

MINUTES

Meeting: Salisbury Area Board
Place: Online meeting
Date: 10 March 2022
Start Time: 6.00 pm
Finish Time: 10.36 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Brian Dalton (Chairman), Cllr Sven Hocking (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Caroline Corbin, Cllr Dr Mark McClelland, Cllr Charles McGrath, Cllr Ricky Rogers, Cllr Paul Sample JP and Cllr Mary Webb

Also in attendance: Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council

Wiltshire Council Officers

David Redfern, Assistant Director - Leisure, Culture and Communities
Richard Walters, Head of Service - Major Projects
Lisa Alexander – Senior Democratic Services Officer
Karlene Jammeh – Community Engagement Manager
Carli van Niekerk – Major Highway Projects Engineer

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Tina Osborn
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service - Yasmine Ellis & Wayne Presley
Environment Agency (Wessex Area) - Andy Wallis, Salisbury River Park Project Lead

Total in attendance: 45

<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
56	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Brian Dalton, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Salisbury Area Board and invited the members of the Board to introduce themselves.</p> <p>Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of the Council, who was in attendance, was welcomed to the meeting.</p>
57	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew Maggs – Fire & Rescue
58	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Decision</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
59	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>In relation to item 15, Area Board funding – Application from Salisbury Pride, Cllr Caroline Corbin noted that she was the Event Director and declared a non-pecuniary interest. Cllr Corbin spoke as the applicant but did not take part in the discussion or the vote on that application in her capacity as Area Board member.</p>
60	<p><u>Chairman's Updates</u></p> <p><u>Leader Delegated Authority</u> Area Boards held online were not able to make decisions under current legislation. Therefore, any recommendations made would need to be taken through the Leader Delegated Decision Process.</p>
61	<p><u>Information items</u></p> <p>The Board noted the information items detailed in the agenda pack, which were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Clinical Commissioning Group b. Healthwatch Wiltshire c. Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal d. Wiltshire Council Information Items:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask Angela – re-launch • Queens platinum Jubilee • Changes to Highway Code • Changes to residual waste collections • Great British Spring Clean
62	<p><u>Fire Service - Spectra Initiative</u></p> <p>The Board received a presentation on the Dorset & Wiltshire’s Fire Initiative Spectra, from Yasmine Ellis.</p> <p>Spectra is a targeted education programme, the letters stand for Support, Purpose, Enthusiasm, Challenge, Trust, Resilience and Achievement. All the things that go into making up each course.</p> <p>The main Spectra model is a 5-day practical training course consisting of a wide range of sessions based on basic firefighting skills such as hoses and hydrants, NARC (abseiling), ladder climbing, search and rescue, casualty care, water rescue and RTC (road traffic collision).</p> <p>The course is aimed at equipping the young people to develop skills which they can transfer into their own lives and can be tailored to the group, making it relevant to them.</p> <p>Across the service, the Youth Intervention Coordinators work in partnership with Schools, Pupil Referral Units, Local Authority Children and Care teams, Early Help and Social Work departments, Job Centre Plus, Supported Housing facilities, and Young Carers groups to generate referrals for SPECTRA courses and with charities like the Downes Syndrome Group.</p> <p>Some of the Spectra Courses have been funded by Area Boards. The SPECTRA team is always available to discuss potential courses which could be available with funding from an Area Boards and has scope to offer courses in the Salisbury Community Area.</p>
63	<p><u>Partner and Community Updates</u></p> <p>Salisbury City Council (SCC) Cllr Ian Tomes gave an update, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ukraine flag was now flying on Guild Hall • The Climate and Ecological emergency bill and a Paternity leave motion had been passed by SCC. • Purchase of Salisbury Depot site - huge potentials in future for green issues

- Ideverde contact had been approved.
- Assisted with looking for sites for the new Salisbury Police Station
- Met with surrounding PCs to discuss shared issues
- Regular meetings with Salisbury BID
- Met with the Young Gallery – see how that progresses.
- Held an award ceremony to celebrate local Volunteers.
- Tree planting was underway to celebrate the upcoming jubilee and wider plan for Salisbury.

Police

Inspector Tina Osborn gave an update in addition to the written update in the agenda pack. Points included:

- Current focus on tackling vehicular and taxi break ins across the city and Antisocial Behaviour in the Friary.
- Reassurance and high visibility controls had been carried in addition to conducting local premises checks and working closely with Pubwatch and Street Pastors, following the recent tragedy in the city centre.
- Proactive patrols to target bulk thefts around the city, arrests made.

Fire & Rescue

Wayne Presley gave an update in addition to the written update in the agenda pack, main points included:

- Matty Maggs due to retire – thanks for boards support
- thanks for letter of thanks – train tunnel incident
- maintaining business as usual
- Currently have her Majesty's inspectorate
- No major incidents or incidents of note in the Salisbury area

CEM

Karlene Jammeh gave an update on areas of work since the last meeting:

Youth engagement, employment and positive activity opportunities

- **Youth Survey** - Completed with 491 responses from young people in Salisbury and explore priority issues and activities outlined in the survey report
- **Salisbury Youth Forum** - Established to collaborate, network and

information share for the benefits of young people in Salisbury

- **Salisbury Future High Streets** - Wider consultation with young people through the SPUD Youth programme
- **Local Youth Network** - Link with the Wiltshire Creative young ambassadors and the newly elected Youth Councillors to expand the network to review the Area Board youth grants

Addressing climate change:

- **Air Quality Management Group** - Review of Air Quality Management action plan
- **Five Rivers Health and Wellbeing Centre community garden** - Plan to deliver family sessions and children's workshops at the centre
- **Green Accreditation** - Local businesses to work towards a green standard
- **Salisbury River Park project** - Propose and deliver new engagement initiatives to compliment the River park project

Supporting positive mental health and wellbeing:

- **Activity and support directory** - Comprehensive list of groups, activities, events and support available for older people and isolated people in Salisbury.
- **Safer in Salisbury** - Action plan to ensure women and girls in Salisbury feel safer and to make it easier to access support when feeling unsafe.
- **Camerado's** - A new friendship group in Salisbury
- **Dementia Support** – Create a dementia friendly city in Salisbury
- **Older People's Champion and Carer's Champion**

Supporting low income individuals and families:

- **Foodie Network** - Network established of local partners who work with low-income individuals and families and under-represented groups.
- **FUEL Holiday Activity and Food Programme** - Extend the additional support for the FUEL programme in 2022 by working in partnership with local organisations
- **Club1 gym membership programme** - Support young people to gain free gym memberships at Five Rivers Health and Wellbeing Centre
- **Club1 Plus** - Young people to access free qualifications in swimming and fitness at Five Rivers Health and Wellbeing Centre

Celebrating diversity:

- **Vibrancy City Pillar** - Local partners and businesses to develop a range of events and activities throughout the year in Salisbury
- **Window Wanderland** - Inspire creativity, reduce isolation and celebrate the city's diversity
- **Diversity Action Group** - Plans to establish a new group of local partners in Salisbury to network and collaborate
- **Engagement opportunities** - Development of new initiatives for community groups

Safer & Supportive Salisbury, Hidden Figures Project

Anne Trevett gave an update on the Hidden Figures project which had received funding from the Area Board. The Community project had purchased a 3D

printer to create the figures, the first figure was made of Phil Harding. The Men's Shed group had also assisted the project by producing the stand for the first figure.

The Phil figure was currently in the Salisbury Museum, but the aim was to bring it out into the city where all could view it. Work on the next two figures was underway.

Silver Salisbury, Review of the 2021 event

Older Person's Champion, Irene Kohler gave an update on the event:

The fundamental aim was to alleviate loneliness, by promoting opportunities for older people to meet old friends, make new ones and to participate in a range of activities.

The Programme of events:

- Five Rivers Indoor Bowls
- Celebrating Age Wiltshire's Intergenerational project
- History at the Quaker Meeting House – very popular
- Conservation work at Hazel Hill Woods
- Information Day at the Guildhall
- Cooking (and eating) lunch at the Pantry Partnership
- Get Connected's Techy Tea Parties
- Salisbury City Communities Team's Vintage Tea Party

Other highlights:

- Jazz Social at the Art Centre
- Jim Read's Parkinson's Monologues
- The Secret Garden at Bourne Hill
- Zumba, Dance, Tennis, Bowls & exercise classes
- Walks including Shop Mobility's wheelchair & scooter walk
- Music & Nature at Langford Lakes
- Pride through the generations
- Art & Craft groups

600 paper questionnaires were shared through older people's Housing, Support, activity and volunteer groups, newsletters, religious groups, libraries & personal contacts.

Comments and questions:

- Perhaps the Board work with Irene and the Group to look at the low take up in older people, in use of the foodbank?

Answer: CEM to discuss options with Group and feedback.

Woman's Safety Conference, Salisbury Soroptimists

Liz Batten gave an update on behalf of the Group, some of the points included:

Development of an action plan:

- Joint project in partnership between Soroptimist International of Salisbury (SI Salisbury) and Safer and Supportive Salisbury (SaSS)
- Community Conference held - The Chapel 18 November 2021 attracted some 80 local people
- An action plan was developed as a result of participative workshops
- A Steering Group to oversee the plan has been set up and Terms of Reference agreed
- The Steering Group met monthly

Key dates:

- Mental Health Showcase at the Guildhall Tuesday 5 April
- Women's Football Match at the RayMac Sunday 10 April
- Women's Safety Event at the Guildhall Saturday 30 April
- Schools Forum at the Blackledge Theatre, Godolphin School Thursday 23 June

Dementia Friendly Salisbury

Carers Champion, Helen Dowse, gave an update:

- Meeting held on 17 February – attended by several partner groups
- Numbers of diagnosed in Salisbury was much greater than those currently supported
- 20% Increase in referrals to ALSZU in last 18 months
- No Wiltshire Dementia Strategy available for 2022 onwards.
- Community Framework being put in place over next 5 years
- Premises in Scot's Lane being developed

Actions –

- Next meeting in April to include other agencies and areas
- Small working group including PLWD looking at making Salisbury accessible
- Public event with keynote speaker from York to look at a Dementia Strategy for Salisbury
- New edition of Dementia booklet to be produced
- Explore how to provide help to carers with complex form completion and access to support
- Celebration of PLWD – Queen's Jubilee Weekend – Cathedral Close

Carer's Champion Update

The Board noted the written update included in the agenda pack.

Prevention & Wellbeing Officer

An introduction by Pip Loach to the service, included:

The Prevention and Wellbeing Team is a new Adult Social Care Team and follows the Adult Social Care geographical boundaries for the county, having teams covering the North, West and South.

Prevention and Wellbeing was a fundamental component of the Care Act 2014 for adults with needs and for carers in England, alongside other support services.

Vision

An intrinsic part of Adult Social Care and in a unique position to work alongside adults, preventing the need for formal support. Building strong relationships with people to enable them to find their own solutions and flourish within their communities

Our Values

- We deal with the person, not the problem
- We help people to access information, advice, and support
- We take the time to build positive relationships
- We have strength focused conversations
- We don't assess people
- We help people to build a positive vision for their future
- We empower people to take charge of their own lives

We also provide support with:

- Anti-social Behaviour
- Homelessness
- Bereavement
- Social isolation
- Hoarding
- Mental health

For further information, contact **0300 4560111** and speak to the Advice and Contact Team who will take details and pass the information through to the Prevention and Wellbeing Team.

Air Quality Management Group

In addition to the minutes attached to the agenda, Cllr Charles McGrath noted that the group was working with stakeholders to create a new Air Quality Action Plan, which would align with the Climate Strategy of the council.

Salisbury BID

Cllr Sample gave a presentation on the work and aim of Salisbury BID.

Priorities:

	<p>Three themes covering a five-year term (2019-2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming and Enhancing • Promoting and Supporting • Representing and Influencing <p><u>Key projects 2022:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience Salisbury • Salisbury BID Businesses against Crime (SBBAG) • Salisbury Gift Card • City Dressing • City Data • Salisbury Indies Support • School Business Engagement • Food Festival – Taste Salisbury • Jubilee Trail • City Partner Events support • Christmas 2022 • Business Workshops with SWLEP • Salisbury business Awards
64	<p><u>Salisbury Future High Streets - Update</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from Carli VanNiekerk, Major Highway Projects Engineer.</p> <p>Cllr Clewer, Leader of the Council, outlined the background to the bid to the Future High Street Fund. The bid was awarded after the Novichok incident, which had impacted greatly on Salisbury. Without that incident, Salisbury would have been unlikely to have been successful in receiving an award. Most councils that applied for the funding, were not successful in being awarded the full amount requested.</p> <p>Salisbury would be able to carry out a significant number of the projects proposed in the bid with the amount that had been awarded. The projects would need to be consistent with the outline submitted to central government.</p> <p>Salisbury was in essence a Market town and like all market towns, it would need to provide more than just a retail offer. Work on the evolution of Salisbury had already begun, but the council would need to make sure it was ready with</p>

	<p>further projects as future funding became available.</p> <p>Carli then outlined the scope of the proposed projects, funding amounts and the consultation launched in March 2022, which was available to complete online and in writing.</p> <p>The presentation slides are attached to the minutes.</p> <p>Questions and comments included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A recent gender-based study showed that women were being kept from feeling safe to walk the street at night. What was included in the plan to make women feel safer? <u>Answer:</u> We have assessed the design against women’s safety, we are aware that transport design can be biased to women’s safety and have incorporated elements to the scheme. • Could the detail of the assessment be accessible to the public? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, and we would welcome further feedback from women in particular on women’s safety issues. • The Heat Project would bring a massive change in Harnham around traffic issues. It will be difficult for disabled people around the city centre when the bus services are cut back, especially because we do not have a bus station. <u>Answer:</u> Cllr Clewer noted that the bus station closure was not a council decision and that it was for the bus company to plan how services would work.
65	<p><u>The River Park project - Update</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from Andy Wallis, Salisbury River Park Project Lead, Environment Agency. The presentation slides are attached to these minutes. Some of the points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint project with WC & SCC – part of wider master plan. • First phase - New planting, with meadow and games areas • Ashley Road – creating full embankment, flood protection to fire station. • Green space and open spaces with wildflower & planting schemes • Re-locating child’s play area. • Central car park area – linear green park throughout – widening the channel and improvements to water course. • New footpaths and footbridge <p>Timetable for the Masterplan and Phase 1 of the River Park</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enabling works started – January 2022 • Main works commence – May 2022 • Phase 1 construction complete – December 2023 <p>Funding position</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current estimate of total costs £23.4M • Funding sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DEFRA - £14.2M • LEP/Local Growth Fund - £5.2M • National Highways - £2.5M • Regional Flood and Coastal Committee - £1M • DfE - £0.5M <p>Tree planting - over 600 trees, including native and mature specimens. Water voles - Trapping and translocating to commence in March</p> <p>Questions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could you consider an aromatic garden for disabled and poor sighted people? <u>Answer:</u> Disabled access has been fully considered, the aromatic garden is a nice idea we have not yet considered. • Is good lighting planned for footways, to help women to feel comfortable walking along the river? <u>Answer:</u> Lots of work has taken place, we have a strict requirement to keep some areas dark for species, legally we have to design it in a way to ensure no light spill. I can provide the lighting plan separately.
66	<p><u>The Maltings Re-development</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from Richard Walters, Head of Service - Major Projects, some of the main points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maltings shopping centre sold to APAM Catella - December 2021 • Hotel site sold separately • Council still had freehold ownership of the shopping centre • Council in discussions with APAM Catella • Purchaser of hotel site expected to engage once plans developed. <p>Questions and comments included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The progress was welcomed, could a new plan of the maltings and library be made available, specifically detailing the parts owned by the council. <u>Answer:</u> Yes there was a mixture of ownership, the council owned the Maltings shopping centre, there was a freehold round to the parade of shops. We also own the library side of

	<p>market walk, Central carpark and the Coach Park. I will send a plan to the Chairman.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where does Sainsburys stand in this? <p><u>Answer:</u> They had a lease of that site which they had just renewed for 10 years so that indicated they did aim to remain. Their preference would be to have a store at ground floor level and better parking arrangements – but that is a discussion for them to have with APAM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where does it leave Shopmobility & the boathouse? <p><u>Answer:</u> There was no immediate plan affecting Shop Mobility, however if plans did come forward that affected it they would need to be considered. The Council also owned the freehold of the Boathouse and were in discussions with the new owners. It is affected by River Parks works which are due to be ongoing for some time.</p>
67	<p><u>City Hall update</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from David Redfern, Assistant Director for Leisure, Culture & Communities, some of the main points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council was engaged in positive dialogue with NHS to extend vaccination centre arrangement to March 2023 • Exploring options to remobilise City Hall, post NHS requirement • A Soft Market Test Exercise (SMT) would be conducted April/May 2022 <p>Aims</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approach the market to understand level of interest amongst third party organisations, to manage and operate as a multi-purpose entertainment/cultural venue. • Explore third party organisation’s vision for operating City Hall in the future alongside potential management arrangements. • Begin to understand third party organisation’s experience of and ability to manage venues similar to City Hall. <p>The Leader of the Council, Cllr Richard Clewer confirmed that the council would bring city hall back as a live entertainment venue and that discussions had been underway prior to the pandemic, on how to improve City Hall long and short term.</p> <p>Some areas for consideration had included the acoustics in the venue, as music acts had previously advised that the acoustics in the building were poor. The Library building had significant difficulties with its flat roof, but there were aspirations to move the Library building in to City Hall and possibly introduce a form of glass roofed building at the front, where the roundabout area was.</p>

	<p>Cllr Clewer noted that Libraries had moved forward, and the offer now was greater than just borrowing books, with internet access a critical provision for the community and in Salisbury, the Young Gallery on the site would also need a long-term home.</p> <p>The vaccination programme was changing on a weekly basis, as the NHS worked in a fast-moving environment, so it was difficult to predict what their needs would be moving forward, but the council would support the continuation of the programme.</p> <p>Questions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because City Hall had not been an entertainment venue for so long, had a budget been ringfenced for any works that may be required to get it operational again? <p><u>Answer:</u> We would listen to the market to see what their ideas were for it however, we don't believe there would be any great costs in mobilisation.</p> <p>Cllr Clewer added that historically City Hall had failed to break even, but David had been looking at ways to open with a new model which would enable it to break even.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The City Hall was also a war memorial, if Salisbury had a village hall it was City Hall. • Please keep the Area Board in the loop, and make sure the outcome is right for the city and something that people want. <p><u>Answer:</u> Our intention is to make the AB our first point of call for all announcements</p>
68	<p><u>Underpass Working Group Update</u></p> <p>The Board received an update from Cllr Paul Sample, Lead Member for the working group.</p> <p>Liz Batten supported by Karlene Jammeh (CEM) and some PCSOs were due to carry out a piece of work to look at areas of concern with the underpasses. In addition, Kez Adey, a disability rights campaigner would also be doing some work on disability access issues. The findings on both pieces of work would be fed back at the next Area Board.</p>
69	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>The Board considered the funding recommendations from the CATG meeting on 8 Feb which were detailed in the report attached to the agenda.</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u></p>

	<p>That the CATG funding recommendation be approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4d – To allocate £228.06 to Street Name plate Painting/repair.
70	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Board considered the funding requests which had been set out within the grants report in the agenda. Applicants in attendance were invited to briefly speak in support of their projects, followed by an opportunity for questions.</p> <p><i>Note: As mentioned under chairman’s Updates, due to the meeting being held online, the Area Board was not able to make any decisions during online meetings, due to current Legislation. The recommendations for funding would need to be taken through the Leader Delegated Decision process before being approved and confirmed.</i></p> <p>Community Area Grant applications:</p> <p><u>St Michaels Community Centre, replacement roof project – requested £5,000</u> The applicant, Howard Tranter spoke in support of the application.</p> <p>Board members supported the project noting it was a well-used community facility and that a huge amount of funding had also been raised by the applicant towards the project.</p> <p>Clarification on where the balance of funding would come from was given.</p> <p>The Board voted on the motion of support in full.</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u> St Michaels Community Centre was awarded £5,000 towards the replacement roof project. <u>Reason</u> – The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22</p> <p><u>Bemerton Heath IAG, Community Garden Improvement – requested £5,000</u> Cllr Ricky Rogers spoke on behalf of the applicant, noting that he had been asked by them to withdraw the application from this round of funding as the project had already been awarded funding earlier in the financial year.</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u> To Defer the application from Bemerton Heath IAG for the Community Garden Improvement project, until the next meeting. <u>Reason</u> – The applicant wished to reapply in the new financial year.</p> <p><u>Families Out Loud, Fundraising and Communications project – requested £2,905.</u> The applicant, Debra Hawley spoke in support of the project.</p>

Board members supported the project noting it was very worthwhile and much needed by the community.

The Board voted on the motion of support in full.

Recommendation

Families Out Loud was awarded £2905 towards the Communications project.

Reason – *The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22*

The Honeybee Project, purchase of an electronic honey extractor – requested £950.

The applicant, Mark Sines spoke in support of the project.

Board members supported the project noting it's support for projects which benefitted those with mental health issues. Clarification around the level of need for the piece of equipment was given, in that it would enable all participants to partake in the honey extraction process regardless of their physical ability.

The Board voted on the motion of support in full.

Recommendation

The Honeybee Project was awarded £950 towards the purchase of an electronic honey extractor.

Reason – *The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22*

Salisbury City Boxing Club, purchase of equipment – requested £996.47.

Cllr Sample spoke in support of the project.

The Board voted on the motion of support in full.

Recommendation

Salisbury City Boxing Club was awarded £996.47 towards the purchase of new club equipment.

Reason – *The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22*

Salisbury Rotary Club, Book Benches project – requested £5,000.

The applicant, Nigel Brookes spoke in support of the project.

The Board discussed the application in detail. Clarification around the location of the finished benches was sought, it was noted that each bench would form part of an exhibition when completed, and then be gifted to the schools which had made them.

The criteria for funding projects involving schools was requested. It was noted that projects which operate outside normal services and activities were open to consideration by the Board.

Information on the additional funding sources applied for to complete the project was also provided.

The Board voted on the motion of support in full.

Recommendation

Salisbury Rotary Club was awarded £5,000 towards the Book Benches project.

Reason – *The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22*

Salisbury Pride UK, Events and support – requested £3,400

The applicant, Cllr Caroline Corbin spoke in support of the project and did not take part in the discussion or vote on this application in her capacity as board Member.

It was noted that the project had received confirmation of other funding awards earlier in the day, and as such the amount requested was reduced to £3,400.

The Board voted on the motion of support in full.

Recommendation

Salisbury Pride UK was awarded £3,400 towards Events and support.

Reason – *The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2021/22*

Area Board Initiatives

The Board considered one bid for funding for the Area Board Initiative – Street Nameplates repair and replacement programme, for £9,500, put forward by Lead CATG Member Cllr Sven Hocking, and detailed in the agenda pack.

The Board discussed the funding request in detail. It was noted that the normal maximum amount of funding considered was £5,000, and that if higher amounts were to be considered it would need to be agreed by the board that there was an exceptional circumstance.

The remaining budget available to allocate was noted at £7,085.41

Cllr Sample asked the Board to start to give some thought and consider what the next initiative should be and suggested that a good contender was improved street lighting.

Cllr Hocking asked the Leader, Cllr Clewer for input on what could be considered exceptional circumstances to award over the standard £5,000.

The Leader, Cllr Clewer noted that to deviate from the standard maximum £5,000 award would require specific reasons and was usually supported with robust costings in advance.

It was noted that this was the last time that the project would come to the Board for funding as the list of street name plates awaiting repair or replacement had almost been completed.

Suggestions for exceptional circumstances were discussed.

The Board voted on the motion to award the remaining budget amount of £7,085.41.

Recommendation

Area Board Initiative – Street Nameplate Repair/Replacement programme was awarded £7,085.41 from the Area Board Capital budget for 2021/22.

Reason

The Board noted that the project had been ongoing for several years due to there no longer being a central budget to carry out such work. The exceptional circumstances were noted as the importance of maintaining legible street name plates around the city, to benefit its residents and visitors and help to maintain a high quality of appearance of the historic city.

Note: Following this Area board initiative application being considered through the Leader Delegated Decision Process, the amount awarded was £5,000

Health & Wellbeing Grants

The Board considered five applications for funding from the Health & Wellbeing budget 2021/22, as detailed in the agenda pack. The Health & Wellbeing Group had met to consider the applications, a report detailing their recommendations for funding amounts was also provided within the agenda.

Safer & Supportive Salisbury, Mental Health Showcase – requested £590
Applicant, Anne Trevett.

Recommendation

Safer & Supportive Salisbury was awarded £390 of Health & Wellbeing funding for 2021/22, towards their Mental Health Showcase.

Silver Salisbury Group, Carer & Older Person Events – requested £659
Applicant, Irene Kohler.

Recommendation

Silver Salisbury Group, was awarded £657.99 of Health & Wellbeing funding for 2021/22, towards the Carer & Older Person Events.

Wiltshire & Swindon Sport, Park Yoga – requested £420
Applicant Dominique Oughton.

Recommendation

Wiltshire & Swindon Sport, was awarded £0 of Health & Wellbeing funding for 2021/22, towards Park Yoga.

Morning Star Salisbury - Hope Centre Life Recovery Course

Applicant Mike Badger.

Recommendation

Morning Star Salisbury was awarded £800 of Health & Wellbeing funding for 2021/22, towards the Hope Centre Life Recovery Course.

TEDx Salisbury, May 2022 Event – requested £1,000

Applicant Leigh Chalmers.

Recommendation

TEDx Salisbury was awarded £450 of Health & Wellbeing funding for 2021/22, towards the May 2022 Event.

Youth Funding Applications

The Board considered three applications for funding from the Youth Project Budget 2021/22, as detailed in the agenda pack. The Youth Group had met to consider the applications, a report detailing their recommendations for funding amounts was also provided within the agenda.

Lead Member for Youth, Cllr Rodgers noted that each of the applications had been scrutinised by the youth group, which had submitted recommendations for funding.

Cllr Hocking noted that the Salisbury Museum had received other general funding from Wiltshire Council and Salisbury City Council separately and noted that other smaller groups may not be as able to draw in such large amounts of funding.

Irene Kohler noted that the application from Salisbury Museum was the second tranche of funding from an ongoing project and had been invited to return to the Board for funding, once the first tranche had been completed.

Salisbury Live, Live in the Square Event – requested £3,000

Applicant Colin Holton spoke in support of the application.

Recommendation

Salisbury Live, was awarded £3,000 of Youth Project Funding for 2021/22, towards the Live in the Square Event

The Bridge Youth Project, Youth Voice Forum – requested £5,000

	<p>Applicant Paul Cable spoke in support of the application</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u> The Bridge Youth Project, was awarded £4,144.03 of Youth Project Funding for 2021/22, towards the Youth Voice Forum</p> <p><u>Salisbury Museum - Changing places common ground – Intergenerational History project – requested £5,000</u> Applicant Amy Hammett spoke in support of the application.</p> <p><u>Recommendation</u> The Salisbury Museum, was awarded £5,000 of Youth Project Funding for 2021/22, towards the Changing places common ground project</p>
71	<p><u>A36 Dual Carriage way request</u></p> <p>Cllr Paul Sample brought a motion to the Board for consideration, this was:</p> <p>That the Board supports the request for National Highways to carry out works to dual the carriage way of the A36 from Petersfinger to College Street roundabout in order to reduce traffic congestion.</p> <p>The motion was seconded by Cllr Ricky Rogers.</p> <p>Cllr Sample gave some background to his motion, noting that the issue of congestion related to development and was included in the Salisbury Vision in 2008. An objective of that project was to carry out a study on congestion, however 14 years on, nothing had changed.</p> <p>Cllr Sample suggested that the congestion issues associated with the A36 could be sorted by duelling the A36 where it was currently single carriageway, adding that if that was too much, then another option was to consider a peak time contraflow, but initially the first step would be to carry out a feasibility study to address all congestion identified in 2008.</p> <p>Cllr Mark McClelland, in his capacity as Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste, Street Scene and Flooding noted that the Council was working closely with National Highways, who had provided the following statement:</p> <p><i>National Highways (NH) is committed to improving congestion on the A36 through Salisbury and we are developing several schemes to achieve this. Our priority is Southampton Road and College Roundabout and we are currently working on the initial stages of developing an Option Assessment Report (OAR) for this corridor, complimenting and building upon the other work already being undertaken along the A36 through Salisbury.</i></p> <p><i>To date, we have identified a number of improvement options, which will be</i></p>

tested using traffic modelling to identify potential improvement options within the corridor and determine their effectiveness to improve congestion, delays and journey time reliability.

We are also updating the existing traffic model and will shortly be undertaking traffic surveys, in collaboration with Wiltshire Council (WC), to provide up to date traffic flows to use within the model.

Following completion of initial modelling work and subsequent preparation of the OAR, we will report our findings and recommendations to Wiltshire Council. Further feasibility and preliminary design work will then be undertaken together with a value for money exercise to inform option selection, with close collaboration with WC to ensure any future schemes are feasible and fit for purpose.

Cllr McClelland noted that Officers had been working on this issue since September 2021 and advised the Board to leave the issue to the experts who were already considering appropriate highways schemes.

Cllr McGrath as ward member for Southampton Road, agreed that more should be done to lobby NH to get more done and suggested that the motion needed to include parts of Churchill Way as well. He noted that there were some practical concerns with duelling the road, due to the businesses along the road and the central safety barrier which had been installed some years ago for safety.

As well as the Area Board lobbying NH, he suggested that there could be more interaction between Officers and the Board and proposed that a working group be formed to liaise with Officers and NH, to monitor the progress and to receive regular update reports.

Cllr Sample agreed with the amendment to the motion, to form a working group and to include areas of Churchill Way but noted that his focus was on the A36 from College Roundabout out towards the Alderbury bypass.

Cllr Rogers noted that the Board had received a presentation from NH around 6 years ago, where the Board fed back a number of ideas. Since that time the board had not received any follow up.

It was suggested that Salisbury City Council also be invited to send a representative to the working group.

Cllr McClelland strongly noted that the formation of a working group was an unnecessary move and went well beyond the competences of the Officers and therefore did not support the motion.

The Board voted on the amended motion.

Recommendation

	<p>The Salisbury Area Board requests that National Highways carry out a feasibility study to address congestion along the A36 from College Roundabout to Petersfinger and to include sections of Churchill Way and that it considers the request to dual the carriage way from College Roundabout to Petersfinger.</p> <p>In addition, the Salisbury Area Board will form an A36 Working Group to liaise with National Highways and WC Officers with the aim of receiving regular progress reports and invites Salisbury City Council to nominate a representative to sit on the Working Group.</p>
72	<p><u>Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and noted that the next meeting of the Salisbury Area Board would be held on 16 June 2022 at 6.00pm.</p>
<p><u>slides</u></p>	