

AGENDA

Meeting: Amesbury Area Board
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Date: Thursday 10 June 2021
Time: 6.30 pm

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Mark Verbinnen, Amesbury East and Bulford
Cllr Robert Yuill, Amesbury South
Cllr Dr Monica Devendran, Amesbury West
Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, Avon Valley (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Graham Wright, Durrington (Chairman)
Cllr Kevin Daley, Till Valley

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	Time
<p>1 Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	6.30pm
<p>2 Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
<p>3 Minutes (<i>Pages 1 - 10</i>)</p> <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2021 and 18 May 2021.</p>	
<p>4 Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
<p>5 Chairman's Announcements (<i>Pages 11 - 16</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following announcements through the Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Amesbury Area Board! Useful information, including new divisions and parishes, what an area board does, useful contacts and the new area board model with 4 business meetings a year and informal engagement events or activities when required. 	6.35pm
<p>6 Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils (<i>Pages 17 - 26</i>)</p> <p>To receive updates from the Town and Parish Council Representatives, and from other partner organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police • Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service • Healthwatch Wiltshire • B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire CCG • Town and Parish Councils 	6.40pm
<p>7 A303 - Highways England</p> <p>To receive an update from Highways England on the A303 Stonehenge project.</p>	7.00pm
<p>8 Community Engagement Manager (CEM) Delegated Decision (<i>Pages 27 - 30</i>)</p> <p>To agree a revised CEM Delegated Authority to award urgent funding applications in between meetings.</p>	7.15pm

9	<p>Community Area Status Report and Area Board priority setting (Pages 31 - 44)</p> <p>Area Board discussion on the findings, recommendations and next steps detailed in the Community Status Report.</p> <p>Amesbury Area Board to consider the following as the top five priorities for a rolling work plan and to assign lead councillors to those priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mental Health – across many groups including 10-12 year olds, 13-19 year olds, young adults, older & disabled people, families - especially low-income families. 2. Digital inclusion – including equipment, broadband and knowledge – both older and younger old groups. 3. Climate Change / environment – waste and recycling, biodiversity & wildlife, fly-tipping. 4. Opportunities & Activities for young people, especially around positive activities and future training and employment, to include young people with a disability. 5. Loneliness and isolation – young people and older & disabled people alike (links to Mental Health priority). 	7.20pm
10	<p>Appointments of Lead Members to Outside Bodies and Working Groups (Pages 45 - 62)</p> <p>To agree the appointments of Lead Councillors for 2021/22 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside Bodies • Working groups and • Any focus areas 	7.30pm
11	<p>Area Board Re-naming</p> <p>To consider the recommendation of the Amesbury Area Board from the previous term that the board be re-named to Stonehenge Area Board, as it was a neutral, more representative and encompassing name for the new community area.</p>	7.40pm
12	<p>Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</p> <p>To consider any updates and recommendations from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).</p>	7.45pm
13	<p>Update from CEM</p> <p>To receive any updates from Jacqui Abbott, the Community Engagement Manager.</p>	7.50pm
14	<p>Amesbury Youth Forum and Youth Grant Applications</p> <p>To receive any updates on the Amesbury Youth Forum and to</p>	7.55pm

consider the following application for youth grant funding.

- Enford and Avon Valley Youth Club, £714.16 towards their Enford and Avon Valley Youth club cooking lessons project.

Further details can be found in the grant report at item 16.

15 **Health & Wellbeing Group** **8.05pm**

To receive any updates from the Health and Wellbeing Group. There were no applications for Health and Wellbeing funding.

16 **Community Area Grants** (*Pages 63 - 66*) **8.15pm**

To consider the following applications for Community Area Grant funding.

- Enford and Avon Valley Youth Club, £429.00 towards an Enford and Avon Valley Youth Club Laptop.
- Amesbury Carnival and Show, £550.00 towards the Amesbury Community Festival of Fun.
- Lady Antrobus Trust, £400.00 towards the Angel of Muns Statue visiting Amesbury.
- Buzz Action Foundation, £5,000.00 towards Big Rig Outdoor Activities with Disabled Access.
- Councillor Led Initiative, £5,000 towards Community Engagement Activities.

17 **Open Floor** **8.30pm**

Open floor session where attendees are invited to ask questions of Amesbury Area Board.

18 **Urgent items**

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

19 **Close** **8.35pm**

The next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board will be held on 23 September 2021.

MINUTES

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Date: 18 March 2021
Start Time: 6.30 pm
Finish Time: 8.45 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Kevin Daley, Cllr Graham Wright, Cllr Mike Hewitt (Vice-Chair),
Cllr Fred Westmoreland, Cllr Robert Yuill (Chairman) and Cllr John Smale.

Also in attendance: Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling.

Wiltshire Council Officers

Jacqui Abbott (Community Engagement Manager, Dominic Argar (Assistant
Multimedia Officer), Tara Shannon (Senior Democratic Services Officer).

Town and Parish Councils

Berwick St James Parish Council, Durrington Town Council, Idminton Parish Council
Shrewton Parish Council, Tilshead Parish Council, Winterbourne Parish Council

Partners

Wiltshire Police
MOD
Highways England

Total in attendance: 31

<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
74	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Amesbury Area Board, explained the procedure for remote meetings and invited Cllrs to introduce themselves.</p>
75	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>
76	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting on 14 January 2021 were presented for consideration and it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To approve the minutes as a correct record.</p>
77	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>For transparency, Cllr Fred Westmoreland declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 13, Community Area Grants, in particular the grant application from the Amesbury History Centre, as he was a member of the History Centre.</p>
78	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the announcements as detailed in the agenda. Additionally, particular thanks were passed on to retiring Members, Cllrs John Smale, Fred Westmoreland and Mike Hewitt.</p>
79	<p><u>Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils</u></p> <p>Updates were received from the following partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police Inspector Dean Knight gave an update to the meeting. He detailed some crime figures and explained that when talking about the figures he was comparing the figures from February 2021 to February 2020. Crime was down almost 22% and burglaries in the area were at an 8 month low. It was possible that the pandemic was pushing crime levels down. COVID patrols were ongoing and the police were being proactive around this. Community Speed Watch would be starting again on 29 March 2021. It was explained that PSCO's could now issue parking tickets at schools, Inspector Knight would look into further details as to how wide ranging

their powers would be. Two people had been arrested in the local area for poaching. Travellers at Woodhenge were raised as an issue and the Police confirmed they would look into this.

Cllr Mike Hewitt joined the meeting.

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

Matthew Maggs of the DWFRS was unable to attend so the Chairman referred attendees to the written report in the agenda.

- **MOD/Military Civilian Integration**

Lt Col Nick Turner gave an update to the meeting. It was stated that there was a training operation going on in the USA called Warfighter that a fair few personnel from the 3rd Division were deployed to. There were also still personnel in Estonia helping the country with the pandemic. The census was being actively promoted within the camps and personnel were being encouraged to register to vote. Speed awareness was also an issue that was being promoted. The issue regarding evictions in Netheravon was brought up by Councillors and Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling (Collingbournes and Netheravon Division) stated that the tenants tenure had been extended to March 2022 and there were reasons to hope that Wiltshire Council may be able to take on the quarters, however this was unconfirmed at the present time. The military had some grants later in the agenda that would help with youth and Military Civilian Integration.

- **A303 Highways England**

Marcia Daniels of Highways England gave a presentation to the meeting. Highways England were continuing to plan and make preparations for undertaking preliminary archaeology and ecology in the Summer and procurement was also ongoing. A pumping test was currently underway to monitor ground levels and flow. Successful talks were underway with the local business community in order to get them involved in the supply chain for the project. The Save Stonehenge World Heritage Site organisation had submitted a legal challenge to the project in December. It was not yet decided if there would be a Judicial Review. Between 23-25 June there would be a three day hearing to decide whether the Judicial review would proceed and on what grounds. It was hoped a decision from that would be available in late July. The defendant in the case was the Department of Transport and Highways England were an interested party. There had been protests against the project and Highways England were working collaboratively to coordinate an appropriate response. In response to a question regarding how Highways England would minimise carbon emissions during the project, it was stated that Marcia would find out more and update at a future meeting.

- **Healthwatch Wiltshire**

The Chairman referred attendees to written update in the agenda.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire CCG The Chairman referred attendees to written update in the agenda. • Town and Parish Councils Cllr Mike Hewitt reported with sadness the loss of Allington Parish Council Chairman, Michael Brunton, who would be greatly missed. There were no other updates from town and parish councils.
80	<p><u>Wiltshire Climate Alliance Update</u></p> <p>Christian Lange on the Wiltshire Climate Alliance (WCA) gave an update on climate change.</p> <p>WCA Vision: A climate and nature friendly, net zero carbon and ecologically sustainable Wiltshire by 2030.</p> <p>WCA Objectives:</p> <p>To build a coalition of like-minded Wiltshire organisations and individuals to work together to achieve their vision.</p> <p>To both support and challenge local government, business, civil society and other organisations in taking action towards achieving their vision.</p> <p>To support their members in taking individual and collective action towards achieving a shared vision.</p> <p>The WCA was established in January 2020 and now had over 400 individual members and brought together over 25 local environmental groups with a membership of over 1500. There was a very active youth section and a variety of topic groups.</p> <p>Some quotes from Sir David Attenborough and HRH Prince of Wales regarding climate change and the urgency of the need to act were read out. It was stated that this was a complex problem and that no one entity could provide a solution, collaborative working was essential and the WCA hoped that it could work with Wiltshire Council to develop solutions. Systems thinking and leverage points in action were discussed as methods for finding solutions.</p> <p>The WCA queried what the role of Amesbury Area Board could be in finding solutions and encouraged those who were interested in playing an active part to join them.</p> <p>Cllr Graham Wright stated that he pledged himself to make a difference and that he sat on the Climate Change Task Group. Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling explained that the board could only do what was within their gift, for example the Amesbury Area Board could not change Wiltshire Council policy but it could help to</p>

	disseminate information and help people to make better choices.
81	<p><u>Community Status Report</u></p> <p>Jacqui Abbott, Community Engagement Manager, gave an update on the Community Status report and explained that the Amesbury Area Board would agree their top five priorities from the status report at the Area Board meeting in June.</p> <p>Emerging themes so far were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health – across many groups including 10-12 yrs, 13-19 yrs, young adults, older & disabled people, families especially low-income families • Digital inclusion – including equipment, broadband and knowledge • Climate Change / environment – waste and recycling, biodiversity & wildlife, fly-tipping • Anti-social behaviour – was a top priority in one survey but more needs to be done around the perception of ASB too • Opportunities & Activities for young people, includes positive activities and future training and employment • Loneliness and isolation – young people and older & disabled people alike (fits with Mental Health) • Underpinning themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reaching out to underrepresented groups e.g. BAME, LGBTQ+, Special needs and disability ○ Support to volunteering
82	<p><u>Area Board Re-Naming</u></p> <p>The Chairman explained that a survey had been undertaken on re-naming the Amesbury Area Board, which had closed on 31 January. The favourite response from the survey was the Stonehenge Area Board.</p> <p>Many councillors stated that they also liked the name Stonehenge Area Board and that this was a neutral name which encompassed the area well. There was some discussion amongst the Area Board Councillors as to whether a decision should be made during the meeting, which some were keen to do, considering that this was the last meeting prior to the elections. Some felt that this was imposing on the new area board and it would be better to make a recommendation to the new board who would be in place after the elections and they could then decide whether to adopt the recommendation.</p> <p>At the conclusion of the debate, Cllr Rob Yuill proposed that the current Amesbury Area Board make a recommendation to the new Area Board in place after the elections to re-name to Stonehenge Area Board, as it was a neutral, more representative and encompassing name for the new community area. This should be on the agenda for the new Area Board to discuss whether or not to accept the recommendation. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Fred</p>

	<p>Westmoreland. This was put to the vote and it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>That the current Amesbury Area Board make a recommendation to the new Area Board in place after the elections to re-name to Stonehenge Area Board, as it was a neutral, more representative and encompassing name for the new community area. This should be on the agenda for the new Area Board to discuss whether or not to accept the recommendation.</p>
83	<p><u>Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>Cllr Mike Hewitt as Chairman of the CATG gave an update to the meeting. The last meeting of the CATG had been well attended and quite a few of the recommendations had been achieved. Out of the top 5 priorities 3 of the 5 were removed as they had been completed or work was underway.</p> <p>Attendees were encouraged to report any issues to their parish who could bring it to the CATG. Cllr Hewitt also stated that he had been the Chairman of CATG for many years and thanked all the parishes for attending. Cllr Yuill thanked Cllr Hewitt for his Chairmanship of the CATG.</p> <p>Cllr Hewitt proposed that the recommendations detailed in the CATG minutes in the agenda were approved, this was seconded by Cllr Wright and it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To approve the recommendations detailed in the CATG minutes.</p>
84	<p><u>Health & Wellbeing</u></p> <p>Cllr Wright, Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing group gave an update stating that the group had kept going during the pandemic and thanked Jacqui Abbott for her hard work.</p> <p>The applications for HWB funding as detailed in the agenda were presented for consideration and it was:</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To grant Sing and Breath Wiltshire, £1,500.00 towards music for wellbeing. • To grant the Stonehenge Chamber of Commerce, £300.00 towards a community Easter Egg hunt.
85	<p><u>Amesbury Youth Forum</u></p> <p>Cllr Kevin Daley gave an update on the Amesbury Youth Forum. This had been</p>

	<p>his first meeting of the Youth Forum and Cllr Daley was very impressed with the levels of passion the organisations present had for youth work. There had been an impact on youth work due to the pandemic, but youth work would increase as restrictions were relaxed. Groups were invited to post all activities on the Our Community Matters website: https://ocm.wiltshire.gov.uk/amesbury/. The group would meet four times a year and the next meeting would be on 1 June at 6.00pm.</p> <p>The Youth grant applications as detailed in the agenda were considered and representatives of the organisations applying for grants spoke in support of their applications. It was.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To grant Durrington Youth Services, £6,456.25 towards Durrington Youth Services. • To grant Army Welfare Service - Community Support, £2,440.00 towards Easter holiday craft packs • To grant Army Welfare Service - Community Support, £4,500.00 towards Larkhill Summer holiday activity provision. • To grant Amesbury Area Board initiative, £5,000.00 towards the Amesbury Rural Youth project
86	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>Cllr Fred Westmoreland introduced the grant applications as detailed in the agenda.</p> <p>Representatives of the organisations applying for grants spoke in support of their applications.</p> <p>The board considered the applications for Community Area Grant funding. During debate on the Amesbury History Centre grant application, the Community Engagement Manager clarified that the £5,000 Area Board project, Rural Youth initiative would be funded part from the Youth grants fund (£2,639.25) and part from the capital fund (£2, 360.75) as there had been some capital elements in previous revenue projects. This would leave a small amount of funding in the capital pot (£5,540.39). Members then had a discussion regarding allocating the remaining funding to the Amesbury History Centre as an exceptional, priority project.</p> <p>Following the discussion it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To grant Idmiston Parish Council, £5,000.00 towards the Gomeldon Zip Wire project. • To grant The Bridge Youth Project, £700.00 towards their social

	<p>skills project in schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To grant The Vault gymnastics & fitness centre, £2,000.00 towards the vault new landing area and tumble mat. • To grant Bourne Valley Scout Group, £500.00 towards repairs to Scout storage facility. • To grant Shrewton Sports and Social Club, £3,500.00 towards Shrewton Social Club new kitchen. • To grant Winterbourne Parish Council, £5,000.00 towards safety improvements to Winterbournes sport and recreation facilities. • To grant Winterbourne Glebe Hall Management Committee, £750.00 towards establishing a new village hall website. • To grant Tilshead Parish Council, £1,349.32 towards purchasing a Speed Indicator Device. • To grant Amesbury History Centre CIO, £4,911.54 towards audio visual equipment. In addition, the board resolved to award the remaining capital funding of £5,540.39, to the Amesbury History Centre, as this was a long term exceptional project that was very important to the area.
87	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>
88	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates and Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman announced that the next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board will be held on 18 May 2021 (time to be confirmed). This meeting will be to elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the forthcoming year.</p> <p>The next full meeting of the Amesbury Area Board will be held on 10 June 2021 at 6.30pm.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p>

MINUTES

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Place: Civic Centre, St Stephens Place, Trowbridge. BA14 8AH
Date: 18 May 2021
Start Time: 11.40 am
Finish Time: 11.45 am

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, Cllr Kevin Daley, Cllr Dr Monica Devendran, Cllr Mark Verbinnen, Cllr Graham Wright and Cllr Robert Yuill

<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>There were no apologies.</p>
2	<p><u>Election of the Chairman</u></p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer called for nominations for Chairman for 2021/22.</p> <p>Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling nominated Cllr Graham Wright as Chairman of Amesbury Area Board. This was seconded by Cllr Kevin Daley.</p> <p>As there were no other nominations it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To appoint Cllr Graham Wright as the Chairman of Amesbury Area Board for the forthcoming year.</p>
3	<p><u>Election of the Vice-Chairman</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Cllr Graham Wright, called for nominations for Vice-Chairman for 2021/22.</p> <p>Cllr Graham Wright proposed Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling. This was seconded by Cllr Mark Verbinnen. There were no other nominations therefore, it was,</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To elect Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling as Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year.</p>

Welcome to the Amesbury Area Board

Congratulations to all Parish Councillors who took up office in May 2021.

Parish / Parish meetings / Town Council	Unitary Division
Amesbury Town Council	Amesbury East and Bulford, Amesbury West, Amesbury South
Berwick St James	Till Valley
Bulford	Amesbury East and Bulford
Durnford	Till Valley
Durrington Town Council	Durrington and Larkhill / Avon Valley
Enford	Avon Valley
Figheledean (elections to be held)	Avon Valley
Fittleton cum Haxton	Avon Valley
Great Wishford	Till Valley
Milston	Avon Valley
Netheravon	Avon Valley
Orcheston	Till Valley
Shrewton	Till Valley
South Newton	Till Valley
Stapleford	Till Valley
Tilshead	Till Valley
Wilsford-Cum-Lake	Till Valley
Winterbourne Stoke	Till Valley
Woodford	Till Valley

There is an online map of Wiltshire's divisions here:

[Wiltshire Electoral Divisions and Area Board Map 2021 \(arcgis.com\)](http://arcgis.com)

Whether you are a returning Councillor, or new to the role, we hope the information below will help you to strengthen the relationship between your communities and your Area Board.

What is an Area Board?

Area Boards are a way of working to bring local decision making into the heart of the community.

The Area Board comprises the Wiltshire Council elected members for the divisions within that Community Area, along with the Community Engagement Manger, who is an officer of the Council. Through a combination of formal and informal meetings and engagements, the Area Board seeks to improve the local community by jointly addressing local issues.

Key stakeholders who participate in the Area Board are from the health service, fire and rescue services, police, town and parish councils, community and voluntary groups and the public.

Important local issues include road safety, the local environment, activities for young people and older people and the health and wellbeing of the local community. With support from the Community Engagement Manager, the Area Board leads on local engagements, bringing together discussions with partners and local stakeholders to seek solutions to local issues, whilst encouraging and empowering communities to do more for themselves. The boards are consulted on matters which affect the communities they represent and the unitary councillors are able to award funding to local priorities; ensuring that local projects are tailored to the needs of the community.

The Area Board also oversees the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) process – this will be the subject of a separate communication.

Grant Funding

Area Boards have funding available to support community organisations and projects within their Community Area.

Area Board grants are split into 3 funding schemes:

Community

Providing **capital** funding to help provide facilities and equipment for projects that are important to the local community.

Youth

Providing **revenue** funding for projects that provide positive activities for young people aged 13-19 or up to 25 with SEND. A positive activity can be any educational or recreational leisure-time activity including arts, sports, leisure and informal education.

Health & wellbeing

Providing **revenue** funding to support projects that benefit and improve older and vulnerable residents health and wellbeing.

Highway Safety Improvements

Capital funding for Highway Safety Improvements is also available through the CATG process.

For details of grant levels and how to apply, please refer to <https://apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboardgrants>

Useful Sources of Information

Wiltshire Council Website – Area Boards :
<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=174>

Our Community Matters

Our Community Matters is an interactive notice board for news, events and volunteering opportunities for communities across Wiltshire. <https://ocm.wiltshire.gov.uk/amesbury/>

Key contacts for Amesbury Area Board

Unitary Councillors



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All Councillors are working to tackle loneliness and isolation.

Supporting Officers

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Democratic Services Officer	Tara Shannon	tara.shannon@wiltshire.gov.uk

Dates for your diary

Formal Area Board meetings	10 th June 6.30pm online 23 rd September 6.30pm venue TBA 16 th December 6.30pm venue TBA 31 st March 2022 6.30pm venue TBA
CATG	TBA
Youth Forum / Local Youth Network	8 th June 6pm online
Health and Wellbeing group	29 th June 6.30pm online

Area Board model May 2021

The Area Board model was first introduced in 2009 and has delivered significant success in developing stronger communities since its inception. The overall aims of the Wiltshire Area Boards remain the same, however, an evolved framework has been created that builds on the strengths of the model and enables Area Boards to use more flexible, informal methods to engage with local residents.

Over recent years multiple Area Boards have piloted different approaches using events, workshops and surveys, with the data clearly showing that this varied approach to resident engagement reaches a wider cross section of the community. This leads to a more consultative and collaborative approach and one that promotes local intelligence gathering to inform decision making.

The new framework allows Area Boards to tailor their approach to their communities, considering what their local priorities are, the partners involved and the outcomes they wish to achieve. It will importantly offer more opportunities for our residents to engage with us on issues important to them. The model promotes each Area Board to develop its network of community led activity through business meetings, community engagements such as events, workshops and surveys and a wide range of sub-groups.

Figure 1 shows how Amesbury Area Board will function. Four Area Board business meetings, with multiple Area Board **engagements** taking place at other times during the year, which focus on specific local priorities. These engagements will include small informal visits and meetings by the CEM and Councillors. In addition, working groups of the board such as the local Youth Forum, Health & wellbeing group and the community area transport group (CATG) will continue to meet and link with the Area Board.

Figure 1 - The Area Board model





DORSET & WILTSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD REPORT MAY 2021

Community Safety Plan

DWFRS Community Safety Plan can be found on the DWFRS website;
<http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/>

Prevention

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

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

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

Are you or anyone you know:-

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

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



Protection

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

General Enquiries

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

Fire Safety Complaint

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

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

On Call Recruitment

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

As a paid position, on-call firefighters commit anywhere between 40 to 120 hours per week, during which time they must be able to respond to the station immediately.

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

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

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



Recent News & Events

Fire escape hoods used at incident for first time

Life-saving equipment, brought in following recommendations from the Phase 1 report of the Grenfell Tower public inquiry, has been used for the first time by the Service. Fire escape hoods, which help to protect the wearer from toxic fire-related gases, vapours and particles for at least 15 minutes, are currently being rolled out. They are used when people need to be evacuated from or through a smoke-filled location, and other exits – such as using a ladder or a smoke-free staircase – are not available. A procurement for the fire escape hoods started last September, with a training package made available to firefighters in February and the first supplies being delivered to fire stations last month. All fire engines within DWFRS will carry the hoods by the end of April. SM Adam Martin, who led the project to bring in the hoods, said: “We have allowed four hoods per appliance, and BA wearers can clip a pouch to their set when they enter a location where people may need to be rescued or brought to safety. The pouch can be restowed if the hood isn’t needed; if used, it should be disposed of and replaced. An e-learning package has been added to Grow, and procedure AEQ 3.6 provides all the relevant information to operational crews.”

CFO Ben Ansell said: “The provision of fire escape hoods was a recommendation within the Phase 1 report of the Grenfell Tower public inquiry and we worked with other fire and rescue services within the South West to agree a common approach. Although prompted by the Grenfell Tower fire, these hoods are not limited to use in high-rise buildings; they are suitable for any situation where a member of the public has to be moved to safety through a smokefilled area.” He added: “Fifteen minutes of protection against toxic smoke can make the difference between life and death. We would always prefer an escape route away from smoke, but that isn’t always possible. At a recent fire in Bournemouth, we brought 11 people to safety from a three-storey block of flats; nine of those people were evacuated using a ladder, but two wore our new fire escape hoods and were led safely through the building.” The hoods were tested by firefighters in the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area during four high-rise exercises held in November and December. A video showing how the hoods are fitted can be found here:-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6WEO48Bv3H0>

Safe and Well Visits





**DORSET & WILTSHIRE
FIRE AND RESCUE**

During the coronavirus pandemic we are still able to offer support to you in your home, albeit with a slightly different approach to help prevent the inadvertent spread of the virus.

Your safety is really important to us, so to help us before we visit your home we will telephone you to provide you with home fire safety advice and to identify if any additional equipment may be required, such as smoke, heat or CO alarms.

We will then arrange to visit you at a convenient time to install any equipment and briefly look around your home to identify any fire risks.

To help us keep you safe we will wear appropriate PPE whilst in your home and will ask you to remain at a safe distance away from us, as well as wear a face covering, if possible.

Business safety during coronavirus outbreak



While we all deal with the implications of the coronavirus pandemic, Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service will continue to support the owners and managers of buildings and businesses.

The Service is not carrying out routine fire safety visits during this period; however, please be aware that enforcement and prohibition work will continue.

Further guidance on carrying out a risk assessment is available here

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/making-your-premises-safe-from-fire>

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Total Fire Calls for Salisbury Fire Station for period 1st April – 15th May 21:-

Category	Total Incidents
No. of False Alarms	43
No. of Fires	18
No. of Road Traffic Collisions and other Emergencies	25
Total	86

Total Fire Calls for Wilton Fire Station for period 1st April – 15th May 21:-

Category	Total Incidents
No. of False Alarms	3
No. of Fires	4
No. of Road Traffic Collisions and other Emergencies	3
Total	6

Total Fire Calls for Amesbury Fire Station for period 1st April – 15th May 21:-

Category	Total Incidents
No. of False Alarms	15
No. of Fires	11
No. of Road Traffic Collisions and other Emergencies	8
Total	44

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Young volunteers create their own guide to mental health support services

A team of Young Healthwatch Wiltshire volunteers have created their own guide to mental health services for children and young people in the county.

The Wiltshire Mental Health Support Services List for Young People follows on from a guide for adults, produced by members of our Wiltshire Mental Health Open Forum as a way of helping people who are struggling with their mental health to find the right support for them quickly and easily.

Both guides are now [available to download](#) from the Healthwatch Wiltshire website where the list for adults has been downloaded more than 300 times since its launch in February.

Young volunteer **Robyn Moore** said: “After being involved with the Mental Health Forum’s resources list and seeing how well it had been received it seemed like a great idea to create a version specifically for young people. It was really interesting putting it together and realising just how many organisations were out there.

“As well as more well known organisations we tried to include a wide range of resources to highlight help that reflects the range of difficulties young people might face and be as inclusive as possible.”

Fellow young volunteer **Erin Woodsford** said: “It felt very good to have all this information in one place and in a way people could understand, and it felt even better knowing that this could make a huge difference to young people, especially when locating and finding the right organisations and helplines can be difficult.



“I feel like this could really benefit children and young people in Wiltshire as it signposts them to various forms of help, and it is a great resource for somebody who may not know who to go to and how to access the information they want.”

Jo Woodsford, Volunteer and Partnerships Lead at Healthwatch Wiltshire, said: “When our young volunteers saw how useful the mental health resources list for adults was, they took it upon themselves to create a version for children and young people.

“They took great care in researching a wide range of services and their hard work has resulted in a detailed guide which will be a valuable resource for any young person looking for information and support.”

Nick Bolton, Wiltshire Healthy Schools Lead at Wiltshire Council, said: “Young people have told us that they can’t always find the information they need to support their mental health, and are uncertain where to go for help. This new guide will help young people find and access the support they need more easily.”

Find out more about becoming a young volunteer at healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/young-healthwatch-wiltshire

Covid-19 vaccination programme: Stakeholder briefing

Friday 28 May 2021



Gill May,
Director of Nursing and
Quality

“Thirty-year-olds across our region, as well as those in all other areas of the country, have started to receive invites for their coronavirus vaccine.

“This latest move is a turning point in the vaccination programme, as it marks the start of us providing the vaccine to those considered least likely to fall seriously ill with Covid-19.

“We are very conscious that as new age groups are invited some people are still trying to get their vaccination and some are having to wait a few weeks for an appointment date.

“In addition, some older people and the more vulnerable may still be worried or apprehensive to have the vaccine.

“This inevitably creates a level of inequity, but I can assure you we are working with primary care to identify all those who are eligible to ensure they are invited and supported to attend.

“I have received emails directly from people who are finding it difficult to book or concerned some people may be queue jumping.

“We endeavour to look into each case, and we have been able to resolve many of the problems, and I would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding as we work to improve access to the vaccine, while doing everything possible to make sure only those who are eligible receive the vaccine.

“Seeing greater numbers of younger people come forward for their vaccine in recent weeks is a huge contrast from where we were six months ago, when nearly all our patients were aged over 80, some of whom were very frail.

“The model in which we delivered the vaccine was set nationally, and included setting up the large vaccine centres, primary care sites and hospital hubs.

“As we move to invite our younger population, we have been required to review the model of delivery.

“The review will allow some of our non-clinical venues to return to their pre-covid uses, while also enabling a number of our GP-led sites to change their focus from vaccinating to providing much-needed everyday care.

“However, we are still dedicated to the vaccination programme and ensuring that provision is maintained, which is why new pharmacy-based venues will be added to the fold over the next few weeks, with extra capacity also being incorporated into many of our existing sites.

“The first of these new pharmacies will begin providing the vaccine this week, in areas such as Bath city centre, Combe Down and Lyneham in the north of Wiltshire.

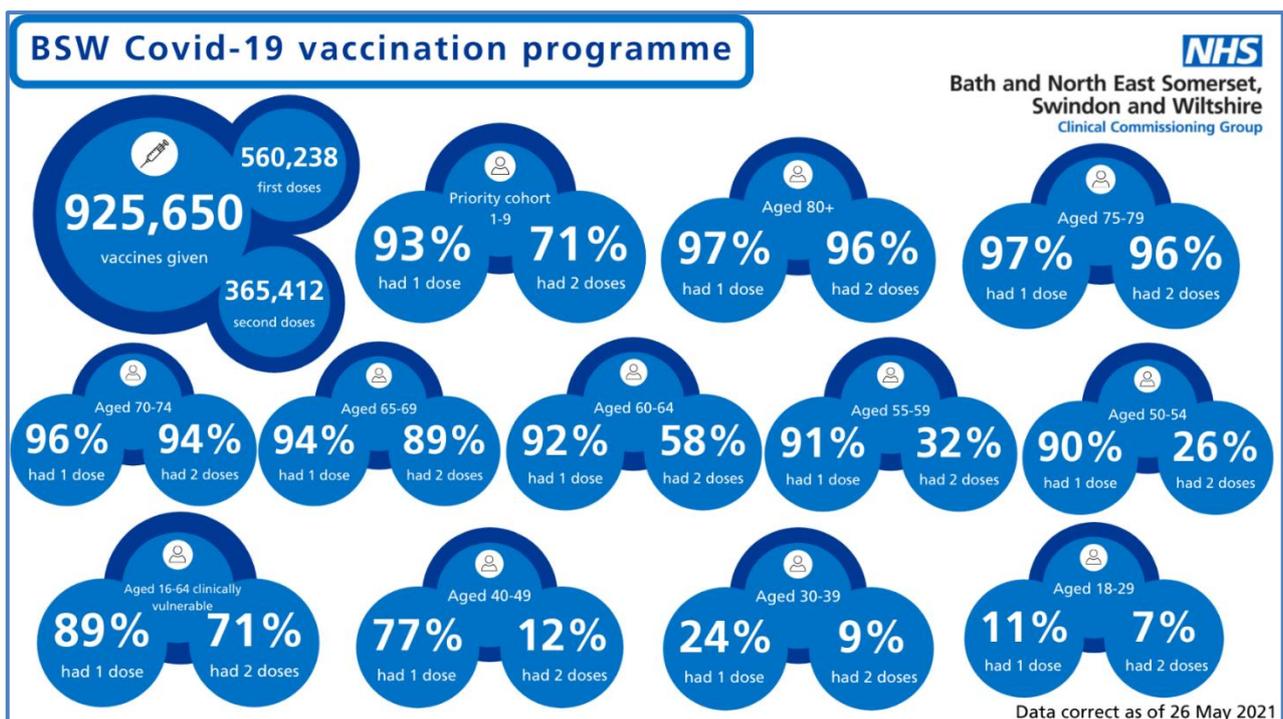
“To those sites that are leaving the programme, I would like to say thank you for all the dedication, determination and professionalism that has been shown since the vaccinations started at the beginning of December.

“We’ve come an incredibly long way in what is still a very short time, and none of this would have been possible without the input of each vaccination site. Going forward, I know that we can keep the momentum up and ensure that every person in our region is offered this lifesaving vaccine.”

At a glance: the latest coronavirus vaccine developments in BSW

- As of Wednesday 26 May, our vaccine teams have carried out a total of 925,650 vaccinations, made up of 560,238 first doses and 365,412 second doses
- Over the last week, around 2,300 first dose vaccines were given each day, while approximately 6,100 second doses were also given each day
- More than 770 people have, over the last four weeks, received their first vaccine dose from our mobile vaccination clinic
- The mobile clinic will soon begin its return leg and revisit previous locations to provide second doses
- Our floating vaccine clinic has been making its way across the region's canals this week, and we expect the delivery of second doses to our boater community to be completed before the bank holiday weekend
- Vaccine information specific to students has now been added to the CCG's website
- The large vaccination centres at Bath Racecourse and Salisbury City Hall are now able to provide patients with the Pfizer vaccine, as well as that which is produced by AstraZeneca
- However, patients travelling to either of the sites will not be able to choose the vaccine they are given

Vaccination progress to date



Wiltshire Council

7 May 2021

Delegation to Community Engagement Manager

Summary

Wiltshire Area Boards have previously delegated authority to officers to grant funding from their delegated community, youth, health and wellbeing budgets in respect of urgent matters that may arise between meetings of the Area Board. It is proposed this delegation is updated for the new council term and extended to cover Community Area Transport Group recommendations.

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, and due to Area Board engagements increasingly taking place outside of formal meetings, it is recognized that Area Boards now conduct their businesses with increased flexibility and according to community need. The proposed delegation will allow essential decision-making business to continue under such circumstances.

Under the proposed delegation, consultation will take place with the Chairman of the Area Board (or in their absence, the Vice-Chairman) by the Community Engagement Manager to determine urgent matters. It is recognized in urgent situations all members may not be contactable in the timescales required (for instance due to time off or sickness), however, where possible the views of all members should be sought.

Proposal

To consider passing the following resolution:

In order to expedite the work of the Area Board and to deal with urgent matters that may arise between meetings, the Community Engagement Manager, following consultation with the Chairman (or in their absence, the Vice-Chairman) of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support community projects (including youth, health and wellbeing and community area transport) from the delegated budget of up to £5,000 per application between meetings of the Area Board. The Community Engagement Manager should seek the views of all Area Board members to obtain a majority in support, prior to the expenditure being agreed.

Decisions taken between meetings will be reported in the funding report to the next meeting of the Area Board explaining why the matter was considered urgent or necessary to expedite the work of the Board. Where a significant number of urgent matters arise between meetings, a special meeting may be called, following consultation with the Chairman to determine such matters.

Reason for Proposal

In order to expedite the work of the Area Board and to deal with urgent matters that may arise between meetings.

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Amesbury Community Area Status Report “What Matters in Amesbury”

Executive Summary

This paper captures the most up to date information about communities living in the Amesbury community area including data associated with the economy, environment, housing, education, health and wellbeing, community safety, transport and gradual recovery from Covid-19.

The Amesbury Community Area covers 314.22 km² of mainly rural countryside in the south-east of Wiltshire. There are a number of settlements, the largest and oldest being Amesbury itself situated on a hill overlooking the valley of the Salisbury Avon.

From May 2021, the area consists of the town of Amesbury and the parishes of Berwick St. James, Bulford, Durnford, Durrington, Enford, Figheldean, Fittleton cum Haxton, Great Wishford, Milston, Netheravon, Orcheston, Shrewton, South Newton, Stapleford, Tilshead, Wilsford cum Lake, Winterbourne Stoke and Woodford.

The villages of Bulford and Larkhill have a strong army presence, and the community area is dotted with military sites. The army plays a key role in the area's economy and prosperity.

62% of the population in Amesbury are of working age, this is higher than the Wiltshire average and is a reflection of the military presence across the community area and the type of economy which is predominantly MOD, professional, technical and scientific with some retail and hospitality.

Wiltshire does not have the levels of deprivation that some other areas of the country experience, with 70% of Local Authorities being more deprived than Wiltshire. Nevertheless, there are pockets of deprivation concentrated in geographical areas. This can be seen in the Amesbury community area, in particular in the Amesbury East North Central LSOA (Lower-Layer Super Output Area), which is amongst the 40% most deprived in the country.

Research and consultation has found that the following are emerging as the top issues for the Amesbury community area:

- Mental Health – across many groups including 10-12 yrs, 13-19 yrs, young adults, older & disabled people, low-income families.
- Digital inclusion – including equipment, broadband and knowledge.
- Climate Change / environment – waste and recycling, biodiversity & wildlife, fly-tipping
- Opportunities & Activities for young people, especially around positive activities and including future training and employment.
- Loneliness and isolation – young people and older & disabled people alike (this is linked to Mental Health & digital inclusion above)

- Anti-social behaviour – this was a top priority in one survey (Joint Strategic Needs Assessment March 2020) – more detailed information is required on this issue.

The Amesbury area board sets local priorities every 3 years. This document will support this process over the next 6 months, in conversation with parish councils, community groups, schools, businesses and residents. It is vitally important that the issues summarised above, and the further detail below is used to inform how those priorities are reshaped, and even more importantly, how they are tackled along with our partners.

This status report is a dynamic document and will be amended according to feedback. All in Amesbury are encouraged to engage in this priority resetting process, and in helping us to collectively tackle these issues.

Many of the contributors to this report have suggested projects and initiatives to solve the issues raised, such as a Men's Shed, village celebrations or fayres for small businesses. In addition, there are hundreds of projects already operating across the community area which are tackling these issues, albeit in a slightly reduced way due to the pandemic. However, this report focusses on identifying the key issues. There will be a corresponding action plan to accompany this document.

Background and Context

The overarching aim of this document is for the Amesbury Area Board to understand how to support local responses from communities, businesses and organisations and link this to the work of Wiltshire Council, it's partners and agencies, so that collaboratively we can tackle issues including those arising from Covid-19.

The process of identifying and agreeing the key concerns is not an exact science and both statistical and anecdotal evidence has been gathered. This report should therefore be viewed as an informed indicator regarding the Amesbury Community Area.

The Amesbury community area has seen an incredible response to the COVID19 pandemic with volunteers leading the response and strategic partners working collaboratively to support our communities. Every person within the area has access to support from one of the many community groups that were set up, some of which are continuing to offer additional support.

As we now look ahead, this short document provides a summary of information that can be utilised to help inform the local community response. It brings together the differing data and information sources from across the community area that will help us to understand the state of our community and the impact of COVID-19. It also highlights communities that may have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic and it considers how the actions, projects and plans that are emerging will be collated and supported.

Over time this document will be regularly updated in response to changes, new information and actions undertaken.

Through a mutual exchange of support and facilitated dialogue since the start of the pandemic, town and parish councils and neighbourhood volunteers and Wiltshire Council continue to work together to rebuild our local communities. Whilst the impact of COVID-19 is considerable, it is recognised that some local issues already existed and that these will need to be tackled as well.

Whilst it is natural to focus on the issues that require improvement, it is important to recognise and build on the positives that have arisen during the pandemic. These include the closer working between organisations, increased community cohesion, new volunteers and the wider use of the internet / social media.

Community data and information

Local data is being collected from a range of sources to provide an overview of the current situation within our community. This is being combined with the outcomes of consultation and discussions on the impact of COVID-19 to inform the key issues emerging and where resources should be focussed.

- [JSNA local data sets](#) (collected in winter 2019)
- [JSNA 2020](#) – Demography and overarching indicators
- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment October 2019 survey findings
- [Children and young people mental health needs Assessment](#)
- [Gypsy, traveller and boater populations health needs assessment Wiltshire](#)
- [Office for National Statistics](#)
- COVID19 support groups discussions – (April - July 2020)
- Amesbury Area Board discussions and with Councillors (ongoing)

- Consultation with Town and Parish Councils- (Nov & Dec 2020)
- Meeting of COVID19 support group leads (Nov 2020)
- Meeting with Amesbury Youth Forum (Nov & Feb 2020)
- Health and Wellbeing group meetings (ongoing)
- Meetings with strategic partners (every month ongoing) (includes police, housing associations, care homes, Wiltshire Council colleagues, MOD, voluntary sector).
- Meeting with MOD (Nov 2020)
- Local survey to be undertaken with MOD on lived experience

Additional Partner organisation data:

- I. Business Community
- II. Link scheme data
- III. Wiltshire Money
- IV. Citizen's Advice Wiltshire
- V. Wiltshire Community Foundation
- VI. Town and Parish Council plans / Neighbourhood Plans
- VII. Carer Support Wiltshire
- VIII. Age UK
- IX. Alzheimer's Charities

Additional local information and the impact of COVID-19

Context

This section is a brief summary of some of the data and feedback that we have received to aid our understanding of where improvement is required and where and to whom the impact of COVID-19 has been felt the most. It is therefore important to read this with the following in mind:

- The Amesbury Community area is an excellent place to live and work. It is recognised that a tremendous amount of good work and substantial improvement has taken place over the past few years due to the

dedication and hard work of so many within our community and the Amesbury Area Board wishes to thank everyone for their continued hard work to make the Amesbury area the best it can be for all.

- Some of the areas highlighted from the JSNA data where the Amesbury Community is not doing so well, needs to be looked at in the context of the findings. For example, Wiltshire is consistently one of the **safest** counties in the country and there are no areas where there are significant safety concerns. Equally the variance between data in all community areas may not be of any great significance and the reality on the ground can seem at odds with data presented.
- Further investigation will be required with some of the data as they may not tell the whole story. Equally in some cases the most recent data available is a few years old. The report provides an indication of the issues but may not be the complete story.
- It needs to be recognised that due to COVID-19, some of the issues highlighted are not just a local problem but of concern nationwide. Debt and financial challenges are examples of this.

Economy

- 62% of the population in Amesbury are of working age, this is higher than the Wiltshire average and is a reflection of the military presence across the community area and the type of economy which is predominantly MOD, professional, technical and scientific with some retail and hospitality.
- Amesbury has the highest percentage of people working within professional, technical and scientific jobs with 33.4% in this category (10.2% Wiltshire-wide).
- The Amesbury area sees 444 per 10,000 apprentices which is the 2nd highest in Wiltshire – probably a reflection of the type of work available described above. This is most certainly a positive and it is hoped sustainable post COVID-19.
- The impact of COVID-19 on retail and hospitality in the area is uncertain as yet but there are likely to be casualties which will impact on the economy and potentially cause financial vulnerability. Some evidence for this is already appearing in the increased number of people contacting the Citizen's Advice Bureaux from the area.
- The impact of COVID-19 to remote businesses is often underestimated as it is assumed that they are already set up from home working. However, issues around clients including uncertainty, orders being cancelled and an inability to pay for services have all had a substantial impact.
- Businesses have and continue to require support to 'COVID proof' themselves and adapt to new ways of working. In some cases that means transformation to home working whilst for others altering their offer or business environment

- Some businesses, particularly smaller ones, are looking for support in areas such as business transition and marketing. Advertising is also expensive and small businesses may not be able to afford it. Consultation with the business community has seen suggestions of business fayres to aid publicity.
- There are also some positives that have resulted from the pandemic. Many businesses have helped others by sharing their knowledge and expertise. Not all support is financial and is required to come from central or local government. In addition, the pandemic has resulted in a level playing field with meetings taking place on Zoom rather than the boardroom. Consequently, businesses have grown in confidence to approach one another and work together. Some businesses have transitioned well adapting their offers to suit the new markets and their business needs and many small businesses, especially online, have been created.
- Businesses see the benefit of a Lifestyle Card and encouraging local shopping including on-line
- The Army basing programme means that many former MOD employees may be looking for civilian roles. This is also true of military wives. Spouses of serving personnel who are looking for employment have additional pressures around childcare and transport which can act as barriers to obtaining a job.
- Bulford and Larkhill, part of the Tidworth Garrison are also interested in supporting the families of serving personnel families to find employment.

Community Resilience

- Before the current pandemic, anti-social behaviour was reported as slightly below the Wiltshire average (13 incidents per 1,000 people as opposed to 14 on average in Wiltshire). Similarly, hate crime and domestic abuse figures are slightly below the Wiltshire average. Reports from the police suggest that crime and anti-social behaviour has reduced in the Amesbury community area over the pandemic. There seems to be a perception within Amesbury that anti-social behaviour is more prevalent than the actual figures show. This may be due to sporadic and sometimes historic incidents around the town centre of Amesbury. Respondents in the recent JSNA survey chose anti-social behaviour as the top priority for the area.
- The MOD are refurbishing the community centre & community café in Bulford to be open for all and there is a new ICT suite at Larkhill. The MOD also wish to see their other facilities including sports pitches used by both military and civilian.
- Most village halls are not operating due to COVID restrictions, but it is expected that they will continue once restrictions are lifted.
- The leisure offer in Amesbury consists of Durrington swimming pool and Amesbury leisure centre, with many independent sports organisations. The leisure centre, along with the Redworth Centre is in need of

refurbishment. A leisure review is in progress and will be included in this report in due course.

- Bus services within the community are generally considered good. Salisbury is the nearest rail station. The volunteer link scheme may need support including recruiting volunteers. The Amesbury Hoppa service is well used by the local community.
- The Pandemic has acted as a catalyst to remote working and meetings. Whilst there are many advantages of this, certain sectors of our community are being excluded. The lack of a suitable laptop or tablet, access to affordable broadband, a fear or lack of understanding of how to use this technology all contribute to this. Those excluded are often the people who need support the most.
- The villages have all responded well to the pandemic and put support in place for residents. The Amesbury community hub had over 300 volunteers during the first lockdown and continue to offers help and support to vulnerable people.
- A strong theme that emerged from local conversations is that a fresh approach to volunteering may be required. Volunteers are vital for a resilient community, but they need to be valued, achievements celebrated, and opportunities offered that are appropriate to modern life. The MOD have also raised concerns that those serving who wish to volunteer are finding it difficult to do so.
- Amesbury community area has a relatively large BAME population and with the recent army rebasing programme, this has almost certainly increased. The largest group are the Nepalese. They are well organised and had their own COVID support group during the pandemic. Other BAME groups include Fijian, Ghanaian, Indian, African, and Rastafarian, particularly associated with the MOD.
- There are some health issues that affect BAME groups disproportionately. It is recognised that it is important for appropriate information and education that acknowledges cultural differences and overcomes language barriers especially amongst the more elderly residents.

Children, education and young people

- Young people in the area face additional mental health difficulties which have been exacerbated through interruption to school and uncertainty about the future. A reduction in being able to meet up and attend regular activities has caused additional stress, loneliness and isolation. Parents of younger children have reported difficulties with behaviour. Families with children who have special needs have seen their support systems fall away during the crisis putting particular strain on them. The Amesbury area has 16% of pupils with Education and Health Care Plans (for special needs) opposed to 13% Wiltshire wide.
- The loss of teaching time, limitations on how they may operate, and lockdown of year groups has put added strain upon our local schools. The

feedback received is that despite this they are managing well, attendance is good, and the measures put in place are working.

- The JSNA data suggests that educational attainment is slightly below the Wiltshire average. In 2019, the percentage of children who reached the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics at the end of primary school (Key Stage 2) was 62% in Amesbury and 64% in Wiltshire. Some schools have also reported a lack of ICT equipment to enable remote teaching.
- The Amesbury area has the 4th highest level of childhood obesity in Wiltshire.
- The area has the highest rate of hospital admissions for young people due to accidental injury.
- Some children and young people have been affected by the additional pressures that parents have been under during the pandemic such as financial challenges and strained parental relationships. Some parents of younger children have been reporting difficulties with behaviour.
- Activities for young people including clubs and organisations have largely been unable to operate for most of this year. It is hoped that most will be able to start up again, but it is acknowledged that this may not be possible where there are financial obstacles or where there is a shortage of volunteers.
- Many young people in the area have and are likely to continue to face challenges such as finding employment, poor mental health and access to positive activities.
- Youth activities have struggled to continue during the pandemic. Amesbury youth café have been offering outreach support and socially distanced initiatives to support vulnerable young people. The Elements café which runs a club for vulnerable young people had just started running when the second lockdown was announced. It will be up and running again soon, following government guidelines. Durrington youth club have been offering street-based youth work wherever possible.
- Amesbury Youth Forum was recently re-established and has agreed to meet 4 times a year to network, work together and share resources and ideas.
- Bulford Community Centre is being refurbished and will offer a venue for a community café and regular youth activities.
- Similarly, the Larkhill community is operating youth activities and plans to expand this in 2021.
- Sports and arts groups are also offering youth activities such as the Newbourne Players and Amesbury Rugby Club, along with guides and scouts.
- Amesbury leisure centre is in need of refurbishment and the Redworth Centre is currently closed and some groups are therefore unable to start up again.
- There remains a need for further youth activity provision in the town and surrounding villages.

- Many local charities are reporting that they are facing financial pressures alongside increased demand for their services. For example, the Portage service for vulnerable families with young children now has a long waiting list.
- **Health & well-being of older and vulnerable people**
- A high level of community support has been offered to those who have had to self-isolate, particularly from the parish councils and Covid Support groups. However, amongst older residents, the need to stay at home as much as possible has had a negative impact on mental health, and an increase in loneliness, isolation and some depression. Those living with dementia have been one of the most vulnerable groups along with their Carers. Not everyone has been able to embrace digital solutions for keeping in touch or shopping and there is an increasing need to make sure everyone can access services and support remotely.
- The area has the second lowest number of older residents 65+ due to the military community in the area.
- The area has the second highest number of hospital admissions due to accidents.
- Mental Health – there is plenty of evidence that mental health difficulties are increasing across the board and particularly in some groups such as older people and younger people as discussed above. The area has slightly higher numbers of people with depression at 12%, compared to the Wiltshire average of 10%. During the Pandemic, those adults suffering from some form of depression or mental health issue has doubled nationally so it is likely to have increased within the community area. Younger people, women, poorer families and those already living with a disability are proportionately more at risk.
- Substance misuse – there is evidence that some people have turned to alcohol during this time and some have become dependent or addicted resulting in severe ill- health for a few people.
- Prior to the pandemic, there were numerous clubs and activities for older and vulnerable people in the Amesbury area. These included regular day activities, Carers Cafes, lunch clubs, day centres and lunch clubs including the Redworth club for people with a learning disability. Almost all of them were shut down and have not re-opened at the moment. There is a strong need and desire to begin to open these clubs and activities in a safe way as soon as possible.
- There is a particular need for activities that enable men to get out and about and to socialise within the community. There are reports of older men and not so old men feeling isolated and lonely with fewer activities on offer for them to attend.
- The two surgeries (Barcroft and St. Melor) in Amesbury are particularly keen on the social prescribing model that treats people holistically and have managed to provide excellent service whilst also addressing current issues such as a drive through flu clinic and preparations for the COVID-19 vaccination. This is also true for Till Orchard Surgery in Shrewton and Larkhill medical centre.

- The practises are organising a team of specialists to address both health and wellbeing. These include social prescribers, pharmacy technicians and first contact physiotherapists who are beginning to work with other partners and the community to provide holistic care
- The area is well served by the foodbank operating from the community shop in the town centre, along with the pantry partnership.
- Gambling is a known issue amongst some in the armed forces where those serving in the army nationally are 8 times more likely to have a problem than civilians. For those struggling financially, there is a knock-on effect for their families including housing, mental health, employment and other issues.
- The Coronavirus crisis has put many carers under even greater pressure than before both mentally and physically. Many people do not even consider themselves as carers and are not receiving the support they need and are entitled to. Carers Support operate a project called “Courage to Care” that covers the Amesbury area and is aimed at identifying and supporting those carers in the services including their families.

These are some of the issues emerging and further detail is provided in this table:

Possible Emerging Issue & local survey priority	Impact of COVID-19	Supporting evidence source
Anti-social behaviour given as the top priority in the Community Survey. Community Safety – cyber crime.	Perception of high levels of ASB which is not always borne out by the data. Cyber crime has increased.	JSNA 2020 Community survey Police Amesbury Youth Forum
Highway infrastructure and maintenance - identified as a the 2nd highest priority .	Some backlog.	CAJSNA 2020 Community survey results
Positive activities for all age groups – identified as the 3rd highest priority from the Community Survey	Evidence that activities have decreased for older people and younger people alike due to Covid-19. Likely to be a corresponding impact to mental health in some. Amesbury leisure centre is in need of refurbishment. Durrington pool is well used. The Redworth Centre is closed at the moment and was used by local groups. The Youth Forum / LYN is now re-established.	Amesbury Youth Forum Health and Wellbeing group Strategic partners

Environment – fly tipping can be an issue. Community area is a wildlife rich area due to Salisbury plain. Waste and recycling is the 4th highest priority.	Likely increase in fly tipping due to restrictions on recycling centres	CAJSNA 2020 Community survey results JSNA 2020 data
Mental health issues are likely to be increasing. This is identified as the 5th highest priority.	Deterioration in mental health caused by COVID including isolation and loneliness – affects young people and older people disproportionately	Data from local agencies. Discussions with Covid-19 volunteers, area board and parish councils
Support for older people and carers, including those with dementia.	Significant impact	Health and wellbeing meeting. Strategic Partners.
High hospital admissions (accidental, self-harm and alcohol related) amongst whole population and children.	Covid-19 is impacting upon mental health. Reports of increase in substance misuse, particularly alcohol.	JSNA 2020 data Barcroft Medical Centre.
Serious injury or death on the roads is higher than the Wiltshire average.	Uncertain impact as yet. Roads are less busy but driver behaviour may have changed.	JSNA 2020 data
Mortality rate from preventable illness is higher in Amesbury than the rest of Wiltshire.	Likely to have a significant impact	JSNA 2020 data
Slightly lower educational achievement in the area with a higher level of special educational needs than rest of Wiltshire	Disruption in education due to closures and isolation likely to have an impact. Impact on families with special educational needs documented.	JSNA 2020 data Amesbury Youth Forum Strategic partners.
Business support and Employment – 444 apprenticeships per 10,000 16+ year olds compared to 139 as Wiltshire average	Unemployment may be rising and some business are struggling. Possible that apprentices are down but this could be a strength to build on the higher numbers	JSNA 2020 data
Library use – Only 19% of residents are members compared to 34% as Wiltshire average	Libraries currently closed (Nov 20) Opportunities to explore as reopening commences as a core community service	JSNA 2020 data

Broadband Capacity / Digital Inclusion is a reported issue	Increased use but not all people can access it, whether because of connectivity weaknesses or because of financial/other barriers	Health and Wellbeing group Strategic partners
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It is important that this is an inclusive process as possible with special attention to ensure that the villages and minority groups have equal opportunity to feed in and partake in this recovery work. However, it is recognised that some may choose not to engage, and that work will take place that is not captured in this document.

How local actions can be supported

The local response within the Amesbury Community Area is one of co-production recognising that to rebuild our communities, it is important that we work together, sharing information and resources where appropriate.

The Area Board covers the whole community area and is responsible for this document. It links local delivery to Wiltshire Council, the Police, Public Health and other partners. It is an accountable body with influence and powers. It has its own funding to help support local initiatives. The Area Board will use this document to support local recovery and also encompass issues that were existing prior to COVID-19.

Wiltshire Council’s thematic approach to the county’s recovery is structured around the 4 themes discussed above and it will be helpful to use these as we progress our local recovery in Amesbury:

The Area Board, working with existing and new sub-groups, leads from parish councils, community groups and organisations, will carry out further investigation on the community issues, themes and priorities from the table at section 3 above, bringing together work currently happening and identifying gaps.

The Area Board will have updates of how this work is progressing as a standing item at its meetings.

Next Steps

- I. This report was accepted by the Area Board on 14^h January 2021
- II. On June 10th, the Area Board will confirm the 5 top priorities. The suggested top priorities are:

1.Mental Health – across many groups including 10-12 year olds, 13-19 year olds, young adults, older & disabled people, families - especially low-income families.

2.Digital inclusion – including equipment, broadband and knowledge – both older and younger old groups.

3.Climate Change / environment – waste and recycling, biodiversity & wildlife, fly-tipping.

4.Opportunities & Activities for young people, especially around positive activities and future training and employment, to include young people with a disability.

5. Loneliness and isolation – young people and older & disabled people alike (links to Mental Health priority)

- III. An **Area Board work plan** will be presented to the Area Board at the first opportunity following selection of priorities. This will consist of the 5 issues where the Area Board will focus efforts and resources and where it feels it can make the greatest difference. The CEM will engage with partners and stakeholders so that they understand the report and can consider how they will play their part in responding
- IV. Updates will be a standard item at future area board meetings

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Appointment of Area Board Lead Councillors

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To appoint lead Councillor representatives for the Area Board. This will include appointing to Outside Bodies and to reconstitute and appoint to Working Groups for the year 2021/22.

2. Background

- 2.1. Area Boards are invited to appoint Councillors to be their respective lead for particular themes, Outside Bodies or Working Groups. The following guiding principles are in place for Councillors who take a role as an Area Board lead:
 - To be the main Area Board point of contact for local Officers within their respective lead area
 - To attend (and often Chair) relevant sub-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 lead area
- 2.2. The Area Board is invited to appoint Councillor lead representatives to the Outside Bodies listed at **Appendix A**. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' terms of office, unless the Board determines otherwise.
- 2.3. The Area Board is also invited to reconstitute the Working Groups set out in **Appendix B**, with the Terms of Reference set out at **Appendix C**, and to make appointments to these groups.
- 2.4. Similarly, the Area Board is invited to appoint a named Older Persons and Carer Champion to work with the Area Board and Health and Wellbeing Group for 2021/22 (if applicable).

3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. In 2010 all Area Boards appointed Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs), which operated as informal working groups making recommendations to the Area Board for approval. Terms of Reference are set out in Appendix C.
- 3.2. Some Area Boards have a Local Youth Network (LYN) to facilitate positive activities for young people in the community area. Terms of Reference are set out in Appendix C.

- 3.3. Some Area Boards have also established working groups to consider and facilitate the development of Health and Wellbeing Centre proposals. Where these have Terms of Reference it is for the Area Board to determine and amend where required.
- 3.4. From 2015, Area Boards have been able to establish a local Health and Wellbeing Group to consider health and wellbeing priorities in their local area. These groups are sub-groups of the Area Board and their Terms of Reference can be found in Appendix C.
- 3.5. A key role within the Health and Wellbeing Group is that of the local 'Champion' who works with the Area Board to address priorities for older people and carers, further details on this role can be obtained on request from the officer named on this report.
- 3.6. Area Boards may have established other working groups to consider and address local issues. Where these have Terms of Reference, this is for the Area Board to determine and amend where required.

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 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 as set out at Appendix A;
- b. Agree to reconstitute and appoint to AB Themed Areas and the Working Group(s) as set out in Appendix B; and
- c. Note the Terms of Reference for the Working Group(s), as set out in Appendix C.

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Appendices:

Appendix A – Appointment to Outside Bodies
Appendix B – Appointment of Lead Members to Themed Areas and Working Groups
Appendix C – Terms of Reference for Working Group(s)

Unpublished background documents relied upon in the preparation of this report

None.

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Appendix A

Appointments of Lead Members to Outside Bodies 2021/22

Outside Body	Councillor Representative
Stonehenge World Heritage Site Steering Group	To be appointed
A303 Stonehenge Steering Group	To be appointed

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Appendix B

Appointments of Area Board Lead Councillors

To Themed Areas as set out in the JSNA and Working Groups of the Board:

The Area Board are to appoint Lead Members, even if no working group is currently set up.

Highways and Transport, including Community Area Transport Group (CATG):

To be appointed

Children and Young People, including the LYN and Amesbury Youth Forum

To be appointed

Health and Wellbeing, including the Health and Wellbeing Group

To be appointed

Environment

To be appointed

Older People

To be appointed

Arts and Culture

To be appointed

Housing and Development

To be appointed

Leisure

To be appointed

Grants

To be appointed

Military Civilian Integration

To be appointed

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP (CATG)

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Membership of the CATG

The CATG will normally be made up of not more than 10 members from the following groups:

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

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

Any recommendations of the CATG 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 CATG will cease when a member ceases to hold the stated office as when first appointed.

The CATG 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 CATG Members

Appointment of members to the CATG 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 CATG (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 CATG must not issue press statements on behalf of the Area Board.

Any press statements about the work of the CATG should be agreed between the Chairman of the CATG and the Chairman of the Area Board.

Meetings

It is recommended that the CATG meet at least four times a year. 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 Area Board wishes. It should be noted that CATG is an advisory body, it does not exercise delegated decision making powers.

Officer Support

Meetings will be attended by relevant officers from Wiltshire Council including a senior transport planner, a senior traffic engineer and a local highway maintenance engineer as necessary. Additional support will be provided outside of the meeting by the Corporate Office Business Support unit, as per Area Boards.

Terms of Reference

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

The CATG's terms of reference are set out at Appendix A:

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 Highways and Transport. The funding allocation is for 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 maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services. Schemes considered by the CATG should have first been raised through the community issues system and endorsed by the relevant town or parish council.

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.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-021-10)

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 in excess of the total discretionary amount available.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-026-11)

3. C & UC roads speed limit review

To make recommendations to the Area Board as to the priority routes for review on C Class and unclassified roads in accordance with the guidance issued by the Cabinet Member for Highways.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-027-11)

4. Waiting restrictions

To make recommendations to the Area Board regarding waiting restrictions in areas where the Town or Parish Councils do not wish to undertake this function.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-031-11)

5. 20mph speed restrictions – review and implementation

To make recommendations to the Area Board as to the priority routes/areas for review and implementation of 20mph speed restrictions in accordance with the guidance issued by the Cabinet Member for Highways.

(Cabinet Member Decision HSB-007-13)

6. Other decisions

To make recommendations to the Area Board regarding any other local highways issues when requested.

Community Area Health and Wellbeing Group Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

Definition of a Health and Wellbeing Group (HWG)

The Health and Wellbeing Group is a sub group of the Community Area Board. It represents a wide range of community stakeholders who work in partnership to facilitate well-being across the community area. People and organisations living and working in the community play a direct role in setting the agenda for this group.

HWGs will identify local needs, priorities and outcomes and make recommendations to the Area Board on how funding for activities should be deployed.

2. Membership

The Health and Wellbeing Groups may include representatives of:

- Members of the Community Area Board,
- Older Peoples Champion,
- Carers Champion,
- People from the community,
- Town and Parish Councils,
- Health and social care commissioners,
- Community and voluntary organisations and groups,
- Community transport providers,
- Police,
- Fire and rescue services,
- GP Practices,
- Other organisations, agencies and individuals that have a genuine interest in promoting the welfare and interests of older people.

All representatives must be subject to appropriate safeguarding requirements.

The participation and involvement of people

People living in the community must play a central role in all aspects of the Health and Wellbeing Groups including the design, development, delivery and review of the local activities.

Health and Wellbeing Groups are encouraged to use a variety of methods to ensure people participate and are involved in decision-making processes. Existing groups may provide a useful forum for involving people, although the decision to retain these groups is for local determination.

Health and Wellbeing Groups must ensure that consultation with people is representative and takes into account the views and needs of under-represented groups (those with protected characteristics) to ensure compliance with the local authorities Public Sector Equality Duty.

Roles of all members of the Health and Wellbeing Groups

All members will be required to:

Community Area Health and Wellbeing Group Terms of Reference

- Take an active part in the development of the Health and Wellbeing Group and its aims.
- Ensure that their organisation is represented by a person of appropriate experience/competency (or his/her appointed deputy) who has full authority within the relevant organisation to speak on behalf of the organisation and contribute fully to all discussions.
- Take responsibility for sharing information with the Health and Wellbeing Group relevant to their organisation/ stakeholders/sector.
- Contribute any information that may have a bearing on activities for older people and ensure that this is shared with the Health and Wellbeing Group.
- Champion the voice and influence of people in decision making.
- Be open and honest and work collaboratively.
- Work to promote equality and non-discriminatory practices in all aspects of the Health and Wellbeing Groups activities.
- Respect all members of the Health and Wellbeing Group and invited representatives.
- Work to improve outcomes for people and ensure high quality safeguarding practice.

3. Structure

The Health and Wellbeing Groups should come together on a quarterly basis, operating in a way which encourages active engagement, dialogue, debate and improved partnership working between key stakeholders.

A smaller management group will take responsibility for coordinating and planning the Health and Wellbeing Groups activities. The Chair of the group will be decided locally and could be any member of the Group. The group will include a member of the Community Area Board, who will work with the Chair to present recommendations and provide updates on progress at Area Board meetings.

The management group will generally comprise of:

- The Chairperson
- Older Persons Champion/ Carers Champion
- Community Engagement Manager
- Commissioning representative (Community Commissioner)

The appointment of Councillors (excluding officers) to Health and Wellbeing Groups will normally be agreed at a full meeting of the Area Board. Membership may be varied, with the agreement of the Area Board Chairperson, subject to approval at the next full Area Board meeting.

Where required, the Chairperson and Community Engagement Manager may appoint additional people to the management group if it is felt their involvement would be important for the function of the group.

Alternative people can represent people at the management group, however, it is preferred that the same representative attends if possible to ensure consistency of membership.

4. Responsibilities of the Health and Wellbeing Groups

Key responsibilities for the Health and Wellbeing Groups include:

Community Area Health and Wellbeing Group Terms of Reference

- Recommending grants that support the priorities identified in the local Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).
- Ensuring that any grants and activities take into account any applicable safeguarding implications.
- Making recommendations to the Community Area Board on how priorities for funding should be determined (to include evaluating opportunities for applying for grants)
- Monitoring and reporting on the quality and effectiveness of local activities and grants.

- Based on the JSNAs, local intelligence and Area Board priorities coordinating joint working to deliver these objectives.
- Addressing any conflicts of interest that may arise as part of the local decision making process.

Recommendations to the Community Area Board will usually be reached by consensus but if necessary these can be agreed by a vote.

The management group may invite representatives from local organisations/agencies to its meetings etc to provide expertise or to share local knowledge on activities, projects and programmes in the area.

5. Funding

Area Boards will have an annual revenue budget allocated to them. The Health and Wellbeing group will advise the Area Board on how these funds should be allocated. Health and Wellbeing Groups will be able to bid, apply for funding from other sources and would also be expected to feedback to commissioners on priorities for the Countywide contracts.

6. Media Relations

Members of the Health and Wellbeing Groups may not issue media statements on behalf of the Community Area Board. Any media statements about the work of the Health and Wellbeing Groups should be agreed with between the Health and Wellbeing Groups and Chairperson of the Community Area Board.

7. Review

These terms of reference are subject to change and should be reviewed by the Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Health on an annual basis.

Local Youth Network (LYN) Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

Definition of a Local Youth Network

A Local Youth Network (LYN) is a sub group of the Area Board. It represents a wide range of community stakeholders who work in partnership to facilitate a range of positive activities across the community area.

Local Youth Networks will engage young people and support their voices being heard in order to help shape local decision making. LYNs will adopt an evidenced and need based approach for young people and will actively work with the local Area Board on the provision of positive activities for young people. The membership, aims and relationship with the local Area Board may vary slightly in each community area.

The obligations of the Area Board are set out in the *'Leaders Guidance for Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People'*.

2. Membership

The LYN may include representatives of:

- Members of the Area Board
- Young people
- Schools
- Town and Parish Councils
- Community and voluntary organisations and groups
- Police
- Health organisations
- Other organisations, agencies and individuals that have a genuine interest in promoting the welfare and interests of young people

All representatives must be subject to appropriate safeguarding requirements.

Participation and involvement of young people

Youth networks are encouraged to use a variety of approaches to ensure young people participate and are involved in decision making processes.

LYNs must ensure that consultation with young people is representative and takes into account the views and needs of underrepresented groups (those with protected characteristics) to ensure compliance with the local authorities Public Sector Equality Duty.

Roles of the LYN

All members will be required to:

- Take an active part in the development of the LYN and its aims.

- Ensure that their organisation is represented by a person of appropriate experience/competency (or his/her appointed deputy) who has full authority within the relevant organisation to speak on behalf of the organisation and contribute fully to all discussions.
- Make recommendations to the Area Board on how positive activities funding should be deployed.
- Take responsibility for sharing information with the LYN relevant to their organisation/ stakeholders/sector.
- Contribute any information that may have a bearing on positive activities and ensure that this is shared with the LYN.
- Champion the voice and influence of young people in decision making.
- Be open and honest and work collaboratively.
- Work to promote equality and non-discriminatory practices in all aspects of the LYNs activities.
- Respect all members of the LYN and invited representatives.
- Work to improve outcomes for young people and ensure high quality safeguarding practice.

3. Structure and operation

The frequency, location and format of LYN meetings and activities should be determined locally, however it is recommended that the group meets at least two times per year.

The LYN may come together at events, workshops, youth fairs, meetings and consultations, operating in a way which encourages active engagement, dialogue, debate and improved partnership working between key stakeholders.

The Chair of the group will be decided locally. The group will include a member of the Area Board, who will provide updates on progress at Area Board meetings and advise on recommendations where appropriate.

Each network will be supported by the local Community Engagement Manager, however, models that are independently run in the communities are also encouraged.

The appointment of members (excluding officers) to the management group will normally be agreed at a full meeting of the Area Board. Membership may be varied, with the agreement of the Area Board Chairperson, subject to approval at the next full Area Board meeting.

4. Media Relations

Members of the LYN may not issue media statements on behalf of the Area Board. Any media statements about the work of the LYN should be agreed with between the LYN, Community Engagement Manager and Chairperson of the Area Board.

5. Review

These terms of reference are subject to change and may be reviewed by the Leader on an annual basis.

Report To	Amesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	Thursday, 10 June 2021
Title of Report	Amesbury Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Amesbury Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For 2021	49,663	22,414	7,700
Awarded To Date	0	0	0
Current Balance	49,663	22,414	7,700
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	41,534	21,669.84	7,700

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG15	Youth Grant	Enford and Avon Valley Youth Club	Enford and Avon Valley Youth club cooking lessons	£999.28	£714.16
Project Summary: Provide cooking workshops for young people equipping them with the practical skills to be able to prepare healthy and nutritious meals and make healthier lifestyle choices.					
ABG16	Community Area Grant	Enford and Avon Valley Youth Club	Enford and Avon Valley Youth club laptop	£429.00	£429.00
Project Summary: We would like to purchase a laptop for the Youth Club committee so that we can set up a system for online booking and payments for attending youth club. We are keen to go paperless and minimise handling cash. It would also enable us to play music and run presentations at the Friday youth club sessions.					
ABG51	Community Area Grant	Amesbury Carnival and Show	Amesbury Community Festival of Fun	£3500.00	£550.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p>Project Summary: Amesbury has a strong tradition for holding an annual Carnival. However with the date being in June, Covid 19 prevented the event from taking place in both 2020 and 2021. With restrictions on gatherings of persons coming hopefully to a conclusion by the end of June, it was felt appropriate to hold an event in August to celebrate the end of lockdown. The event now has a planned date of Monday August 23rd to Monday 30th August (as long as restrictions are lifted). The high point of the week (all of which will be free to the public to attend) will be a super fete. this will cater for up to 4,000 local residents, with stalls, a dog show, a parachute drop and sporting games. in order to carry these out safely, an arena has to be provided. This will require rope and metal stakes to provide the sides. The total distance to be roped off is approximately 400 metres. there will be a need for 100 metal stakes and 4.00 metres of rope.</p>					
ABG58	Community Area Grant	Lady Antrobus Trust	The Angel Of Mons statue to visit Amesbury	£2600.00	£400.00
<p>Project Summary: The Angel Of Mons, as legend has it, appeared in the sky on the eve of the August 23rd 1914, whilst forces of The British Expeditionary Force were under heavy fire and potentially trapped by German forces. The Angel in the sky was spotted by the British troops who saw it as a sign that could and in fact did lead them to safety, and thereby avoid a massacre. A statue of "The Angel of Mons" has been offered on loan to the Trustees of Antrobus House Amesbury. The connection being that most of the troops who fought for Britain in WW1 at some point made their way either to Salisbury Plain via Amesbury for training, or from Amesbury to the front to fight for King and Country. The statue will stand in the grounds of Antrobus House on the front lawn for all to visit and see, hopefully from Mid August until Mid November. The statue is life size , and consist of a winged angel mounted on horseback. the statue is made from scrap metal pieces, e.g. old tools, and is spray painted bronze. The statue will be a major attraction for Amesbury and will create interest in the town of Amesbury and beyond.</p>					
ABG47	Community Area Grant	Buzz Action Foundation CIO	Big Rig Outdoor Activities with Enhanced Disabled Access	£20436.35	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We are offering people with a very wide range of disabilities the opportunity to participate in aerial arts using a taller rig with harnesses, slings, pulleys and a larger safety mattress. We are also purchasing a container to store this and other equipment which is used regularly in Amesbury, enabling easier access for the 3 youth groups (and other groups) we run in Amesbury. This will be available to all young people who want to engage in our activities, and allow them to try out and train on a wide variety of specialist aerial equipment. We are purchasing a Container to be sited in Amesbury. We are also purchasing a robust Changing Room so that disabled people can prepare and dress with privacy at our activities. We will train staff to operate this equipment so it can be used at Youth Clubs, community events and our Outreach Roadshows, and we are asking for help with the capital element of this project. We are purchasing a container to store this with other equipment which is used regularly in Amesbury for positive activities, enabling access for the 3 youth groups (and other groups) we run in Amesbury. We need a storage container to be placed at Stockport Road in Amesbury so that we can have easy and local access to the equipment we use in our activities in Amesbury. We use a wide variety of equipment and logistically we are currently restricted by the opening hours of our storage depot which means we cannot return equipment after youth clubs etc. Storing our tumble track, aerial rigs and other equipment safely and locally is an essential requirement for our schedule going forward. This container will also serve as a base for the planned outdoor activity area on Stockport Road which will be run in partnership with Amesbury Youth Centre. Our aerial rigs are very popular. The Big Rig, will enable us to fit pulleys, a belay and a variety of aerial equipment to be able to use harnesses, hoists and slings. This will enable people with a wide variety of disabilities to experience and practice aerial arts safely. It will also enable safe performance of complex aerial routines for the growing population of young people who are practicing parkour and aerial arts.</p>					
ABG75	Community Area Grant	Amesbury Green Fingers	Amesbury Green Fingers	£3500.00	£1750.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p>Project Summary: Amesbury green fingers is a community gardening project set up by the residents of Archers Gate & Kings Gate. The aims of Amesbury Green Fingers is to promote wellbeing, healthy living ,support mental health, reduce social isolation and provide education on where food comes from and how its grown. The ethos of the project is to bring community back to the forefront, with our team of gardeners, volunteers, and helpers we will grow fresh produce to share amongst the wonderful community and bring the community together. We have engaged 69 members of the community in our group so far and have been given land at the allotment site from town council to run our project. For us to progress with our community garden we are applying for funding for fencing and floor mesh, materials for the garden such as top soil and plants, materials to build raised beds, a green house and tools. The fencing will not only look aesthetically pleasing for our garden but it will keep our space secure and safe for children and young people using our garden and prevent people wandering into other allotments as well as preventing unwanted wildlife from eating the food we are growing for the community. We want our garden to be as accessible as possible for those of all abilities and also allow access for wheelchair users so our fencing will have a large gate to allow wheelchair access, we are also wanting to put mesh down on the grass to create a small pathway in our garden space to make it easier for those in wheelchairs/mobility issues to maneuver around the community garden making it inclusive for all.</p>					

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grants (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

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

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

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

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

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