

MINUTES

Meeting: Corsham Area Board

Place: Corsham Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, Wiltshire

Date: 13 October 2022

Start Time: 7.00 pm Finish Time: 8.45 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Ruth Hopkinson (Chairman), Cllr Helen Belcher, Cllr Brian Mathew and Cllr Derek Walters

Wiltshire Council Officers

Ros Griffiths – Strategic Partnership and Engagement Manager Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer Amy Smith - Manager, Shared Lives Service Emma Legg – Director, Ageing & Living Well

Total in attendance: 14

| Minute No | Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision |
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| 66 | Chairman's Welcome and Introductions |
| | The Chairman welcomed everybody to the Corsham Town Hall. |
| | The Area Board members introduced themselves. |
| 67 | Apologies for Absence |
| | Apologies were received from Philip Wilkinson - Police and Crime Commissioner. |
| 68 | <u>Minutes</u> |
| | Decision |
| | The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21 July 2022 were approved as the correct record |
| 69 | Declarations of Interest |
| | Corsham Connections Volunteer Test Run grant funding application – Cllr Ruth Hopkinson Declared an interest as a trustee of the organisation, she would not take part in the debate or vote on the application. |
| 70 | Police Update |
| | The written update contained in the agenda pack was noted. |
| | Inspector James Brain – Wiltshire Police outlined the written report |
| | Points made included: |
| | Closure Order Vine Court – Following the arrests and executions of a drugs warrant the team had been able to secure a court closure order in order to prevent the ASB and drug use. Active patrols and regular checks would continue. |
| | Speeding – That the team were working closely with Community Speedwatch and were actively enforcing in those hotspot areas. |
| | Local Licensing Checks – That convenience stores were being highlighted as being subject to the underage supply of 'Puff Bars', tobacco and alcohol. As |

such this was a priority for the Neighbourhood and Response Teams. Licensing and Trading Standards were being consulted to achieve a joint partnership solution.

That Pc Adam Neish had been appointed as the new Corsham beat officer working alongside PCSO Cory Mack.

That Inspector Brain had been promoted and that a new sector inspector would be appointed in due course to oversee the Corsham community area. Inspector Brain advised that he would still be involved with Corsham which pleased the Area Board members.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Brain for his update and promotion.

71 Shared Lives

Amy Smith - Manager, Shared Lives Service, Wiltshire Council outlined her presentation.

Points made included:

That the Shared Lives Service helped people to live as part of a family, within the carers home, where they received the support or care that they needed.

The service placed adults who had mental health needs or learning disabilities, physical impairments, or were elderly, or those who, for a variety of reasons, could not manage to live without support.

The service had existed in Wiltshire for over 40 years, where care and support for up to three people was provided in the home of the Shared Lives carer.

Becoming a Shared Lives carer

As a Shared Lives carer, you would welcome an adult with care or support needs into your home on a short term or long-term basis. You would support them to develop their skills, independence, and social inclusion.

Carers could be families, couples or individuals, the service welcomed people with a wide range of skill sets and life experiences.

No qualifications were needed, and carers could combine this role with other work commitments. However, a willingness to share your life with others, and provide care and support with enthusiasm, motivation and commitment was important.

As a Shared Lives carer, following an approval process, you would receive a weekly fee (£371- £571 per week) and work as a self-employed professional.

| | The Chairman thanked Amy Smith for her presentation. |
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| 72 | Community Area Grants |
| | Cllr Helen Belcher now in the chair. |
| | Corsham Connections awarded £2,025 for Corsham Connections Volunteer Test Run |
| | Note: Cllr Ruth Hopkinson declared an interest – she did not take part in the debate or vote on the application. |
| | Cllr Ruth Hopkinson now back in the chair. |
| | Wiltshire Music Centre awarded £1,500 for Celebrating Age Wiltshire |
| 73 | Chairman's Announcements |
| | The following written chairman's announcements contained in the agenda pack were noted: |
| | Engagement and Partnership Team Structure |
| | Electric Vehicle Charging Points |
| | Building Bridges |
| | Temporary Events Notices |
| | VCSE Alliance |
| | Climate Strategy Delivery Plans |
| | Corsham Refugee Hub |
| | Cost of Living Update |
| 74 | Partner Updates |
| | The following written updates contained in the agenda pack were noted: |
| | Corsham Climate Action |
| | Corsham Town Council |

- Box Parish Council
- CCG/Healthwatch

75 Priorities and Working Group Updates

Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group – Cllr Ruth Hopkinson

 The notes of the meeting held on Wednesday 28 September 2022 were agreed by the Area Board.

Climate Group – Cllr Derek Walters

- That a successful meeting with Lackham College had been held, with discussions re their intentions concerning carbon reduction and the robotic milking parlour.
- That the group were looking to organise a visit to a local windfarm.

Supporting the local economy – Cllr Ruth Hopkinson

- That meetings had been held with Corsham Mansion House and the Chamber of Commerce.
- Was working with Corsham Town Council to set up a networking meeting with local businesses.
- Corsham Means Business Networking Drop-In: Tues 15 November, 8.00
 10.00am Digital Mansion.
- Corsham Ukrainian Hub: Saturday 15 October, 2 4pm Pound Arts Centre.

76 Any Other Business

Cllr Derek Walters advised that in the ongoing fight to combat rural speeding a meeting was to be held with Wiltshire Council Highways officers to look to try and bottom out if Wiltshire Council highways infrastructure could be used to site auto Speedwatch cameras on.

Speed Indicator Devices – that data from these devices gave a good indication of where hotspots were, and where police resources could be perhaps better deployed. That it would be advantageous to get this SID data brought together to form a map for Police and Speedwatch groups to use.

| | Jan Morse introduced herself as the Area Board representative for GreenSquare Accord. |
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| 77 | Close |