

AGENDA

Meeting: Amesbury Area Board
Place: Stonehenge Visitor Centre, Nr Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7DE
Date: Thursday 17 January 2019
Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Allington, Amesbury, Berwick St James, Bulford, Cholderton, Durnford, Durrington, Figcheldean, Great Wishford, Idmiston, Milston, Newton Toney, Orcheston, Shrewton, Stapleford, Steeple Langford, Tilshead, Wilsford Cum Lake, Winterbourne, Winterbourne Stoke, Woodford and Wylde.

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Graham Wright, Durrington and Larkhill
Cllr Mike Hewitt, Bourne and Woodford Walley
Cllr Fred Westmoreland, Amesbury West
Cllr Robert Yuill, Amesbury East
Cllr John Smale, Bulford, Allington and Figcheldean
Cllr Darren Henry, Till and Wylde Valley

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	Time
<p>1 Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	7.00pm
<p>2 Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.</p>	
<p>3 Minutes (<i>Pages 1 - 10</i>)</p> <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2018.</p>	
<p>4 Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
<p>5 Chairman's Announcements (<i>Pages 11 - 42</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following announcements through the Chairman (written briefing notes are available in the full agenda pack, or online):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner - Priorities and precept proposals. • CCG – Maternity Services - a consultation on changes to Maternity Services is underway, ending on 24 February 2019. Go to www.transformingmaternity.org.uk for details and response forms. • Polling District and Polling Place Review – to ensure that all electors have reasonably practicable facilities for voting. 	7.05pm
<p>6 Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils (<i>Pages 43 - 48</i>)</p> <p>To receive updates from the Town and Parish Council Representatives, and from other partner organisations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police • Fire and Rescue Service • Town and Parish Councils • Lovells – SFA and Army Rebasing • MOD • NHS Wiltshire CCG • HealthWatch Wiltshire 	7.10pm

7	<p>Health & Wellbeing Group</p> <p>To receive an update from the HWBG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communities Together An update from Cllr Graham Wright focusing on working as One Team and Army Rebasing - especially the implementation of the required infrastructure and community cohesion. Update on the Tidworth Super Garrison. • Provision of Doctors in the Amesbury Community Area To receive updates on the provision of Dr's and Dentists in the Amesbury Area from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NHS/Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) ○ Local Dr's Surgeries - Shrewton Cross Plains Surgery • Solutions 4 Health Weight Loss Programme To receive a presentation from Matt Bearne of Solutions4Health on their free Shape Up 4 Life weight loss programme. • The Bridge Youth Project To receive an update on the Bridge Youth Project and their mentoring programme, following receipt of a grant from the Area Board. 	7.20pm
8	<p>Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications</p> <p>To receive any updates from the Local Youth Network.</p> <p>To consider any applications for youth grant funding.</p>	8.00pm
9	<p>National Armed Forces Day (<i>Pages 49 - 52</i>)</p> <p>Presentation on National Armed Forces Day 2019 by the Community Engagement Manager to generate discussion about how the community can become involved on the day and in legacy projects.</p> <p>To note the following funding request awarded under the delegated authority of the Community Engagement Manager from the Community Event Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAFD projects, £1.600 towards the costs of the local element of the project. (Full details in agenda pack). 	8.05pm

10	<p>Community Area Grants (<i>Pages 53 - 58</i>)</p> <p>To consider the following applications for grant funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village Hall Committee (Stephen's Charity), £4,329.20, towards a new feature window for Cholderton Village Hall. • Woodford Parish Council, £1,768.80 towards replacing dangerous play equipment. • 1st Amesbury (St Mary & St Melor) Scout Group, £4,788.54 towards new flooring and lighting for the Scout Hut. 	8.15pm
11	<p>Urgent items</p> <p>Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.</p>	8.30pm
12	<p>Future Meeting Dates, Evaluation and Close</p> <p>The next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board will be held on Thursday 21 March 2019 at Berwick Guide Centre, Stapleford Road, Berwick St James, Salisbury, SP3 4TS.</p>	8.30pm

MINUTES

Meeting: AMESBURY AREA BOARD
Place: Amesbury Library, Smithfield St, Amesbury, Salisbury, SP4 7AL
Date: 22 November 2018
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 8.55 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Graham Wright, Cllr Mike Hewitt, Cllr Fred Westmoreland, Cllr Robert Yuill, Cllr John Smale and Cllr Darren Henry

Cllr Pauline Church was also in attendance.

Wiltshire Council Officers

Dave Roberts – Community Engagement Manager
Richard Walters – Head of Service, Major Projects
Tara Shannon – Democratic Services Officer
Tom Dobrashian – Programme Director, Economic Recovery

Town and Parish Councils

Amesbury Town Council
Durrington Town Council
Allington Parish Council
Cholderton Parish Council
Figheledean Parish Council
Idmiston Parish Council
Shrewton Parish Council
Winterbourne Parish Council

Partners

Police – Sector Deputy John Hutchings

Total in attendance: 30

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
31	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Amesbury Area Board.</p>
32	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan Tidd • Michael Blumpton, Allington Parish Council. • Officer Alastair Cunningham, Corporate Director.
33	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, with the following correction:</p> <p>Deputy Inspector John Hutchings, Wiltshire Police, was in attendance, not Inspector Christian Lange.</p>
34	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Councillor Darren Henry declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9, as he was a volunteer for Shrewton Youth Club who were applying for a youth grant. Councillor Henry declared he would consider the application on its merits with an open mind as he debated and voted on the item.</p> <p>Cllr Fred Westmoreland declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 14. He declared he would consider the application from Amesbury History Centre on its merits with an open mind as he debated and voted on the item.</p>
35	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman referred the meeting to the written reports contained in the agenda pack regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banning of Sky Lanterns and Balloon releases on Wiltshire Council land • Wiltshire Council: Focusing on the Future • Localised Labour Market Intelligence

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Licensing <p>The Chairman stated that if anyone had any questions regarding these announcements, or wanted a more in depth update, they should get in touch.</p>
36	<p><u>Amesbury and Salisbury Recovery Update</u></p> <p>Cllr Pauline Church, Cabinet Member for Economic Development and South Wiltshire Recovery, gave an update on the recovery in Amesbury and Salisbury.</p> <p>78 businesses had been contacted by Wiltshire Council in Amesbury and £12,500 had been granted, to date, to financially support Amesbury businesses severely impacted by the incidents. £15,000 had been allocated to help Amesbury deliver the new History Centre. There had also been an agreement to top up the budget to regenerate the central car park toilet facilities.</p> <p>Free parking from 3pm every day continued in Salisbury and Amesbury and free parking on Sundays had been introduced.</p> <p>To date approximately £5.3 million had been spent on the recovery. This was made up of £1,550,004 from Wiltshire Council reserves, £3,285,487 awarded to Wiltshire Council from central government and £500,000 awarded to Visit Wiltshire from central government. These figures were then broken down further to detail how the funds were spent, this covered response and recovery, business support and profile and promotion.</p> <p>South Wiltshire was moving forward, with Boots in Amesbury being reopened, and Zizzi in Salisbury reopening. Salisbury Christmas light switch on had taken place on 15 November 2018. The Salisbury Christmas Market and Ice Rink would be open from 29 November 2018 until 6 January 2019. The Amesbury Christmas Market was due to take place on 5 December 2018. Armed Forces Weekend 2019 had been launched and was being promoted. The event would be taking place in Salisbury from 28 – 30 June 2019. The OVO Energy Cycle Tour series would be returning in May 2019.</p> <p>Long term economic recovery plans included; transport improvements; developing Amesbury History Centre; the future Boscombe Down programme; a campaign to encourage tourism and increase number visitors with Visit England; the re-development of Salisbury college campus and the Royal Artillery Museum Archive at Larkhill.</p> <p>A governance structure had been developed to deal with the recovery, involving the South Wiltshire Task Force (Strategic), which included Government, Wiltshire Council members and officers, Salisbury City Council, Amesbury Town Council, CLoG, the LEP, Visit Wiltshire, Salisbury Cathedral and strategic business partners. The Task Force would interact with the South Wiltshire Operation Board and various recovery cells, which were divided into pillars to</p>

	<p>provide delivery and work streams. These would include economy, health & wellbeing, communications, tourism and culture.</p> <p>In response to questions from the audience and board, Cllr Church stated that there were temporary notices up in car parks detailing the free parking after 3pm arrangements. Cllr Church would investigate the possibility of getting a large sign to be displayed in Amesbury with the details (similar to the ones on the way into Salisbury) and would also investigate the removal of the free 30 minute parking in Central Car park in Amesbury. In response to a question from a representative of the Amesbury History Centre, Cllr Church stated that her office would liaise with Amesbury Town Council and the History Centre to move plans forward for the History Centre. Cllr Church also detailed who sat on the South Wiltshire Task Force and stated that whilst it was unlikely the History Centre would be able to sit on the Task Force, it may be possible to involve them elsewhere, for example in one of the pillars, such as Tourism or Culture.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Church for the update.</p>
37	<p><u>Update on Boscombe Down and Economic Development in the Amesbury Community Area</u></p> <p>The meeting received an update from Richard Walters, Head of Service, Major Projects, on Boscombe Down and economic development in the community area.</p> <p>Mr Walters stated he was working on several major projects in the Amesbury and Salisbury Area, including Proton Science Park, the Maltings and Central car park, the A303 and Boscombe Down, so he was very familiar with the issues and challenges in the Amesbury Area.</p> <p>Boscombe Down was a strategically important 300 ha site which was managed by QinetiQ under a long term partnering agreement with DIO (a MOD infrastructure organisation). Unique facilities at the site included the longest military airstrip in the UK, the Empire Test Pilot School and the QinetiQ Apprenticeship Training School. There were currently around 1,500 jobs on site whose main focus was on maintenance, repair and the operation/testing of military aircraft. There was scope for sustainable growth in order to secure the base's long term future and to capture opportunities in the aerospace sector.</p> <p>The South West of England hosts one of the largest and most significant aerospace clusters in the world, worth more than £7 billion. The South West had a strong network of world class companies and an excellent supply chain. Therefore the economic potential was huge. High value jobs create opportunities, for example 1 direct job in aerospace created 1 indirect job in the economy. The aerospace sector in the UK grew 39% between 2012 and 2017. 68% of businesses in aerospace employ apprentices and trainees.</p>

National policy objectives had identified the aerospace and defence aerospace sector as a key potential node of growth – and Boscombe in particular as a location that was already established with core capabilities. The Council had been working with its partners on the ground at Boscombe Down – QinetiQ and the MoD in particular, to explore this potential and identify opportunities for growth.

Boeing had shortlisted Boscombe Down as a new UK centre, Wiltshire Council were working with them to move this forward. Within local policy the Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership had identified Boscombe Down as an opportunity in the Strategic Economic Plan, with the potential to support the delivery of high value jobs. Wiltshire Council Core Policy 37 also supported new development and changes of use at operational facilities that help to enhance or sustain their operational capability. The focus on Boscombe Down was part of a focus upon South Wiltshire, which also involved the Porton Science Campus, the new Science Park at Porton Down, the A303 Expressway and the Salisbury and Amesbury recovery strategy.

Going forward the Council, QinetiQ and DIO all shared an ambition to modernise and grow aerospace activity at the airbase. There would be a focus on employment-led development determined through a master planning approach with the local community and the potential to support further growth in MoD operations. Wiltshire Council were committed to enhance or create a new access from the A303 to the airbase. A master plan was being developed for the whole site however work was not yet advanced enough to consult upon. However there was a commitment from all parties to share plans with the community at the earliest opportunity. Mr Walters thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak.

Cllr Fred Westmoreland stated that Porton Road, Main Road and Stockport Road provided totally inadequate access to Boscombe Down. The people who live there struggle to access Amesbury. A possible solution to this was that the work started at Solstice Park could link through to Boscombe Down. Otherwise it was felt that the new employees of Boscombe Down would add further to the already problematic congestion in Amesbury, meaning that Boscombe Down would blight Amesbury rather than help it. In response Mr Walters stated that they wanted to provide a sustainable, long term solution and that there were a number of ideas in play, which would be consulted on.

In response to a question from the Chair, Mr Walters stated that housing would be considered as part of the plan, however he could not yet give details on the masterplan.

In response to comments from Cllr Robert Yuill regarding problems accessing Boscombe Down via the main gate, it was stated that transport consultants were looking at all the issues. There were no details yet, however, they would consult on plans.

	<p>In response to questions from the Amesbury History Centre as to why funding was being provided from local sources (for example SWLEP), rather than from national sources, as Boscombe Down and Porton Down were national assets, it was stated that the Council got a 200 year lease from Porton Down to develop the Porton Science Park. The SWLEP were seeking to support the aerospace industry so that jobs and economic growth could be developed.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mr Walters for his presentation.</p>
38	<p><u>Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils</u></p> <p>The Chairman referred to the updates set out in the agenda and invited further updates from Town/Parish Councils and other Partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police Sector Deputy John Hutchings gave an update. Many police officers were taking part in “Movember” in order to support Men’s Health. The Police Service were making a commitment to be as visible as possible. As part of this, if people were holding events, such as coffee mornings, fetes or Christmas events and would like a Police Officer or PCSO to attend they should contact the local PCSO. There had been a slight increase in youth related violence. In response, high visibility patrols were being stepped up. The Police were working with Wiltshire Council and Highways in order to prepare for the Winter Solstice and to deal with the traditional problems associated with it. The Chairman raised complaints he’d received regarding the 101 telephone service. In response it was stated that crime communication centre in Devizes had a significant turnover of staff, for positive reasons, as employees move on to other roles within organisation. This created ebbs and flows with the ability to answer calls. More staff were needed. However it was stressed that if you call, please do not give up, as crimes needed to be reported as the police cannot react if crimes were not reported. The problems would be fed back to the communications centre. Also in response to a question from the Chair regarding Speedwatch, the Sector Deputy stated that new managers had been employed, the capacity to train people had been expanded and the reaction time was now much quicker. Cllr Graham Wright wanted to pass on his thanks to the Amesbury PCSO, Lucy Wileman. In response to a question from Cllr Wright it was stated that the new Speedwatch manager for Durrington was Sarah Holden. • Fire and Rescue Service • Town and Parish Councils Figheldean Parish Council also wanted to pass on their thanks to Police as they had been very helpful responding to problems being encountered with strangers in the area. • Lovells – SFA and Army Rebasing John Lewy from Lovells gave a brief update. At Bulford the last of the timber kits would be completed soon and the masonry wraps for these

	<p>would hopefully be completed by Christmas. During the first 2 weeks of December homes would start being handed over. At the Larkhill site far more extensive ground works had been carried out but they were progressing well now. Cllr Wright thanked Lovells, as they had managed the road very well in Durrington. Thanks were also expressed for Lovells help with the fireworks display in Durrington.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS Wiltshire CCG • HealthWatch Wiltshire
39	<p><u>Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications</u></p> <p>Cllr Darren Henry gave an update on the Local Youth Network The last meeting of the LYN had been held at Stonehenge School where they received a talk on volunteering.</p> <p>At the separate LYN management meeting it was agreed that there would be an event around April 2019, to which adults involved in youth training would be invited. The best ways for the LYN management and the LYN to communicate were also discussed. There were concerns regarding Facebook, which had been the preferred method of the LYN. Advice was being sought on this matter. Whats App had been determined to be a good platform for sending pictures and a Whats App group had been set up for the LYN management group.</p> <p>The applications for Youth Grant Funding detailed in the agenda were considered. The LYN had recommended all the applications. It was;</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To award Amesbury Juniors Football Club, £1,192.00 towards their training facility and coaching. • To award Shrewton Youth Club £3,396.00 to help support their youth club for 2019. • To award The Bridge Youth Project, £1,200.00 towards their mentoring scheme.
40	<p><u>Communities Together</u></p> <p>Cllr Graeme Wright gave an update on Communities Together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dentists It was stated that there would be no new NHS dental facility at the new Larkhill Medical Centre. The NHS had stated that they would match demand with resources and ensure that demand was met within a 15 mile radius of communities. • Doctors Amesbury, Larkhill, Shrewton and Durrington had the highest population

	<p>growth in Wiltshire and Army Rebasing would be on top of existing growth. The GP practices in Durrington were too small, leading to the closure of the Shrewton practice in 2019 and the Durrington practice in 2020. There would however be a new NHS Dr's at Larkhill opening in 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stonehenge event on 12 December 2018 from 6.00pm – 8.00pm. ○ Easter Egg Hunt from Larkhill to Stonehenge. ○ Rotary Group helping with Dementia action Alliance ○ Working with the Health and Wellbeing Group ○ £14,000 had been pledged from the Armed Forces Covenant Fund for a community hub café for Shrewton, Larkhill and Durrington.
41	<p><u>Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>The Chairman gave a brief update on the Community Area Transport Group. The minutes and recommendations of the CATG were included in the agenda pack.</p> <p>It was;</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>To approve the recommendations of the CATG.</p>
42	<p><u>Health & Wellbeing Group</u></p> <p>Cllr Graham Wright gave an update on the Health and Wellbeing Group. There had been a recent successful meeting, one of the aims of the HWBG was to create healthy towns and to tackle key issues such as loneliness. The Area Board in January 2019 was to focus on Health and Wellbeing issues.</p>
43	<p><u>CEM Update</u></p> <p>An update was received from Dave Roberts, Community Engagement Manager.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World War One Commemorative Tree Planting Across Wiltshire almost 11,000 trees had been planted by community groups to commemorate the centenary of WWI, including several in the Amesbury Area. • Armed Forces Day 2019 Salisbury had been selected to hold the prestigious national event in June 2019. Events would be held across the last weekend in June and over 250,000 people would be expected to attend. Further details would be released in the new year and it was hoped that as many community groups as possible would take part.

44	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>Cllr Fred Westmoreland, introduced the applications to the Community Area Grant Scheme.</p> <p>Representatives of Amesbury Baptist Church, Strange Old Things – The Mobile Museum, Boscombe and District Social Club and the Amesbury History Centre spoke in support of their grant applications.</p> <p>It was;</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To award Amesbury Baptist Church £1,500.00 towards refurbishing their kitchen. • To award Strange Old Things – The Mobile Museum, £1,000.00 towards their “Our Home Too” project. • To award Boscombe and District Social Club, £880.00 towards a new cooker for community lunches. • To award Amebusry History Centre, £5,000.00 towards display cabinets to house their new Bronze Age artefacts.
45	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>
46	<p><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 Thursday 17 January 2019 at the Stonehenge Visitor Centre, Nr Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7DE.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p>



Frequently Asked Questions: Policing Precept Consultation 2019

What is the precept?

The policing precept is a contribution from local residents towards local policing. This is collected with your council tax payment and goes directly to the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to allocate to the police force.

What are you consulting us on?

I want to know whether you would be willing to pay an extra sum per month to enable us to improve policing services in Wiltshire and recruit more police officers.

At the moment this is what you pay:

Council tax bands	Monthly	Annually
Band A	£10.13	£121.51
Band B	£11.81	£141.77
Band C	£13.50	£162.02
Band D	£15.19	£182.27
Band E	£18.56	£222.77
Band F	£21.94	£263.28
Band G	£25.31	£303.78
Band H	£30.38	£364.54

The proposed increase is outlined here:

Council tax bands	Monthly	Annually
Band A	£1.33	£16
Band B	£1.55	£18.66
Band C	£1.78	£21.33
Band D	£2	£24
Band E	£2.45	£29.34
Band F	£2.89	£34.67
Band G	£3.33	£40
Band H	£4	£48

How is this money spent?

This money is spent on policing in Wiltshire, 98% of the PCC's budget is allocated to the Chief Constable and the remaining 2% is spent by the PCC's office on commissioning services which includes supporting victims of crime, crime prevention and restorative justice.

But don't you receive funding from the Government?

Around two thirds of Wiltshire Police funding comes from the Government, the rest is collected locally with your council tax.

Why are you asking us for more money?

I've listened when the public have said they want to see more police, and I want to enhance community policing, prevent crime from happening in the first place and enable Wiltshire to tackle cyber-crime effectively.

It's always a difficult decision to increase the precept, but it is necessary if we want more police officers. I continue to lobby the Government to provide fairer funding for Wiltshire Police, just because we live in a rural county it doesn't mean that we aren't seeing the same threats and demand as more urban forces.

What will change if I agree?

If residents and businesses back my proposal additional funding will be allocated to:

- Recruiting 41 extra police officers and two dedicated cyber-crime staff, with a particular emphasis on response and community policing.
- Two cyber teams (CIET and DIIU) tackling child sexual exploitation and online fraud
- Targeting those at risk of committing crime with diversionary tactics

Where can I have my say?

To give your feedback please visit <https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk> and click on the link on the homepage, you can also contact the PCC's office directly by emailing pcc@wiltshire.pcc.pnn.gov.uk or calling 01380 734 022.

PRESS RELEASE

12 November 2018

Transforming maternity services together

A proposal to transform maternity services across Bath and North East Somerset (BANES), Swindon and Wiltshire has been shared with the general public for their consideration today, Monday 12 November.

The proposal has been developed after listening to the views of women, families and staff over the last two years by all the NHS organisations that plan and buy health services as well as those that provide or manage maternity services across Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire. Together these organisations make up the Local Maternity System.

Lucy Baker, Acting Director for Maternity Services at Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Lead Director for the project said:

“Our proposal is the result of feedback gained from listening to over 2,000 women and families, staff, midwives, obstetricians and others with an interest in maternity services to look at ways we can improve the services we provide to mothers and families across the region. To do that, we need to make some changes to how we currently do things”.

She added:

“Our proposal would allow us to provide more choice for more women across our area about where and how they are supported before, during and after the birth of their baby, and allows us to make more efficient use of our resources and workforce so we can further improve our antenatal and post-natal and birthing services. We also want to ensure we are delivering the services that can meet the changing needs of our local women and families both now and in the future.

“Despite the financial pressures facing the NHS locally and nationally, we are not planning to reduce how much we spend on maternity services, nor are we proposing to reduce the amount of staff we have or to close any buildings.”

The proposal addresses the issues posed by changes to the population. The average age of a woman giving birth in the UK is now 35. More and more women are experiencing high risk pregnancies (for example, because of high blood pressure, obesity or diabetes) which means they need to be supported in a hospital setting with an expert medical team available. The combination of these factors means there is vastly increased pressure on services at the Obstetric Units at the Royal United Hospital in Bath, Great Western Hospital in Swindon and Salisbury District Hospital.

In addition, many women with a low risk pregnancy are choosing to have their babies in an Obstetric Unit because they are worried about having to move by ambulance to another site during or after their labour if they need the help of a doctor. Women need a safe, convenient alternative so staff at the three obstetric units at Bath, Salisbury and Swindon hospitals can focus on mothers who really need their care.

Sarah Merritt, Head of Nursing and Midwifery at Royal United Hospital, Bath, said:

“Some of the changes we are proposing are because, particularly at the RUH, certain services are underused and we are often staffing empty buildings and beds. 85% of women give birth in one of the three Obstetric Units with fewer than 6% giving birth across our four Freestanding Midwifery Units in Chippenham, Trowbridge, Paulton and Frome.

“We believe we have the right number and mix of staff but they’re not based in the right locations to ensure efficient use of our resources and provide women with the services they need.

“In our Freestanding Midwifery Units - particularly at night - staff are covering areas even when there are no or very few births. On average only one baby is delivered every two or three days in each of these units but they need to be staffed to support births 24 hours a day seven days a week.”

The plans have been developed to ensure services are efficient and sustainable to support future population growth, changes in housing policy, and the repatriation of military personnel to South Wiltshire from April 2019.

The proposal offers the following:

- **To continue to support births in two, rather than four, of our Freestanding Midwifery Units across Bath and North East Somerset, Wiltshire and Swindon. Women will still be able to have their baby in Chippenham and Frome Freestanding Midwifery Units**, and antenatal and postnatal clinics will continue to be provided in all four – at Chippenham, Frome, Paulton and Trowbridge as well as all other current locations e.g. GP practices.

A detailed travel impact analysis was undertaken to inform our proposal to continue supporting births in two of the Freestanding Midwifery Units.

- **To create two new Alongside midwifery Units**, one at Salisbury District Hospital and one at the Royal United Hospital, which will provide more women with the opportunity to have a midwife-led birth. These two units will be in addition to the White Horse Birth Centre that already exists at the Great Western Hospital in Swindon.
- **To improve the range of antenatal and postnatal services**, for example by providing more breastfeeding support to women in their own homes. We also want to support more women to give birth at home if this is their preferred choice.

- **To replace the nine community postnatal beds (four at Chippenham and five at Paulton Freestanding Midwifery Units)** with support closer to or in women's homes. Women who need to be admitted for medical treatment after giving birth would be treated in their local Obstetric Unit at one of our acute hospitals in Bath, Salisbury and Swindon.
- **95%** of the time post-natal beds in our Freestanding Midwifery Units are empty as women rarely need to stay in a community hospital after giving birth.
- **89 antenatal or post-natal beds** are available at our Obstetric Units for women who need them

Once the public consultation has closed, the responses will be carefully and independently analysed and the results used to help the Governing Bodies of Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Groups make a final decision by Spring 2019.

Lucy Baker said: "Our proposal is just that – a proposal. It addresses what women and staff have told us they think will work, but we want to hear people's views and encourage them to have their say.

"The consultation will run from 12 November 2018 until 24 February 2019, to enable plenty of time for people to give their views.

"We will make the consultation results available to the public and explain how their feedback has helped shape our plans. We are aiming to make our final decision in Spring 2019."

ENDS

Notes for Editors:

- Over the past 18 months, we have worked with over 2000 women and families, our staff and partner organisations from our Local Maternity System to develop our future plans for maternity services. Their feedback, along with national guidance, such as "Better Births", has led to the development of a proposal for the future delivery of maternity services across our region.
- Partner organisations that form the Local Maternity System include Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust and Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Groups. Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group is leading the consultation process on behalf of the Local Maternity System.
- All the consultation information and documents, including ways to get involved and to provide feedback will be available online from Monday 12 November, at: www.transformingmaternity.org.uk

This press release is issued by Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group on behalf of the Local Maternity System. Media interviews will be available by arrangement to be held from Tuesday 13 November.

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Clinical Commissioning Group

Transforming Maternity Services Together

Our proposal for change

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'The right healthcare for you, with you, near you.'



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Background

- We began talking to women and families in 2017 about their experiences of pregnancy, labour and birth across the counties of B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire
- We have now worked with over 2000 women and families, plus our staff and partner organisations
- Their feedback, together with national guidance such as 'Better Births', has led to development of a proposal for future maternity services across the BSW region
- Partner organisations include Great Western Hospital Trust, Salisbury District Hospital, Royal United Hospital Bath, and B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire CCGs

Changing needs of our population

- The average age of a woman giving birth is now 35
- More and more high risk pregnancies (eg high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity) which need medical support in a hospital setting
- Clinical deliveries, such as ventouse and forceps, are not possible at Free-standing Midwifery Units, nor is epidural pain relief
- Increasing pressure on services in our obstetric units at Royal United Hospital and Salisbury District Hospital

Births in 2017/18



65%

Mother or baby at increased risk of health problems



50%

First time mothers who need to transfer from midwife led community hospital unit to obstetric unit in hospital for extra medical support with their birth

Births in 2017/18

- 11,200 births in B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire

85%



Obstetric Unit (of these 65% were high-risk women and 20% were low-risk women)

6%



Freestanding Midwifery Units
(Royal United Hospital)

7%



Alongside Midwifery Unit
(Great Western Hospital)

2%



Home births

Post-natal community hospital beds

- 9 Post natal beds available in the community:



5 in Paulton



4 in Chippenham

- Originally intended to provide breastfeeding support only
- Between January and December 2017, they were empty 95% of the year
- 89 ante and post natal beds available for women who need medical support before and after their baby is born – at Royal United Hospital, Great Western Hospital and at Salisbury District Hospital

Right staff, right place, right time

- We don't always have right staff in the right place at the right time to offer the services women want to receive and we want to provide. This is a particular challenge for Royal United Hospital
- Staff have told us what works well and what needs to change
- We have the right number and mix of staff, but they're not based in the right locations, so we can't provide service we want to and is not efficient use of our staff
- RUH staff currently supporting births across four community midwifery units, the hospital obstetric unit and home births, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

RUH in a 24 hour period – actual staff numbers, clinics, home visits, births



7th March 2018

Maternity
Care

	Midwives	Maternity Care Assistants	On call	Births	Clinics	Home Visits
RUH Bath					n/a	n/a
Bath Community Team			0	0		0
Chippenham Birth Centre						
Trowbridge Birth Centre				0		
Frome Birth Centre			0	0		
Paulton Birth Centre				0		

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RUH in a 24 hour period – actual staff numbers, clinics, home visits, births



7th March 2018

	Maternity Care		On call	Births
	Midwives	Assistants		
RUH Bath				
Bath Community Team	0	0		0
Chippenham Birth Centre				0
Trowbridge Birth Centre				0
Frome Birth Centre			0	
Paulton Birth Centre				0

RUH in a 24 hour period – actual staff numbers, clinics, home visits, births



7th September 2017

	Midwives	Maternity Care Assistants	On call	Births	Clinics	Home Visits
RUH Bath					n/a	n/a
Bath Community Team			0	0		0
Chippenham Birth Centre				0		
Trowbridge Birth Centre				0		
Frome Birth Centre				0		
Paulton Birth Centre						

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RUH in a 24 hour period – actual staff numbers, clinics, home visits, births



7th September 2017

	Midwives	Maternity Care Assistants	On call	Births
RUH Bath				
Bath Community Team	0	0		0
Chippenham Birth Centre				0
Trowbridge Birth Centre		0		
Frome Birth Centre				0
Paulton Birth Centre				0

Issues

- Staff too busy looking after empty beds and buildings or travelling from community hospitals with very low births to extremely busy obstetric units, often at short notice, which they dislike
- Frustrating for staff – effect on morale, retention and skills
- We want to increase opportunity for home births but staff are not able to promote and support due to existing working patterns
- Birth rates expected to increase – an additional 200 births a year
- Due to small number of births in community hospitals, cost of supporting these births is higher than Obstetric unit
- We're not giving women the service they want

Our proposal

1

- Continue supporting births in 2, rather than 4 Community hospital units
- Women will be able to deliver their baby at **Chippenham or Frome**
- Antenatal and postnatal clinics will continue at Chippenham, Trowbridge, Frome and Paulton
- Trowbridge and Paulton proposed as pilot sites for our new community hub model of care
- Detailed analysis to support decision to continue to support births at Chippenham and Frome

Our proposal

2 & 3

- To create **two new Alongside Midwifery Units**, one at **Salisbury District Hospital** and one at **Royal United Hospital Bath**
- Will provide more women with opportunity for midwife-led birth. Two new units will be in addition to the White Horse Alongside Midwifery Unit at Great Western Hospital
- Allows women easy access to obstetric unit if required, without need to be ambulanced whilst in labour

Our proposal

2 & 3

Around 800 babies
are born at our
obstetric units in
Bath, Salisbury and
Swindon every month



Our proposal

4 & 5

- We propose to **improve our range of antenatal and postnatal services**, eg more breastfeeding support, to women in their own homes, and to develop community hubs to enhance our antenatal and postnatal care
- We want to **support more women to give birth at home** if that is their preferred choice



2%

women have their baby at home

Our proposal

6

- We're proposing to **replace our community postnatal beds at Chippenham and Paulton** with support closer to or in women's homes.
- Women who need to be admitted for medical treatment after giving birth would continue to be treated at their local obstetric unit at one of the acute hospitals at Bath, Salisbury or Swindon

Our proposal

6

9



there are 4 postnatal beds at the FMU in Chippenham and 5 at Paulton FMU

95%



of the time beds in our FMUs are unused or empty as women rarely need to stay in community hospital after giving birth

89



beds available at our Obstetric Units at our local acute hospitals for women who need them

Benefits of our proposal

- We can provide **more choice** for more women across our area about where and how they are supported **before, during and after the birth of their child**
- We can make **better use of our resources and workforce** so we can further improve our antenatal and postnatal and birth services
- We can **improve continuity of care and carer** for women
- We can **enhance and improve our home birth service**
- **Free up our staff**, so they are able to **maintain their skills, improve their motivation** and provide the services they want to women who need them

Royal United Hospital	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Antenatal or Postnatal beds (40 beds)	No change
Day Assessment (2 beds)	No change
Neonatal unit	No change
Obstetric Unit (9 beds)	No change

Alongside Midwifery Unit

Chippenham Freestanding Midwifery Unit	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Birth beds (3 beds)	No change
Community postnatal beds (4 beds)	0 beds
Postnatal clinics	No change
Supports home births	No change

Great Western Hospital Swindon	
Current	Proposed
Alongside Midwifery Unit (4 beds)	No change
Antenatal clinics	No change
Antenatal or Postnatal beds (30 beds)	No change
Day Assessment beds	No change
Neonatal unit	No change
Obstetric Unit (12 beds)	No change
Supports home births	No change

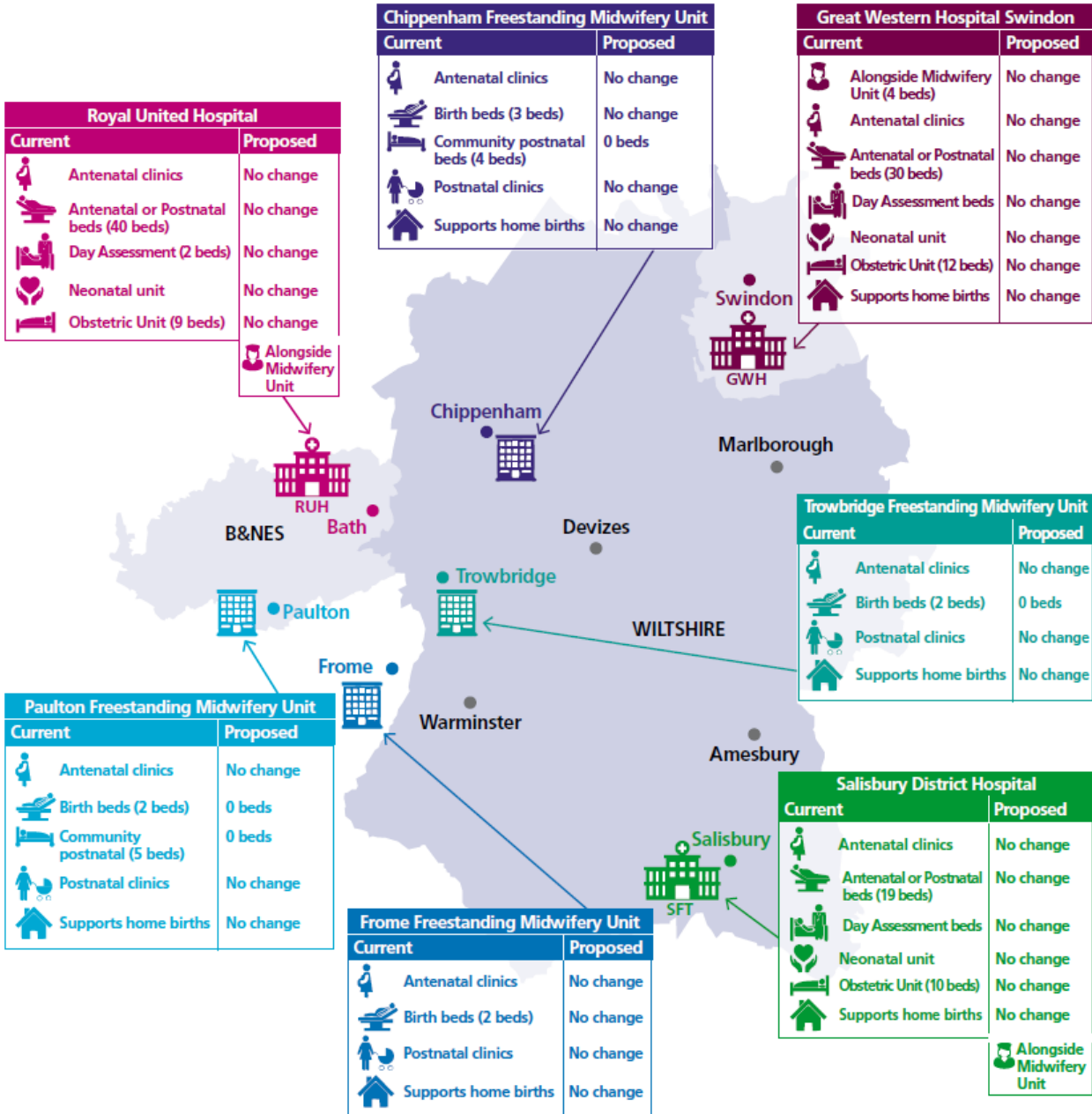
Paulton Freestanding Midwifery Unit	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Birth beds (2 beds)	0 beds
Community postnatal (5 beds)	0 beds
Postnatal clinics	No change
Supports home births	No change

Frome Freestanding Midwifery Unit	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Birth beds (2 beds)	No change
Postnatal clinics	No change
Supports home births	No change

Trowbridge Freestanding Midwifery Unit	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Birth beds (2 beds)	0 beds
Postnatal clinics	No change
Supports home births	No change

Salisbury District Hospital	
Current	Proposed
Antenatal clinics	No change
Antenatal or Postnatal beds (19 beds)	No change
Day Assessment beds	No change
Neonatal unit	No change
Obstetric Unit (10 beds)	No change
Supports home births	No change

Alongside Midwifery Unit



Future finances

- We are **NOT** planning to **reduce how much we spend** on maternity services
- We are **NOT** **reducing the numbers of staff** we have
- We are **NOT** **closing any buildings**
- We want to make more efficient use of our existing budget, resources and our staff to provide more services, not less for women and families across our area.
- Some of the changes we are proposing are because certain services are underused and we are often staffing empty buildings and empty bed

Future finances

£42.6m spent on
maternity services
across B&NES, Swindon
and Wiltshire in 2017/18

11,000 women
supported to give birth
locally in 2017/18



If we don't change ...

- There will continue to be a difference in choice, quality and access from across B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire
- Miss out on: meeting recommendations and best practice set out in national guidance, improved continuity of care and carer, improved birth place environment, improved support for breastfeeding
- The current model will continue to cost us £1million more a year

We won't be providing the changes that women and families and our staff have told us they want us to make

We want to hear your views



- Consultation runs from 12 November to 24 February 2019
- Information on our website:
www.transformingmaternity.org.uk

including dates of public meetings

- Consultation documents, key facts documents, response forms

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Polling District and Polling Place Review
Web contact:	committee@wiltshire.gov.uk

The Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 requires Wiltshire Council to undertake regular reviews of both polling districts and polling places within its area. **The Polling District and Polling Place Review is distinct from the Electoral Review of Wiltshire Council which will determine a pattern of electoral divisions.**

A polling district is a geographical sub-division of an electoral area, (an electoral area being a UK Parliamentary constituency, a European Parliamentary electoral region, a parish, parish ward or an electoral division).

A polling place is the building or area in which polling stations will be selected by the Returning Officer. A polling place within a polling district must be designated so that polling stations are within easy reach of all electors from across the polling district.

The purpose of such a review is ensure that all electors have reasonably practicable facilities for voting and that polling places are reasonably accessible to electors who are disabled.

A programme of work has been scheduled to gather, analyse and consult upon relevant information and recommendations for revised polling districts. Further information is available [here](#).

Representations from councillors, residents and parish councils should be submitted to committee@wiltshire.gov.uk before the end of February 2019.

January 2019

The right healthcare, for you, with you, near you

NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is responsible for commissioning a broad range of healthcare for the population of Wiltshire. We are led by experienced local GPs drawn from across the county, who provide clear clinical leadership to the big decisions affecting the future of healthcare provision in Wiltshire, carefully tailored to meet the differing needs of people locally.

Our vision is to ensure the provision of a health service which is high quality, effective, clinically-led and local. We are committed to delivering healthcare that meets the needs of Wiltshire people, to consult and engage with our population to enable them to be involved in decisions made about health services and to deliver those services to people in their own homes or as close to home as possible.

News

New non-emergency patient transport service across BaNES, Swindon, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire

From 1 June 2019, the non-emergency patient transport service in Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire will be provided by E-zec Medical Transport Services – a family run company focused on delivering high quality, safe, effective transportation for patients to and from a healthcare setting.

Andy Wickenden, Commercial Director, E-zec Medical Transport Services said: “We are proud to have been selected as the preferred provider for non-emergency patient transport services across BaNES, Swindon, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire. We are working closely together with the Clinical Commissioning Groups as we begin our preparations for a seamless handover and countdown to our service starting on 1 June 2019.”

Mark Harris, Chief Operating Officer, Wiltshire CCG said: “We are delighted to be working with E-zec to deliver a non-emergency patient transport service for patients across BaNES, Swindon, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire. Ensuring patients have a great experience when using the service is our priority, and we have carefully designed the contract with E-zec to provide this.”

E-zec delivers services across the UK and currently provides non-emergency patient transport services across Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire.

New Lay Member on our Governing Body

Julian Kirby was recently appointed as the third Lay Member on our Governing Body, effective from 1 December 2018. Julian is the Chief Executive of Age UK Wiltshire, a position he took up following a 30 year career in the Police – 25 years in Wiltshire and five years as Assistant Chief Constable in South Wales. Over his career in Policing and in the voluntary and community sector, Julian has

worked alongside health professionals and partners in Wiltshire to tackle the different challenges facing communities and will bring this valuable experience to the Governing Body.

Transforming maternity services together

Consultation on a proposal to transform maternity services across Bath and North East Somerset (BANES), Swindon and Wiltshire is well underway with activity to publicise the consultation and engage with the public across Wiltshire and the wider region.

As of 7 January 2019 we have received just over 900 formal responses to the proposal document.

We attended a number of Area Board and Town Council meetings in November and December with a presentation on the proposed changes, and will continue to attend meetings in January and February.

We have public meetings organised for people to talk to the clinicians and professionals about the proposed changes in:

- Chippenham Town Hall, Wednesday 9 January 2019 12.00 – 2.00pm
- Melksham Town Hall, Monday 14 January 2019 11.00am – 1.00pm
- Paxcroft Mead Community Centre, Trowbridge, Tuesday 15 January 2019 11.30am – 1.30pm
- Corn Exchange Devizes, Monday 21 January 2019 11.00am – 1.00pm.

And we will continue to be available at market days around the county, providing information and answering questions on the proposals.

The consultation document, link to the online survey and further information on engagement opportunities is available on the Transforming Maternity Services Together website www.transformingmaternity.org.uk.



The banner features the NHS logo in the top right corner. The main text 'Transforming Maternity Services Together' is centered in a large, white, sans-serif font against a blue background. Below the text is a grid of 12 small images: a yellow square, a pregnant woman, a purple square, a nurse, a purple square, a woman holding a baby, a pregnant woman, a red square, a woman holding a baby, a pink square, a woman at a computer, and a teal square.

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Local Maternity System
www.transformingmaternity.org.uk

Governing Body meeting

Our next Governing Body meeting is on 22 January 2019 at 10.00am at Southgate House, Pans Lane, Devizes SN10 5EQ. You can read the papers from previous meetings on our website www.wiltshireccg.nhs.uk/governance/governing-body-meetings-in-public

News archive

Read more news from Wiltshire CCG in our [news archive](http://www.wiltshireccg.nhs.uk/news/news-archive) – www.wiltshireccg.nhs.uk/news/news-archive

Campaigns

Help the NHS help you this winter by taking simple steps

We are urging people to do their bit to help the NHS cope with an increase in demand for services this winter.

As the season gets underway, health and care leaders from across the region are asking people to do as much as they can to stay healthy to avoid any unnecessary hospital stays at such a busy time.

We can all help ourselves by following some simple advice:

- If you're eligible, get your flu vaccination from your general practice or pharmacy to protect yourself against catching flu this winter. There's still time.
- If you start to feel unwell, even just from a cough or cold, don't wait until it gets more serious – get help from your pharmacist straight away. The sooner you get advice the better – pharmacists are here to help you stay well this winter.
- If you do need help over the holiday period when your GP surgery or pharmacy is closed, call NHS 111 to get the right medical attention urgently or visit www.nhs.uk which can direct you to a local service that is open
- Finally, older neighbours, relatives, friends and other elderly members of the community are more vulnerable in the winter months and may need a bit of extra help. You can help them by keeping in touch, checking if they are feeling under the weather, helping them stock up on food supplies and making sure they have the necessary medication before the Christmas holidays start.



**HELP US
HELP YOU**



STAY WELL THIS WINTER

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www.wiltshireccg.nhs.uk/campaigns

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NHS Wiltshire CCG



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Area Board Update January 2019

Tell us what you think of health and care services

Healthwatch Wiltshire is your local, independent watchdog for health and care in the county.

Our purpose is to understand the needs, experiences and concerns of people who use health and social care services in Wiltshire and to speak out on their behalf.

Have your say

Tell us about your experience of health and social care services in Wiltshire. The more people who share their ideas, experiences and concerns about NHS and social care, the more services can understand what works, what doesn't and what people want from care in the future. If it matters to you, it's likely it matters to someone else too. Call us on 01225 434218 or email info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk. We'll also be at a variety of events across Wiltshire this year, so please come and say hello!



Free signposting service

If you have a concern or complaint about an NHS or social care service in Wiltshire, you can get free and confidential advice from our Information and Signposting service using the same contact details, on 01225 434218 or info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk.



Find out more

You can find out more about us and what we do at www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk – and keep up to date with our latest news on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.

We're looking forward to a busy 2019!



Community participation in National Armed Forces Day 2019 events

Aim:

The project's aim is to enable communities from around Wiltshire to engage with and participate in the activities around the National Armed Forces Day event in Salisbury in June 2019 and request funding from Amesbury Area Board

Executive Summary:

The Community Engagement Manager, along with the Library Heritage and Arts Team, will work to deliver three projects that will require community involvement and provide a lasting legacy following the events.

- Social media photograph campaign as part of the event launch
- Community art tapestry project to be displayed at the event in June
- Human poppy world record attempt at the event in June

Funding will be requested from area boards to support each of the three projects as outlined below in this report.

Benefits:

This project directly addresses both Wiltshire Council's and the local priorities including:

- Combatting loneliness and isolation
- Improve our mental health
- Provide more activities for older people
- Provide positive activities for young people
- Improving affordable access to arts and cultural activities
- Increasing volunteering and providing skills
- Creating a lasting legacy for National Armed Forces Day 2019

Proposal:

- ***Social media photograph campaign as part of the launch of the National Armed Forces Day 2019***

Community members will be encouraged to take pictures that show what the armed forces mean to them within Wiltshire, and to post them on social media sites such as Twitter, Instagram and Facebook using the hashtags #Salisbury NAFD and #Amesbury

Each community engagement manager will capture 5-10 images in their community area including a NAFD official flag.

As well as promoting the event, the images will be used to create a collage for display at the events in June. The collage design will be something that represents the armed forces and the communities support for them.

- **Community art tapestry project to be displayed at National Armed Forces Day 2019**

Wiltshire Council will commission an artistic lead to work with community groups in each of the 18 community areas, identified by Community Engagement Managers, to create a tapestry, which will be combined together to form one larger piece to be displayed at the event in June. This will create a lasting legacy for the event which can be displayed around the county at Libraries, Campuses and Hub and future events.

- **Human poppy world record attempt**

Community members will be encouraged to come to Salisbury on the Sunday of the weekend of events to participate in a “human poppy”. This will be created by providing participants with a coloured poncho and arranging them into the shape of a poppy (see image below).

The aim of this will be to break the World Record for the largest ever human poppy which is currently 2,567 people. We aim to get between 3,500 and 4,000 people to take part. This could involve providing transport from around the county by putting on coaches from each community area to ensure the event is inclusive and anyone can take part.

In order to officially break the world record there is a significant amount of impartial monitoring required by Guinness. There will be costs involved in this and other parts of the attempt which are outlined below.



Funding:

Funding is requested from Amesbury Area Board for aspects of the project as outlined in the table below.

Item	Amount
1/18 th of the cost of commissioning artistic lead for the community art project and tapestry	£200.00
1/18 th of the cost of 4,000 ponchos of various colours	£300.00

Cost of 2 x 52 seater coach from Amesbury community area on Sunday 30 June 2019	£600.00
1/18 th of the cost of equipment, resources and security to support participants of human poppy	£500
Total	£1,600

Broad Time scales:

The project will run from now until the weekend of Events around National Armed Forces Day on Saturday 29 June 2019. Below are broad timescales to complete the project

Task Name	Start Date	End Date
Agree funding from Community Area Boards	November 2018	February 2019
Social media photograph campaign		
Community photos taken and posted on SM	February 2019	March 2019
Collage created	April 2019	May 2019
Community Art project		
Commission artistic lead to work with Community Areas to create tapestry	December 2018	February 2019
Artistic lead work with communities to create tapestry	February 2018	May 2019
Human Poppy		
Promotion of event by CEMs/Communications team at Wiltshire Council	November 2018	June 2019
Logistics confirmed and booked – transport, ponchos, security arrangements etc	November 2018	May 2019

Recommendation:

That Amesbury Area Board

- I. Notes the report and supports the Community Participation in National Armed Forces Day 2019 events project as outlined above
- II. Supports the proposal and awards £1,600 towards the costs of the local element of the project.



Report to	Amesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	17/01/2019
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	
Applicant: Village Hall Committee (Stephen's Charity) Project Title: New feature window Cholderton Village Hall View full application	Amount requested £4329.20 Total cost of project £8,658.41
Applicant: Woodford Parish Council Project Title: Replacing dangerous play equipment View full application	Amount requested £1768.80 Total cost of project £3,537.60
Applicant: 1st Amesbury (St Mary & St Melor) Scout Group Project Title: 1st Amesbury Scouts - New Floor and Lighting for Scout Hut View full application	Amount requested £4,788.54 Total cost of project £9,577.08

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2018 /2019 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public-Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3073	Village Hall Committee (Stephen's Charity)	New feature window Cholderton Village hall	£4,329.20
<p>Project Description: Within the conservation area this very old village hall has continued to undergo refurbishment and upgrading over several years. The main hall windows kitchen annex have all recently been double glazed leaving one very large window in the main hall consisting of 16 panes of glass specialised area of work to replace and only one company was prepared to undertake the task and four windows in the porch. This will complete double glazing of the entire village hall. The local community will benefit. It will also benefit anyone wishing to hire the hall and encourage others to do so since it will be overall warmer and more welcoming Heating costs should be reduced and hopefully more use being made of the village hall both for village events and for hiring since it will be overall much improved.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the grant criteria. This hall is well used by the local community and will benefit from the improvements described above.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3119	Woodford Parish Council	Replacing dangerous play equipment	£1,768.80
<p>Project Description: Replacement of dangerous and elderly equipment in the play area at Middle Woodford. 50% of the funding will come from the Parish Precept. The remainder of the Precept is ear-marked for the Clerks annual salary payment to the PCC for upkeep of the churchyard. In addition, it is proposed to purchase a SID for Middle Woodford in this financial year. Young children from the Woodford Valley residents in both Woodford Durnford Parish Councils. In addition, pupils from the adjacent Woodford Academy regularly use the play area after school. They will all benefit from new and safer equipment exercise fresh air and interaction with other children. Parents will also benefit from socialising whilst waiting for their children.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: Woodford PC is making lots of effort to try to cater for all ages within the parish and these improvements will go some way to catering for the younger age range. Parents have expressed their concerns of the old equipment and have indicated that new equipment will be well used.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

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3037	1st Amesbury (St Mary & St Melor) Scout Group	1st Amesbury Scouts - New Floor and Lighting for Scout Hut	£4,788.54
<p>Project Description: Our Hall was constructed in the early 1990s. It presently supports over 50 Beavers Cubs and Scouts plus leaders. The present floor within the main hall and lobby dates from when the building was constructed. It is a floating floor with a linoleum surface. It is well worn and cracked in places. We have received quotes and have selected one that offers good value for money. Additionally our fire extinguishers need replacing and we have been given an opportunity for replacement and servicing at regular intervals. The George Kingshott Hall was opened in 1993 and minimal maintenance has taken place since. It is home to the boys and girls of our Beaver Cub and Scout Sections who all benefit from the life experiences offered by Scouting. We can afford £4,600 and seek your help with the remainder. We have raised £4,600.00 so far but this has taken the Group a couple of years and to get to the full amount may take a few more. A successful application will allow us to continue to offer Scouting in our local community in a freshly refurbished safe and compliant environment.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: Uniformed groups very rarely make any demands on the area board. This group is well attended by many young people in the area and has been in operation for a long time. Funding from the area board at this time will enable this group to offer a service for many years to come.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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