

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Shrewton Recreational Hall, Mill Lane, Shrewton SP3 4JY  
**Date:** 28 July 2016  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 9.05 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jamie Capp, Cllr Mike Hewitt, Cllr John Smale, Cllr Fred Westmoreland, Cllr Ian West (Chairman) and Cllr Graham Wright (Vice Chairman)

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Kevin Fielding (Democratic Services Officer)  
Dave Roberts (Community Engagement Officer)

### **Town and Parish Councils**

Durrington Town Council – David Healing & Marion Wardell  
Shrewton Parish Council - John Berry, Den Parnett & Anne Woodman  
Winterbourne Parish Council - Marken Atkinson

**Total in attendance: 55**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
142	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Amesbury Area Board and thanked Shrewton for hosting the meeting.</p> <p>At the Chairman's invitation, the Councillors and officers sitting at the front of the meeting introduced themselves.</p> <p>The Chairman outlined the Shrewton traffic issues and advised that the Amesbury Community Area Transport Group were working hard to find a solution to these issues.</p> <p>The Chairman briefly outlined the A303 consultation process and welcomed Andrew Weaver - Communications Manager, AAJV Stakeholder Engagement to the meeting.</p> <p>Tom Brolan – Dorset and Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service was welcomed.</p>
143	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paddy Allen &amp; Richard Allen – Amesbury Town Council.</li> <li>• Neil McDougal &amp; Richard Wood – Berwick St James Parish Council.</li> </ul>
144	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></li> </ul>
145	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
146	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The following Chairman's Announcement was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wiltshire Online Programme – Extension of the basic broadband</li> </ul>

commitment scheme (written paper).

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Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils

The Chairman referred to the updates set out in the agenda and invited further updates from Town/Parish Councils and other Partners, including outside bodies. It was noted that the preferred option was for written updates, to minimise time spent during the meeting.

Age UK Wiltshire – Sue Wight

- That the Age UK Advice Bus was working its way around Wiltshire and would eventually reach the Amesbury community area.

Tesco – Carly, Tesco Community Champion, Amesbury

- That Tesco were looking to get more involved with its local communities. It was agreed that the Community Engagement Manager would meet with Carly to discuss this.

Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Tom Brolan

- That Amesbury Fire Station would be holding an open station event on Saturday 8 August.

Durrington Parish Council – Marion Wardell

- That Durrington residents had concerns re grass cutting and the length of time between cuts and cut grass being left in gutters. A letter had been sent to Wiltshire council highlighting these issues.

Shrewton Parish Council – John Berry

- That there were plans to re-vamp the Recreational Hall and playing field. A questionnaire would be sent to all Shrewton residents with more information on this.

Winterbourne Parish Council

- That the Village thanked the Area Board for its recent grant funding. The equipment had been well used on a litter pick, the village had now won an award. The equipment was available for other parishes to use.

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The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.

A petition was received by the Chairman from the residents of London Road, Shrewton who had concerns re the constant speeding of vehicles passing their houses and down into the main part of the village and out. The Chairman advised that the petition would be forwarded to Wiltshire Council.

#### Tenant Participation

Eamon McClelland - Resident Engagement Officer, Wiltshire Council gave a short presentation that outlined tenant participation.

Points made included:

What are Local Housing Panels?

- An opportunity for Wiltshire Council tenants and leaseholders to meet and talk about the issues that matter to them.
- Quarterly meetings at a local venue across the whole of our housing stock
- Both Parish and Wiltshire Councillors are invited to attend.

Area Board issues

- In May 2016 there were 23 people attending the Local housing Panel meetings in the Amesbury Area Board area. Overall in 2016 we have had 44 attending and have yet to complete July and October rounds of meetings. In 2015, 74 people attended in total.
- The main issues concerned; roads – state of repair, crossings needed and speeding in areas as well as heavy traffic increase.
- Environment – bins, rubbish dumping and grass and shrubbery maintenance.
- Footways – proper repair or replacement of fences and removal of debris, weeds etc.

It was agreed that the Community Engagement Manager and Older Peoples Champion would publicise future meetings, Cllr Wright was also happy deliver any publicity materials in his area.

The Chairman thanked Eamon McClelland for his presentation.

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A303 The consultation process

Andrew Weaver – Communications Manager, AAJV Stakeholder Engagement gave a short presentation that outlined the forthcoming A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down consultation process.

Points made included:

Timeline

- 2016 - Assessing all potential solutions (2016 to early 2017)
- 2017 - Public consultation on proposed options (early 2017)
- 2017 - Preferred route announcement (summer 2017)
- 2017 - Pre-application consultation (late 2017)
- 2018 - Submit Development Consent Order application (mid 2018)
- 2018 - Examination process (late 2018 to late 2019)
- 2019 - Decision by Secretary of State for Transport (2019)
- 2020 - Start on site (early 2020)

Questions raised from the floor included:

Will this really happen?

*a. That there was a firm commitment to get find a solution to this part of the A303.*

How long would the consultation process take?

a. Unable to say at the moment, would be able to say when all options were on the table.

It was agreed that the Community Engagement Manager would feedback any comments re the consultation to AAJV.

The Chairman thanked Andrew Weaver for his presentation.

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Update from previous grants GUL

James Dwyer - God UnLimited gave a short presentation that highlighted the work being undertaken at the GUL outdoor therapy centre with the help of the Area Board.

Points made included:

#### Current Projects

- Amesbury Area Board  
£5,000 – Driveway and Car Parking improvements & Woodland Improvements.
- Local Youth Network  
£5,000 - Bursaries to provide free places to disadvantaged young people.

#### August 2016

- Working with Tidworth Men's Shed and Marc Read (Tidworth CEM) on their first project. Constructing handrails, steps, and path edges and a purpose built outdoor classroom and wildlife hide.

#### Bursaries

- This year so far... 658 hours of free provision.
- Since receiving LYN funding in June we have been able to provide free places to 1 new individual (8 hours) and have 2 more enquiries in progress.

#### Other Projects

- Riverside yard expansion, with continued improvements to access around site.
- Sensory trails designed with Southampton University.

The Chairman thanked James Dwyer for his presentation.

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#### Update on the Stonehenge School

Cllr Fred Westmorland gave an update on the Stonehenge School.

Points made included:

- That the school would be redeveloped on its existing site.

- A four phase re-development plan.
- Phase two – re-order of the lower school had been carried out.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Westmorland for his update.

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Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

Cllr Ian West gave the Community Area Transport Group update.

Points made included:

- The notes of the meeting held on 21 July 2016 were agreed.
- The current financial position, currently £17,366 uncommitted was noted by the Area Board.

The Five priority agreed schemes were now under way with the appropriate Parish Council contributions in place, these were:

- Amesbury Town Centre.
- Orcheston 30mph extension.
- Shrewton – review of the current weight limit.
- Winterbourne Earls – closure of the ford.
- Great Wisford – 20mph speed limit.

Other priority schemes under review were:

- A338 Parton Idmiston speeding issues.
- Build outs in London Road Shrewton to form part of traffic calming scheme.
- Carriage way markings – High Street Shrewton.
- That it was good to see the very long awaited footpath from Bulford to Solstice Park now well under way
- Next CATG meeting – 3 October 2016.

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Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications

Cllr Jamie Capp gave the LYN update.

Points made included:

Funding applications - At the last area board meeting in May the LYN recommended to the Area Board to part fund WCA pending satisfactory responses to questions raised. Cllrs Capp and Westmoreland visited WCA along with the Community Engagement Manager. They assured the group that they are now satisfied with the responses circulated prior to the meeting.

### **Decision**

- **That the Area Board agreed the remaining funding to Wessex Community Action of £8,000**

Role of LYF - That the CYOs had now left Wiltshire Council as part of the re structuring. It was envisaged that the four community areas in the south of the county would share a central coordinator. One full time LYF coordinator based at Bourne Hill – covering: grants, communications, activity mapping, safeguarding referrals and support.

Each community area to and have an additional 1 to 1.2 days per week dedicated support from a Local Youth Facilitator (LYF) to cover engagement and support for LYNMG – networking, meeting admin, notes, reporting to area boards and activity mapping. It was hoped that once these people were in post the Area Board could re visit the role of the LYN and wider LYN.

It was envisaged that these posts during autumn 2016.

Way forward for LYN – Cllr advised that he would like the LYN to become more strategic and look at the wider needs of YP and how members of the LYN could support each other. Discussions had taken place about how this could be achieved.

It was also noted that the LYN should have wider communication with the School councils in the area.

Youth grant funding:

It was noted that young people had asked for a more varied range of activities and events and Roller skating had been arranged by Amesbury Sports Centre. However, numbers of skates available had been restricted and as a result numbers of YP participating could be better. The condition of the pool table at the youth café was also discussed. All present agreed that these two were worthy cases and have wider community benefit. They agreed a member's initiative would be appropriate in this case to secure £1,500 for roller skates and £200 to re-cover the pool table.

### **Decision**



154	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Roller Disco Sessions at sports centre awarded £1,500 and re cover pool tables at Amesbury Café awarded £200.</b> <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></li> </ul> <p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The Wiltshire Councillors were asked to consider six applications seeking 2016/17 community area grant funding:</p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Winterbourne Parish Council awarded £1,950 for Winterbourne Dauntsey riverbank repair.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Smiley Face Nursery awarded £5,000 for Smiley Face Nursery new toilets and lighting.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Bridging Project awarded £1,000 for Durrington Youth Services equipment.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Communi-tea cottage awarded £950 for Communi-tea cottage IT project.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Wiltshire Wildlife Trust awarded £2,500 for Lords Walk Amesbury.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Tilshead Parish Council awarded £ 809.64 for equipment to Support Tilshead Community Clear Up Days.</b>  <i>The application meets grant criteria 2016/17.</i></p>
155	<p><u>Health and Wellbeing Group</u></p> <p>Cllr Graham Wright gave the Health and Wellbeing Group update.</p>

Points made included:

That Amesbury Area Board had set up a Health & Wellbeing Group and has representatives from:

Police, Town & Parish Councils, Wiltshire Area Board, WC service commissioners, Alzheimer's Society, Carers Network, Healthwatch Wiltshire, Older People's Champion, LINK Schemes, WC Leisure Operations, Housing, Age UK, NHS, CAB, Health Trainers and Day Centres.

It had met twice and during these meetings it had looked at the key priorities for the community area and identified some projects to alleviate rural social isolation across the community area and overall H&WB.

Two specific projects were.

Community lunches - Four community lunches were set up across the community area each month and older vulnerable people were encouraged to participate. The usual attendance was in excess of 20 people per lunch and the Older people's Champion (Jan Tidd) would check on other service related areas such as benefits and general wellbeing. It was the intention to use volunteers to set up more community lunches across the community area.

Introduction to activities - During these sessions older people were encouraged to take part in an activity such as swimming, trips and falls awareness and armchair exercises. We have two trips planned for late July the first is where local Walking Groups would get together with other health advisers to explore shorter walking trips and arm chair exercise for those physically challenged and how to encourage people to participate in the future. The other was designed to combat social isolation and would be held at Heale House Garden Centre. In July a small budget had been allocated to the H&WB group for transport via mini busses to such events but in the long term trips would have to be self-funding.

The H&WB group had assisted the Alzheimer's Society. We have helped in getting two of their volunteers MIDAS minibus approval so that they can take participants out to trips and activities. They have also assisted the group to secure funding for minibus hire for 12 months. These volunteers would also help other groups with their transport needs in the future.

Future trips and activities were planned. It is the intention to run

	<p>regular trips on a monthly basis to various activities and events.</p> <p>Safe Places for Larkhill - The Safe Places Scheme would be rolling out in Larkhill with over 8 businesses and MoD focal points taking part, the launch date is Thursday 25th August at the Green Tree Cafe Larkhill, the Area Board were asked to support a small discretionary budget to cover this event to a max of £50. The Scheme is being co-ordinated by Cllr Graham Wright and Safe Places administrators.</p> <p><b>Decision</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>That the Area Board awards £50 for the cost of the Safe Places event to be held on Thursday 25 August 2016 at the Green Tree Café, Larkhill.</b></li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Wright for his update.</p> <p>156      <u>Older Peoples Champion</u></p> <p>Jan Tidd - Older Peoples Champion gave a brief update.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That older people had enjoyed a recent trip to Heale House Garden Centre. The trip had been very well attended and more trips were now planned.</li> <li>• That four community lunches had now been set up across the community area with a good attendance at each.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Jan Tidd for her hard work and update.</p> <p>157      <u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were none.</p> <p>158      <u>Future Meeting Dates, Evaluation and Close</u></p> <p>It was noted that the next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board would be held on the 29 September, 7pm at the Winterbourne Glebe Village Hall, Winterbourne Earls.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p>
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