

AGENDA

Meeting: Melksham Area Board
Place: Melksham Library, Community Campus, Market Place, Melksham, SN12 6ES
Date: Tuesday 12 September 2023
Time: 7:00 pm (with a guided heritage walk starting at 6:15 pm)

Including the Parishes of:
Broughton Gifford, Melksham, Melksham Without, Steeple Ashton, Keevil, Great Hinton and Semington.

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jonathon Seed, Melksham Without West & Rural (Chairman)
Cllr Mike Sankey, Melksham East (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Phil Alford, Melksham Without North and Shurnhold
Cllr Nick Holder, Bowerhill
Cllr Jon Hubbard, Melksham South
Cllr Jack Oatley, Melksham Forest
Cllr Mike Sankey, Melksham East (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Jonathon Seed, Melksham Without West & Rural (Chairman)

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Items to be considered		Time
1	<p>Guided Heritage Walk Around Melksham</p> <p>To undertake a walking tour of the town centre, with refreshments available in the community campus café area until 7:00 pm.</p>	18:15
2	<p>Chairman's Welcome</p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	19:00
3	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
4	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting (<i>Pages 1 - 6</i>)</p> <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2023.</p>	
5	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
6	<p>Chairman's Announcements (<i>Pages 7 - 10</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following announcements through the Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Local Plan Review (session on 4 October) • Climate Emergency update - https://youtu.be/LP2FzC7rHSw 	19:05
7	<p>Partner Updates (<i>Pages 11 - 82</i>)</p> <p>To receive updates from any of the following partner organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police • Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service (DWFRS) • BSW Together (Integrated Care System) • Healthwatch Wiltshire • Community First • Town and Parish Councils 	19:10

8	<p>Special Schools Developments</p> <p>To receive an update on the work being undertaken by the Special School Transformation Team in Melksham and the wider area from Matthew Look, SEND Place Planning Commissioning Programme Lead.</p>	19:25
9	<p>Heritage and Culture</p> <p>To hear from the following on the work being done towards heritage and culture in the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Perry – Conservation and Museums Advisory Service Manager • Ruth Butler – Heritage Education and Digital Engagement Officer 	19:45
10	<p>Area Board Priority Update</p> <p>To receive updates from Lead Councillors on the local Area Board priorities.</p>	20:15
11	<p>Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG) (Pages 83 - 114)</p> <p>To consider the recommendations from the LHFIG meeting from 3 August 2023:</p> <p>1) To close the following Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-22-1 Melksham Lighting off Hazelwood Road • 9-22-6 Melksham Signing to Sandridge Farm <p>2) To add the following Issue to the Priority Schemes List with funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-22-21 Melksham Snarlton Lane Crossing Point (£1,454.58). <p>3) To add the following Issue to the Priority Schemes List without funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-23-13 Steeple Ashton Sandpits Lane pedestrian access to playing field 	20:20
12	<p>Area Board Funding (To Follow)</p> <p>To consider the following applications for grant funding:</p> <p><u>Community Area Grants:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wharf Court Residents - £5,000 towards residents' lounge refurbishment • Melksham Music and Drama - £1,000 towards radio 	20:25

microphones

- St John's Ambulance - £5,000 towards Wiltshire Community Support Unit vehicle
- West Wilts Radio - £1,875 towards digital audio broadcasting transition
- Meadowbrook CIC - £1,600 towards improvements to entrance track and car park area

Older and Vulnerable Adults Grants:

- Rainbow Day Centre and meet at The Riverside Centre - £2,000 towards Rainbow Day Centre for the Elderly
- Melksham Free Dining - £845.51 towards disposables
- Wiltshire Music Centre - £1,500 towards Celebrating Age Wiltshire

Youth Grants:

- Youth Success Academy CIC - £5,000 towards Mental Health and Entrepreneurship Programme for Disadvantaged Young People
- 4 Youth South West - £5,000 towards remote villages street-based youth work
- 4 Youth South West - £5,000 towards Detached Youth Work Melksham

13 **Urgent items**

20:45

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

MINUTES

Meeting: Melksham Area Board
Place: Melksham Community Campus Library, Market Place, Melksham,
SN12 6ES
Date: 14 June 2023
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 9.00 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Phil Alford, Cllr Nick Holder, Cllr Jack Oatley, Cllr Mike Sankey (Vice-Chairman)
and Cllr Jonathon Seed (Chairman)

Wiltshire Council Officers

Richard Rogers – Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager
Caroline LeQuesne – Area Board Delivery Officer
Cameron Osborn – Democratic Services Officer
Benjamin Fielding – Senior Democratic Services Officer

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Andrew Lemon

Total in attendance: 30

<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
14	<p><u>Election of the Chairman</u></p> <p>Councillor Phil Alford nominated Councillor Jonathon Seed for the role of Chairman and was seconded by Councillor Jack Oatley.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To elect Councillor Jonathon Seed as Chairman for the year 2023/24.</p>
15	<p><u>Election of the Vice-Chairman</u></p> <p>Councillor Oatley nominated Councillor Mike Sankey for the role of Vice-Chairman and was seconded by Councillor Alford.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To elect Councillor Mike Sankey as Vice-Chairman for the year 2023/24.</p>
16	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed those in attendance to the meeting and encouraged public participation. The Area Board members introduced themselves to those present.</p>
17	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received by Councillor Jon Hubbard and Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson. Apologies for lateness were received from Councillor Nick Holder, who joined the meeting at 7:27 pm during Item 20, Chairman's Announcements.</p>
18	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting on 8 March 2023 as a true and correct record.</p>
19	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
20	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman noted and summarised the written updates included in the agenda pack, including updates on the cost-of-living crisis, the work being done</p>

	<p>by Wiltshire Libraries to keep local residents online, and the Independent Visitor Scheme.</p> <p>Councillor Holder provided an update on the Council’s response to the Climate Emergency and representatives from the Bowerhill Scout Group updated the meeting on how they have spent the funding recently awarded by the Area Board. The Bowerhill Scout Group representative spoke positively about the impact of the new mini bus, which has enabled the group to travel further afield than before.</p>
21	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The Chairman invited the Area Board’s partner organisations to provide any updates further to the written updates included in the agenda pack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police <p>Inspector Andy Lemon informed the Area Board of the progress being made within Wiltshire Police locally, noting the increased success rates relating to prosecutions. He also highlighted the successful arrest relating to a spate of local burglaries, three recent closure orders, the increased execution of warrants, the intensification of county lines policing, and the successful implementation of Operation Septum, a blade amnesty programme that included a knife arch visit to Trowbridge College. He noted that Wiltshire Police was approaching its peak demand period but highlighted a 7.2% reduction this year in violent crime and a reduction in complaints. Inspector Lemon concluded by pointing out that King George V Field in Melksham remained a problem area for policing.</p> <p>The Chairman noted that after raising the lack of police visibility at the last Area Board meeting, he had noticed a significant improvement, resulting in a big difference in police perception. He passed on his thanks for their recent work in Steeple Ashton and for their renewed focus on using social media.</p>
22	<p><u>Wiltshire Police Chief Constable and Police and Crime Commissioner</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed Chief Constable Catherine Roper to the Area Board and invited her to provide an update.</p> <p>CC Roper passed on Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson’s apologies for absence and updated the Area Board on the work currently being undertaken by Wiltshire Police, including their response to being placed in Special Measures, otherwise known as the Engage process, following a recent assessment by His Majesty’s Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS). She explained that they had been identified as being inadequate in terms of victim support, investigation, and structural framework. As a result, CC Roper pointed to the Plan on a Page document (included in the agenda supplement) and briefly outlined the three main operational priorities to address those shortcomings: safer public spaces, violence, and burglary. She</p>

	<p>also listed steps being taken to improve communication and public trust and engagement, including a recruitment drive covering the Criminal Investigation Department, the control room and upper management posts.</p> <p>The Chief Constable then fielded questions from the floor. Questions were asked of police engagement in Melksham and potential poor service, to which Inspector Lemon agreed to investigate. Other questions included current numbers of police officers, the impact on the overall policing budget of a new police station in Salisbury, and the fairness of the policy that advised officers' involvement in the rural crime team be reviewed should they have ties with trail-hunting. Queries were raised about highway policing, with Councillor Holder drawing particular attention to an area of Bowerhill prone to speeding, about which Inspector Lemon agreed to liaise with Councillor Holder.</p> <p>Finally, Bethani Blake from Victim Support encouraged the police to continue to make use of their services, to which CC Roper strongly agreed.</p>
23	<p><u>Area Board End of Year Report</u></p> <p>The Chairman handed over to the Strategic Engagement and Partnerships Manager (SEPM) Richard Rogers to present the Area Board End of Year Report. The report summarised the work that the Area Board had done over the last year. The SEPM thanked the Area Board and the community for their support.</p> <p>Gary Burns, Chairman of the Melksham Cricket Club, updated the Area Board about the expansion being undertaken at the club. He noted that they now had three adult teams on the books with an expanded youth section and a new ladies' section. He also highlighted the continued improvement to facilities, including a new artificial pitch system. He concluded by expressing his thanks to the Area Board.</p> <p>Councillor Holder then spoke to the work he and the Area Board had been doing on his priority area of reducing isolation and loneliness. Councillor Holder paid tribute to David Walker and the work he had done in supporting the priority area and expressed this thanks to Councillor Hubbard and Theresa Strange for setting up Community Support 2.0, a project being taken forward by Age UK to support isolated and lonely people, particularly older people, describing it as ground-breaking work.</p> <p>Cristopher Stephens enquired about Melksham Tennis Club, describing difficulties with Wiltshire Council support. The Chairman explained that the Tennis Club needed to apply for grants through the regular Area Board channels, and that he recently engaged in a conversation with the relevant Cabinet Member in which it was suggested there was an issue with the booking system for the general public, which was causing difficulties for providing support from the Council.</p>

	<p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>1) To adopt the following priorities with the following Councillors appointed as Lead Representatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and young people – Cllr Jon Hubbard • Community safety and transport – Cllr Mike Sankey • Economy, environment, and deprivation – Cllr Phil Alford • Older people; health and wellbeing – Cllr Jack Oatley • Culture – Cllr Jonathon Seed <p>2) To appoint following Members as Lead Representatives to the following Outside Bodies, Working Groups and Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melksham Health and Wellbeing Group – Cllr Jack Oatley • Melksham Joint Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group – Cllr Mike Sankey • CCTV and Community Safety Working Group – Cllr Mike Sankey • Environment and Climate Working Group – Cllr Phil Alford • LHFIG Councillor Representative – Cllr Mike Sankey <p>3) To note the Terms of Reference for the LHFIG as set out in Appendix B.</p>
24	<p><u>Sub-Group Reports</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG) <p>The Area Board then considered the funding recommendations from the LHFIG meeting on 9 May 2023.</p> <p>Councillor Sankey proposed that the Area Board approve the funding recommendations from the LHFIG and was seconded by Councillor Oatley.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To approve the funding recommendations from the LHFIG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Wellbeing Group (HWG) <p>Councillor Holder spoke to the HWG meeting the week prior, explaining that the bulk of the meeting was for the Group to be introduced to the new project officer from Age UK Wiltshire who was to lead on a jointly funded project. Councillor Holder also passed on his thanks to Richard Rogers for co-ordinating the recent event in Melksham’s marketplace on 9 June 2023. Councillor Holder also expressed a desire to understand more about the NHS’s current property strategy, explaining that their Estates Team have recently completed a review of the strategy and that the HWG would soon be asked to attend a meeting with them on that subject.</p>

25	<p><u>Area Board Funding Applications</u></p> <p><u>Community Area Grants:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bowerhill Village Hall Trust - £1,000 towards Bowerhill Village Hall new flooring. <p>Councillor Holder moved to grant Bowerhill Village Hall Trust £1,000 towards new flooring for Bowerhill Village Hall and was seconded by Councillor Sankey.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To grant Bowerhill Village Hall Trust £1,000 towards new flooring for Bowerhill Village Hall.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melksham Music and Drama - £1,000 towards radio microphones. <p>Councillor Sankey moved to grant Melksham Music and Drama £1,000 towards radio microphones and was seconded by Councillor Oatley.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To grant Melksham Music and Drama £1,000 towards radio microphones.</p>
26	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>Councillor Graham Ellis from Melksham Town Council raised the issue of the Blue Pool site and requested that local volunteers be granted access to Blue Pool to facilitate the project. The Chairman suggested that the Area Board could not themselves make that decision but would work with Wiltshire Council to facilitate it.</p> <p>Simon Crundell, Melksham Town Mayor, addressed the recent Melksham House press release. The Chairman suggested that if those concerns were submitted to the Area Board, they would act as a conduit for them. Councillor Alford advised the quality of answer would be better if pursued through other departments rather than the Area Board.</p>
27	<p><u>Evaluation and Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman thanked those present for attending and confirmed that the next Area Board meeting would be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday 12 September 2023.</p>

Agenda Item 6

Wiltshire Local Plan Review – Chair’s Announcements

The consultation for the Wiltshire Local Plan will be held from Wednesday 27 September until Wednesday 22 November, with in-person and an online event being held across the county to enable people to find out more and have their say.

The council is holding 16 drop-in events at libraries and leisure centres around Wiltshire between Monday 2 October and Wednesday 18 October along with a live webinar-style event on Thursday 10 October on Microsoft Teams.

The in-person events are informal drop-in sessions where people can meet officers and find out more about the Local Plan and how to respond to the consultation. There is no need to book for the in-person events, anyone can just turn up and speak to officers. The online session will feature a presentation, followed by an opportunity to ask questions; people should sign up for the online event beforehand on the council website and are encouraged to submit questions in advance.

The Local Plan sets out the vision and framework for housing, infrastructure, and land for employment growth for the next 15 years. Once adopted, all planning applications will be determined against the plan, making it the most important place-shaping document for Wiltshire.

The full schedule of events will be included in the minutes of this meeting. To find out more and to sign up for the online event, people should go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-plan

Town	Closest event for residents of...	Date	Time	Location
Amesbury	Amesbury, Bulford, Durrington, Great Wishford, Porton, Shrewton, Tilshead and The Winterbournes	Monday 2 October	3pm-7pm	Amesbury Library, Smithfield Street, Amesbury SP4 7AL
Bradford on Avon	Bradford on Avon, Holt, Westwood and Winsley	Monday 2 October	3pm-7pm	Bradford on Avon Library, Bridge Street, Bradford on Avon BA15 1BY
Chippenham	Chippenham, Christian Malford, Hullavington, Kington St Michael, Sutton Benger and Yatton Keynell	Tuesday 3 October	3pm-7pm	Olympiad Leisure Centre, Sadlers Mead, Chippenham SN15 3PA
Melksham	Melksham, Atworth, Bowerhill, Seend, Semington, Shaw and Whitley and Steeple Ashton	Wednesday 4 October	3pm-7pm	Melksham Community Campus, Market Place, Melksham SN12 6ES
Tisbury and Mere	Tisbury, Mere, Fovant, Hindon and Ludwell	Wednesday 4 October	3pm-7pm	The Nadder Centre, Weaveland Road, Tisbury SP3 6HJ

Devizes	Devizes, Bromham, Market Lavington, Potterne, Rowde, Urchfont, West Lavington, Littleton Pannell and Worton	Thursday 5 October	3pm-7pm	Devizes Library, Sheep Street, Devizes SN10 1DL
Marlborough	Marlborough, Aldbourne, Baydon, Broad Hinton, Ramsbury, Pewsey, Burbage, Great Bedwyn, Shalbourne and Upavon	Monday 9 October	3pm-7pm	Marlborough Library, 91 High Street, Marlborough SN8 1HD
Malmesbury	Malmesbury, Ashton Keynes, Crudwell, Great Somerford, Oaksey and Sherston	Monday 9 October	3pm-7pm	Malmesbury Library, 24 Cross Hayes Lane, Malmesbury SN16 9BG
General information webinar	Online webinar covering all of Wiltshire	Tuesday 10 October	6.30pm-8pm	Online
Corsham	Corsham, Box, Colerne and Rudloe	Wednesday 11 October	3pm-7pm	Springfield Community Campus, Beechfield Road, Corsham SN13 9DN
Royal Wootton Bassett	Royal Wootton Bassett, Cricklade, Lyneham and Purton	Wednesday 11 October	3pm-7pm	Royal Wootton Bassett library, 11 Borough Fields, Royal Wootton Bassett SN4 7AX
Trowbridge	Trowbridge, Hilperton, North Bradley and Southwick	Thursday 12 October	3pm-7pm	Atrium, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN
Calne	Calne, Derry Hill and Studley	Monday 16 October	3pm-7pm	Calne Library, The Strand, Calne SN11 0JU
Westbury	Westbury, Dilton Marsh and Bratton	Monday 16 October	4.30pm-8.30pm	Leighton Recreation Centre, Wellhead Lane, Westbury BA13 3PT
Salisbury	Salisbury, Alderbury, Broad Chalke, Coombe Bissett, Dinton, Downton, Laverstock and Ford, Morgan's Vale, Woodfalls, Pitton, Whiteparish, Wilton and Winterslows	Tuesday 17 October	3pm-7pm	Salisbury Library, Market Walk, Salisbury SP1 1BL

Tidworth and Ludgershall	Tidworth, Ludgershall, Collingbourne Ducis and Netheravon	Wednesday 18 October	3pm-7pm	Tidworth Leisure Centre, Nadder Road, Tidworth SP9 7QN
Warminster	Warminster, Chapmanslade, Codford, Corsley, Heytesbury and Sutton Veny	Wednesday 18 October	3pm-7pm	Warminster Sports Centre, Woodcock Road, Warminster BA12 9DQ

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Melksham Community Policing Team

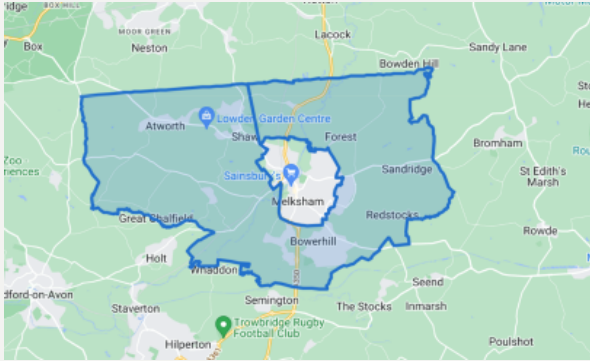
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Melksham Neighbourhood Policing Team



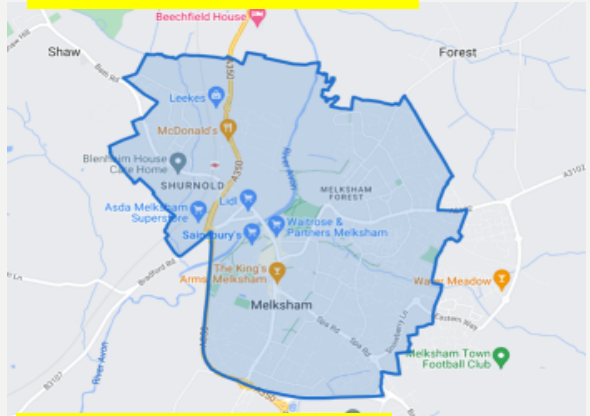
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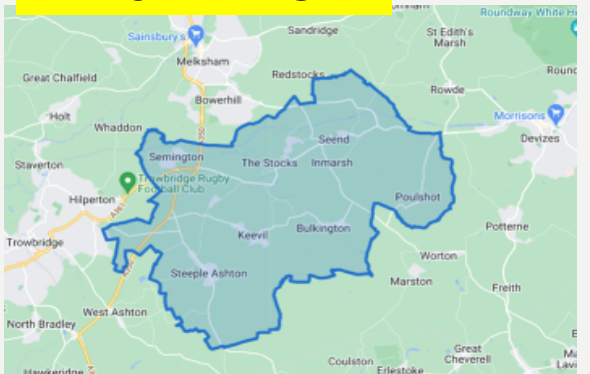
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PCSO VICKY ROLPH



SGT GEMMA RUTTER



Melksham Neighbourhood Policing Team

Our Vision:

We recognise how important it is for our communities to see us, speak to us and find out what we are doing. Over the coming months we will be focusing on efforts on the following areas:

- To hold a rota of rural village drop in centres.
- To hold a rota of Melksham Town supermarket police surgeries
- To carry out pulse patrols in crime and ASB hotspot areas
- To increase community messaging within our neighbourhood
- To support local festivals and events with visibility, educational tools and preventative tools such as bike stamping, purse chains by working with our colleagues in community safety, community speed watch, The Bobby Van and Rural policing teams.



Where have we been and what have we been up to?

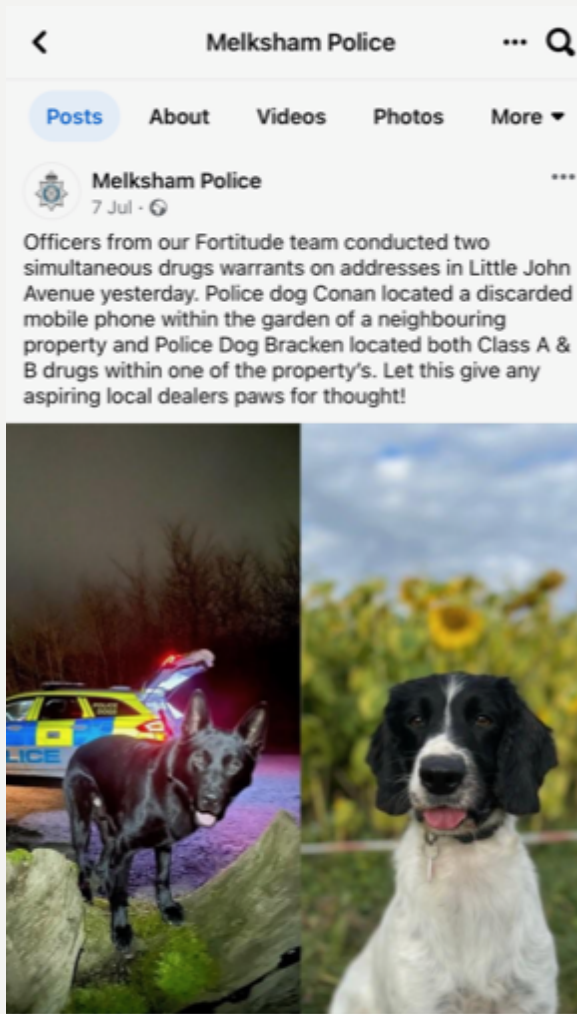


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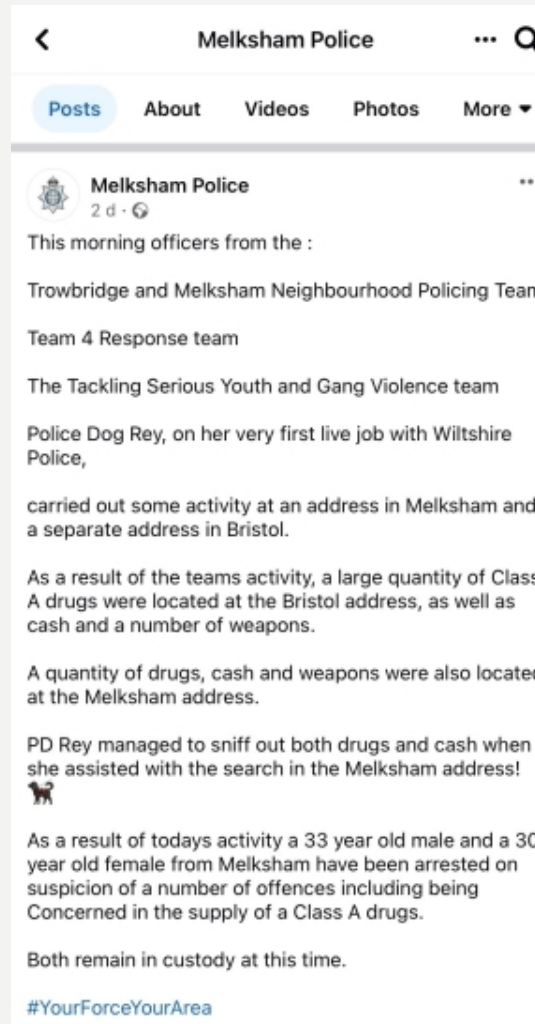
- 6 Summer Fetes
- 10 drop in surgeries
- 56 drop in sessions
- 4 Junior good citizens inputs
- 3 warrants in the last two months
- 3 Operations in the last two months
- 4 speed operations in the last two months
- One bike stamp event
- One baby car seat fitting event
- One day of action for in company with immigration



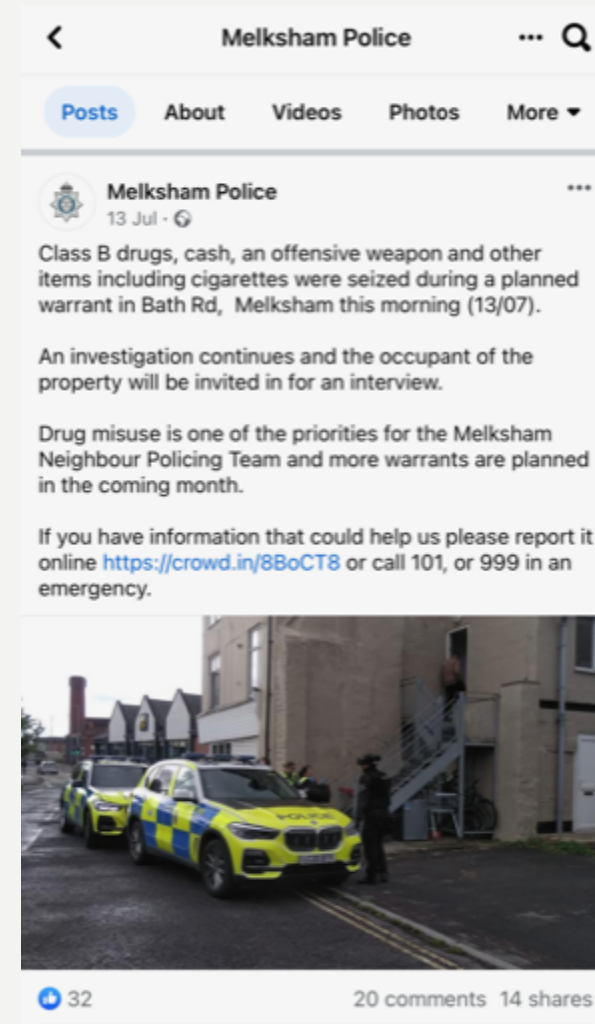
Getting Results



Class A and B located in address in Littlejohn- suspects arrested.



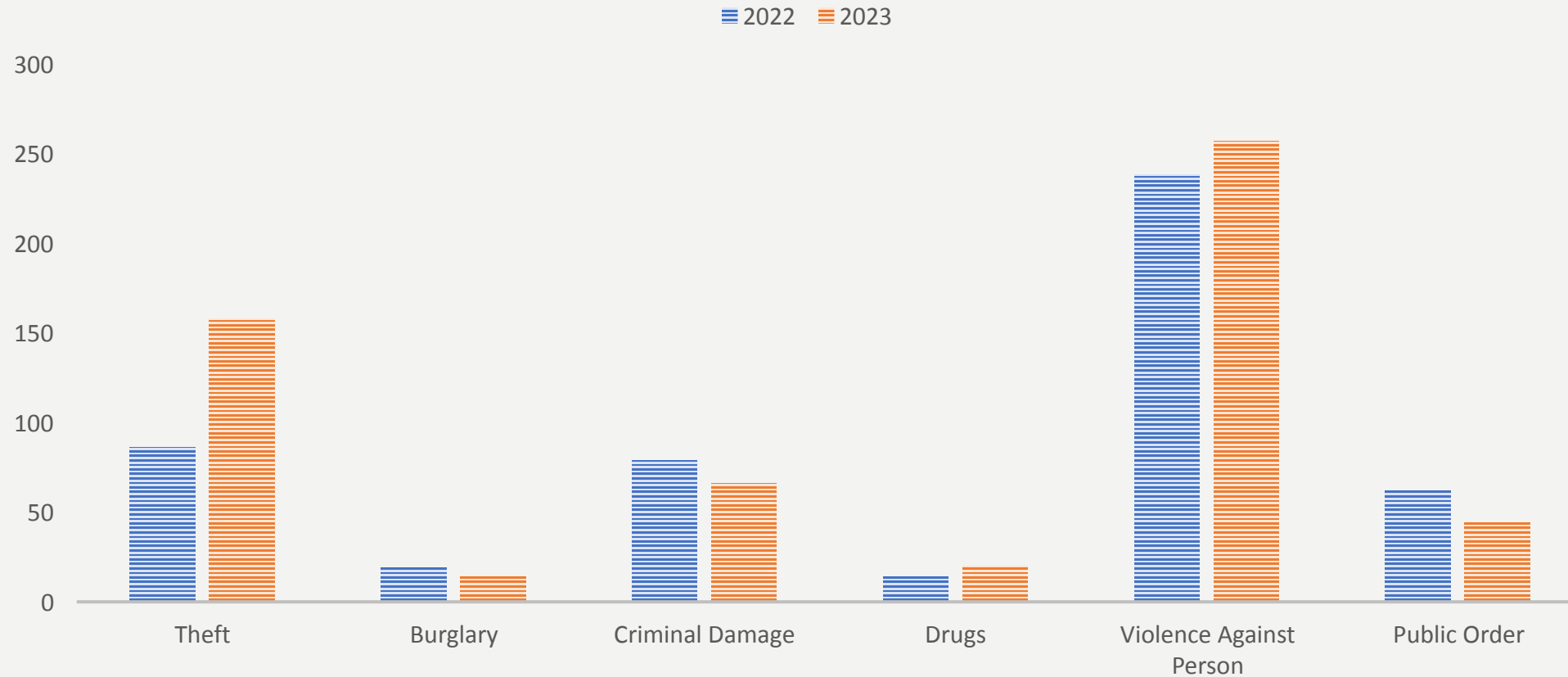
Class A and B located; weapons and cash- x2 arrested



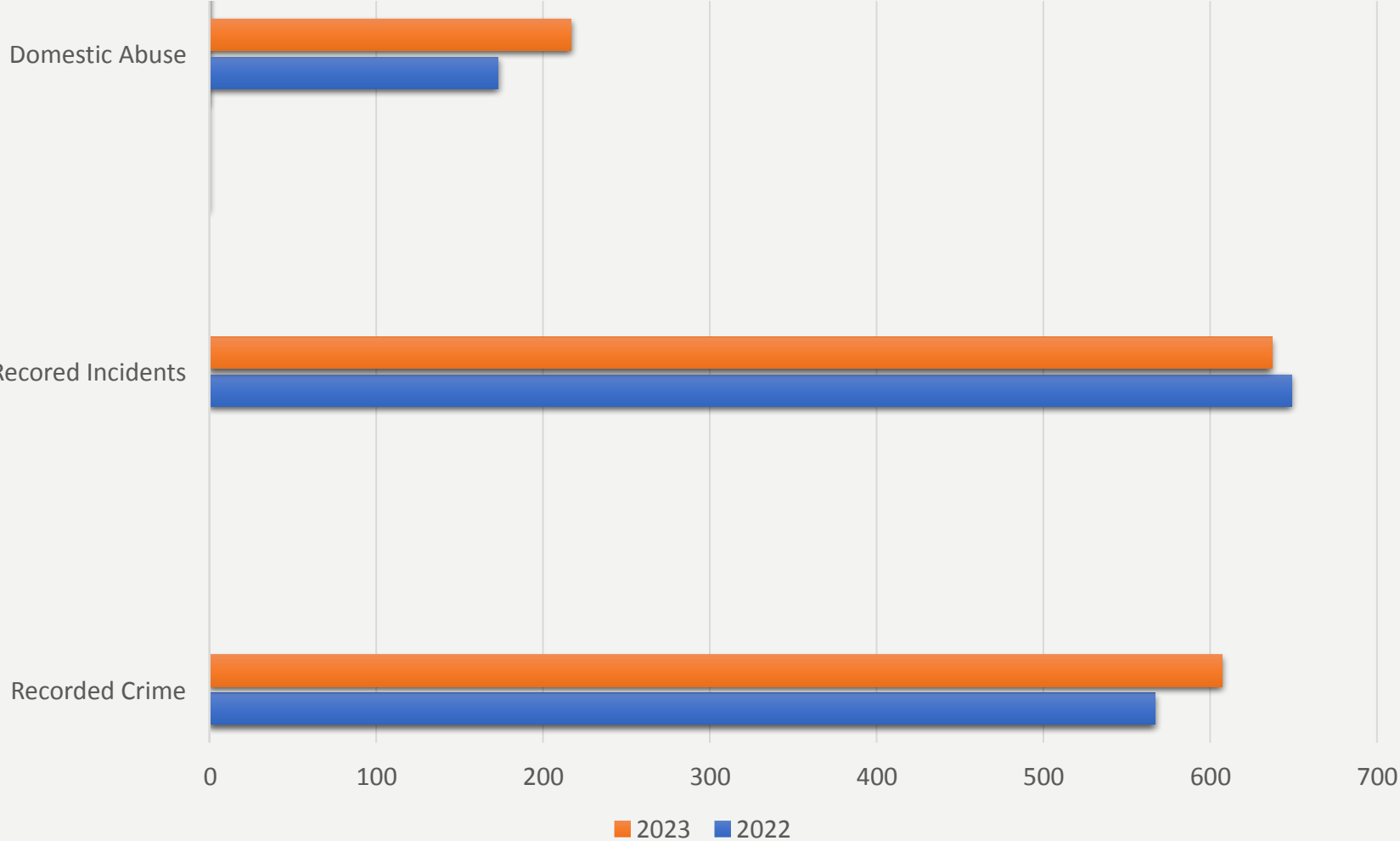
Class B and weapons located- x1 suspect interviewed.

Melksham Crime and Incident Stats

COMPARISON OF MAY- AUG 2022 TO MAY- AUG 2023



May- August 2022 v May- August 2023



Melksham Neighbourhood Team Progression



SGT RUTTER- is over seeing future planning for Halloween, night time economy events and licencing, public engagement events, the forming of a listening circle to discuss Violence Against Women and Girls and the introduction of Store Watch and CCTV with Melksham Town to decrease the statistic trend upwards in theft.



PC COOMBS- is developing days of action in Bowerhill to combat vehicular ASB and offences alongside the DVLA, Road Policing Unit and Community Speed Watch, tackling ASB in the Avon Place shopping precinct in the town centre and working on the introduction of a No Alcohol Zone in town. He is also working alongside youths requiring crime diversion measuring through the SWIFT programme.



PC MILLER- is working on ASB in Church Walk with our crime prevention officers whilst seeking closure orders on addresses causing us issues with drugs and economic theft. She is also working alongside the Rural Crime Team to seek an increased presence in our rural Melksham Communities.

Useful Links

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

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

Get Involved

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

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- [Trowbridge Police Twitter](#)
- [Melksham Police Facebook](#)
- [Bradford on Avon Facebook](#)

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



The screenshot shows the top part of the Wiltshire Police website. At the top left is the Wiltshire Police logo. To its right is a search bar with the text "How can we help you?". Below the search bar is a navigation menu with five items: "Report", "Tell us about", "Apply or register", "Request", and "Feedback". Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: "Home > About us > CPTs". The main heading is "Trowbridge CPT". Below this is a text block: "CPT Trowbridge covers the areas of Trowbridge, Melksham, Bradford-on-Avon and surrounding areas". This is followed by two paragraphs of text providing contact information and reporting instructions. The final line says: "You see a map of crimes in the Trowbridge area by visiting www.police.uk".

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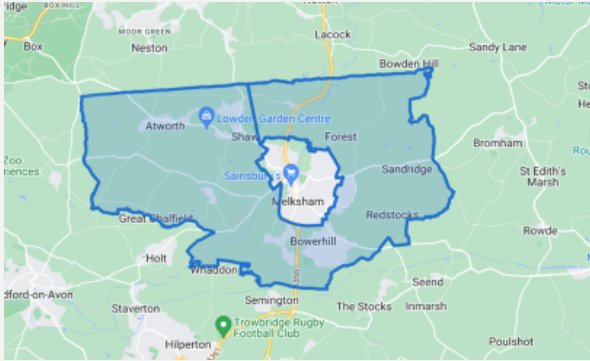
Melksham Community Policing Team

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Melksham Neighbourhood Policing Team



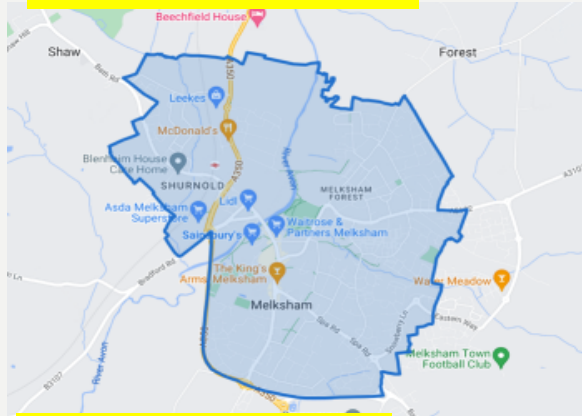
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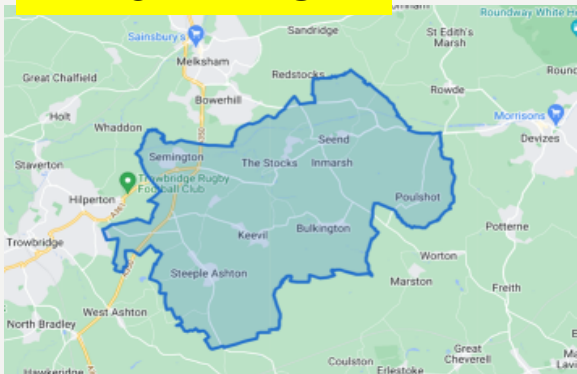
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Melksham Neighbourhood Policing Team

Our Vision:

We recognise how important it is for our communities to see us, speak to us and find out what we are doing. Over the coming months we will be focusing on efforts on the following areas:

- To hold a rota of rural village drop in centres.
- To hold a rota of Melksham Town supermarket police surgeries
- To carry out pulse patrols in crime and ASB hotspot areas
- To increase community messaging within our neighbourhood
- To support local festivals and events with visibility, educational tools and preventative tools such as bike stamping, purse chains by working with our colleagues in community safety, community speed watch, The Bobby Van and Rural policing teams.



Where have we been and what have we been up to?



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

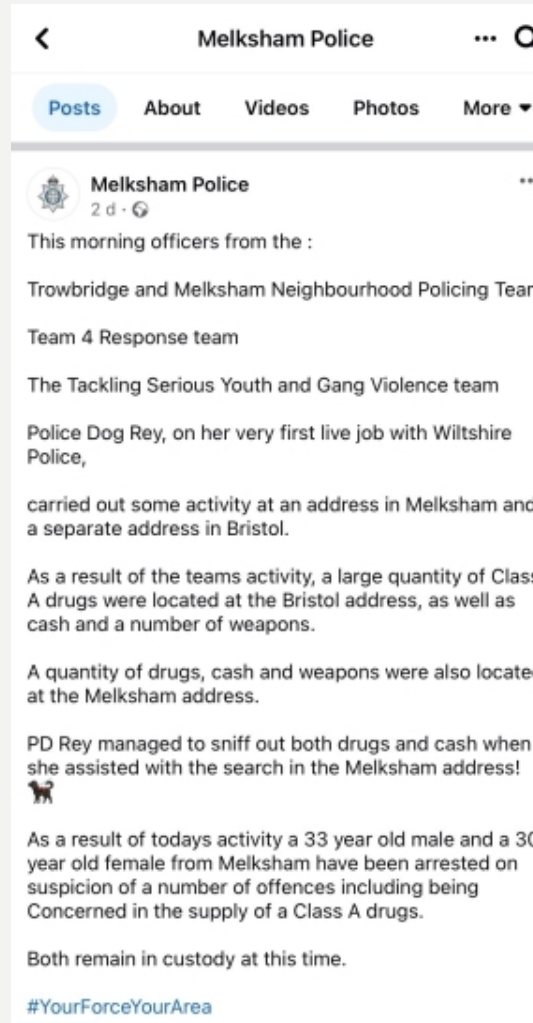
- 6 Summer Fetes
- 10 drop in surgeries
- 56 drop in sessions
- 4 Junior good citizens inputs
- 3 warrants in the last two months
- 3 Operations in the last two months
- 4 speed operations in the last two months
- One bike stamp event
- One baby car seat fitting event
- One day of action for in company with immigration



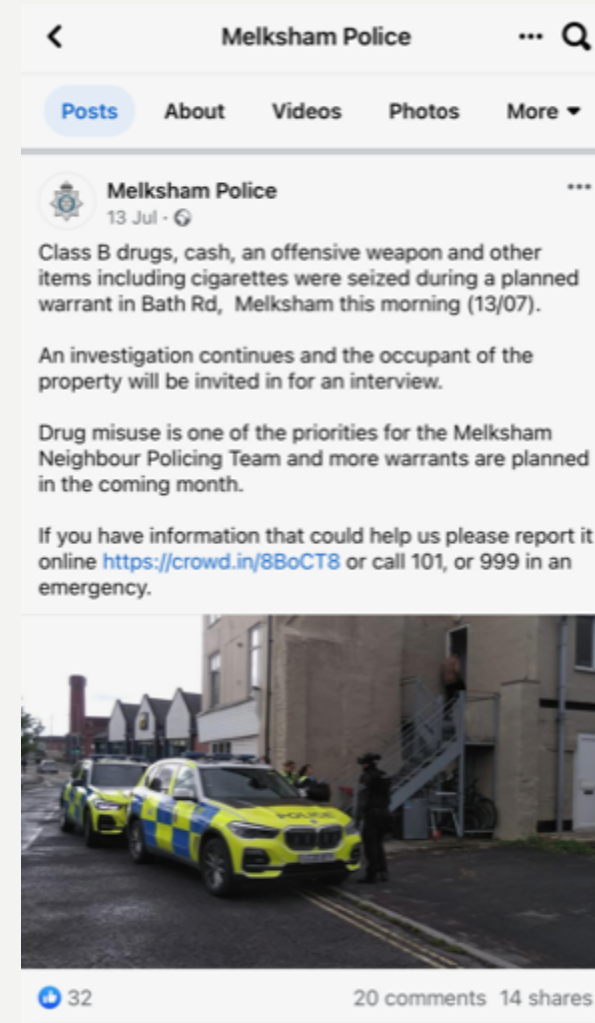
Getting Results



Class A and B located in address in Littlejohn- suspects arrested.



Class A and B located; weapons and cash- x2 arrested

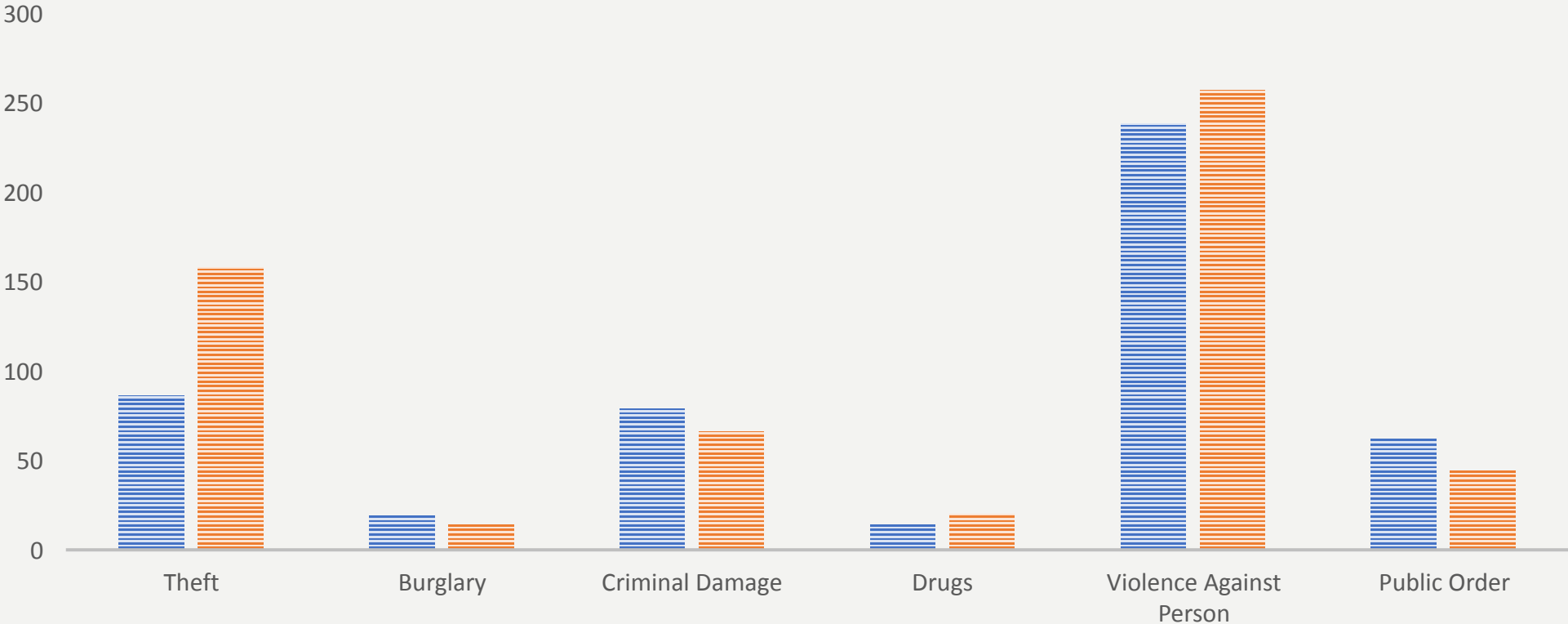


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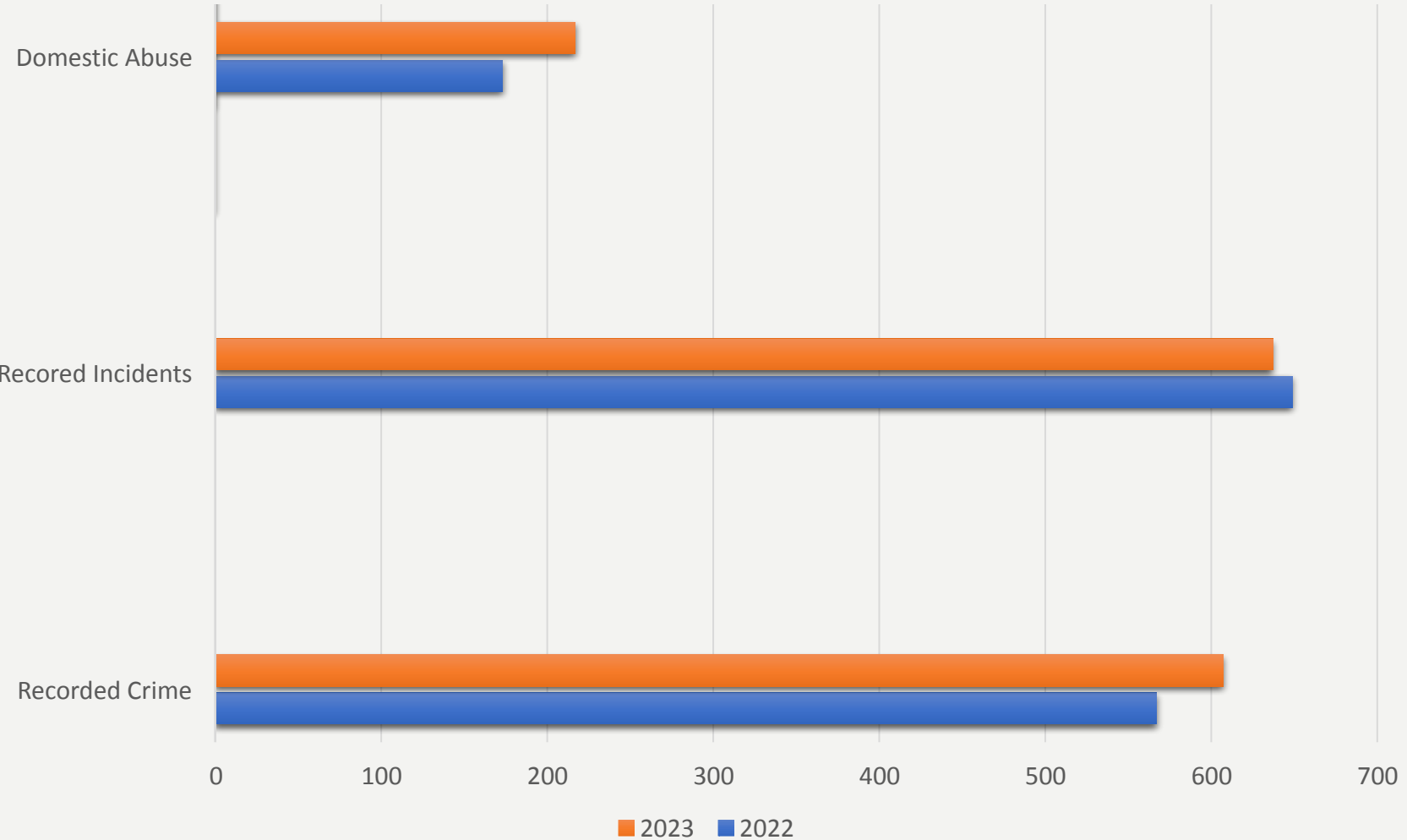
Melksham Crime and Incident Stats

COMPARISON OF MAY- AUG 2022 TO MAY- AUG 2023

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May- August 2022 v May- August 2023



Melksham Neighbourhood Team Progression



SGT RUTTER- is over seeing future planning for Halloween, night time economy events and licencing, public engagement events, the forming of a listening circle to discuss Violence Against Women and Girls and the introduction of Store Watch and CCTV with Melksham Town to decrease the statistic trend upwards in theft.



PC COOMBS- is developing days of action in Bowerhill to combat vehicular ASB and offences alongside the DVLA, Road Policing Unit and Community Speed Watch, tackling ASB in the Avon Place shopping precinct in the town centre and working on the introduction of a No Alcohol Zone in town. He is also working alongside youths requiring crime diversion measuring through the SWIFT programme.



PC MILLER- is working on ASB in Church Walk with our crime prevention officers whilst seeking closure orders on addresses causing us issues with drugs and economic theft. She is also working alongside the Rural Crime Team to seek an increased presence in our rural Melksham Communities.

Useful Links

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

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

Get Involved

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

www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Follow your CPT on social media

- [Trowbridge Police Facebook](#)
- [Trowbridge Police Twitter](#)
- [Melksham Police Facebook](#)
- [Bradford on Avon Facebook](#)

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

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Wiltshire Police website. It features the Wiltshire Police logo on the left, a search bar with the text "How can we help you?" and a magnifying glass icon on the right, and a menu with five items: "Report", "Tell us about", "Apply or register", "Request", and "Feedback". Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: "Home > About us > CPTs". The main heading is "Trowbridge CPT". The content area contains the following text: "CPT Trowbridge covers the areas of Trowbridge, Melksham, Bradford-on-Avon and surrounding areas". "To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email TrowbridgeAreaCPT@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk. Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7." "You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for non-urgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or [Report a crime here](#)". "You see a map of [crimes in the Trowbridge area](#) by visiting www.police.uk".

Save the date: Community First AGM

The Community First Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Awards Celebration will take place on Wednesday 11th October (5.30-7.30pm) at Devizes Town Hall. Invitations for the AGM will be sent by email in the next few weeks.

Building Bridges Programme impact report

The first phase of the Building Bridges programme has now come to an end. Managing partner Community First and key programme partners involved in the delivery of the programme have created an impact report with a summary of programme achievements (including with harder-to-reach groups), outcomes and success stories.

The impact report can be viewed/downloaded via our website:

<https://www.communityfirst.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Building-Bridges-Programme-Impact-Report-Final-Version.pdf>

A copy of the impact report is also included with this briefing document. Please feel free to circulate the report amongst your colleagues and networks and help us celebrate the amazing achievements of Building Bridges as we move into the next phase of programme delivery with funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

We are currently in the process of updating the Building Bridges website to include an online referral form. Please see below for more information about programme delivery and who is currently eligible for support in Wiltshire and Swindon.

Wiltshire

The Building Bridges programme will continue to support people aged 16-65 in Wiltshire who have significant barriers and challenges to move towards education and employment.

Swindon

Inspire Swindon offers personalised support to young people who live in Swindon and who are also in one (or more) of the following groups:

- 15-18 years old who are at risk of becoming NEET (Not in Employment Education or Training).
- 15-18 years old who are NEET.
- 15-18 years old who are engaging with Swindon Youth Justice Service.
- 15-18 years old who are Care Experienced.
- 15-18 years old with an Education, Health & Care Plan.

We are in discussion with other funders to try to establish a programme to support people aged over 19 in Swindon and will give further details of this as soon as we can.

To make a referral (or self-referral) please contact the Building Bridges Lead Team (Community First) by email: hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk or telephone: 01380 732821. Individuals aged over 19 years who live in Swindon can also register their details for a potential future programme.

Building Bridges multiplies maths life skills

Did you know that 49% of adults of working age have the maths skills of a primary-aged child and 78% are working at below a Level 2 (GCSE C/4) grade? Maths anxiety is one of the reasons why many people avoid revisiting their maths. They may shy away from talking about their maths skills due to a bad experience in school or feel that they are ‘not a maths person.’

Multiply is a new government-funded programme to help adults improve their numeracy skills.

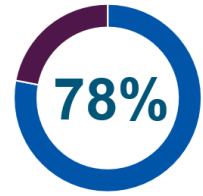
People aged 19 and over that don’t have maths GCSE at grade C (or equivalent), can access free courses through Multiply to build their confidence with numbers and perhaps gain a qualification.

All Building Bridges Support Workers have been trained and qualified as National Numeracy Champions via a CPD-accredited programme. This gives them the knowledge and understanding needed to support adults who have low confidence with Numeracy so that individuals, children, parents, and families in the community can develop positive attitudes towards maths learning.

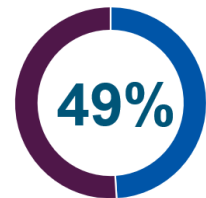
Some Maths Life skills that may be supported include:

- Money, savings, debts and benefits
- Using public transport or learning to drive
- Income and household budgeting
- Shopping for less
- Saving energy and money on bills
- Childcare costs

The Building Bridges Programme is working in partnership with Wiltshire Council to deliver life skills, maths learning and support individuals to gain accredited qualifications to help improve their confidence and chances of education, employment or job prospects and security.



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Youth Action Wiltshire - Summer activity programme

We have created an exciting programme of summer activities for young carers and people facing challenges in their lives. The free-to-access activities are offered by Community first (Youth Action Wiltshire) during school holidays with the aim of offering respite and opportunities for young people to make friends and access support from our specialist team of trained youth workers.

The Splash summer programme is available online: <https://www.communityfirst.org.uk/yaw/splash/> and a copy of the young carers summer programme is included with this briefing pack.

Activities planned for this summer include:

- Sport and swim: a mix of sports ending with exclusive use of swimming pool facilities and inflatable obstacle course.
- Cookery: a day at Oxenwood preparing a variety of nutritional affordable easy to make meal options.
- Let's paint (art project): A two-day project painting a young people designed mural in an underpass in Salisbury.
- Climbing and paddleboarding: Climbing wall and paddleboard experience.
- Farm days: spending a day at a local farm taking care of the animals.
- Water sports: kayaking, canoeing and paddleboarding at Oxenwood.

In addition to free-to-access group activities, Community First also offers free transport for young people to and from the various locations where activities are delivered. This includes our dedicated Outdoor Education Centre at Oxenwood.

Our activity programmes offer adventure, opportunity and friendship to hundreds of young carers, young victims of crime and young people facing challenges in their lives. We are looking forward to an exciting summer of fun with the young people we support.

Community Insurance

Community Insurance is a specialist insurance agent service from Community First. We offer comprehensive insurance for local councils, village halls, community building and playing field associations, with support from our friendly and professional team.

Our policies are underwritten by Zurich. Income generated from Community Insurance is reinvested back into communities including support for village halls, community buildings, local councils and other services provided by Community First.

For more information about Community Insurance, please visit: www.communityfirst.org.uk/insurance

Copies of our Community Insurance leaflet for local councils and village halls and community buildings are included with this briefing document.

For a free, no obligation quote:

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An introduction to our Integrated Care System





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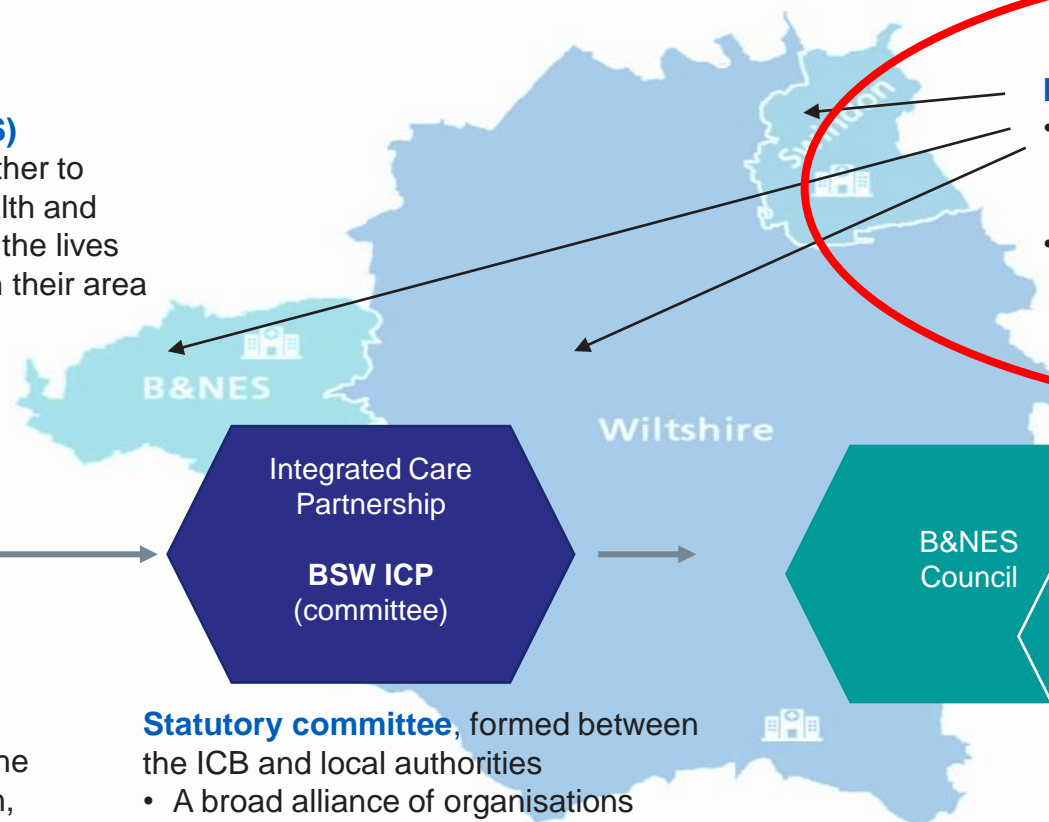
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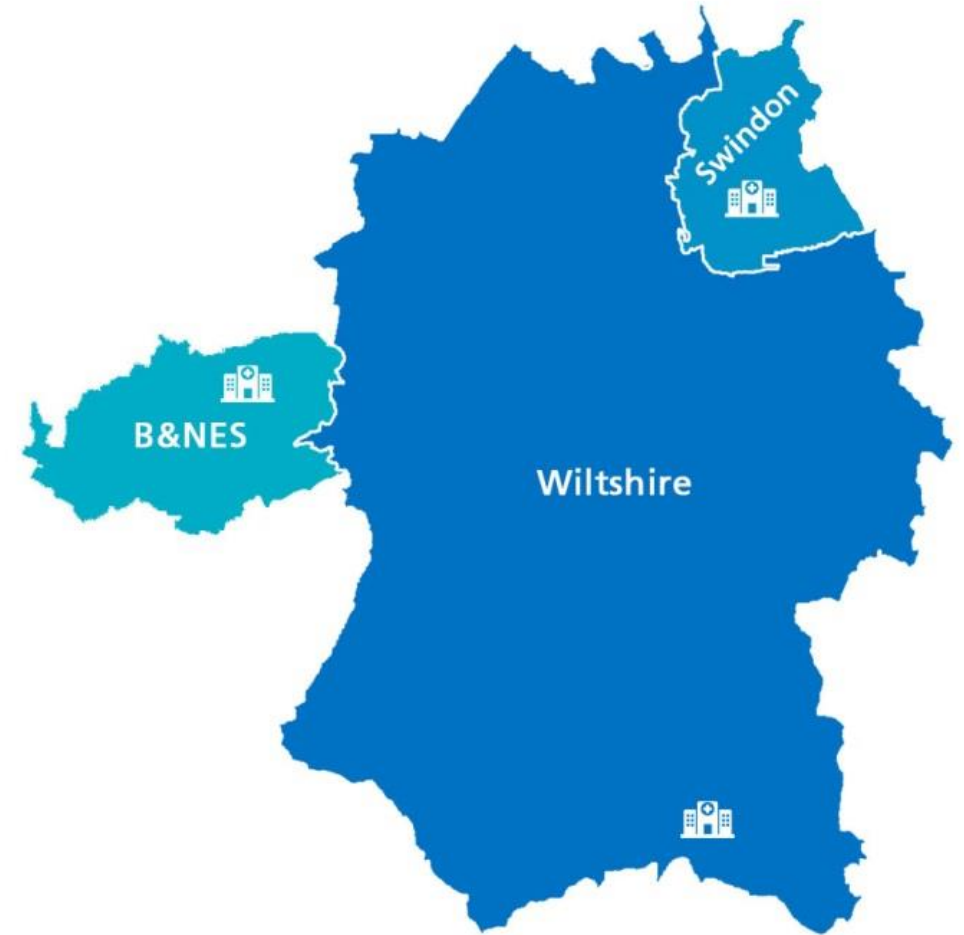
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Our vision: Working together to empower people to lead their best life



Plus, a wide range of voluntary and community sector organisations that help provide invaluable support to our populations and our health and care services



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- Population sizes that can support locally based service models

These features enable:

- Joint decision making between Place Partners
- A strengthened relationship with local communities
- Integration of community based services across organisational boundaries
- Tapping into and empowering local assets including the voluntary, faith and community sectors
- Opportunities for reducing duplication, inefficiencies, and unwarranted variation
- Meaningful population health management footprints offering the potential for improving equity of access and reducing inequalities in health and care outcomes



Wiltshire ICA Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy Actions

- Provide integrated services at key stages in a person's life – including later life planning, end of life care, and increasing the provision of personal budgets and coproduction of services.
- Boost 'out-of-hospital' care, dissolving the divide between primary and community health services - through community multi-disciplinary teams, clustering services around primary care networks, and guaranteeing support to people in care homes.
- Enable frontline staff to work more closely together – planning our workforce needs together, developing case studies on front line cooperation, supporting shared records and IT and sharing estates wherever possible.
- Ensure carers benefit from greater recognition and support by improving how we identify unpaid carers.
- Improve join-up of services including specialised commissioning.
- Drive improvement through collective oversight of quality and performance, reconfigurations and recommissioning; overseeing pooled budgets and joint teams together – including the ICA transformation programme and Better Care Plan

Locality Delivery Plans and Actions

The actions in the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy are aligned to cluster groups.

Cluster 1 – Focus on Prevention and Early Intervention

Cluster 2 – Tackling Inequalities, Improving Social Mobility, Fairer Health and Wellbeing Outcomes (actions for Localisation and Connecting with our Communities are within this Cluster)

Cluster 3 – Excellent Health and Care Services, Integration and Working Together.



- Lay the foundations for good emotional wellbeing whilst young – by developing a coordinated approach and promoting a core offer in schools across Wiltshire.
- Empower individuals across the life course – in all schools, with working age adults and for the elderly – with advice focusing on healthy lifestyles, smoking cessation, alcohol and substance misuse.
- Prevent ill health - through increased uptake of screening, health checks and immunisations as well as tackling antimicrobial resistance through the best use of antibiotics.
- Adopt a proactive population health approach – rolling this out to new areas (such as moderate frailty) each year to enable earlier detection and intervention.

- Promote health in all policies – including housing, employment, and planning. This will include the development of sustainable communities, whole life housing and walkable neighbourhoods.
- Support healthy home settings – with action on fuel & food poverty, help to find stable well-paid work, mental health, and loneliness and by increasing digital inclusion.
- Give children the best start in life – with a focus on the whole family, family learning, parenting advice, relationship support, the first 1000 days/ early years and community health services.
- Target outreach activity – identifying particular groups to improve access to services and health outcomes and tackle root causes.
- Improve access through online services and community locations.

- Support local community action – through initiatives such as neighbourhood collaboratives allied to the development of Primary Care Networks, community-based programmes and social prescribing, the community mental health model, area board activity.
- Pilot community conversations – starting with neighbourhoods in Wiltshire that have significant deprivation and roll these out gradually across the
- Consider the role that procurement can play in delivering social value and the way in which organisations can act as anchor institutions.
- Embed Healthwatch Wiltshire and VCS voices in relevant decision-making structures; ensure the results of consultation are reflected in decision papers.



Working together across BSW

- Health and care providers across BSW have a long history of collaborative working
- This July we are celebrating the first anniversary of the formation of BSW Integrated Care Board
- The following slides highlight some of our achievements over the past twelve months through working together





BSW Integrated Care Strategy

- Sets out our ambition as partners to support the people of BSW to live happier and healthier for longer
- Lays out plans to help those living and working in BSW to improve their health and wellbeing
- It provides a vision for the next five years, uniting partners behind three clear objectives:
 - Focus on prevention and early intervention
 - Fairer health and wellbeing outcomes
 - Excellent health and care services





Neighbourhood Collaboratives Programme

- Co-developed by Wiltshire Alliance Partners, the Neighbourhood Collaboratives Programme aims to support neighbourhoods to establish collaborative groups who will work to improve health and wellbeing outcomes
- The Alliance will offer support to develop connections between organisations, community groups and services, with the aim of building stronger relationships with communities
- Collaboratives will connect with each other to learn, develop, and succeed through the Wiltshire Collaborative, which will bring neighbourhood groups together





New state-of-the-art health centre

- New facility in Devizes, made possible following an £11 million investment from the NHS, is one of the South West's first integrated care centres
- GP appointments, along with other health services, such as outpatient clinics, community care and mental health support, can be provided under one roof
- Also leading the field in sustainable design as one of the NHS' first net zero buildings





Virtual Wards

- People living in BSW are able to receive acute clinical care at home through the NHS@Home Virtual Wards service
- Within Wiltshire there are Consultant & Advanced Clinical Practitioners with healthcare professionals specialising in community Frailty & long-term conditions
- This is a joint initiative provided across BSW by local health and care organisations
- It supports suitable patients to receive a high level of care, assessment, monitoring and treatment at home or their normal place of residence, similar to being an inpatient in a hospital ward.

NHS@Home



Virtual Wards



Community Health Services 2 hour rapid response and reablement care



- Health and social care partners across BSW are working in collaboration to provide urgent care to people at home
- Within Wiltshire the service provides care to adults over the age of 18 experiencing a sudden deterioration in health and wellbeing who without urgent response are likely to result in a hospital admission
- It delivers a crisis response within two hours of referral and reablement care within two days of referral
- The service offers support for catheter problems, end of life support, wound care, carer breakdown, equipment provision, decompensation of frailty, diabetes, falls and delirium
- The services in Wiltshire work closely with other organisations including acute hospitals, out of hours services, adult social care and SWAST



Care Coordination Centre

- Partners across BSW working together to coordinate care across the entire system
- This project is helping to ease pressures on our ambulance service and Accident and Emergency departments and help patients and ambulance staff avoid long unnecessary waits
- Innovative, holistic and data-led approach to improving the flow of patients through the BSW system





Mental Health, Learning Disabilities & Autism

- Within Wiltshire we have seen a 60% reduction in the number of adults with a learning disability and/or autism admitted as an inpatient in a mental health ward
- This is supported by the continued alignment to the national policy for Dynamic Support Registers and Care Education Treatment Reviews - our 'prevention mechanisms' in Learning Disabilities & Autism to support admission avoidance
- Within Wiltshire Learning Disabilities Annual Health Checks were completed for 76.4% of our population (23/34 target of 75%) – more for us to do!
- Wiltshire Mental Health Workshop held with our ICA stakeholders – this will support our BSW Mental Health Strategy, and importantly identify what our local priorities should be



**Dynamic support register and
Care (Education) and Treatment
Review**

Policy and guidance

January 2023





Children and Young People

- Implementation of the Family and Children's Transformation Programme (FACT), including the development of Family Hubs and the Family Help pilot to enable multi-agency work in neighbourhoods.
- Collaborative working to enhance the range and quality of services provided to Children Looked After
- The CQC undertook an inspection into HCRG Children's Health Services in October 2022. The outcome of the inspection was overall "Good", with HCRG obtaining "Outstanding" in service effectiveness.
- Local Government Association Peer Review of the SEND – it highlighted the enthusiasm and ambition in Wiltshire to drive improvements!





Acute Hospitals Alliance

- Hospitals in Bath, Swindon and Wiltshire are working together to tackle local challenges, improve patient outcomes and enhance resilience
- Established in 2018, made up of GWH, RUH and SFT
- Only collaborative from the South West chosen by NHS E for first wave of Provider Collaborative Innovators Scheme
- Progress in areas including aligning back-office functions such as procurement and IT, closer working within clinical teams for the benefit of patients, development of BSW Virtual Clinical Team to break down organisational barriers between hospitals and work together on common patient pathways





Recruitment outreach to India

- New recruitment initiative to attract nurses from India to come and work in health and care roles in BSW
- Integration course launched in both Kerala in South India and Mumbai to help increase local nurses' knowledge of nursing in the UK
- Working with partners in India to establish career coaches in universities and teaching hospitals to help create long lasting links and positive relationships
- 60+ nurses recruited to take part in the course





Publication of Green Plan

- Sets out how BSW Together will begin to reduce its environmental and carbon impact over the next 3 years
- Ambition is for 100% of BSW Together members to achieve net zero for the emissions we directly control by 2040
- Also outlines plans for greener travel and transport, smarter buildings, LED lighting and energy-saving measures to reduce emissions



Update for Wiltshire Area Boards

August 2023

[BSW ICB celebrates first anniversary](#)

BSW ICB has celebrated its first twelve months of working to improve health and wellbeing outcomes for local people. There have been numerous examples of joint working, from tackling winter pressures, to helping people get home from hospital more quickly. Other achievements include:

[New state of the art health centre in Devizes](#)

Opened in February, it's one of the first integrated health care centres in the region. The centre offers local residents a wide range of health and wellbeing services under one roof and provides primary care services, such as those traditionally found in GP practices, along with hospital outpatient services, physiotherapy, audiology, blood tests, and mental health support. It is a leading NHS net zero building with an energy EPC rating of A+, which utilises green technology, such as heat pumps and solar panels, to generate electricity and heat to serve the building.

[Integrated Care Strategy sets out health and care ambitions for BSW](#)

The strategy sets out BSW Together's ambition as partners working across the health, social care, voluntary and other sectors to support the people of BSW to live happier and healthier for longer.

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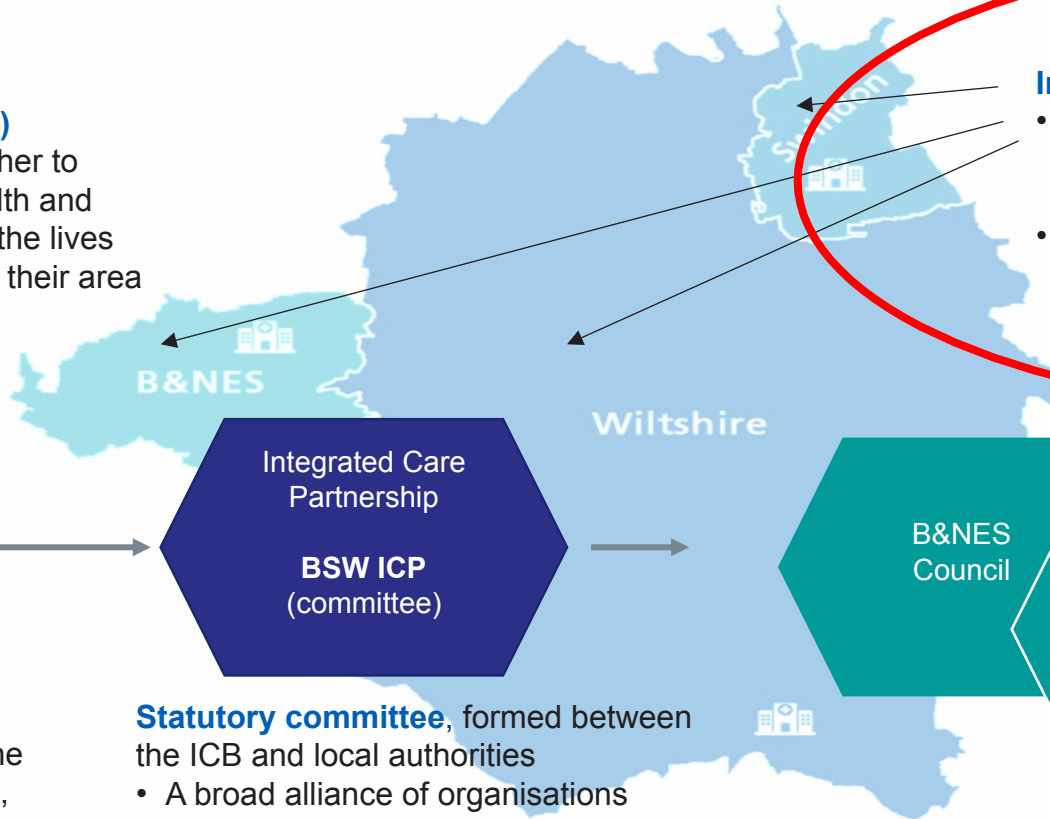




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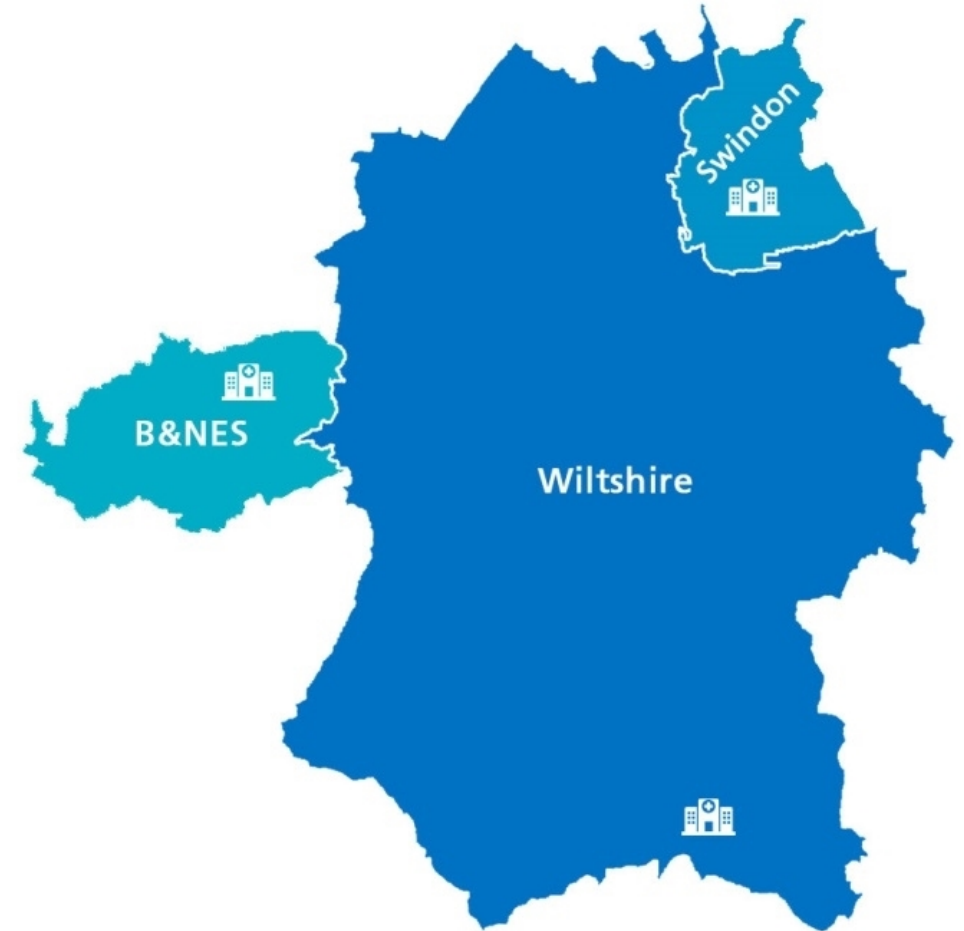
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- Population sizes that can support locally based service models

These features enable:

- Joint decision making between Place Partners
- A strengthened relationship with local communities
- Integration of community based services across organisational boundaries
- Tapping into and empowering local assets including the voluntary, faith and community sectors
- Opportunities for reducing duplication, inefficiencies, and unwarranted variation
- Meaningful population health management footprints offering the potential for improving equity of access and reducing inequalities in health and care outcomes



Wiltshire ICA Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy Actions

- Provide integrated services at key stages in a person's life – including later life planning, end of life care, and increasing the provision of personal budgets and coproduction of services.
- Boost 'out-of-hospital' care, dissolving the divide between primary and community health services - through community multi-disciplinary teams, clustering services around primary care networks, and guaranteeing support to people in care homes.
- Enable frontline staff to work more closely together – planning our workforce needs together, developing case studies on front line cooperation, supporting shared records and IT and sharing estates wherever possible.
- Ensure carers benefit from greater recognition and support by improving how we identify unpaid carers.
- Improve join-up of services including specialised commissioning.
- Drive improvement through collective oversight of quality and performance, reconfigurations and recommissioning; overseeing pooled budgets and joint teams together – including the ICA transformation programme and Better Care Plan

Locality Delivery Plans and Actions

The actions in the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy are aligned to cluster groups.

Cluster 1 – Focus on Prevention and Early Intervention

Cluster 2 – Tackling Inequalities, Improving Social Mobility, Fairer Health and Wellbeing Outcomes (actions for Localisation and Connecting with our Communities are within this Cluster)

Cluster 3 – Excellent Health and Care Services, Integration and Working Together.



- Lay the foundations for good emotional wellbeing whilst young – by developing a coordinated approach and promoting a core offer in schools across Wiltshire.
- Empower individuals across the life course – in all schools, with working age adults and for the elderly – with advice focusing on healthy lifestyles, smoking cessation, alcohol and substance misuse.
- Prevent ill health - through increased uptake of screening, health checks and immunisations as well as tackling antimicrobial resistance through the best use of antibiotics.
- Adopt a proactive population health approach – rolling this out to new areas (such as moderate frailty) each year to enable earlier detection and intervention.

- Promote health in all policies – including housing, employment, and planning. This will include the development of sustainable communities, whole life housing and walkable neighbourhoods.
- Support healthy home settings – with action on fuel & food poverty, help to find stable well-paid work, mental health, and loneliness and by increasing digital inclusion.
 - Give children the best start in life – with a focus on the whole family, family learning, parenting advice, relationship support, the first 1000 days/ early years and community health services.
- Target outreach activity – identifying particular groups to improve access to services and health outcomes and tackle root causes.
- Improve access through online services and community locations.

- Support local community action – through initiatives such as neighbourhood collaboratives allied to the development of Primary Care Networks, community-based programmes and social prescribing, the community mental health model, area board activity.
 - Pilot community conversations – starting with neighbourhoods in Wiltshire that have significant deprivation and roll these out gradually across the
- Consider the role that procurement can play in delivering social value and the way in which organisations can act as anchor institutions.
- Embed Healthwatch Wiltshire and VCS voices in relevant decision-making structures; ensure the results of consultation are reflected in decision papers.



Working together across BSW

- Health and care providers across BSW have a long history of collaborative working
- This July we are celebrating the first anniversary of the formation of BSW Integrated Care Board
- The following slides highlight some of our achievements over the past twelve months through working together





BSW Integrated Care Strategy

- Sets out our ambition as partners to support the people of BSW to live happier and healthier for longer
- Lays out plans to help those living and working in BSW to improve their health and wellbeing
- It provides a vision for the next five years, uniting partners behind three clear objectives:
 - Focus on prevention and early intervention
 - Fairer health and wellbeing outcomes
 - Excellent health and care services





Neighbourhood Collaboratives Programme

- Co-developed by Wiltshire Alliance Partners, the Neighbourhood Collaboratives Programme aims to support neighbourhoods to establish collaborative groups who will work to improve health and wellbeing outcomes
- The Alliance will offer support to develop connections between organisations, community groups and services, with the aim of building stronger relationships with communities
- Collaboratives will connect with each other to learn, develop, and succeed through the Wiltshire Collaborative, which will bring neighbourhood groups together





New state-of-the-art health centre

- New facility in Devizes, made possible following an £11 million investment from the NHS, is one of the South West's first integrated care centres
- GP appointments, along with other health services, such as outpatient clinics, community care and mental health support, can be provided under one roof
- Also leading the field in sustainable design as one of the NHS' first net zero buildings





Virtual Wards

- People living in BSW are able to receive acute clinical care at home through the NHS@Home Virtual Wards service
- Within Wiltshire there are Consultant & Advanced Clinical Practitioners with healthcare professionals specialising in community Frailty & long-term conditions
- This is a joint initiative provided across BSW by local health and care organisations
- It supports suitable patients to receive a high level of care, assessment, monitoring and treatment at home or their normal place of residence, similar to being an inpatient in a hospital ward.

NHS@Home



Virtual Wards



Community Health Services 2 hour rapid response and reablement care



- Health and social care partners across BSW are working in collaboration to provide urgent care to people at home
- Within Wiltshire the service provides care to adults over the age of 18 experiencing a sudden deterioration in health and wellbeing who without urgent response are likely to result in a hospital admission
- It delivers a crisis response within two hours of referral and reablement care within two days of referral
- The service offers support for catheter problems, end of life support, wound care, carer breakdown, equipment provision, decompensation of frailty, diabetes, falls and delirium
- The services in Wiltshire work closely with other organisations including acute hospitals, out of hours services, adult social care and SWAST



Care Coordination Centre

- Partners across BSW working together to coordinate care across the entire system
- This project is helping to ease pressures on our ambulance service and Accident and Emergency departments and help patients and ambulance staff avoid long unnecessary waits
- Innovative, holistic and data-led approach to improving the flow of patients through the BSW system





Mental Health, Learning Disabilities & Autism

- Within Wiltshire we have seen a 60% reduction in the number of adults with a learning disability and/or autism admitted as an inpatient in a mental health ward
- This is supported by the continued alignment to the national policy for Dynamic Support Registers and Care Education Treatment Reviews - our 'prevention mechanisms' in Learning Disabilities & Autism to support admission avoidance
- Within Wiltshire Learning Disabilities Annual Health Checks were completed for 76.4% of our population (23/34 target of 75%) – more for us to do!
- Wiltshire Mental Health Workshop held with our ICA stakeholders – this will support our BSW Mental Health Strategy, and importantly identify what our local priorities should be



Dynamic support register and
Care (Education) and Treatment
Review

Policy and guidance

January 2023





Children and Young People

- Implementation of the Family and Children's Transformation Programme (FACT), including the development of Family Hubs and the Family Help pilot to enable multi-agency work in neighbourhoods.
- Collaborative working to enhance the range and quality of services provided to Children Looked After
- The CQC undertook an inspection into HCRG Children's Health Services in October 2022. The outcome of the inspection was overall "Good", with HCRG obtaining "Outstanding" in service effectiveness.
- Local Government Association Peer Review of the SEND – it highlighted the enthusiasm and ambition in Wiltshire to drive improvements!





Acute Hospitals Alliance

- Hospitals in Bath, Swindon and Wiltshire are working together to tackle local challenges, improve patient outcomes and enhance resilience
- Established in 2018, made up of GWH, RUH and SFT
- Only collaborative from the South West chosen by NHS E for first wave of Provider Collaborative Innovators Scheme
- Progress in areas including aligning back-office functions such as procurement and IT, closer working within clinical teams for the benefit of patients, development of BSW Virtual Clinical Team to break down organisational barriers between hospitals and work together on common patient pathways





Recruitment outreach to India

- New recruitment initiative to attract nurses from India to come and work in health and care roles in BSW
- Integration course launched in both Kerala in South India and Mumbai to help increase local nurses' knowledge of nursing in the UK
- Working with partners in India to establish career coaches in universities and teaching hospitals to help create long lasting links and positive relationships
- 60+ nurses recruited to take part in the course





Publication of Green Plan

- Sets out how BSW Together will begin to reduce its environmental and carbon impact over the next 3 years
- Ambition is for 100% of BSW Together members to achieve net zero for the emissions we directly control by 2040
- Also outlines plans for greener travel and transport, smarter buildings, LED lighting and energy-saving measures to reduce emissions



Help us make a difference to health and care in Wiltshire

We are looking for new volunteers to help us listen to people's experiences of health and social care services in the county.

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

Around 20 volunteers currently offer their time to help us reach out to communities across Wiltshire. They are part of a network of more than 5,000 people who are involved with Healthwatch across England. The work at each local Healthwatch contributes to work at Healthwatch England in its mission to ensure that people are at the heart of care.

Why volunteer with us?

- Make a difference to your community by giving people the chance to speak up about health and social care.
- Make new friends and get out and about across Wiltshire as part of the Healthwatch team.
- Develop new skills and confidence.
- Choose a role to suit you and do as much or as little as you like.

What can I do as a volunteer?

- Our **ambassadors** visit groups and attend meetings and events to talk about us and collect feedback. They also help us with projects, carry out research and review documents.
- Our **Enter and View Authorised Representatives** visit services to see and hear first hand how they are run.

[Young Healthwatch Wiltshire](#) is also open to anyone aged 14-25 who wants to make a difference to their community and has an



interest in the rights and wellbeing of young people.

Our recruitment drive comes as we welcome our new Volunteering and Partnerships Lead, **Kate Barber**.

Kate said: "Our volunteers are our ambassadors and they are at the heart of everything we do. Without them it simply wouldn't be possible to reach out to people across Wiltshire."

"If you're thinking of volunteering, we'd love to hear from you. Whether you have an hour or two to spare or are looking to make a more regular commitment, we will be able to find a role to suit you."

Find out more about volunteering on our website at: healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/volunteer

If you're not able to volunteer, you can still make a difference by sharing your experiences of services with us. Fill in our form at: healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/have-your-say or call 01225 434218.

Melksham LHFIG expenditure 2022 / 23 as of 15/05/23

Budget £24,338 + £31,469.31 c/fwd = £55,807.31

Scheme	Estimate	LHFIG Commitment	Expenditure	Projected Spend
Semington Littlemarsh Road Markings	£500.00 (ball park)	£250.00	£500.00 Final	£500.00
Melksham Cycleway Signing	£1,790.49	£nil	£1,965.65 Final	£1,965.65
Melksham Hazelwood Rd / St Michael's Lighting	£4,000.00 (ball park)	£2,000.00	£3,673.23 Final	£3,673.23
Melksham Westbury View – access protection bar	£50.00	£50.00	£50.00 Final	£50.00
Melksham Spa Road / Wharf Court – SLOWs	£500.00 (ball park)	£500.00	£500.00 Final	£500.00
Berryfield – Direction signs to village hall	£400.95	£400.95	£441.36 Final	£441.36
Steeple Ashton – Road markings and Post for SID	£1,570.00	£1,170.00	£1,570.00 Final	£1,570.00
Melksham Snarlton Farm – HGV signing	£950.00	£475.00	£623.26 Final	£623.26
Totals	£9,761.44	£4,845.95	£9,323.50	£9,323.50

Budget £55,807.31

Projected Spend £9,323.50

Balance £46,483.81

Plus Contributions (details below) £4,763.89

Closing Balance £51,247.70

Contributions

Melksham Cycleway Signing	£1,965.65	Section 106 Fund
Semington Littlemarsh markings	£250.00	Semington Parish Council – invoice issued
Melksham Hazelwood Rd Lighting	£1,836.61	Melksham Town Council – invoice to be issued
Steeple Ashton markings and post	£400.00	Steeple Ashton Parish Council – invoice issued
Melksham Snarlton Farm signs	£311.63	Melksham Town Council – invoice to be issued
Total	£4,763.89	

Melksham LHFIG expenditure 2023 / 24 as of 17/07/23

Budget £24,338 + £51,247.70 c/fwd = £75,585.70

Scheme	Estimate	LHFIG Commitment	Expenditure	Projected Spend
Broughton Gifford Traffic Calming – bollards	£1060.00	£1060.00	£0,000.00	£1,200.00
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane Footway improvements	£29,177.93	£1,500.00	£0,000.00	£29,177.93
Melksham Sandridge Rd / Maple Close Footway	£20,000 (ball park)	£10,000.00 (provisional)	£0,000.00	£20,000.00
Bowerhill Halifax Road – drop kerbs / Footway Imp	£6,000.00	£3,000.00	£6,452.73 Interim	£6,500.00
Bowerhill Portal Road – Village Gateway	£3,000.00	£1,500.00	£0,000.00	£3,000.00
Melksham The Crays – drop kerb	£2,500.00	£1,250.00	£2,388.78 Interim	£2,500.00
A350 Beanacre – Gateway treatment	£10,000 (Ball Park)	£5,000.00	£0,000.00	£10,000.00
Keevil Martins Road Footpath improvements	£10,650.00	£7,987.50	£0,000.00	£10,650.00
Shaw Corsham Road – Traffic Signal Louvres	£750.00 (ball park)	£375.00	£0,000.00	£750.00
Great Hinton - ROW Kissing Gate	£500.00	£500.00	£0,000.00	£500.00
Berryfield Semington Road – 2 x Bus Shelters	£20,000	£Nil	£0,000.00	£20,000.00
Totals	£103,637.93	£32,172.50	£8,841.51	£104,277.93

Budget £75,585.70

Projected Spend £104,277.93

Balance -£28,692.23

Plus Contributions (details below) £72,365.04

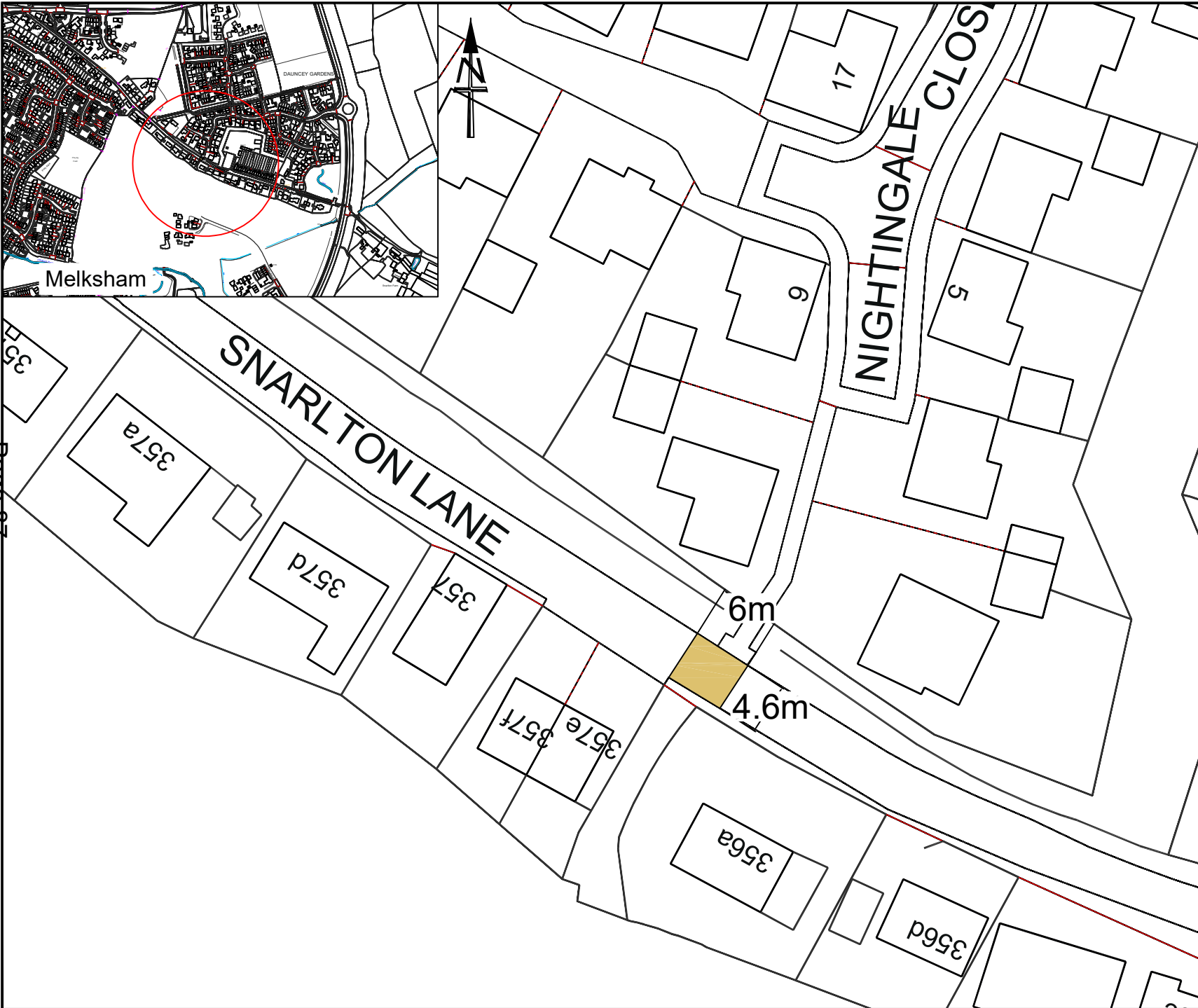
Opening Balance £43,672.81

Contributions

A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane footway	£20,077.54
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane Footway	£1,500.00
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane Footway	£7,000.00
Melksham Sandridge Rd footway	£10,000.00
Bowerhill Halifax Road Drop kerbs	£3,000.00
Bowerhill Portal Road Gateway	£1,500.00
Melksham The Crays Drop kerb	£1,250.00
A350 Beanacre Gateway Treatment	£5,000.00
Keevil Martins Road Footpath	£2,662.50
Shaw Corsham Rd Signal Louvres	£375.00
Berryfield 2 x Bus Shelters	£20,000.00
Total	£72,365.04

Section 106 Fund

Melksham Town Council – contribution subject to confirmation
Melksham Area Board
Melksham Town Council – contribution subject to confirmation
Melksham Without Parish Council – invoice upon completion
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Keevil Parish Council – invoice upon completion
Melksham Without Parish Council – invoice upon completion
Section 106 Fund



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Special Inspection Report

Project: Bank Street Melksham,

Job No: 1004010

Structure: Bank Street

Parish: Melksham

Substage No:

WCC No:

O.S. Ref: ST 823 610

Prepared by: J Haines

Date: 12th May 2004

Introduction

Following expansion of a town centre supermarket a developer contribution was secured to improve pedestrian facilities from the supermarket to the town centre. The Town Council have requested that the money is used to provide a pedestrian barrier to the edge of the raised pavement along the western side of Bank Street.



Wiltshire County Council have given Ringway Parkman a brief to investigate the feasibility of fixing the barrier to the existing pavement together with some minor associated works in connection with Street Lighting and minor area enhancements.

The existing pavement consists of cast in situ concrete slabs supported off a random rubble stone wall to the front face. It is believed that there are no construction records available from when the slabs were installed.

Design Criteria

The provision of the barrier is covered by BS 7818 (1995), Specification for Pedestrian Restraint Systems in Metal.

There are four allowable classes of barrier ranging from a light duty class 1 to a heavy-duty class 4. For this particular situation class 3 will be used which is the minimum requirement where crowd loading could be encountered. This class also mirrors the BS5400 bridge parapet design for pedestrians. Whilst BS7818 covers the entire barrier make up including geometry, materials and workmanship it is assumed that the barrier having been chosen by the Client from a reputable and experienced fabricator meets these criteria.

In the absence of any design details for the existing footway slabs the only way to check their suitability for mounting the posts is by insitu testing. BS 7178 suggests that when insitu testing is undertaken then a partial safety factor of 1.2 shall be used and held for fifteen minutes with no distress being evident.

In Situ Testing

A temporary steel post was fixed to one of the better of the existing slabs using similar fixings to those proposed for the final fixing. On testing the post a crack opened up across the footway slab at approximately 80% of the required loading, and not allowing for any factors of safety. This test confirmed that even the best of the existing footway slabs are unsuitable for mounting the barrier.



Other Options Investigated

Ringway Parkman looked into the possibility of recasting sections of the footway slabs on top of the subsoil to provide a suitable fixing for the parapet. On closer inspection of the site a number of disused cellars were discovered and judging by the age of the buildings it is assumed that there would also be others for neighbouring properties. The footway slabs formed the ceiling of the cellars and where visible the concrete was measured at 150mm thick with a corrugated iron permanent soffit former. Therefore in the absence of a suitable bearing subsoil the new slabs would have to be designed to current standards as self-supporting and together with the added expense of consultation with affected property owners it is not believed that the available budget will cover the cost of undertaking this work.

Another option briefly investigated would be to cast a new ground beam in front of the existing footway for fixing the railings. This would in effect narrow the main road by 300 – 400mm which will cause a restriction at the northern end of Bank Street. There also appears to be a number of Utilities in the area immediately in front of the wall and these would have to be diverted so again this option is not considered to be feasible on the current budget.

Conclusions

The existing slabs are not sufficiently robust to provide the required mounting strength for a public barrier designed to class3 loading. It is also not believed that a suitable alternative method of mounting could be carried out for the immediately available budget.

Report Prepared by:

Date: 12th May 2004

Julian Haines
Assistant Engineer
Ringway Parkman

Addendum

This page forms an addendum to the original report.

Following issue of the previous report (dated 12th May) Ringway Parkman excavated trial holes in the carriageway at the base of the stonewall in order to accurately locate the position of any services present. This work was undertaken on 21st May 2004.



Two holes were excavated, one opposite the Flower shop and the second adjacent to the small flight of steps near the Home Appliance showroom.

The first hole was dug to a depth of 700mm and extended 1000mm out from the wall. The high voltage electricity service was located 750mm out from the wall at a depth of 600mm. No other services were found. There was also a precast concrete kerb laid flat adjacent to the wall and approximately 100mm deep. The purpose and extent of this kerb is not known. The second hole was dug to a similar dimension however no services or buried kerbs were found at this location.

Conclusion

From the trial holes taken it is believed that a wall could be built in front of the existing wall without diverting any utility apparatus. The wall would not have to be designed as a retaining wall as the existing wall is adequate, the new wall will however have to resist the forces imposed by the railings. A brief outline design suggests that the new construction would need to be

founded 700mm below the existing road level in order to achieve sufficient active pressure on the front face to resist overturning, with reinforced concrete used in order to keep the construction slender and thus minimise any restriction to the carriageway.

A budget estimate for the construction works would be £400/m based on the 110m length of reconstruction required. On top of this would be any decorative stone facing if required and the costs of supplying installing the barrier.

Briefing note – Bank St, Melksham

History

The high level footway at Bank Street is over 100 years old and was likely to be constructed to allow access to be maintained in times of flood. Prior to its construction it is likely that the properties on Bank Street would have had steps leading directly to a lower level footway.

Current Construction

The footway has at some time been surfaced using in-situ concrete slabs. The slabs are supported at cellar shafts with corrugated iron sheeting and steel beams. The cellar shafts, originally to allow the tipping of coal into the cellars, are capped by manhole covers close to the front edge of the footway.

The concrete shows signs of cracking in places and the surface has been broken and reinstated with tarmac in places as a result of utility works.

A number of properties along Bank Street have low thresholds and there is very little level difference between the footway surface and the entrance to the properties.

It is thought that only 4 of the cellars remain, three of which have accessible shafts. These are situated at no.15 (Bewley Undertakers), no.17 (Conservative Club) and The Grapes Inn.

Option 1 – slab replacement

A report prepared by consultants Mouchel in 2008 suggested that the existing concrete slabs be removed and a new footway constructed. This would require pre-cast concrete lintels to span across the access shafts to support the footway. The footway surface would consist of footway paving slabs consistent with those used elsewhere in the town centre.

This option however could potentially cause damage to the wall associated with the high level footway and the in-filled cellar shafts and steps may cause structural issues should the materials shift. Utility apparatus is also present in the existing footway.

The estimated costs of the works (based on 2008 prices) were in the region of £80,000. This does not include a figure for traffic management, utility diversion works or any potential reconstruction of the wall or cellar in-fills. Bearing these elements in mind, alongside rate increases, it is likely that this work would cost closer to £150,000.

Option 2

A second option for improving the surface of the footway is to remove the tarmac in-fills and reinstate these areas and any other uneven patches with in-situ concrete. This will help to achieve a level surface. This footway could then be retextured using a shot-blasting process to create a slip-resistant surface.

This process has been used elsewhere (e.g. The Brittox in Devizes) however this has mainly been in locations where the surface does not have a significant level difference to the

carriageway. It is likely to cause a contractor some concern should they be required to use their shot blasting equipment on the high level pavement at Bank Street.

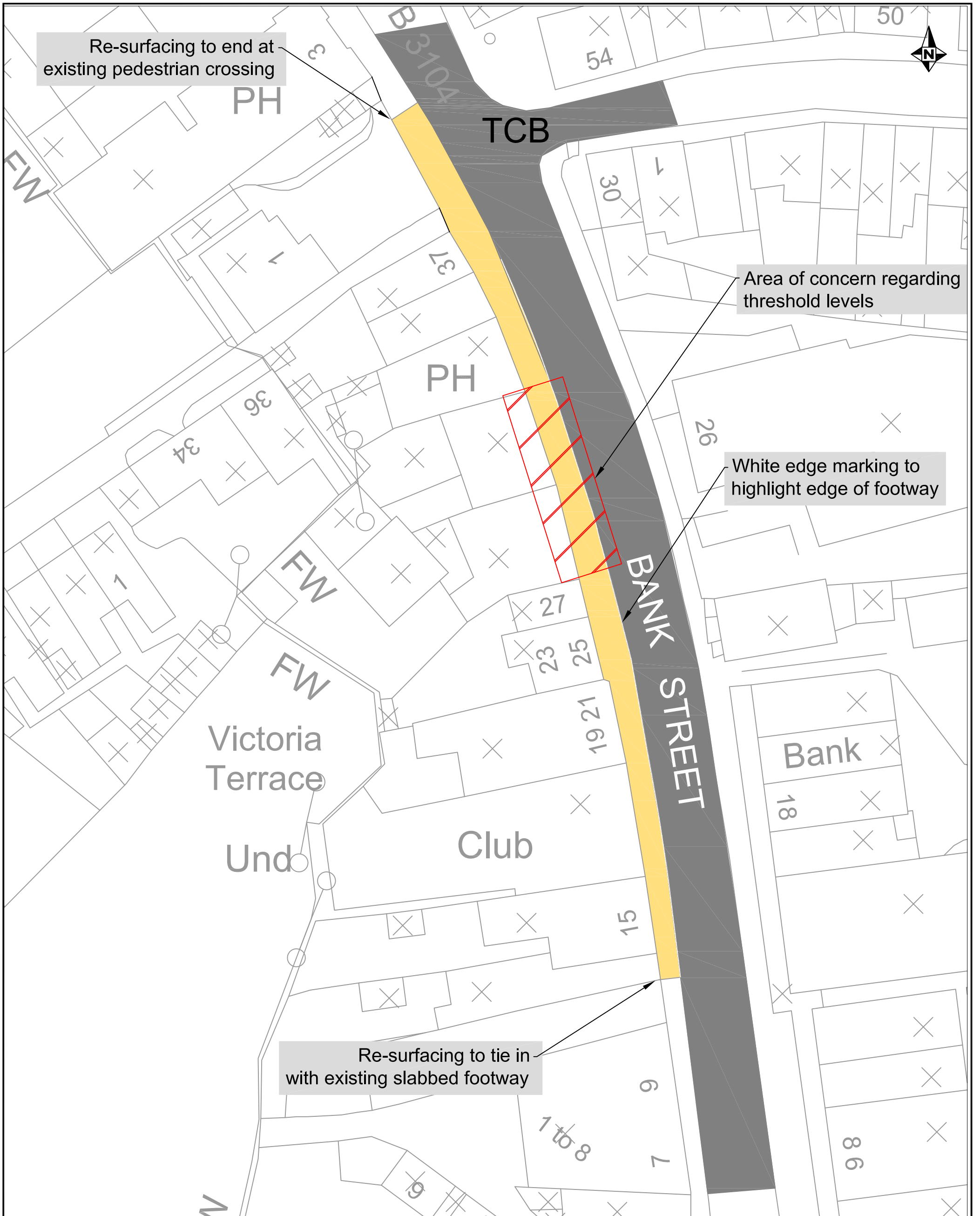
Option 3 – concrete infill and HFS

This option would include the concrete infill as per option 2 and further work to overlay the footway with a high friction surface. It is felt this option is likely to be the most cost effective and practical solution to improve the footway surface on Bank Street. Further discussion with a surfacing contractor will need to take place to identify the most appropriate high friction product for Bank Street in order to achieve a long lasting solution.


It is estimated that this option would cost in the region of £20,00

Recommendation

It is recommended that option 3 be considered for further investigation and implementation.



NOTES:
Key

 Surface to be levelled and made good with in-situ concrete - locations to be agreed on site prior to commencement of works. HFS to be laid as per engineer specification to entire length shown.

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Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
	Melksham LHFIG – Notes of on-line meeting held on Thursday 3rd August 2023 at 18:00 hrs			
1.	Attendees and apologies			
		Attendees: Cllr Mike Sankey – Chair Cllr Jonathon Seed Cllr Jon Hubbard Jonathon Tapper – Steeple Ashton PC Colin Wade – Semington PC Linda Roberts – Clerk to Melksham TC Sarah Dow – Clerk to Keevil PC Alan Baines – Melksham Without PC Andy Cadwallader – Area Highway Engineer Martin Rose – Principal Traffic Engineer Mark Stansby – Principal Traffic Engineer	Area Board to note.	AB
		Apologies: Mary Winterburn – Great Hinton PC Colin Goodhind – Melksham Town Council		
2.	Notes of last meeting			
		The notes of the previous LHFIG meeting held on 9 th May 2023 were presented to the Area Board on 14 th June, passing all recommendations.	LHFIG to note.	All

Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

3.	Financial Position			
		<p>The closing balance for 2022/23 is now confirmed at £51,247.70 (see Appendix 1). This surplus is carried forward to this financial year.</p> <p>The current balance for 2023/24, less previous commitments stands at £43,672.81 (see Appendix 2).</p>	Area Board to note	AB
4.	Priority schemes			
a)	Issue 6055 – Broughton Gifford - Gateways and Traffic Management measures.	<p>The outstanding bollards have now been installed and we await the bill from our contractor.</p> <p>Remedial work to the road markings is to be done imminently.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
b)	A365 Shaw Bath Road Footway improvements – funded by Section 106 monies from George Ward Gardens development.	<p>Due to the cancellation of a project this scheme had been brought forward in the work programme and work on the ground has now been completed. Highways are awaiting bills from the contractor.</p> <p>Representatives from the Town Council questioned why they were being asked for a contribution with the work having been carried out within Melksham Without's area. Officers reported that this had been agreed at a previous LHFIG meeting held on 2nd February 2023, although the Town Council have yet to confirm their contribution (£1,500).</p>	<p>Arwa Board to note.</p> <p>Town Council to discuss their contribution at an internal committee meeting.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Town Council</p>
c)	Issue 9-20-9 – Melksham Sandridge Road – request to improve footway link to Maple Close	The Legal Team report that the final document was issued to the Landowner via his solicitor for sign-off at the end of May but this has yet to be returned.	<p>Area Board to note</p> <p>Town Council to continue to liaise</p>	AB

Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

		<p>The Town Clerk has since advised that the landowner has passed away, but his partner will now oversee matters. For legal reasons, it is likely to further delay this project.</p> <p>Once the legal process has been completed, Highways will instruct the arborist team to remove the hedgerow and root system and erect Haras fencing to maintain a boundary between the highway and private property. This work is anticipated to take place in November. Once completed, the Town Council can mobilise their builder to construct the new boundary wall.</p> <p>Work to widen the path is programmed to commence on 2nd January next year and should be completed within 10 days, although the programme might be affected should the legal process stall.</p>	with the landowner's legal team.	Town Council
d)	Active Travel Scheme - Farmers Roundabout – signing to promote use of shared use cycle route to and from Holt Road and town bridge.	<p>Scheme to be funded from a third tranche of Section 106 money from the George Ward Gardens development. There are funds remaining (£13,034.35) specifically to improve cycleway signing within the town.</p> <p>Town Council to submit a list of locations for signing improvements.</p>	Awaiting update from Town Council	Town Council
e)	Melksham Dunch Lane – funded by Section 106 monies from George Ward Gardens development	<p>Consultation on full closure over rail bridge or one way operation from east to west and new parking controls to be carried out by the Town Council.</p> <p>Town Council to undertake consultation in the New Year (2023).</p>	Awaiting update from Town Council	Town Council

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f)	Issue 9-22-1 – Melksham Footway linking Hazelwood Road & St Michaels Road – Request for lighting	<p>Issue submitted by Cllr Hubbard and Melksham Town Council.</p> <p>The work has been completed at a cost of £3,673.23, an underspend of £326.77 against the estimated figure. Town Council contribution agreed as 50% of actual spend – a sum of £1,836.61.</p> <p>Highways have issued an Invoice to the Town Council.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be closed.	Chair
g)	Issue 9-22-10 – Berryfield Semington Road – request to install 2 bus shelters	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>There is a Section 106 fund of £20,662 to provide 2 x shelters with seating, high access kerbs with RTI facility (or to be ready for RTI installation).</p> <p>Design work is underway with a start date for installation now confirmed as 27/11/23.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
h)	<p>Issue 9-22-12 – Bowerhill Halifax Road – request for drop kerbs to link Brampton Court with Sunderland Close</p> <p>Issue 9-22-13 – Bowerhill DeHavilland Place and Dowding Way – Request for footway extensions and drop kerbs</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>The work at both sites has been completed under a signle Order. Interim bills have been received to the value of £6,452.73.</p> <p>Highways to chase contractor for outstanding bills.</p>	Highways to chase contractor for outstanding bills.	Highways
i)	Issue 9-22-17 – Melksham Without (various roads) – request for Parking Control Measures	<p>Issue Submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Request for a Parking Review at the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semington Canal Bridge • Lancaster Road Bowerhill 	Highways to undertake the review.	Highways

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	To also include Issues 9-23-3 Beanacre, 9-23-5 Bowerhill and 9-23-7 Melksham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avro Way Bowerhill • Merlin Way Bowerhill • Mitchell Drive Bowerhill <p>It was noted that the canal forms the boundary between Melksham Without and Semington Parishes and that measures would be needed on both sides of the bridge.</p> <p>Semington Parish confirmed that they are content for measures to be included on their side of the bridge but no other sites have been identified for review within their Parish.</p> <p>Investigation work to commence late July / early August.</p>		
j)	Issue 9-19-11 – Bowerhill Portal Road – Request for Bowerhill nameplate and white gates	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>An order has been placed to undertake this work. Contractor is currently awaiting delivery of the gate.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
k)	Issue 9-22-2 – Melksham The Crays – request for drop kerbs	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>The work has been completed and an interim bill has been received to the value of £2,388.78.</p> <p>Highways to chase contractor for outstanding bills.</p>	Highways to chase contractor for outstanding bills.	Highways
l)	Issue 9-22-6 – Melksham Sandridge Road junction with Snarlton Lane – request for signs to direct drivers to Snarlton Farm	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>The signs have been installed at a cost of £623.26. This is an underspend of £326.74 against the estimate of £950. Town Council contribution agreed as 50% of actual spend – a sum of £311.63.</p> <p>Highways have issued an invoice to the Town Council.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be closed,	Chair

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m)	Issue 9-22-11 – A350 Beanacre - request for measures to control entry speed at north end of village	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Design work now underway. Proposals and an estimate will be issued to the Parish in advance of the next meeting.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
n)	Issue 9-22-20 – Keevil, Martins Road – request to alter barriers and improve condition of footpath surface.	<p>Issue submitted by Keevil Parish Council</p> <p>Issue concerns Right of Way, KEEV27 which provides access to the recreation ground.</p> <p>Resurfacing work has been completed by the ROW team's contractor and we await their bill. Highways have removed the life expired safety barrier and provided new drop kerbs and hard standing.</p> <p>With the Parish's brief to make the path more accessible for buggies and wheelchair users, and taking into account the slow speeds and low traffic volume on Martins Road, officers decided against replacing the barrier.</p> <p>However, having received concerns from parishioners about this decision, the Parish have asked for a new, smaller barrier to be installed. This was agreed at a site meeting and Highways have this in hand.</p>	Highways to order new barrier	Highways
o)	Issue 9-22-22 – Shaw Corsham Road – request to reinstate louvre shuttering on approach to signals	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Louvres were omitted on the new signal heads when the traffic lights were replaced in 2020.</p>	Highways to chase progress	Highways

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		An order has been placed with our Traffic Signal Consultants to undertake this work. Cllr Alford asked if this could be completed before the start of the Autumn term?		
p)	Issue 9-23-2 – Great Hinton – request to replace a wooden stile with a Kissing Gate to create better access to a number of local Footpaths	<p>Issue submitted by Great Hinton Parish Council</p> <p>Work has been delayed due to late delivery of the new gate. Gate has now arrived and installation is to be undertaken by the ROW team.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
q)	Issue 9-23-3 – Beanacre Westlands Lane – request to prohibit parking at the access to the new water pumping station.	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Parking would need to be restricted on both sides of the lane, from the A350 to the new access.</p> <p>Refer to Item 4i of the agenda.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
r)	Issue 9-23-4 – Bus Gate at Semington Road – request for Camera Enforcement.	<p>Issue submitted by Semington Parish Council</p> <p>Wiltshire Council has a camera available and the Parish have asked if this could be installed for enforcement. Semington have liased with Melksham Without who are supportive of this proposal.</p> <p>Since the last meeting, the road markings have been refreshed and the signs inspected for compliance to enable enforcement by the Police. Maintenance of the metal gate is the responsibility of the local highways office and defects should be reported using the MyWilts App.</p> <p>Having considered the suggestion of relocating the gate, it is officers' recommendation to maintain the gate where it is, and</p>	<p>Traffic to request a new survey.</p> <p>Local Highways to action repair or replacement of the gate.</p>	<p>Traffic</p> <p>Area Highway Engineer</p>

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		<p>to undertake a traffic survey to gauge the level of non-compliance prior to committing to any expenditure.</p> <p>Parish are content for the survey to take place.</p>		
s)	Issue 9-23-5 – Bowerhill various sites – request for Parking Review	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council.</p> <p>Parking concerns have been raised at the following sites at Bowerhill:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pathfinder Way 2. Westinghouse Way 3. Lancaster Road <p>Refer to Item 4i of the agenda.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
t)	Issue 9-23-7 – Melksham various roads – request for Parking Review	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Parking concerns have been raised at the following locations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Union Street – could parking be permitted to create chicanes? 2. The City / Alms Houses – request for residents parking scheme 3. Cranesbill Road – issue at school times 4. Skylark – no details submitted. <p>Highways to request further details of these issues from Town Council, prior to the review.</p>	<p>Area Board to note</p> <p>Highways to write to Town Clerk.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>
5.	New Requests and ongoing Issues			
a)	Issue 9-22-15 – Melksham junction of Church Street and High Street and Lowbourne –	Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council	Area Board to note.	AB

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	<p>request for audible warning at signal controlled crossing points</p>	<p>Highways have commissioned their Traffic Signal Consultants (Atkins) to investigate this matter.</p> <p>Town Council were content with the previous response on the disablement of the audible warnings, but asked why the crossing by Costa had the audible warning enabled?</p> <p>Most last update from Atkins read:</p> <p>The “Costa” crossing beepers are audible at the junction but are very quiet. Usually we would say switch them off to be on the safe side but considering the issues identified by the visually impaired pedestrian (which are quite significant and not easily resolved by other means i.e. second push button) we are going to propose a second site visit with Telent (the signal engineers) to turn the beepers down at the crossing and switch on the beepers at the junction (at their lowest level) and review if the beepers can be heard between the two sites. If they can’t be heard, then we will leave the crossing ones on and switch the junction ones on too, which would be a great benefit to the resident. If the beepers can be heard at the lowest setting then we will likely switch the crossing ones off and leave the junction ones off too.</p> <p>We will programme in a visit with Telent and provide more feedback when completed. Sorry this isn’t a more definite answer. The crossing ones have been left on for now as they are only just audible and the risk of confusion is low especially for those familiar with the sites.</p> <p>We now await their findings of a second visit to the site with their contractor.</p>		
<p>b)</p>	<p>Issue 9-22-21 – Melksham Snarlton Lane, Crossing point</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Cllr Sankey and Melksham Town Council</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue is added to the</p>	<p>Chair</p>

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	<p>from Nightingale Close – request for coloured road surface due to safety concerns</p>	<p>View of the crossing is often restricted due to vegetation and a warning sign was previously funded through the CATG / LHFIG process. The hedgerow is protected by a preservation order and will receive a flail cut as part of the routine maintenance programme.</p> <p>It was agreed to pursue an estimate to provide a coloured high friction strip to highlight the crossing area to motorists. Highways have suggested the use of a buff coloured material which will provide sufficient contrast against the regular road surface. An outline plan is included as Appendix 3.</p> <p>The area to be treated is just under 28 square metres and the estimate to undertake this work £2,909.15, which includes legal fees for a temporary road closure. A provisional date to undertake this work has been agreed with the Contractor as 30th August, in time for the start of the new school year.</p> <p>Following a discussion the group were in agreement to take this forward. Town Council are content to make a 50% contribution.</p>	<p>Priority Schemes list, and to allocate a sum of £1,454.58.</p>	
c)	<p>Issue 9-23-8 – Melksham Bank Street – request for railings and / or other measures to improve safety</p>	<p>Issue submitted to Melksham Town Council</p> <p>The unprotected high pavement offers a risk of falling, particularly for those who are visually impaired. Suggestion is for railings and / or tactile paving.</p> <p>This has been explored before and it was requested that Highways circulate previous information concerning this, for further discussion. Please refer to Appendices 4 and 5 for background information. Appendix 6 indicates work previously undertaken on behalf of this group in 2014.</p>	<p>Area Board to note</p> <p>Highways to liaise with their Consultants.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>

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		<p>Whilst noting the previous actions and reports, the Town Council asked that this matter be given further consideration. Highways suggested that this be passed to their consultants who are considering various measures as part of the A3102 Road Safety Study, and that no costs would be incurred by the LHFIFG.</p> <p>The LHFIFG were content to follow this suggestion.</p>		
d)	Issue 9-23-9 – Speeding traffic on A365 Shaw and Whitley Corsham Road – request for SLOW road markings	<p>New issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Request is for SLOWs to be painted at;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Folly Lane, Shaw nr Beltane Place (inbound) • Shaw Hill just after signals (outbound) • Whitley Corsham Road near Mavern House <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways should investigate and formulate a proposal with ball park costings, ahead of the next meeting.</p>	Highways to consider	Highways
e)	Issue 9-23-10 – A350 Beanacre – request to review the signs which indicate the weight limit on Westlands Lane	<p>New issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Request for signing review.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways should investigate both ends of the lane, and formulate a proposal with ball park costings, ahead of the next meeting.</p>	Highways to consider	Highways
f)	Issue 9-23-11 – A365 Bowerhill, Devizes Road junction with Hornchurch Road – request to introduce double white line system to prevent overtaking.	<p>New issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Concerns have been raised of vehicles overtaking through and around the ghost island.</p>	Highways to consider	Highways

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		<p>Highways reported that solid white lines are not considered appropriate for speed limits below 40 mph. Other options, such as the placement of an island to deter overtaking could be considered.</p> <p>Highways to investigate and formulate a proposal with ball park costings, ahead of the next meeting.</p>		
g)	Issue 9-23-12 – Steeple Ashton Sandpits Lane – request for signing measures and SLOW marking	<p>New issue submitted by Steeple Ashton Parish Council</p> <p>Concerns over speed of vehicles in the vicinity of access into playing field, which is also a ROW. The speed limit at this point is National Limit.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways should investigate and formulate a proposal with ball park costings, ahead of the next meeting.</p>	Highways to consider	Highways
h)	Issue 9-23-13 – Steeple Ashton Sandpits Lane – request to improve access / egress into the playing field	<p>New issue submitted by Steeple Ashton Parish Council</p> <p>Request for hard standing and footpath surface improvements into playing field access.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways should investigate and formulate a proposal with ball park costings. This will require a more detailed study and Highways requested that this be added to the Priority Schemes List (without funding at this time) for consideration when staff resources become available. The group were content to follow this process.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue be added to the Priority Schemes List, without funding.	Chair
i)	Issue 9-23-14 – Steeple Ashton Common Hill / Newleaze – request for	<p>New issue submitted by Steeple Ashton Parish Council</p> <p>The play area is a thoroughfare for residents accessing Common Hill and a barrier would give protection for children</p>	Highways to consider	Highways

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	pedestrian barrier at exit of children’s play area	<p>who are witnessed running from this area towards th main road.</p> <p>Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways should investigate and formulate a proposal with ball park costings, ahead of the next meeting.</p>		
6.	Other items			
a)	Pavement and Footway Improvement Schemes (pre-LHFIG)	<p>There was no footway patching carried out in 2022, therefore the work at Philips Close remains outstanding.</p> <p>Major Maintenance report that there are no resources available to progress the Ebenezer Chapel footway between Union Street and King George V playing field. The footpath is due to be inspected again to determine whether it can remain open for the time being.</p> <p>For the sites approved for footway reconstruction, Corfe Road, Melksham has been completed and Sherwood Avenue Melksham remains outstanding.</p> <p>No update was available for the Footway Slurry sites at</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashley Close, Whitley • Tower Road, Melksham including cul-de-sac off Blackmore Road • Sherwood Avenue/Savernake Avenue, Melksham • Wellington Drive, Bowerhill • Birch Grove, Bowerhill • Elm Close, Bowerhill • Blackmore Road Cul-de-sacs, Melksham 	Cllr Sankey to make further enquiries with officers and Cabinet Member.	Chair

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b)	Deadline for submitting LHFIG Requests	<p>All requests are to be submitted two weeks prior to a meeting taking place. Requests received after the deadline will be held until the following meeting.</p> <p>Requests to be sent to LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk</p> <p>The deadline for our next meeting is 19th October 2023</p>	All to note	All
7.	<p>Dates of future meetings:</p> <p>2nd November and 8th February 2024.</p> <p>Meetings to commence at 16:30 hrs and will be held on-line until further notice.</p>			

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Highways Traffic Officer – Mark Stansby

Area Highway Engineer – Andy Cadwallader

1. Environmental & Community Implications

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

2. Financial Implications

2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Melksham Area Board.
 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3rd party contributions are confirmed, Melksham Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of **£42,218.23**

3. Legal Implications

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

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4. HR Implications

4.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

6. Safeguarding implications

6.1 There are no specific Safeguarding implications related to this report.

7. Recommendations to Melksham Area Board

7.1 To close the following Issues:

9-22-1 Melksham Lighting off Hazelwood Road and 9-22-6 Melksham Signing to Sandridge Farm

7.2 To add the following Issues to the Priority Schemes List with funding:

9-22-21 Melksham Snarlton Lane Crossing Point (£1,454.58).

7.3 To add the following Issues to the Priority Schemes List without funding:

9-23-13 Steeple Ashton Sandpits Lane pedestrian access to playing field

