduce reoffending and, along with relevant other agencies, offer support to those who need it.

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Download a PDF Copy of Our Community Commitments

- CommunityCommitment_WebPolice.pdf
- CommunityCommitment_Annexary.pdf
- CommunityCommitment_Clipboard.pdf
- CommunityCommitment_Decision.pdf

WILTSHIRE POLICE

Engaging with our Communities

A cornerstone of British policing is the ethos of policing for consent. In order to maintain legitimacy and an ability to police by consent, it is vital that the public support policing at every level. To achieve this there must be confidence in and confidence in policing and this can only be built and sustained through engaging with the public.

Engagement with the public has never been more important than it is now. There are high expectations of public services, alongside low trust and confidence within some communities. In addition, severe cuts of communicating means that expectations are higher in terms of quick, easy and enhanced access for information.

We recognise that it is only through working together with our communities, and by encouraging their active engagement, that we can help deliver a service that meets the needs of our people.

Our Community Engagement Strategy 2022-2025	Our Community Engagement Delivery Plan 2022-2024	Find out what's going on in your area
Career and volunteering opportunities	Representing our communities	Join an Independent Advisory Group
Our Community Commitments		

WILTSHIRE POLICE

What's happening in your area?

Find your local officer, get the latest crime statistics and advice, help us respond for information and find out what we're doing to tackle crime in your area.

Report, Tell us about, Apply or register, Request, Thanks and complaints

Public Engagement – Activities and Resources

CPT to NPT – All localised Facebook pages now reaffirmed with updated wording. Your Area pages now starting to show changes as requested to the national Single Online Home team.

Facebook Live events – Chippenham NPT (10 January) and the Chief's Live event (22 January) reaffirming the Community Commitments across the Force and updating the public on the Force's plan for the new year. Facebook Lives across NPTs to be held quarterly.

Neighbourhood Policing Week (22-26 January) – Your Area and localised NPT Facebook pages updated with all events taking place and NPTs **required** to update their events on social media. Week's campaign is to focus on and celebrate:

- Early intervention and dealing with ASB
- Problem-solving policing (use of POP plans)
- Improving trust and confidence through neighbourhood policing alongside our partners



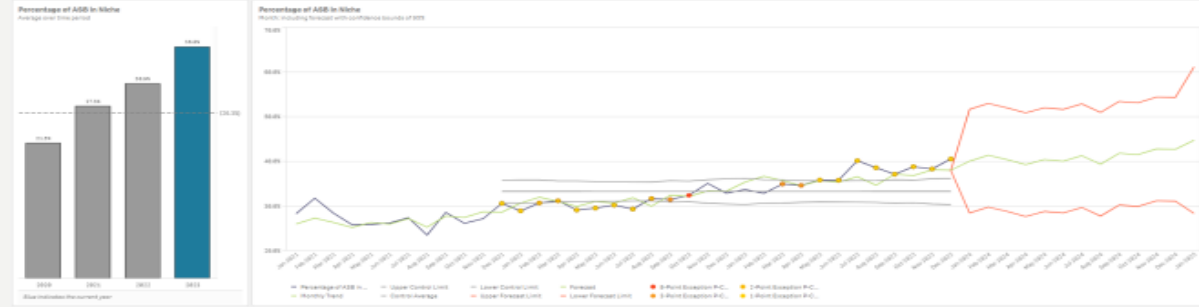
Neighbourhood Engagement Register – Visits Made (January 2024 Update)

NPT AREA	School Visits	Drop In Sessions	Local Authority Meetings	Community Events Fetes, Carnivals, Protests	Military Engagement	Places of Worship Meetings	General Public Engagement – relating to crime and meetings not categorised	TOTAL TO DATE (in brackets = MoM growth)
WARMINSTER/ WESTBURY	96	69	39	26	6	4	162	402 (+2%)

Anti-Social Behaviour (incl. Sec 60)

WHAT? (What is the situation?)

Measure	Trend Line (Up to 3 Years' Data)	Dec-2023	3 Months to Dec-2023	12 Months to Dec-2023	12 Months to Dec-2022 vs. 12 Months to Dec-2023	Rolling 12 Month Trend	Statistical Exceptions	Exception Weighting
Percentage of ASB in Niche		48.6%	39.2%	36.8%	5.9% ▲	Increasing	One, Two, Three, Eight-Month High	25
Volume of ASB		737	2,584	11,442	-15.9% ▼	Decreasing		10



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Volume of ASB - County		469	1,559	7,160	-17.2% ▼	Decreasing		10
Volume of ASB - Swindon		264	939	4,253	-13.6% ▼	Decreasing		10

<p>Dec 23</p> <p>Environmental ASB</p> <p>23 recorded</p> <p>4.0% of total ASB</p>	<p>Dec 23</p> <p>Nuisance ASB</p> <p>407 recorded</p> <p>71.2% of total ASB</p>	<p>Dec 23</p> <p>Personal ASB</p> <p>141 recorded</p> <p>24.6% of total ASB</p>
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DATA SUMMARY

- December 2023 recorded a total of 737 ASB incidents
- ASB continues to decrease. There has been a decrease of -15.9% YoY
- Despite decrease in overall ASB, ASB recorded in Niche is increasing, driven by increase in incidents being recorded in both STORM and Niche.
- Swindon and County are both recording a decline in ASB reporting, however Swindon is seeing a smaller decrease of -13.6% YoY compared to County which sits at -17.2%

SO WHAT? (What is happening? What is the analysis telling us?)

[Monthly Performance Dashboard | App overview - Qlik Sense \(wiltshire.police.uk\)](#)

- Volume of ASB is declining year on year by 15.9%. During December a total of 737 ASB reports which is above the monthly forecasted volume of 711. Despite being slightly above the forecasted volume and following seasonally anticipated trends, this is the lowest volume of ASB across the past 3 years
- Nationally - The police recorded 1.0 million incidents of ASB in the year ending June 2023. This was a 11% decrease compared with the year ending June 2022 (1.2 million incidents) (Source: ONS CSEW, update due end of January 2024)
- Proportion of ASB incidents recorded in Niche has increased by 5.9% pts year on year. This is driven by an increase in incidents recorded in both STORM (requiring an immediate or Priority response) and then closed to Niche for further investigation or flagging to NPT.

NOW WHAT? (What action do we need to take? Or are taking?)

- New ASB information on Police and Council website signposting people to the best place to report their incident
- Local Policing demand meeting to commence in February will identify repeat locations for ASB within County and Swindon
- External training planned with ASB Help who will deliver sessions to 20 individuals in County and Swindon to become ASB champions
- Additional funding into OPCC to support CSP's
- Multi-agency ASB strategy being bought together by OPCC

Performance – Covers Westbury and Warminster –

Master Table

For vs. comparison ▲ ▼ indicate direction of travel, if the change is 5% or less a "—" is used. The colour indicates whether this is the preferred direction of travel, blue or amber, unless the current period is considered exceptional in the adverse direction then it is red. See Explanation Page for more information.

Measure	Trend Line (Up to 3 Years' Data)	Jan-2024	3 Months to Jan-2024	12 Months to Jan-2024	12 Months to Jan-2023 vs. 12 Months to Jan-2024	Rolling 12 Month Trend	Statistical Exceptions	Exception Weighting
Crime Volume: Violence With Injury - Warminster CPT		26	67	357	-12.9% ▼	Decreasing	Three-Month Low	
Crime Volume: Burglary - Warminster CPT		38	77	179	5.3% ▲		One, Two-Month High	
Volume of ASB - Warminster CPT		39	149	720	-19.2% ▼	Decreasing		
Crime Volume - Warminster CPT		254	661	2,656	-3.7% —	Decreasing		
Stop and Search Volume		84	237	1,403	-24.5% ▼	Decreasing	Two, Three-Month Low	17

Local Priorities & Updates

Priority	Update
ASB in the parks, Leighton , Penleigh , town centre	ASB increase with youths but also we believe there is a increase E Scooters and E Bikes being a general Nuisance, riding dangerously on the pavement – We have on documented report in the last year so we really encourage reports to the police via 101 or online report so we can collate data and manage with appropriate and correct resources – NPT officers working closely with schools and colleges to educate and prevent
Burglaries	Burglaries is another priority – we seem to have spates of them periodically- non dwelling commercial breaks- target patrols, assistance from the Burglary team
Speeding	ROAD SAFETY UNIT POWER POINT ADDED for extra over sight on this matter

Useful Links

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

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

Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our **Community Messaging service** – www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Follow your CPT on social media

- [Warminster Police Facebook](#)
- [Warminster Police Twitter](#)
- [Westbury Police Facebook](#)
- [Mere Police Facebook](#)

Find out more information on your CPT area at: www.wiltshire.police.uk and here www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

The screenshot shows the Wiltshire Police website. At the top left is the "WILTSHIRE POLICE" logo. To the right is a search bar with the text "How can we help you?". Below the search bar is a navigation menu with five items: "Report", "Tell us about", "Apply or register", "Request", and "Feedback". Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: "Home > About us > CPTs". The main heading is "Warminster CPT". Below this is a text block: "CPT Warminster covers the areas of Warminster, Westbury, Tisbury, Mere and surrounding areas". This is followed by two paragraphs of text: "To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email WarminsterAreaCPT@wiltshire.police.uk. Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7." and "You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for non-urgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or [Report a crime here](#)". The final line says "You see a map of [crimes in the Warminster area](#) by visiting www.police.uk".

Partner Updates

- Wiltshire Police
- Town and Parish Councils Nominated Representatives
- Westbury Area Network

Westbury Area Network (WAN)

Westbury Area Board meeting

15th. February 2024

Westbury Area Network

Formed as a charity in 2021

Operates the following services:

- Foodbank

- Community Fridge (on behalf of WTC)

- Abraham's Kitchen (on behalf of WTC)

- Warm Parcels

Operates from Westbury Community Project premises

Food parcel numbers

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	n/a	144	97	114	167
February	n/a	136	109	126	
March	51	144	115	137	
April	144	160	105	112	
May	262	100	78	83	
June	284	72	96	103	
July	283	47	90	133	
August	168	57	104	105	
September	156	55	114	101	
October	121	59	100	127	
November	123	95	99	126	
December	176	98	154	184	
Annual total	1768	1167	1261	1451	167

Winter comparison – October -
January

Number of food parcels	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
October - January	349	467	604
Year on year change (%)	-	+34	+29 (+73)

Community Fridge

- Donations from local supermarkets and other food outlets
- Emphasis on reducing food waste
- Food available to everyone locally
- Total donations – 2022 13,750 kg.
 2023 11,205 kg.
- Users - approx. 400 per month
- Donations – mix of Bakery, fresh fruit & vegetables and frozen foods
- Noticeable reduction in volume of donations this winter

Warm Parcels

£500 Area Board 'Warm Spaces' Grant awarded -January 2023

Agreed to carry over spending from 2022/23 to 2023/24

20 Warm Parcels purchased – full grant expended - November 2023

At 14 February 2024, 14 Parcels distributed

Area Board Priorities Update

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- Combatting Social Isolation and Loneliness (Cllr Gordon King)
- Wellbeing for Young People and Positive Activities (Cllr Carole King)
- Local Environmental Action (Cllr Matt Dean)
- Child Poverty (Cllr Suzanne Wickham)

Special School Transformation Update for Westbury Area Board

Matthew Look, SEND Place Planning Commissioning Lead
February 2024

Introduction: Increasing Demand for SEN

- Nationally, and in Wiltshire, the number of Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) is rising (by 15% in Wiltshire from January 2023 – January 2024)
- The High Needs Place Plan projects demand for 100 additional special school places per annum for the period 2023 – 2027
- 90% of the new demand is for places with a primary need of Autism, Communication Needs, or Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH)
- There is demand for primary and secondary specialist SEMH provision in West Wiltshire

Westbury School Age Population

- Westbury Community Area is a 'medium-sized' community area in terms of school age population

Community Area	N/E/S/W	School Age Population
Salisbury	South	9131
Trowbridge	West	6991
Chippenham	North	6672
...		
Westbury	West	2336

Westbury Specialist SEN Provision

- Westbury has a 20 place Resource Base at Westbury Infants and a 15 place Resource Base at Westbury Juniors (both Complex Needs). Nearby Primary Resource Bases in Trowbridge, Melksham, Devizes and Warminster (Complex Needs and Communication & Interaction)
- Nearby Special Schools include Silverwood, Trowbridge and Silverwood, Rowde (Complex Needs) and Downlands, Devizes (SEMH)
- A successful bid has been made to the DfE to create a new Special Free School for SEMH in Westbury

What is SEMH?

- The SEND Code of Practice identifies social, emotional and mental health difficulties as one of the four main categories of SEND.
- According to the Code, children and young people may experience a wide range of social and emotional difficulties which manifest themselves in many ways.
- These may include becoming withdrawn or isolated, as well as displaying challenging, disruptive or disturbing behaviour
- The new provision in Westbury will be inclusive of learners who may be withdrawn or anxious

SEMH Market in Wiltshire

- Downlands School, Devizes (SEMH, 95 places, age 11-19) is full. No Primary age SEMH provision.
- SAIL Academy, Salisbury (Autism & SEMH, age 4-19) opened September 2023
- Independent sector offers SEMH provision, but this is often out of county (longer travels times), at a higher cost, and does not always offer Key Stage 1
- Some learners with SEMH are currently accessing a range of Alternative Provision (AP), with limited hours, and some are educated other than in school (EOTIS)

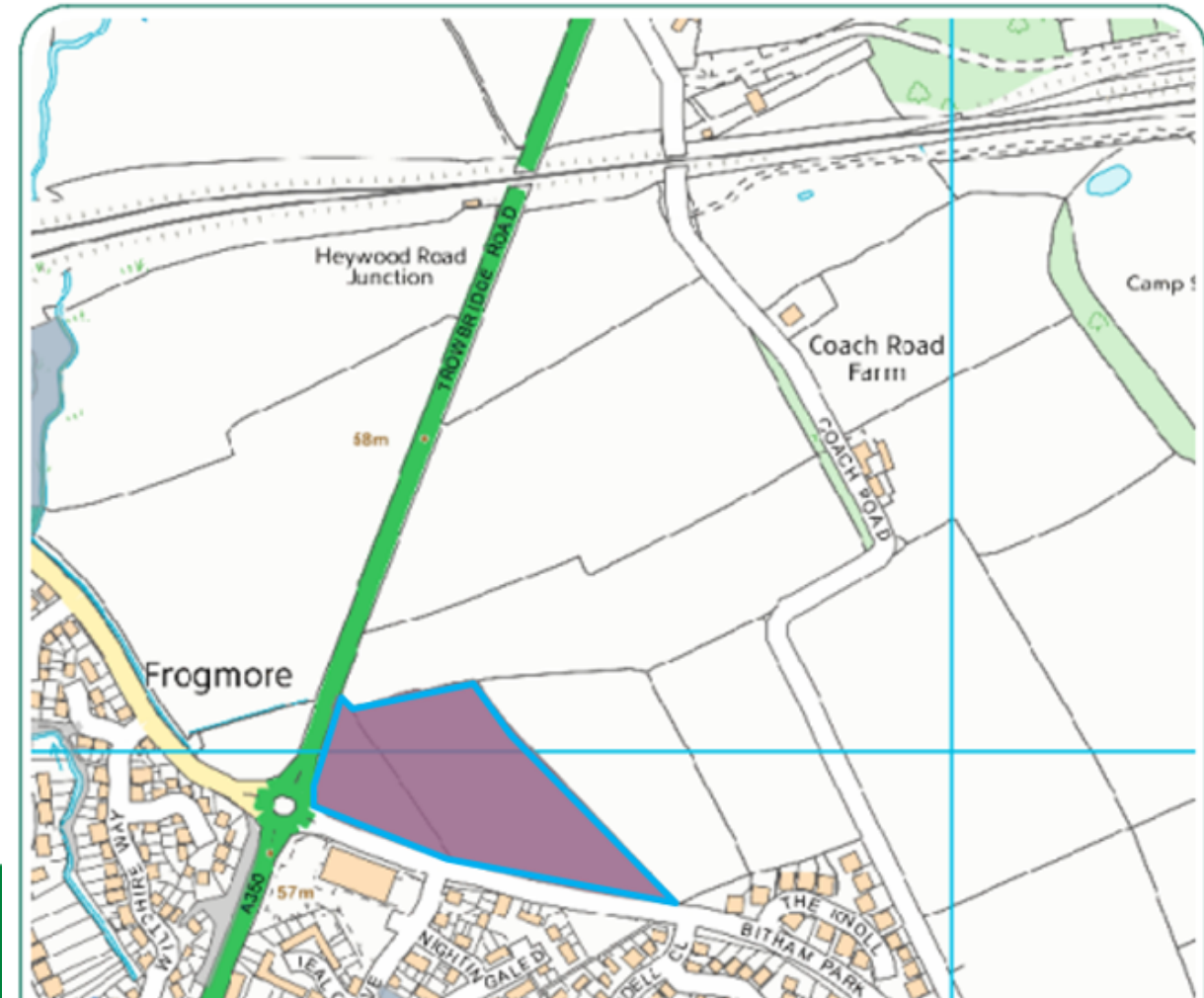
SEMH Special Free School - Westbury

- Wiltshire Council was successful in its bid for a DfE Special Free School development
- The DfE will deliver a new special school for 130 pupils, age 4-19, with a SEMH primary designation
- It will include a base to develop in-reach & outreach provision to mainstream schools
- The estimated value of this investment is £15 - £25 million

SEMH Special Free School: Location

- West Wiltshire was identified as the priority for the new school, due to high demand for specialist SEMH school places, and to offer equity with provision in Salisbury and Devizes
- Potential sites were evaluated for suitability and presented to the DfE
- Land at Gas House Farm, Bitham Park, Westbury, has been identified as the preferred site by Wiltshire Council and the DfE

Gas House Farm, Trowbridge Road, Westbury



Indicative Timescales

- Preferred development site identified, 2023 (complete)
- Feasibility studies and preliminaries, 2024 (underway)
- DfE appoints an education provider, 2024 (process underway)
- Build works commence, summer 2025
- New Free Special School opens for its first pupils, autumn 2026

Other Nearby Special School Projects

- New major build (33 classrooms) at Silverwood, Rowde opens autumn 2024
- Refurbishment of existing buildings at Silverwood Rowde, completion summer 2025 (taking Silverwood, Rowde site capacity to 400 places)
- Retention and remodelling of Silverwood, Trowbridge and Chippenham campuses, works start summer 2025. (75 places each)
- Melksham House, new SEMH Special School opening autumn 2024 (75 places)

Questions?

Local Highways and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)



Grants for Local Groups

Applications for Community Area Grants



Wiltshire Council

Area Board Initiatives

- Westbury Area Board – £1,000 towards Westbury Public Living Room.
- Westbury Area Board – £500 towards Dementia Friendly Westbury.

Community Area Grants

- West Wilts Ramblers Work Party - £678.80 towards Work Party Equipment.
- Bratton Recreation Ground Management Committee - £5,000 towards Bratton Recreation Ground New Storerooms.
- Westbury Shed - £3,448 towards Westbury Workshop facility repair and upgrade.
- Westbury Youth FC - £4,4450 towards Westbury Youth FC equipment and facilities improvement.
- Blue Circle Bowls Club - £2,000 towards Blue Circle Bowls Club new external seating area.
- White Horse Short Mat Bowls Club – £550 towards New Short Mat Bowls carpet for White Horse Short Mat Bowls club.
- Westbury Leigh community project - £3,000 towards Westbury Leigh community project improvements.

Young People Grants

- Leigh Park Community Centre - £5,000 towards Skills for personal development and employment 2023.
- Westbury Parochial Church Council All Saints Church - £1,820 towards Youth Cafe Westbury.
- Westbury Town Council – £500 towards Soapbox Derby Workshops Wind turbines

Urgent Items

Next meeting

19 June 2024, 7.00pm



Wiltshire Council