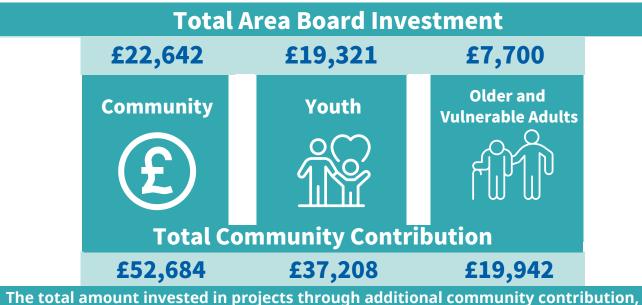
Southern Wiltshire Area Board

End of Year Report April 2023 - March 2024



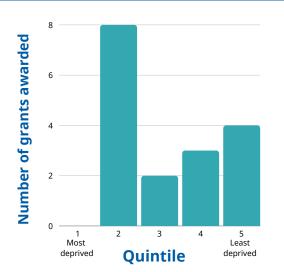
Area Board Investment

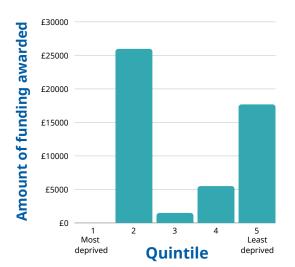
The Area Board invests in local community projects and initiatives that meet local priorities and deliver exceptional outcomes for residents. The Area Board aims to work in partnership to achieve maximum value for its investment.



The total amount invested in projects through additional community contribution, from fundraising, grants, services in kind or volunteering

Investment by deprivation quintile





Local Priorities

The Southern Wiltshire Area Board reviewed available local data and evidence and integrated this with local knowledge and community conversation to agree the following local priority themes. The Area Board has undertaken a series of more specific local actions to positively address them, including the key achievements below:

Youth engagement and rural youth outreach



Set up two new youth clubs and facilitated a range of pop up youth activities in 6 parishes. Designed and delivered an event, one objective of which was to help young people find local volunteering opportunities as part of work towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

Addressing environmental issues

Continuing to facilitate a local working group set up to tackle concerns relating to the school run in Laverstock, helping schools to renew their green travel plans and to instigate new waiting restrictions to better regulate the vehicle flow and highway safety through the village.



Supporting older people and vulnerable adult's health and wellbeing



Funded and facilitated an extended set of initiatives with a wide coverage across most of the 20 parishes, through the following programmes: Celebrating Age Wiltshire, Silent Discos, and Downton Downtime Dementia activities. Set up a new Health & Wellbeing Group engaging with over 40 local partners to sharpen the focus and direction of the area board's health and wellbeing work.

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Engagements

The Southern Wiltshire Area Board works alongside other organisations to make things happen in the local community. These groups include the city council, voluntary and community groups, youth organisations, sports clubs and local charities.

The Area Board wouldn't be able to achieve what they do without these partners working on the ground with them. The Area Board hosts regular business meetings, engagement activities, events, surveys and working groups to stimulate and support local community action.



Local Highways and Footpath Infrastructure group

The LHFIG is a sub group of the Southern Wiltshire Area Board, which deals specifically with highway issues. They aim to find solutions for local transport issues, such as road repairs, traffic problems, road layouts and parking. The amount allocated is dependent on the geographical size and population for the community area and the funding allocation is for capital expenditure and can be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure.



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