

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (2)

Meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee
Place: The Kennet Room - County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN
Date: Tuesday 18 September 2018
Time: 10.30 am

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MILITARY-CIVILIAN INTEGRATION TASK GROUP

Report to Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

The chairman of the O & S Management Committee has requested an update on the work being done by the MCIP Task Group.

- 1 The Task Group met with the Project Manager of the Army basing project, Kevin Ladner and, with one or two reservations (such as the absence of detailed risk registers for each of the project's workstreams), was satisfied that the project management arrangements were broadly satisfactory and that the overall project appeared to be progressing well..
- 2 However, since that meeting Kevin Ladner has left Wiltshire Council and no replacement has yet been appointed. This is of concern.
- 3 The Task Group has also had discussions about the potential for Army Basing to have a negative impact on the present settled population. In particular: Increased ASB in some locations; and increased pressure on all local services. However, we have not been able to find a way of providing a reliable baseline against which to measure any such adverse impacts.
- 4 We have produced a definition of what we think successful Military-Civilian integration looks like and have devised a survey questionnaire for Area Boards, Town and Parish Councils affected by the Basing programme. This survey includes our definition and poses questions aimed at testing those characteristics. This will build up a baseline picture of the current nature and extent of Military/Civilian integration against which comparisons can be made in, say one or two years' time. A copy of the proposed Survey is attached.
- 5 The questionnaire will be tested at Tidworth which appears to provide a good example of successful integration.

Richard Britton, Task Group Chair

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Military/Civilian Integration Questionnaire

Thank you for taking the time to respond to our questions.

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee at Wiltshire Council created a task group to consider the impact of Army re-basing on Wiltshire communities. In particular the group is looking at issues arising from the change in the balance between military and civilian families in towns, villages and communities.

In its work to date the task group has developed a definition of what successful military/civilian integration is:

- **Shared provision** of community, leisure, cultural and sporting facilities
- **Equal access to and participation** in national, local and community services and facilities
- **Joint contribution** to all aspects of community and family life and development

The task group wants to test that definition and to identify both success stories and examples of areas where there may be more work needed. Your understanding of the local picture is essential to help the task group comprehend the success of integration. Your response will be used, with responses from across the county, to help construct a comprehensive overview of the progress towards successful military/civilian integration.

Please answer the seven questions below. Please type replies in the boxes supplied. The boxes can grow to accommodate longer answers. Please return completed forms to Toby Eliot (toby.eliot@wiltshire.gov.uk) at Wiltshire Council. If you are aware of other parish councils or community organisations who would have relevant views on this subject please feel free to forward a copy of the questionnaire to them.

Many thanks for your contribution.

Cllr Richard Britton, Chair of the Military/Civilian Integration Scrutiny Task Group

Please let us know the state of military/civilian integration in your area now and what you would like to see happen in the future. It would be most useful, where possible to support your answers with direct evidence.

	What is the current situation?	Are there improvements or new initiative you'd like to see?
1. To what extent are military facilities accessible to the wider community?		
2. Do serving military personnel play a role in community organisations (inc. parish councils, sports clubs, societies and schools)?		
3. Are military clubs and societies open to civilians?		
4. Are there examples of joint military/civilian community projects?		
5. Can you describe the local formal and informal relationships between the military and the community?		

Finally, we'd like to ask you a couple of more general questions about your thoughts on military/civilian integration.

1. In your area are you aware of any barriers to successful military/civilian integration?

2. Do you have any other comments to make about the extent of military/civilian integration in your area?
Do you have any other ideas that would further the cause of military/civilian integration in your area?

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