

MINUTES

Meeting: Southern Wiltshire Area Board
Place: Winterslow Village Hall, Middleton Road, Winterslow, SP5 1PQ
Date: 5 September 2024
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 8.30 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Andrew Oliver (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair), Cllr Richard Britton,
Cllr Richard Clewer, Cllr Zoë Clewer and Cllr Ian McLennan

Wiltshire Council Officers

Karlene Jammeh – Engagement & Partnership Lead Officer
Lisa Alexander - Senior Democratic Services Officer

Partners

Police & Crime Commissioner – Philip Wilkinson OBE
Wiltshire Police – Inspector Tina Osborn

Total in attendance: 30

<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
24	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <p>Councillor Rich Rogers</p>
25	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were presented.</p> <p>It was;</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23 May 2024 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
26	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
27	<p><u>Chairman's updates</u></p> <p>The Chairman gave the following updates on outcomes and actions since the last meeting. The Health & Wellbeing and Youth Parliament Group meetings had been productively working towards the Area Board's work programme to establish key themes, with tackling deprivation remaining a high priority. Future work for these groups included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A planned Volunteer event in April and increased volunteers. • Working towards tackling loneliness and isolation and improved communications and transport links. • Creation of a Youth Partnership Forum Facilitator.
28	<p><u>Information Items</u></p> <p>The Board noted the Information Items as set out in the agenda pack, these were:</p> <p>Community First Update from BSW Together (Integrated Care System) Healthwatch Wiltshire Annual Report Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal</p>

	<p>Wiltshire Council Information Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o FACT Family Help Project o FACT Transitional Safeguarding Project o Wiltshire Youth Council o Gypsies and Travellers Development Plan consultation
29	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p>The Board noted the written updates attached to the agenda and received the following verbal updates:</p> <p><u>Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) – Philip Wilkinson OBE</u></p> <p>Since in role as PCC Philip had introduced significant changes to the force which had included a new Chief Constable, a deputy and a Chief of Corporate Services and a revised chain of command. In addition, resources had been realigned and there had been improvements in all of the priority crime areas identified through consultation.</p> <p>Other areas of work included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The creation of Operation Scorpion, a multi force initiative to target all aspects of the drug trade. • Disruption to County Lines, with Wiltshire rated as the top force. • Improvements in tackling knife crime and violence against women and girls. • Policing Teams engaging more proactively to tackle antisocial behaviour, driven by the drug trade. • Improved speeding statistics, with over 14,000 speed enforcement sanctions last year. • Updated Police & Crime Plan to include additional support for rural crime and retail crime and shoplifting. <p>Questions and comments included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Speedwatch (CSW) group in Alderbury had a percentage of 8% of speeders, which may be because the group carried out multiple shifts. The parish would like to have a dedicated device it could use more frequently, but currently had to share a device with another area and therefore could not carry out as many shifts as it would like. Could this be arranged? <p><u>Answer:</u> CSW was one of the first things the PCC invigorated when elected in post. Data from the devices could now be collated and run</p>

through the ANPR system to try and identify hot spots and persistent offenders. The PCC agreed to look into the request and feedback to Alderbury CSW in due course.

- A recent CSW volunteer had found the website not to be especially user friendly when registering for the training course and had not been able to confirm when the next available course was, or if he was booked as an attendee.

Answer: This was the first time that this issue had been raised. The PCC agreed to take the matter back for discussion with the Road Safety Officer, to see what could be done.

- Winterslow PC – There was an issue with a location on the edge of Wiltshire, bordering Hampshire at the Lopcome settlement. Residents raised concerns regarding speeding, WC installed a speed radar system and after one week the average speed at this section of the A343 was noted as being 57mph. Did Wiltshire work in collaboration with neighbouring Police forces in regard to road safety?

Answer: Yes, in Wiltshire there are lots of roads which cross the border, so we do work with neighbouring forces to tackle road safety issues. The PCC asked the matter to be emailed to his office so he could raise it with the Road Safety Officer.

Neighbourhood Police Team – Inspector Tina Osborn

Inspector Osborn reported that the summer period had not been as busy as was anticipated, which enabled the team to carry out additional proactive work across the wider southern and Salisbury areas.

A targeted operation was carried out in Wilton on County Lines properties, where 5 arrests were made. An investigation was ongoing, and weapons, drugs, money and phones had been seized.

A bike operation was also carried out, targeting off road bikes riding antisocially and causing danger to other road users. Working with a Wiltshire Council Section 59 warning notice, some signs had been produced and erected in hotspot areas, which acted as a first stage warning, enabling officers to use their powers to cease a vehicle and prosecute the rider.

The Southern Area was subject to rural crime and work was ongoing which included rural proactive patrols in vulnerable locations which regularly got hit. A number of people and targeted vehicles we believed were associated with these crimes had been stopped.

Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) signs regarding antisocial drinking had been put up in town and were already having a huge impact. A catapult PSPO had also been extended across the whole of Salisbury.

	<p>A recent series of distraction burglaries had taken place, with one in Bishopdown, at a sheltered accommodation with someone pretending to check windows, gaining access to the accommodation and stealing cash. People were urged to be vigilant and to report any crime so that it could be investigated.</p> <p>Other events included a bike marking and the Emergency Services weekend coming up in collaboration with the Fire Service.</p> <p>The team went on a tour of the Southern Wiltshire community area during August and hoped to do it again soon. Inspector Osborn would circulate the locations and dates for visits in due course.</p> <p><u>Questions and comments included:</u></p> <p>We had someone knock on the door a while ago, supposedly having been made redundant, he was going around with a bag of cleaning items for sale. Was this sort of thing legitimate?</p> <p><u>Answer:</u> These are people that are known as ‘Nottingham knockers’ they usually focus on a rural area and have a black holdall filled with cleaning supplies, which they then attempt to try and sell at your doorstep at high prices. They sometimes have a copy of a peddler’s license, which are not valid. We recommend that anyone encountering this should call us to check it out.</p> <p>Clearly the PCPOs are starting to have an impact, it was great to see that the joined up working between the police and the council was achieving positive results.</p> <p><u>Parish Councils & Community Groups</u> No updates this time.</p>
30	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Board noted the budgets remaining for allocation at the meeting and heard from representatives in attendance who gave a brief overview of their project followed by any questions by the Board.</p> <p>Area Board Initiatives: The Engagement and Partnership Lead Officer, Karlene Jammeh, presented the three Area Board Initiative bids.</p> <p>The Area Board Initiative - Winterbourne Intergenerational Christmas Party, requested £500.</p> <p>Cllr Richard Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.</p> <p><u>Decision</u></p>

The Area Board Initiative, Winterbourne Intergenerational Christmas Party was awarded £500 towards the project.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

The Area Board Initiative - Winterslow Tuesday Club, Silent Disco requested £400.

Cllr Zoe Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

The Area Board Initiative, Winterslow Tuesday Club, Silent Disco was awarded £400 towards the project.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

The Area Board Initiative - Digital Inclusion project for older people and vulnerable adults requested £500

Questions:

The project appears to be a valuable scheme for people who don't have family to support them. Is this a pilot scheme, how will it play out?

Answer: There would be a 5-week programme, so approximately 12-15 people for support with laptops, i-pads and tablets. We will also look to deliver a Techie Tea Party for 1-2-1 mobile phone support. A venue had not yet been found, so open to suggestions.

The project seemed to be tailor made for intergeneration work, could that be looked at?

Answer: Yes, this can be explored.

Cllr Zoe Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

The Area Board Initiative, Digital Inclusion project for older people and vulnerable adults was awarded £500 towards the project.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

Community Area Grants:

God Unlimited – outdoor therapy Riverside Classroom, requested £5000
The Applicant James Dwyer spoke in support of the project.

Support 350 young people a year 60% come from the Southern Wiltshire area.
Wooden building with 1/3 classroom 1/3 office. Operate all year round.

The organisation was founded by Christians which remained an important part of their values, the service was open to everyone.

How many full-time (FT) equivalent staff were on the team?

Answer: 21 staff across the charity, with 9 (FT equivalent) at Riverside.

Cllr Richard Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Ian McLennan.

Decision

God Unlimited was awarded £5000 towards the outdoor therapy Riverside Classroom project.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

Community Transport South Wilts, Minibus replacement project, requested £5000. The Applicant Graham Audin spoke in support of the project.

Door to door transport for people struggling to get out and cannot afford taxi services, with 5 x services in south Wiltshire.

Had the other ABs applied to been determined yet?

Answer: No next week and week after.

The Board discussed the standard conditions which were applied to all grants, specifically that if the match funding was not successful, the funding would not be released.

Cllr Andrew Oliver moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Clewer.

Decision

Community Transport South Wilts was awarded £5000 towards the minibus replacement project.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

Barry's Field Youth User Group, Sports Equipment, requested £4197

The Applicant Richard Pearce spoke in support of the project.

Would the award be used for capital items?

Answer: Yes the goals and storage element was capital.

How many other grant providers did you apply to and when would you hear back?

Answer: Only one of the 5 we applied to had responded so far, they rejected us because they were out of funds. The other 4 were very vague, not sure when they will respond.

If you were successful in some of those bids, would you consider reducing what was needed from the AB?

Answer: Yes

Cllr Zoe Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Britton.

Decision

Barry's Field Youth User Group was awarded £4197 towards Sports Equipment.

Reason – *The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25*

Older & Vulnerable Adults Grants:

The application by the Silver Salisbury Group, for an Intergenerational Grandparents Day at River Bourne Comm Farm was noted as the application had been considered and awarded £500 under SEPM Delegated Authority.

Redlynch Parish Council – Walking Football Equipment, requested £715
The Applicant spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Zoe Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Clewer.

Decision

Redlynch Parish Council was awarded £715 towards Walking Football Equipment.

Reason – *The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25*

Wiltshire Music Centre – Celebrating age requested £1500.
The Applicant Rebecca Seymour, spoke in support of the project.

Decision

Wiltshire Music Centre was awarded £1500 towards the Celebrating Age Project.

Reason – *The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25*

Young People Grants:

DEED Promoting Global Education and Learning – Drain Art sharing learning and changing behaviour, requested £4150.

The Applicant Sarah Wise spoke in support of the project.

We haven't yet identified the drains the artwork would be painted on.

The Chairman noted that a response from Highways received earlier in the day, had confirmed that they did not support the proposal to paint around drains on the highway.

In addition, concern was raised regarding any associated health and safety issues the artwork may cause to visually impaired or vulnerable people using the highways or walking on pavements next to the painted drains.

The Board discussed the longevity of the project and value for money if the artwork was designed to wash away after 1 year.

The Applicant was invited to re-write the application, removing the highways aspect and to give consideration to the points raised.

Cllr Andrew Oliver moved the motion to Defer. This was seconded by Cllr Zoe Clewer.

Decision

The application by DEED Promoting Global Education and Learning for Drain Art was Deferred.

Reason – The Applicant had not received permission from Wiltshire Council’s Highways department to paint on to the Highway. The Applicant was advised that this aspect of the project would need to be amended to remove the inclusion of Highways drains. Once the project had been revised appropriately, the Applicant was invited to resubmit for consideration at a future meeting.

Laverstock & Ford Parish Council – Bishopdown Farm Youth Club, requested £2500.

The Applicant Trudi Deane spoke in support of the project.

The Board discussed the benefits of having paid youth support workers running youth clubs as it provided sustainability when volunteers were not available.

It was confirmed that Salisbury City Council had agreed to provide a youth officer for a period of 1 year.

Cllr Ian McLennan moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

Laverstock & Ford Parish Council was awarded £2500 towards the Bishopdown Farm Youth Club.

Reason – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25

Downton Parish Council – Downton Mural Project, requested £1000.

The Applicant Stephanie Jalland spoke in support of the project.

This was a project involving year 9 Art students at Trafalgar school in collaboration with a professional artist.

	<p>The Board discussed the impact a mural could have, when there was a local theme.</p> <p>The Applicant was advised to discuss the options of additional public art funding with the council outside of the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Richard Clewer moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Zoe Clewer.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Downton Parish Council was awarded £1000 towards the Downton Mural project. <u>Reason</u> – The application met the Grants Criteria 2024/25</p> <p>Old Sarum Youth Club – Cooking & Sports Equipment, requested £500. The Applicant was not in attendance to speak on the project.</p> <p>Cllr Richard Clewer moved the motion to Defer consideration of the application to a future meeting to allow a representative from the project to attend to answer any questions.</p> <p>This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The application from Old Sarum Youth Club was towards Cooking & Sports Equipment was deferred. <u>Reason</u> – To allow for a representative to attend and answer any questions.</p> <p>Delegated Funding:</p> <p>The Board noted the following funding awards which had been made between meetings under the SEPM Delegated Funding Process, due to a matter of urgency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As noted above, Silver Salisbury’s Intergenerational Grandparents Day was awarded £500 from the Older & Vulnerable peoples budget. <p>Information links: Area Board Grants & Grants Criteria</p>
31	<p><u>Area Board Action Plan Update</u></p> <p>The Board noted the complete list of actions per priority as in the agenda pack and the update from Karlene Jammeh, Engagement & Partnerships Lead on the Area Board Priorities, since the last meeting. Key points included:</p>

	<p>Oler & Vulnerable Adults</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 June - Longford School Celebration of Culture event, with over 100 in attendance, celebrating all cultures at the school especially traveller and muslim cultures. • Upcoming events - Celebrating Age Programme, Silent Disco (Winterslow), Xmas Party (Winterbourne) <p>Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AB is Invited to take part in 19 November Salisbury AB Flood Preparedness event. • Cllr Rogers, was liaising with Director of Highways re. Salisbury – Amesbury via Porton Cycle Route project <p>Youth Engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New AB Youth Partnership Forum engagement was held in May, and preparing for next one – 18 September, 7pm online – with a main focus on how to raise funds/facilitate additional youth worker support <p>The Board noted the update. Cllr Britton noted that no.2 on the youth list did not capture what was talked about. He felt that the collaborative hiring of the youth worker represented a priority, if the Board was to seek the support and involvement of others parish councils and Area Boards. Having this identified as a separate project to take forward would be better identified for progression.</p>
32	<p><u>Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Update</u></p> <p>The Board considered the report and funding recommendations arising from the last LHFIG meeting held on 6 August 2024.</p> <p>It was;</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To approve the LHFIG funding recommendations to the following schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 4m – The Close, Redlynch PC – Warning sign - £525 • • 4n – A27, Whiteparish PC – SID infrastructure - £1500 • • 4s – Clarendon Road, Alderbury PC – SID infrastructure - £750 • • 4t – Horefield Road, Idmiston PC – Bus stop platform and kerbing - £2750 • • 4u – Beeches Close, Idmiston PC – Street name plates - £1050