

MINUTES

Meeting: ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT AND CRICKLADE AREA BOARD

Place: Royal Wootton Bassett Rugby Club, Malmesbury Road, Royal

Wootton Bassett

Date: 10 January 2018

Start Time: 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 8.30 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Allison Bucknell, Cllr Jacqui Lay, Cllr Chris Hurst and Cllr Bob Jones MBE

Wiltshire Council Officers

Alexa Davies – Community Engagement Manager Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer Jan Bardwell – Health Trainer Karen Spence – Public Health

Town and Parish Clerks/Councillors

Broad Town Parish Council – Sandra Hartley & Simon Billis

Cricklade Town Council – Mark Clarke, Diana Fairbrass, Sue Holbrook, Tony Clements & Nick Dye

Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish Council – Judy Digman & Geoff Jackson-Haines

Lydiard Millicent Parish Council - Deborah Bourne

Purton Parish Council – Ray Thomas

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council - Stephen Walls & Johnathon Bourne

Tockenham Parish Council – Geoff Cowling

Partners

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Matty Maggs & Glyn Moody Wiltshire Wildlife Trust – Gemma Annan MOD Lyneham – Amy Dallimore RWB Arts Festival – John Davies

Total in attendance: 40

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
38	Networking Session
39	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board and to the Royal Wootton Bassett Rugby Club The councillors and officers present were introduced. The Chairman thanked Alzheimer's Society Side-by-Side Programme, Glynwen Chetcuti - Learndirect and Wiltshire Council health trainer Jan Bardwell for the networking displays prior to the meeting.
40	Apologies for Absence Apologies for absence were received from Mary Champion – Wiltshire Council, Mollie Groom – Wiltshire Council, Mike Sharp – Lydiard Millicent Parish Council, Sheila Dunn – RWB Memorial Hall and John Coole – Cricklade Town Council.
41	Minutes Decision The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8 November 2017 were agreed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
42	Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest.
43	Wiltshire - The Wider Picture The following Chairman's Announcements were noted: • Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner- Precept Consultation

44 Strengthening our Communities

Karen Spence - Public Health Specialist, Wiltshire Council presented an interactive Mental Health Awareness Workshop.

Points made included:

- We all have mental health as well as physical health. They are linked together and we need to look after both.
- Mental health is about how we: think and feel about ourselves and others and how we interpret events.
- Our mental health influences how we cope, our relationships with others and our self-esteem.
- About a quarter of the population will experience some kind of mental health problem in the course of a year, with mixed anxiety and depression the most common mental disorder in Britain.
- Everyone feels down and stressed sometimes, it's a normal part of life.
- Stressful thoughts and feelings and events come and go.
- We all need ways of looking after ourselves and getting support.
- For some of us, we may feel down or anxious for longer and it starts to affect our day-to-day life.
- Then we may need extra things to help.

The Chairman thanked Karen Spence for a very informative presentation.

Grant Funding

The Area Board members are asked to consider three applications for grant funding and one Councillor-led initiative:

Decision

Cricklade leisure centre awarded £945 towards a defibrillator to be sited outside the leisure centre.

Decision

Noremarsh Junior School awarded £5,000 towards completion of an all weather running track to enhance provision for all pupils and to extend the facilities available to the community

Decision

Purton Parish Council awarded £770 towards footpath improvement under the Paths Improvement Grant Scheme FP84

Decision

White Horse Trail councillor initiative awarded £250 for improvement to the White Horse interpretation board at Broad Town

45 Spotlight on Parishes and Partners

Updates were received from the following Partners, Towns and Parishes:

Community Mentoring and Support – the written report was noted.

Points made included:

- That lots of good youth work was being carried out over the RWB&C community areas.
- That CMAS were moving into the Hive at MOD Lyneham.
- That good street based youth work in Cricklade had now developed and moved into a venue for regular evening meetings.

Recycling for Wiltshire Joint Venture – Gemma Annan was in attendance and the written report was noted.

Points made included:

- That Wiltshire Wildlife Trust were still looking for a couple more schools to sign up for the Recycle for Wiltshire Joint Venture project.
- That places were available for a visit to the Compton Bassett Recycling Centre on Thursday 8 February 2018.

Wiltshire Police - the written report was noted.

Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service - the written report was noted.

Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council – the written report was noted.

 A petition was presented to the Chairman from Cllr Chris Hurst on behalf of Wood Street and Borough Fields residents, Royal Wootton Bassett.

	The petition highlighted residents requests for Wiltshire Council to consider extending the off-street residents scheme.
	Cricklade Town Council – the written report was noted. The Chairman thanked all partners for their updates.
46	 Task Group Reports and Decisions The Community Area Transport Group (CAT-G) report dated Wednesday 6 December 2017 were noted. The Community Area Transport Group (CAT-G) – next Meeting on Wednesday 7 March 2018.
47	Wrap Up Next meeting: Wednesday 21 March 2018, Royal Wootton Bassett Memorial Hall.





12 February 2018

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Dear Frances Machin

I am writing in respect of your petition for extended off-street resident permits parking scheme at Wood Street and Borough Fields Car Parks, thank you for the petition and the Council notes the request to consider extending the off-street residents scheme.

The residents off street schemes are historic arrangements put in place by the former district councils. In 2010 it was decided by the then Cabinet Member for Transport and Highways that these schemes should be phased out as part of the forming of the unitary council which happened in 2009.

The council has been heavily subsidising the Royal Wootton Bassett Resident Permit Scheme now for a number of years. The scheme is not available to the vast majority of residents in a similar position across the county and has resulted in unfairness in charges elsewhere and as you have noted even in Royal Wootton Bassett.

With the need to fund vital services the council has to question discretionary spending and subsidised schemes. Hence the decision was made not to subsidise the Resident and Season Ticket schemes after September of this year. Everyone will be moved onto a percentage of the day rate to ensure fairness in every car park. This means that a Season Ticket in Borough Fields will be set at £624 per annum and Wood Street at £540 per annum.

The change in prices illustrate the subsidies that the Royal Wootton Bassett parking schemes has been given over a number of years. Whilst the Council fully understands the price increase is considerable, it ensures all residents across the county are treated fairly and the scheme is self-funding.

Should you have any further questions, please direct these to Joanne Pattison, Parking Services Manager, Joanne.Pattison@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Kind regards,

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