

AGENDA

Meeting: Devizes Area Board
Place: Devizes Hub and Library, Sheep Street, Devizes
Date: Monday 16 March 2020
Time: 6.30 pm

Including the Parishes of: All Cannings, Bishops Cannings, Bromham, Cheverell Magna, Cheverell Parva, Devizes, Easterton, Erlestoke, Etchilhampton, Market Lavington, Marston, Potterne, Roundway, Rowde, Stert, Urchfont, West Lavington and Worton.

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Cllr Anna Cuthbert, Bromham, Rowde and Potterne
Cllr Peter Evans, Devizes East
Cllr Sue Evans, Devizes North
Cllr Richard Gamble, The Lavingtons and Erlestoke (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Simon Jacobs, Devizes and Roundway South (Chairman)
Cllr Laura Mayes, Roundway
Cllr Philip Whitehead, Urchfont and the Cannings

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	Time
<p>1 Welcome</p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p>	6.30pm
<p>2 Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
<p>3 Minutes (<i>Pages 1 - 16</i>)</p> <p>To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2020.</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 17 - 30</i>)</p> <p>To receive the following announcements through the Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Programme The Families and Children's Transformation Programme is a joint programme with the local authority, clinical commissioning group and police; the services they commission, voluntary sector agencies, families, children and carers. The outcomes of the 6 workstreams are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Safety for Young People ○ A Good Education for All ○ Best Start in Life ○ Integrated Multi Professional Early Support ○ Whole Life Pathway ○ Core Skills and Single Approach <p>More information on the Families and Children's Transformation programme can be found on our website http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/children-young-people-fact.</p> • Manage your Council Tax Online Residents in Wiltshire are being encouraged to sign up to a digital service that allows them to manage council tax simply, quickly and securely at any time of day, all year round. To find out more about the service, and to sign up, people should go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/benefits-council-tax. • Changes to Kerbside Recycling A reminder that the way Wiltshire Council collects kerbside 	

recycling is changing. Letters advising of any collection day changes should have arrived. Go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling for details.

- **A “Better Deal for Bus Users” – Consultation and Information**

The government has recognised the important role that buses play and has announced a £220m competitive funding pot available for local authorities to bid against. The agenda report, or this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-better-deal-for-bus-users/a-better-deal-for-bus-users> provides the detail behind its “better deal for bus users” approach. Please email suggestions for service improvements direct to Wiltshire Council’s Passenger Transport Unit at buses@wiltshire.gov.uk by Friday 27th March 2020.

- **Coronavirus advice and information**

Go to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public> for the latest advice and information.

- **Community Governance Review Consultation**

A reminder that the parish of Cheverell Parva has requested to change its name to Little Cheverell. A survey is available on the community governance review page of the website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council-democracy-cgr> if anyone would like to comment on the proposal.

6 **Partner Updates** (*Pages 31 - 44*)

6.40pm

To receive updates from the following partners:

- Wiltshire Police
- Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Schools Update
- Health Services
- Town and Parish Councils

7 **The Climate Emergency and Environmental Sustainability**

7.00pm

- **To hear from the following local groups on the Climate Emergency/actions they are taking to be more environmentally sustainable:**

- Devizes Green Pledge - Graham Martin
- Devizes Outdoor Celebratory Arts (DOCA) - Loz Samuels
- Sustainable High Street - Justina Pettifer
- Trees for Devizes - Felicity Cole
- Devizes in Bloom & Clean Up Devizes Squad (CUDS) - Zena Robson

- Devizes School Climate Network - Joe Brindle
- Sustainable Devizes - John Schofield

- **Questions and debate**

7.35pm

If you would like to submit a question to any of the local groups taking part in this discussion, or to Wiltshire Council, you can use our new Slido Poll. Please go to <https://www.sli.do/> and enter the code **#N272**. You will be asked to enter the question you want to ask. If this question is especially aimed at one of the groups speaking on the night, please start your question with the name of that group. Questions collected this way will be asked at the meeting, as well as those from the audience on the night. If we are unable to ask your question during the meeting, we will collect them all up to be answered later.

- **Wiltshire Council Response**

8.00pm

8 **Community Area Transport Group (CATG)** *(Pages 45 - 60)*

8.10pm

To receive the update and consider any recommendations arising from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

The minutes of the CATG meeting on 4 February 2020 are attached for information.

9 **Air Quality** *(Pages 61 - 64)*

8.15pm

To receive any updates from the Devizes Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group.

10 **Community Engagement Manager Update**

8.20pm

To receive any updates from Andrew Jack, Community Engagement Manager.

11 **Local Youth Network** *(Pages 65 - 68)*

8.25pm

To consider the following applications for youth grant funding:

- Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days, £500.00, towards Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days 2020.

12 **Health and Wellbeing Group** *(Pages 69 - 72)*

8.30pm

To receive an update on the Devizes Health and Wellbeing Group and consider any applications for Health and Wellbeing funding.

- **Devizes Rotary**, £1,901.66, Devizes Community Area Be Active Day, 2020.

- **Sustainable Devizes**, £592.00, towards the Devizes Area Repair Café
- **Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living (CIL)**, £1000.00 towards connecting people in Devizes.

13 **Area Board Funding** (*Pages 73 - 76*)

8.35pm

To consider the following applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:

- **Devizes Eisteddfod**, £962.93, towards Lavington School Stage Drapes
- **Devizes and District Foodbank**, £879.97, towards ICT equipment and software.

To note the following applications already awarded under the delegated authority of the Community Engagement Manager.

- **Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race**, £790.90, Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race Awareness-raising material.
- **Devizes Open Doors**, £1,171.49, ICT equipment upgrade.

14 **Open Floor**

8.45pm

Residents are invited to ask questions of their local councillors.

15 **Urgent items**

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

16 **Close**

8.50pm

The next ordinary meeting of the Area Board will be held on 11 May 2020 and will consist of a short area board meeting at 6.00pm to consider grants and statutory items, followed by the Devizes Our Community Matters – Joint Strategic Needs Assessment at 7pm at St James Centre, Estcourt Crescent, Devizes, SN10 1LR.

Devizes Area Board

MINUTES OF THE DEVIZES AREA BOARD MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2020 AT DEVIZES HUB AND LIBRARY, SHEEP STREET, DEVIZES.

Present:

Cllr Anna Cuthbert, Cllr Peter Evans, Cllr Sue Evans, Cllr Richard Gamble (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Simon Jacobs (Chairman) and Cllr Philip Whitehead

1 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting and advised that the meeting was being recorded by Devizes Outdoor Celebratory Arts (DOCA). At the Chairman's introduction the councillors present introduced themselves.

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from:

- Cllr Laura Mayes
- Georgina Keily-Theobald, Headteacher, Downland School

3 Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were presented for consideration and it was;

Resolved:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Richard Gamble declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 15, the HWBG grant application from the Wiltshire Museum, he declared he would consider the application with an open mind and would still vote on the item.

Cllr Richard Gamble also declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 17, the grant application from Devizes Assize Court Trust. He declared he would consider the application with an open mind and would still vote on the item.

Cllr Peter Evans declared an interest in agenda item 15, the HWBG grant application from the Wiltshire Museum. Cllr Peter Evans stated that he would not take part in the debate or vote on the item.

Cllr Peter Evans and Cllr Sue Evans declared an interest in agenda item 17, the grant application from Devizes Town Council as they are both members of Devizes Town Council. They stated that they would not take part in the debate or vote on the item.

5 **Grant Feedback - SW Ambulance Charity**

The Chairman explained that this item would be postponed until a future area board meeting, as the lifting chair, although ordered, had not yet arrived.

6 **Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman made the following announcements:

- **Wiltshire Family and Community Learning**
Wiltshire Family and Community Learning included a range of community-based and outreach learning opportunities. Courses were funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.
Learners must be 19+, have been resident in UK/EU for three or more years, have less than five GCSEs grades A-C and/or be a service family and/or in receipt of benefits.
Call on 01225 770478 to find out more about the service. Or email: familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk.
- **Flood Resilience in Your Local Area**
Communities might be interested in holding a workshop to enable any towns and parishes within the area the opportunity to sit down and work through drafting up a flood plan for their community along with a colleague from the Environment Agency.
Communities could find out if they were at risk of flooding here: <https://www.gov.uk/check-flood-risk>.
For more information please contact Renate Malton, Flood Resilience Officer on renate.malton@wiltshire.gov.uk.
- **CATG and Air Quality & Transport Strategy**
There were no updates from CATG and the Air Quality and Transport Strategy group as there had not been any meetings since the last Area Board.
A member of the audience commented that the Air Quality and Transport Strategy (AQTS) group, which was set up in 2012, had not made much progress, particularly on public transport. They requested much more commitment on this and wanted the group and Wiltshire Council to focus their minds due to the climate emergency. The comment received a round of applause from the audience.
Another member of the audience commented that they were pleased with the extension of the tow path. However, it ended at Windsor Drive,

so did not really go anywhere and was therefore pointless. It was suggested that the towpath should be extended under the bridge and then on into the local estate.

Cllr Richard Gamble, as Chairman of CATG and AQTS, thanked the audience members for their thoughts and stated that he wholeheartedly agreed. Cllr Gamble also mentioned the Devizes Parkway Station project, a long-term project to bring back a railway station to Devizes, which was being worked on and would progress public transport.

An audience member stated that this was good, however decisions made around public transport needed to be evidence based. Investing in buses may be more useful as some studies showed that for every 1 train user there were 7 bus users.

- **Wiltshire Council – Focus on the Future**

Wiltshire Council were holding a series of Focus on the Future meetings, where local residents could join the council's senior leaders to discuss the services that the council provides and its plans for future years. The Devizes event was to take place on Thursday 16 January 2020, 5.30pm at the Devizes Hub and Library. All were welcome to attend.

- **Devizes Eisteddfod**

Cllr Richard Gamble made this announcement as the Chairman was also Chairman of Devizes Eisteddfod. This was an annual five-day competitive festival of music, drama, speech, dance, writing, art and photography for people of all ages, who may enter individually or through a school or group. In November a number of very successful events were held around Devizes, with over 1000 children taking part. Cllr Gamble congratulated all participants and particularly Eliza Munday for winning 2019 Young Musician of the Year with her beautiful performance of The Lark Ascending.

- **Parish Name Change Proposal**

An additional announcement not included in the agenda was that the parish of Cheverell Parva has requested to change its name to Little Cheverell. A survey was available on the community governance review page of the website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council-democracy-cgr> if anyone wanted to comment on the proposal.

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Partner Updates

- **Wiltshire Police**

Chris Martin the Inspector for Devizes was in attendance, he explained that he was now back at work after being absent for a while.

Inspector Martin directed the meeting to the report in the agenda and highlighted the following points.

With regards to the severe fire in Waiblingen Way, 1 man had been arrested, enquiries were ongoing with over 20 police staff working on the investigation.

There had been a robbery at a local petrol station before Christmas for which two suspects had been arrested and were on bail. It was hoped that the Crown Prosecution Service would charge the suspects.

Operation Spruce was conducted over the holiday period to target crimes that traditionally increase over the festive period, for example, shoplifting. The operation included increased retail patrols and road side stop checks. There were 11 arrests for drink and drug driving offences.

There was also a rave recently on Salisbury Plain, 2 vehicles were seized and there were some arrests for drug offences.

In response to questions it was stated that although the Inspector did not have figures to hand it seemed like drink and drug driving offences were increasing. This may partly be due to the availability of technology where the police could use wipes to test people at the roadside for certain drugs. It was stated that an advertising campaign regarding drug driving and police use of drug wipes would be good, however this was something that would have to be implemented at a national level.

- **Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner**

A video was shown to the meeting regarding the OPCC precept consultation. The increase for a band D property would be £1 a month, taking the annual cost to £218 per year for an average property. There was a you tube video you could watch here: <https://youtu.be/SnokAmvcZo8> and people could comment on the proposals here: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8NQQJFW>. The deadline to comment was midday on 31 January 2020.

- **Dorset and Wiltshire Fire Service**

At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman announced that at the request of the DWFRS this item was to be moved to the very start of the agenda to enable the officers to attend a briefing on the recent terrible fire in Waiblingen Way.

The Chairman requested that a short silence be observed in memory of Ulla Derrick who sadly died in the fire on Waiblingen Way.

Station Manager Phil People give an update to the meeting. He explained that a late report would be published online after the meeting: <https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=163&MId=12403&Ver=4>.

The service had attended 5 false alarms, 8 fires and 4 Road Traffic Collisions. The fire service were called to the severe fire at Waiblingen Way just after 1.00am on the 17 December 2019. There was a great response from Devizes fire station, with both appliances up and out in 10 minutes, which for an on-call fire station was very good. The layout of the flats was quite strange and the crews found it hard at first to get the right angle of approach to tackle the fire. Extra appliances were called in from neighbouring stations and Fire Survival Guidance (FSG) was issued by the control room to the best of their ability. It was believed that the fire was caused by arson although investigations were ongoing. Following the incident, the fire service undertook interventions at the neighbouring properties, comprising of 'Safe and Well' visits to try to make the residents feel safe, for example smoke alarms were fitted and advice

given. The fire service had also produced plans of the building for future reference, as on the night they found it hard to identify which flat was which.

If anyone knew someone who could benefit from a 'Safe and Well' visit they could get more information at <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/>.

- **Schools updates**

Sarah Lowkis, Headteacher of Lavington School gave a brief update to the meeting. The headteacher explained that good governance was key to make sure schools are strong and secure. Lavington School was part of Equa Multi Academy Trust, which also included 5 primary schools in the area, some of which were Voluntary Aided Foundation schools. These schools were struggling to get foundation governors. The headteacher requested anyone who had relevant experience or skills and could become a governor to contact the Equa Multi Academy Trust at <https://equa.org.uk/contact-us/>.

- **Town and Parish Councils**

There were no Town and Parish Council updates.

- **Health Services**

The Chairman referred the meeting to the usual written updates in the agenda pack.

The Chairman thanked all the partners present for their updates.

8 **CCG - Update on Devizes Health Centre**

The meeting received an update from Dr Richard Sandford-Hill of the CCG on the Devizes Health Centre.

Dr Sandford-Hill reminded the meeting that it was the time of year that flu was prevalent and stated that there had been an increase in the numbers of people contracting the virus and an increase in hospital admissions as a result. He recommended that people get vaccinated against the flu.

Regarding the integrated care centre, the outline business case had been approved and would now need to be assessed by procurement. This process would take approximately 12 weeks. The CCG had agreed to continue funding development of the full business case, which would take another 9 months to a year. So, although progress was being made it was slow.

In response to questions it was stated that work would probably start in the first or second quarter of 2021.

There was a shortage of GP's in the Devizes area, this was also reflected nationally. With the population living longer and many people living with complex health issues this was a problem as demand was going up. Two of the Devizes practices had been advertising for Doctors for over a year. One way to

combat the issues was to employ more non-doctors, for example to have a Primary Care Network that utilised nurse practitioners, paramedics, pharmacists and physiotherapists. Devizes had one of the most developed Primary Care Networks in Wiltshire, but more Doctors were needed.

It was explained that the old hospital would not be shut until the new building was up and running, there were still people working there. Friends of Devizes Hospital addressed the meeting and explained that they had money to spend but were not sure what to do with it due to the current situation. Dr Sandford-Hill stated that it may be worth holding fire until new building is built. If anything was bought for the old hospital it may be worth making sure that it would be transferred over to the new building.

A representative of Sustainable Devizes queried the poor nature of bus services to Marshall Road, the site of the new care centre, and asked if this would be addressed. Cllr Whitehead stated that all bus routes and timings to the new care centre would be looked at.

A question was received regarding flu jabs being ineffective, people being admitted to hospital as they were not given antibiotics and whether there was a policy to be careful when issuing antibiotics. Dr Sandford-Hill explained that the flu was a virus and does not respond to antibiotics. If complications arose involving secondary infection, then at that stage antibiotics might be given. He could not comment on the particular case mentioned as he had not seen the patient, but if there was no evidence of a secondary infection then antibiotics would not usually be issued for the flu as they had no effect and Doctors were trying to prevent antibiotic resistance.

A member of the audience asked whether there would be a minor injuries unit at the care centre as with population increase it would seem like a good idea, that made ecological and economic sense. It was explained that it was hoped that minor injuries could be treated at the new centre. The proposals were not that different to the Urgent Care Centre that was originally proposed. However, they did not want a walk in and wait facility. The idea was for people to telephone and get triaged, then attend the centre as necessary.

The Chairman thanked Dr Sandford-Hill for the update.

9 **Waste Collection Changes**

Tracy Carter, Interim Waste Management and Carbon reduction Lead Officer, Wiltshire Council, gave a presentation on upcoming changes to the way waste and recycling was collected in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Council was changing the way they collected waste, moving to co-mingled collection for recycling, this system had been proven to be successful in many areas of the country. Collections would still be fortnightly, although as a consequence of the changes, some collection days would change. Residents would be notified by post several weeks in advance of any changes to collection

days. Once residents had received this letter they would also be able to view changes online and print a calendar if they wished.

Under the new system, glass and textiles would still go in the black box. Anything else recyclable could go in the blue lidded bin. Examples of items that could go in the blue lidded bin were plastic bottles, pots, tubs, trays, cardboard boxes, food and drink cartons, paper, food and drink cans, aerosols and foil.

It was requested that people wash and squash items if possible. Washing the items helped to maintain the quality of the materials and squashing them simply meant you could fit more in the bin.

The black box would still be used for glass. The reason glass would still be kept separate was that the re-processors liked to have it separate to prevent glass shards getting into other recycling. The collection vehicles had a separate pod for glass. Textiles could also be put in the black box however these must be bagged up and the bag tied. Unfortunately, duvet's and sleeping bags could not be recycled.

The Council did not make a profit from recycling, however money raised from recycling helped to offset the cost of collecting waste.

Hopefully the proposed changes would make it easier for residents to recycle and should therefore increase recycling rates. The changes would also mean that one type of vehicle could collect all types of waste and recycling. This meant that Wiltshire Council could get rid of about 38 vehicles from the road, which in itself would help to reduce carbon emissions and costs. The changes meant that collection times may also change. It was requested that residents put their bins out by 7.00am on the day of collection.

A new materials recovery facility was being built in Calne, which would sort the mixed recycling.

Residents could sign up for email alerts from the waste service at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling-collection-changes> in order to be kept up to date with developments. You could also register to get a larger bin or an extra bin at this address.

If parishes and community groups required advice or help regarding spreading the news about the changes they were welcome to email: wasteandrecycling@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Details were given regarding the End Destination Charter, which was a voluntary scheme developed by the Resource Association to promote openness and transparency over end destinations of waste. Wiltshire Council had signed up to this scheme and published annual reports on line at: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/what-happens-to-recycling>.

People were asked to reduce what they use, reuse what they could and to recycle.

In response to a question regarding collecting food waste it was stated that the government had published a bill at the end of 2019, mandating that local authorities may have to do food waste collections, the council was awaiting the legislation. Wiltshire Council wanted to encourage people to reduce food waste by planning their meals, freezing items, using portion control and using recipes for leftovers. Wiltshire Council residents could also purchase a discounted food waste digester, which would take all cooked and uncooked food waste including meat, fish, bones, dairy products, vegetables and fruit. Go to <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/home-composting--rev-0> to find out more about getting a food waste digester.

Food waste collection in metropolitan areas often worked well. However, in rural areas the situation was a bit different. Sending large lorries which used lots of diesel to collect small packets of food waste was illogical, it was far better to reduce food waste.

Cllr Whitehead was asked whether he would front a campaign to leave packaging in shops. It was felt that if civic leaders supported this then the campaign may take off. Cllr Whitehead stated that he would discuss this with the proposer.

In response to a question asking how much waste was still going to landfill it was stated that last year 16% of waste collected went to landfill. Most waste that could not be recycled was now used for energy.

The high cost of the Green bin service for garden waste was queried, which had resulted in some residents dropping out of the scheme. It also seemed to some residents that the collection lorries still went by even though residents were no longer part of the scheme. It was explained that the collection rounds were reviewed and if no one had signed up then the collection routes taken would be changed. The council had also reduced the number of vehicles used.

The meeting was encouraged to compost at home wherever possible. The council had a statutory requirement to collect waste, but not green waste. It could not add the cost of green waste collection to council tax as there were lots of residents who did not have gardens. If residents did not want to use the scheme they could compost at home or take the waste to a recycling centre. The numbers of residents using the service were increasing. There was revenue made from the compost produced but Wiltshire Council did not make a profit from it.

Wiltshire Council had no authority over supermarkets in order to get them to address issues with packaging and shelf life. It did however work with other local authorities to try to influence central government to improve the situation.

The Chairman thanked the officer for her presentation and stated it was hoped that the changes to recycling would be implemented around March 2020.

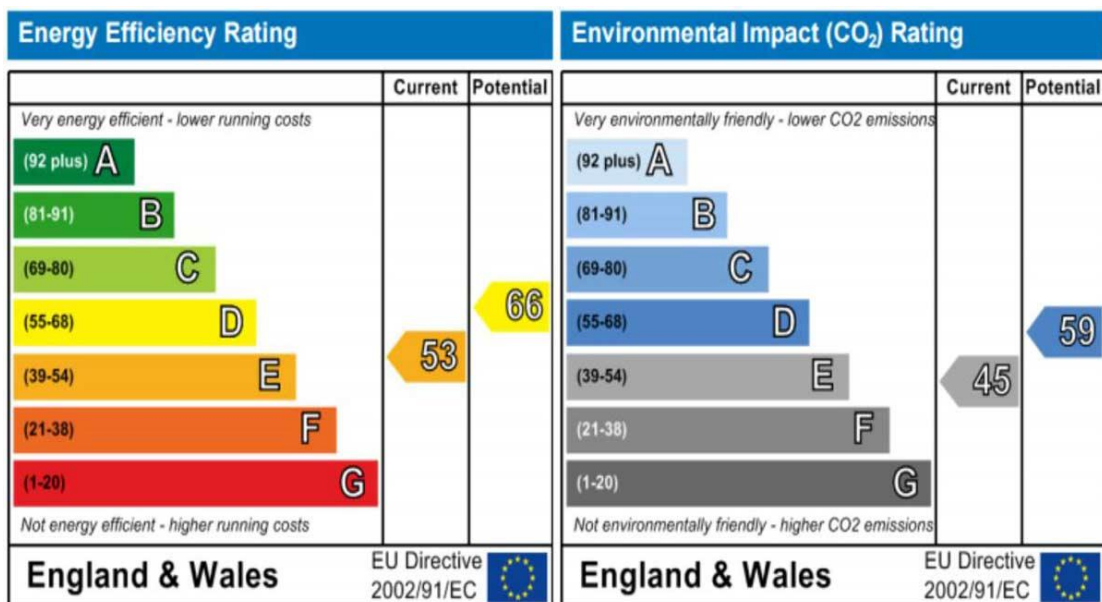
10 **Warm & Safe Wiltshire**

Mike Joyce, Energy Advisor at the Centre for Sustainable Energy gave a presentation to the meeting.

It was explained that there was an increasingly documented link between health and housing. Living in cold/damp homes had significant physical and mental health implications. This resulted in increased GP visits, unplanned hospital admissions and excess winter deaths.

Fuel poverty, when a household spent more than 10% of their income on bills was a problem. If anyone knew someone living in fuel poverty, they could refer them to Safe and Well Wiltshire. Things to look out for included; the home feeling cold or draughty; smells of damp and/or signs of mould/condensation; no sign of any heating or the only heating being an open fire, portable electric radiators or bottled gas; curtains being closed during the day to keep the heat in or signs that the householder only lived in (and heated) one room. The number of households living in fuel poverty in Wiltshire was 9% in 2018, which equated to around 18,426.

The energy efficiency of homes was looked at. Houses were awarded Energy Performance Certificates (EPC) and these could be found at <http://epcregister.com/>. An example is shown below:



The energy efficiency rating is a measure of the overall efficiency of a home. The higher the rating the more energy efficient the home is and the lower the fuel bills are likely to be.

The environmental impact rating is a measure of a home's impact on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions. The higher the rating the less impact it has on the environment.

An average house was band D and would spend approximately £1,150 per year on fuel. An average band A property would spend approximately £530 and an average band G property would spend £2,200. The energy efficiency of the home could have a large economic impact as well as an environmental impact.

91% of properties in the South West were classed as band D or below. There was a need to get the housing stock up to standard.

Sustainability was defined as “meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”. There were huge challenges to face in the housing sector regarding sustainability.

Smart Metres were free to install, the in-home display showed how much energy the household was using and allowed residents to identify opportunities to save energy and modify behaviour to use less fuel. Smart meters would submit meter readings to your supplier automatically, so residents no longer needed to read the meter. Bills would be accurate with no more estimates. Pre-payment metres could be topped up online or by text when you have a smart metre. The use of Smart meters would facilitate the accurate prediction of national energy demand, this would lead to increased energy efficiency, less infrastructure and environmental benefits.

There were myths surrounding Smart metres such as:

- You could not switch supplier. However, 2nd generation meters allowed uninterrupted switching between suppliers.
- Smart meters could spy on you. However, Smart meters could not spy, they could only measure energy use and share the readings with your supplier.
- Renters could not get a smart meter. However, if you pay the bills and the meter belongs to your supplier, then you have the right to request a smart meter.
- Smart meters are dangerous. The government watchdog on public health says that smart meters did not pose a risk to health in installation or infrequent radio wave bursts, they emitted a lower EMF reading than your mobile phone or microwave.

Warm and Safe Wiltshire provided free phone-based energy advice and support, home visits (if eligible), the fitting of simple energy saving measures and funding for home improvements (if eligible).

The Priority Services Register provided extra help for people during power cuts and water outages. People could register for the service if they were disabled, of pension age, they had children under 5 or other vulnerabilities.

Warm and Safe Wiltshire could also provide financial support for water bills and supported referrals to other relevant services.

To refer people or to get help visit www.cse.org.uk/referral, call 0800 038 5722 or email warmandsafe@cse.org.uk. It was advised that the best method to contact them was to call the telephone number.

In response to questions it was stated that planning constraints on historic houses could mean it was difficult to make them energy efficient, for example to

install double glazing or insulation. One solution was to install secondary double glazing. However, it would be best to call for advice.

It was explained that you should be able to get a second-generation smart meter even in an area with no mobile phone signal as the second-generation metres did not rely on mobile connections but had their own Wi-Fi network. This Wi-Fi network covered more than 90% of UK at the moment, so most people should be able to get a Smart meter. People were advised to ensure that they were being provided a second-generation Smart metre, rather than a first-generation Smart meter.

The Chairman thanked Mr Joyce for his presentation.

11 **The Climate Emergency and Wiltshire Council**

In February 2019 Wiltshire Council passed a motion declaring the Climate Emergency, for details see <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/green-economy-climate-emergency>. The council resolved to seek to make the county of Wiltshire (excluding Swindon) carbon neutral by 2030 and to establish our carbon baseline and renewables baseline. The Cabinet went further and had committed to making Wiltshire Council Carbon Neutral by 2030. When it came to Wiltshire as a county, there were lots of things outside of Wiltshire Council's control. It was therefore easier to make Wiltshire Council Carbon Neutral as we had control of it.

To help achieve this the council would update the local plan to include the carbon neutral plan, and green policies for any new builds. Consultations would begin on the local plan in 2020. The transport plan would also be updated; public transport, walking and cycling needed to be promoted. Moving forward all Wiltshire Council plans would need to be developed to include policies on reducing carbon.

In order to be able to address the problems and reduce carbon emissions the council needed to establish carbon baselines. Baseline emissions referred to the production of carbon that had occurred in the past and which were being produced prior to the introduction of any strategies to reduce emissions. The baseline measurement would be determined over a set period, typically one year. This historical measurement would act as a benchmark to evaluate the success of subsequent efforts to reduce emissions. Without the knowledge of baseline emissions, it would be impossible to reliably judge the success of any remediation efforts. To do this Wiltshire Council were talking to local universities; the Anthesis Group (SCATTER); Swindon and Wiltshire Local Economic Partnership; the Local Government Association; and other local authorities to see what they do. SCATTER was a city-based system that did not work so well for rural areas, so talks were in progress to see if a rural version could be developed.

It was estimated that each Wiltshire Council resident was responsible for approximately 7 tonnes of carbon emissions a year.

Wiltshire Council had established a Global Warming and Climate Emergency task group, chaired by Cllr Graham Wright, to consider renewable energy generation, energy use and efficiency; planning; transport and air quality; waste; land use; business and industry; the carbon baseline and renewable energy baseline. The aim of the task group was to develop an effective strategy which would then be approved by council. The council wanted to get things right, so it was worth investigating all the options.

The council aimed to adapt housing stock and council buildings to make them more energy efficient. This included introducing solar arrays over park and ride sites and solar panels on council housing stock. All street lights would be changed to LED's which were far more efficient and decreased light pollution. These were better for the environment and would save the council around £200,000 a year. The council wanted all new housing stock to be green and were in talks with passive house builders. Changes to waste collection would also help.

The meeting was encouraged to sign up for the green pledge at: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/green-economy-climate-emergency>. Cllr Whitehead had pledged to cycle to Trowbridge one day a week. If everyone made small changes this would have a significant effect.

Friends of the Earth had found Wiltshire Council to be the best performing local authority in England and Wales, however there were still many improvements to be made.

In response to questions it was stated that approximately 65% of Wiltshire could not have wind turbines due to it being an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, MOD land or restricted airspace. Decisions on wind turbines needed to have local support.

In response to a question from a member of Friends of the Earth regarding reviewing the sustainability of the A303 scheme, it was stated that the council constantly reviewed its position. The A303 road scheme was proposed after the South West was cut off by flooding on the M5. A303 decisions were usually based on the impact on the nearby villages. Cllr Whitehead was happy to discuss this after the meeting.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Whitehead for the presentation.

Cllr Anna Cuthbert left the meeting.

12 **The Climate Emergency**

The Chairman announced that due to time constraints this item would unfortunately need to be cut from the agenda. The Chairman apologised to people who had come to the meeting especially for this item. It was decided to move this item to the next area board meeting where the majority of time would be allocated to topic.

13 **Open Floor**

There were no questions from the floor.

14 **Local Youth Network**

Representatives of the organisations applying for grants spoke in support of their applications.

The applications for youth grant funding were considered and it was;

Resolved:

- **To grant Wiltshire YFC, £2,500.00 towards their Summer Devizes 2020 Pop Up Youth Café.**
- **To grant Wiltshire YFC, £2,700.00 towards a Potterne Youth Club Worker for 2020.**
- **To grant Bromham Youth Club, £4848.00 towards running costs for 2020/2021.**
- **To grant Devizes Lions Club, £1,000.00 towards the Lions Sports Coaching Weekend 2020.**

The Chairman thanked Steve at YFC, their other youth workers and Darren Barber of Bromham Youth Club for their hard work.

15 **Health and Wellbeing Group**

Cliff Evans, Chairman of the Devizes Health and Wellbeing Group gave an update to the meeting.

It was stated that there were going to be two health and wellbeing days held in the Market Place and the Shambles in 2020. The 'Be Social' health and wellbeing day would be in May and the 'Be active' health and wellbeing day would be held in October. At these events exhibitors would showcase what's available.

The Devizes Silver Screen Club would be running again in 2020, with a new programme of films to watch at St James's.

The Chairman thanked Cliff for the update.

A representative of Wiltshire Museum spoke in support of their HWB grant application.

The application was considered and it was;

Resolved:

- **To grant Wiltshire Museum, Devizes, £900.00 towards their Common Ground - Reminiscence Volunteers for the Community project.**

The board was asked to note the following application for Health and Wellbeing funding which had already been awarded under the delegated authority of the Community Engagement Manager and it was;

Resolved:

- **To note the Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living, £250.00 towards their Community Christmas Shindig 2019, which had already been awarded under the delegated authority of the Community Engagement Manager.**

16 **Community Engagement Manager Update**

Andrew Jack, Community Engagement Manager for Devizes, stated that he was preparing for the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment event, which would take place in March.

17 **Area Board Funding**

Representatives of the organisations applying for Community Area Grants spoke in support of their applications.

The board considered the applications and it was;

Resolved:

- **To grant Devizes Outdoor Celebratory Arts (DOCA), £4,192.00, towards replacement equipment.**
- **To grant Devizes Town Council, £4,110.00, towards fencing for the Archery Ranges at Green Lane Playing Field.**
- **To grant Devizes Assize Court Trust, £5,000.00 towards Devizes Assize Court - starting the journey.**
- **To grant Youth Adventure Trust, £1986.82, towards their Vulnerable Young People from Devizes Fulfilling their Potential project.**

18 **Urgent items**

A member of the audience stated that they were worried about a person they knew who required an occupational therapy assessment but had been waiting for 6 months. Cllr Whitehead asked them to email him directly with details and he would investigate the matter.

The Chairman acknowledged and thanked Elizabeth Denbury who had started a Go Fund Me page to support the victims of the fire in Waiblingen Way.

19 **Close**

The next ordinary meeting of the Area Board would be held on Monday 16 March 2020 at the Devizes Hub and Library. The major item on the agenda would be the climate emergency.

(Duration of meeting: 6.30 pm - 9.05 pm)

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Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) Programme Earliest Support workstream update
Web contact:	FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk

The purpose of this announcement is to notify members of the area board about the work of the FACT programme, raise awareness of the Early Support initiatives stemming from this work and to encourage engagement at a local level.

The Families and Children's Transformation Programme is a joint programme with the local authority, clinical commissioning group and police; the services they commission, voluntary sector agencies, families, children and carers. The outcomes of the 6 workstreams are:

- Community Safety for Young People
- A Good Education for All
- Best Start in Life
- Integrated Multi Professional Early Support
- Whole Life Pathway
- Core Skills and Single Approach

Over 27 individual projects sit within these workstreams to promote social mobility, build resilience and deliver more efficient and impactful services. All of these workstreams compliment the council's wider business plan objectives.

As part of the work ongoing within the ***Integrated Multi Professional Early Support*** workstream, a project entitled Integrated Earliest Support in Communities (IESiC) began looking at ways in which the multiple contacts the police, health and social care were receiving and having to react to could be reduced. It was acknowledged that when families have limited knowledge of or access to the earliest forms of support in their communities their problems and concerns can easily escalate subsequently requiring frequent and costly intervention from statutory services.

The IESiC work is aimed at supporting all members of the community, children, families and individuals, making it easier for them to find the right help at the right time for them.

The goal is for the whole community and all local people to support their community members knowing where help is available, that way they can stop any vulnerability escalating as families are supported within their community with the support that's already in place or that we may identify is needed.

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Integrated Earliest Support for Communities (IESiC)

There are 3 main principles which have been co-produced, with Calne as the initial innovation site. Sign up to the principles has been received from the Calne community group, the Strategic Group and the FACT Operational and Executive Boards. A briefing has also been given to the Children and Young Peoples Safeguarding Panel chaired by the Lead Member for Children and Education, Pauline Church.

1. The requirement for a Digital information/support platform for local information searchable by location and type to provide a consistent, central point of information accessed by professionals and families alike. This will be for all age groups children and adults, and be the platform used within the council and partnership as a whole (links to existing websites to be included).
2. The requirement for a local Community Connector/Navigator
 - Provide information to families
 - Support and outreach to families
 - Support for agencies
 - Keep local information on platform up to date and relevant
 - Develops community resources within locality

This principle will build on and learn from the established roles such as Local Area Coordinators and Social Prescribers.

3. The requirement for Community Development and Joint Partnership Commissioning

The is to ensure joined up commissioning between partners and the voluntary section in order that community areas receive the support they require and that commissioning strategies are joined up and well coordinated.

Although we are looking at Calne as a pilot area initially the intention is to roll the work out across all community areas in Wiltshire.

If anyone has an interest in supporting the mapping of community clubs, groups and services for their local area or collating who is already undertaking community connecting both formally and informally then please get in touch by contacting FACT@wiltshire.gov.uk.

More information on the Families and Children's Transformation programme can be found on our website <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/children-young-people-fact>.

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Subject:	Residents encouraged to manage their council tax hassle-free online
Web contact:	www.wiltshire.gov.uk/benefits-council-tax

Residents in Wiltshire are being encouraged to sign up to a digital service that allows them to manage council tax simply, quickly and securely at any time of day, all year round.

The service, introduced by Wiltshire Council last year, can also provide a history of account payments and payments due, plus direct debit details can be amended, bills can be printed, and address details can be changed.

Joining the online service is easy – all that's needed is a council tax number, found at the top of the bill as well as the person's name and address, to begin the short authentication process.

People who are already have an existing council tax direct debit in place don't need to do anything, but they can still sign-up to take advantage of all the other features.

Cabinet Member for IT and Digitalisation, Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, said: " This service means managing and paying council tax is as convenient as possible and hassle-free for residents.

"It will also free up our officers' time and ensure we are as efficient as can be, not to mention that every phone call we receive costs us money, so I hope as many people as possible take advantage of this service."

Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement, Cllr Simon Jacobs, said: "We spend around £80k posting out council tax correspondence and our aim is to reduce this dramatically over the coming years. We will be looking at all options available to us to encourage as many people as possible to register"

To find out more about the service, and to sign up, people should go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/benefits-council-tax

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Subject:	Changes to Kerbside Recycling Collections
Web contact:	www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling

Wiltshire Council is introducing improvements to make it even easier for people to use the kerbside recycling collection service.

The way in which recyclable materials are collected from the kerbside will change and we are contacting residents to tell them when their services will change. The good news is that residents will be able to place more materials in the blue lidded bin.

Many households will also see their collection day change as we will be making the collection routes more efficient, so there will be fewer collection vehicles on the road. This will help to further reduce the council's impact on the environment as part of its pledge to become carbon neutral by 2030.

Letters are being sent to every household in Wiltshire to inform them of their new collection day. The letters should arrive between 24 February and 6 March. Once residents have received their letters they can go online and check their collection day and print off a bespoke collection calendar at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling Residents who know of any neighbours who don't have access to the internet could check whether they need someone to download a calendar for them. Alternatively, residents can telephone the council on 0300 456 0102 to ask that we print a calendar and post it to them. The first collections based on the new system will take place from 9 March to 20 March.

Residents will receive a leaflet with the letter containing more information about the changes, as well as a sticker explaining which materials can be placed in the blue lidded bin.

In summary, the new service is:

- In the blue lidded bin you can place cans, tins, aerosols, paper, cardboard, cartons, foil, plastic bottles, pots, tubs and trays
- In the black box you can place glass bottles and jars and bagged, dry textiles
- The blue lidded bins and black boxes will be emptied fortnightly on the same day, using new recycling collection vehicles.

There will be no change to the household waste collection service or the chargeable garden waste collection service. Collection days for these services will remain the same.

Because the vehicle rounds are changing it is important that residents put their bins and boxes out by 7am, as the times of their collections may change.

If residents think they may not have enough room in their blue lidded bin, we are asking them to try to squash and flatten as much of their recycling as possible for the

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first few collections to see if this is a suitable solution. Larger or additional blue lidded bins will not be delivered until residents have first tried the new service and demonstrated to themselves that, despite squashing and flattening materials, they need the additional capacity. They can then request a larger or additional blue lidded bin via the Wiltshire Council website.

Email: wasteandrecycling@wiltshire.gov.uk

Telephone: 0300 456 0102

Website: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-and-recycling

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Subject:	A summary of the government's £220m "better deal for bus users" and consultation information
Web contact:	buses@wiltshire.gov.uk

A summary of the governments £220m "better deal for bus users" and how to make suggestions for improved or enhanced bus services in Wiltshire

The government has recognised the important role that buses play and has announced a £220m competitive funding pot available for local authorities to bid against. This [link](#) provides the detail behind its "better deal for bus users" approach, which is summarised below, outlining Wiltshire Councils position for this exciting opportunity.

National bus strategy

The government has recognised that in investing in the bus, it requires a workable national bus strategy. It is going to use this round of bidding to help shape that strategy and will further develop it throughout this year and next.

Bus priority

It is recognised that the bus plays a pivotal role in enhancing the economy, with bus users generating £64billion of economic output each year. However, many local authorities do not always provide the bus with the priority it requires when designing road schemes. Therefore, all new road investments in England which receive central UK government funding, will be required to either support bus priority measures, or explain why doing so would not be necessary, or appropriate in that instance. All future funding bids will need to explicitly address this issue.

As well as providing local authorities with funding to invest in bus priority measures, the government will refresh the department's guidance to provide up to date, and relevant advice on prioritising those vehicles which can carry the most people. This will ensure local authorities have the information they need to improve the speed of bus journeys, and further support the case for bus priority measures.

Fares and payment

The government is actively looking to work with local authorities and operators to identify ways to encourage operators to implement multi-operator tickets and fares caps, either in relation to the price paid for individual journeys or a daily or weekly cap (so you never pay more than the price of a daily or weekly ticket regardless of the number of journeys taken).

To make it easier for passengers to pay for their journey on the bus, the government will work with industry to ensure that all buses accept contactless payments. The 5 largest bus companies have already rolled-out contactless payment devices across their networks, as have many medium-sized operators.

In Wiltshire the vast majority of all bus services have contactless pay facility. Those few remaining services that don't will do so during 2021 and all future tenders will require suppliers to provide contactless payment facilities.

Passenger information and publicity

One of the recognised barriers to catching the bus is that there is not always enough information available and when it is, it might be inaccurate, or difficult to understand. As part of its "Bus Open Data" programme, the government is currently developing a new bus open data portal, which will contain information on bus services for use by app developers. Significant progress

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has been made, with the intention that fares, and location data will be available from January 2021.

Wiltshire Council already contributes to the portal through its commitment, along with all other local authorities in the South West and bus operators, to Traveline Southwest, where we have been feeding data into a system for many years now, that produces timetable, fare and real time passenger information. We are also about to invest in a replacement programme for the real time passenger information displays that can be found at bus stops informing the bus user when the next bus is arriving. Added to this, we are about to employ, on a part time basis, a post responsible for marketing the bus in Wiltshire, in partnership with key bus suppliers.

£5 billion fund announced

Following the announcement of the £220m a further package of £5 billion is to be invested over 5 years and will boost bus services by focusing on a range of priorities, set to include:

- Higher frequency services, including evenings and weekends, to make it easier and less restrictive for people to get around at any time of day
- More 'turn up and go' routes where, thanks to higher frequency, people won't have to rely on timetables to plan journeys
- New priority schemes will make routes more efficient, so that buses avoid congested routes and can speed passengers through traffic
- More affordable, simpler fares
- At least 4,000 new Zero Emission Buses to make greener travel the convenient option, driving forward the UK's progress on its net zero ambitions
- over 250 miles of new, high-quality separated cycle routes and safe junctions in towns and cities across England; and
- dozens of new 'Mini-Holland' schemes to transform town centres across the country and make them safer to get around

The details of this significant fund will be made available in the spending review later this year but reaffirms this governments priority towards bus.

What are the available funds?

Superbus networks (up to £70m available)

The primary objective of this £70m fund is to increase bus patronage in an urban area through a package of measures covering bus priority, reducing bus fares and increasing service frequencies. Unfortunately, Wiltshire does not qualify, as it requires the money to be used on one town, or city, with a population of more than 75,000 people.

Tackling air quality and greenhouse gas emissions (up to £50m available)

The government are seeking expressions of interest from local authorities and bus operators in developing an all-electric bus town or city. This will see an entire place's bus fleet changed over to zero emission capable buses. The town, or city, will serve as a model for zero-emission bus travel and feed into the overarching national bus strategy.

As many buses as possible are to be exclusively electric, with scope to test innovations such as longer distance hybrids, which operate in electric-only mode within the town or city. Local authorities will need to show how this supports their wider plans for public transport in the town or city. Up to £50 million will be invested to contribute to new buses and the supporting infrastructure.

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From Wiltshire Councils perspective this would support our pledge to be carbon neutral by 2030 and the wider environmental improvement. This will however be a challenge, as there are no settlements that readily meet the requirements, as set out in the bid criteria. Salisbury would however be the most obvious choice, and discussions are to be had with representatives of the GoAhead Group in the coming weeks to determine whether such a scheme might be viable for Salisbury.

On-demand services (up to £20m available)

To trial on-demand services in rural and suburban areas the government has established a fund of up to £20 million. Demand responsive transport (DRT) services have been used for some time to replace infrequent, traditional services which do not meet a local community's specific needs, with ones which can get closer to where people live, at a time convenient for them.

Wiltshire Council has significant experience in this area and still currently operates DRT. It is not possible at this stage to determine exactly what an expression of interest would look like, or include, but officers are discussing what needs are not currently met and where perhaps existing DRT could be improved. We would be very keen on submitting a bid for this and building upon our extensive experience of DRT.

Supporting bus services (up to £30m available)

Much of this funding is for experimental projects and a lump sum of £671,171 has been specifically allocated to Wiltshire Council to improve local bus services over a 12-18 month period and it is this funding which we are seeking advice from elected members and Town and Parish Councils on the best way to spend it. This briefing will also be sent to Community Engagement Managers and Area Boards.

The Government has informed us that it expects this funding to be used to improve the provision of local bus services in one or more of the following ways:

- increasing evening or weekend frequencies, or supporting additional seasonal services in tourist areas;
- restoring lost bus routes, where most needed, to ensure people have access to public transport services;
- supporting new bus services, or extensions to current services, to access e.g. new housing, employment opportunities, healthcare facilities etc.

The Government also expects us to provide them with an outline of how the money will be used before they release it to us but has given us very little time to do this. We can therefore only do a very basic consultation exercise in the time available, which is why we need your assistance.

We would therefore be grateful to receive from you, details of any requests you have received for bus service improvements, that you believe are causing problems for residents in your area and which you are confident would be well used by them if provided. Please email this information direct to Wiltshire Council's Passenger Transport Unit at buses@wiltshire.gov.uk by **Friday 27th March 2020**, so that they can assess the feasibility of introducing these on an experimental basis using this funding.

Whilst compiling these requests, please bear in mind that this funding is time limited, with no guarantee that further funding will be available at the end of the experimental period to allow the improvements to continue. Please also bear in mind that use of this money will need to be spread around the County and so requests for small improvements to existing services are likely to be more successful than those for completely new all-day services, which could cost in the region of £150,000 per annum to operate and be difficult to resource.

Please accept our apologies for the short timescale for this consultation, but the deadlines have been imposed upon us by the Department for Transport and are necessary in order for us to be able to claim the funding in good time to spend during the next financial year. If you wish to discuss this request in more detail, or obtain guidance on the feasibility of a

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suggestion before submitting it, please ring Wiltshire Council's Bus Network Manager on 01225 713454 or email him at buses@wiltshire.gov.uk.

The government are hosting a series of events in February and March to further explain the detail behind the schemes, where Wiltshire will be represented. If there is anything of note from those meetings members, town and parish councils will be updated.

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Subject:	Coronavirus: Advice and Information
Web contact:	https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public

The risk to individuals in Wiltshire and the South West remains low.

Due to the changing picture please check for the latest national updates and advice regarding Coronavirus from the Government website should you have any queries:

[GOV.UK: Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): latest information and advice](#)

[GOV.UK: Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) FAQs](#)

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Subject:	Community Governance Review - Consultation
Web contact:	CGR@wiltshire.gov.uk

As detailed in Briefing Notes [19-032](#) and [20-01](#) circulated to Wiltshire Councillors and Town and Parish Councils, Wiltshire Council is currently undertaking a Community Governance Review. This is a process where the governance arrangements or boundaries of a parish may be altered by Wiltshire Council. This requires a vote by Full Council, with the process overseen and recommendations made by the Electoral Review Committee.

Following a pre-consultation survey in January and February 2020 regarding proposals for governance and boundary changes received by the council, the Committee will be preparing draft recommendation on changes it believes should be made, if any.

It will then undertake a public consultation on those draft recommendations from around **late-April to the end of May** – a briefing note and press releases will be circulated late to confirm dates.

Any interested person or party may respond to the consultation, which will be available on the council's website at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council-democracy-cgr> . Hard copies will also be made available.

The areas under review, and so potentially to receive recommendations for changes to their arrangement, are as follows:

Calne Without, Chippenham, Chippenham Without, Yatton Keynell, Langley Burrell Without, Lacock, Kington St Michael, Melksham, Melksham Without, Trowbridge, Hilperton, Southwick, North Bradley, West Ashton, Salisbury, Netherhampton, Pewsey, Seend, Wilcot, Manningford, Woodborough, Huish

Anyone who lives in an area which is recommended to be transferred from one parish to another, or where a merger is recommended, will be written to directly.

Public meeting dates have been arranged as follows to discuss the following recommendations:

Trowbridge and surrounding parishes

Council Chamber, County Hall, Trowbridge – 6 May 2020 1900-2100

Melksham, Melksham Without and Seend

Melksham United Church, Melksham – 13 May 2020 1900-2100

Calne Without (warding/New parish Derry Hill)

Calne Library, Calne – 14 May 2020 1900-2100

Melksham, Melksham Without and Seend

1 Swift Way, Bowerhill, Melksham Without – 20 May 2020 1900-2100

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Parish name changes

On the same webpage above there is also a survey regarding proposals to change the name of the following parishes:

Fyfield and West Overton

Cheverell Parva

Fittleton

People are encouraged to respond to these proposals by the end of May 2020.



DORSET & WILTSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD REPORT

Community Safety Plan

DWFRS Community Safety Plan can be found on the DWFRS website;
<http://www.dwfire.org.uk/community-safety-plan/>

Prevention

We are committed to making a real difference to the lives of people in Dorset and Wiltshire. Our aim is to reduce the level of risk and harm to our communities from fire, targeting those most at risk. We do this primarily through our Safe and Well visits.

A Safe and Well visit is **FREE** and normally lasts about one hour covering topics such as:

- Using electricity safely
- Cooking safely
- Making an escape plan
- What to do if there is a fire
- Keeping children safe
- Good practice – night time routine and other points relevant to you
- Identifying and discussing any further support the occupier may need

Are you or anyone you know:-

- Over the age of 65?
- Need a smoke detector?
- Have a long-term health condition?
- Suffer from poor hearing or sight loss?
- Would you struggle to escape in the event of a fire?

If you can answer yes to more than one of these questions, then please call us on 0800 038 2323 or visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits/>



Protection

On-going interaction by Protection Team members with Local Authorities, Private landlords and tenants regarding fire safety-related matters: external cladding systems; fire detection and warning systems; fire resisting doors (& self-closers); combustibility/fire resistance of construction materials; commercial and residential sprinklers systems and water-mist suppression systems

General Enquiries

If you have a general fire safety enquiry regarding commercial property, please email fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk and the Fire Safety Team will respond in office hours.

Fire Safety Complaint

If you wish to tell us about fire safety risks in commercial premises, such as locked or blocked fire exits, you have three options:

- You can email the fire safety department at enforcement@dwfire.org.uk
- Call 01722 69 1717 during office hours (9am-5pm).
- Call our Service Control Centre on 0306 799 0019 out of office hours (5pm-9am)

On Call Recruitment

Have you always wondered if you could join the fire service, but haven't had the opportunity to find out more? Have you found yourself seeking your next challenge, keen to give back to the local community or wanting to learn new skills including leadership and teamwork? Then becoming an on-call firefighter is for you.

As a paid position, on-call firefighters commit anywhere between 40 to 120 hours per week, during which time they must be able to respond to the station immediately.

Many have 'normal' jobs during the day, then upon their return home make themselves available overnight or during the weekends. Some of our crew respond from their workplaces during the day, and we are very grateful to their employers for releasing them to perform their vital duties.

Anyone over 18 years old can apply (although you can also apply once you are 17½) you must be able to respond and attend the fire station within 5-8 minutes, you have a good standard of physical fitness (i.e. you are generally active), and you must have the right to work in the UK.

Further information on becoming an On Call Firefighter can be found at www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/ or should you have any questions, you can call **01722 691444**.



Recent News & Events

Flooding



Over recent years, we have seen more and more properties affected by flooding during periods of significant rain.

Flooding can be caused by rivers and watercourses overflowing; it can also be caused by drains and culverts being unable to cope with excess surface water on the roads.

Everyone whose home is at risk of flooding should have a plan of what to do if the worst happens.

For information regarding any of the below please refer to:-

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/flooding/>

- Preparing for a flood
- When flooding starts
- Travelling in flooded areas
- After the flood
- Flooding and your electrics

See also:

- Environment Agency – www.environment-agency.gov.uk
- Government web page – [Floods Destroy](#)
- Electrical Safety First – www.electricalsafetyfirst.org.uk



Winter safety



Keeping warm in the winter means using portable heaters, electric blankets or wheatbags – but all of these and the below, carry a fire risk,

- Portable heaters
- Open fires
- Gas fires
- Electric blankets

Please visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-at-home/winter-safety/> for further information.

See also:

- The Fire Kills campaign has produced a leaflet on [Fire Safety in the Winter](#).
- There is a wealth of good advice at www.metoffice.gov.uk/barometer/advice

Advice for carers



If you care for a loved one, or work in the care sector, there is much you can do to help keep the person you care for safe. Please visit <https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/advice-for-carers/> for various information and advice.



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Total Fire Calls for Devizes Fire Station for period January 2020

Category	Total Incidents
No. of False Alarms	10
No. of Fires	2
No. of Road Traffic Collisions and other Emergencies	2
Total	14

Local Incidents of Note

Nothing exceptional this month

Phil People
Station Manager
Email: phil.people@dwfire.org.uk
Mobile: 07787862767

Survey seeks views on council's adult social care advice team

Healthwatch Wiltshire is asking for the views and experiences of people who have been in touch with Wiltshire Council to get help and support with social care.

Wiltshire Council provides support and information on adult social care services through a helpdesk called the Advice and Contact Service, which was set up in April 2018.

Any adult living in Wiltshire or thinking about moving to the area, including family and friends, can contact the team to find out how social care and other services could help.

The survey will look at how well this new service is working and identify any areas that could be improved.

Stacey Sims, Healthwatch Wiltshire Manager, said: "People have told us that they struggle to find the information they need around adult social care and that carers and people who pay for their own care find this especially difficult.

"Because of this feedback and the development of the new Advice and Contact team, we would like to hear from anyone who has used the service to share their experiences with us.

"Your feedback will then be shared with the team and their commissioners so they can understand what's going well and where improvements can be made."

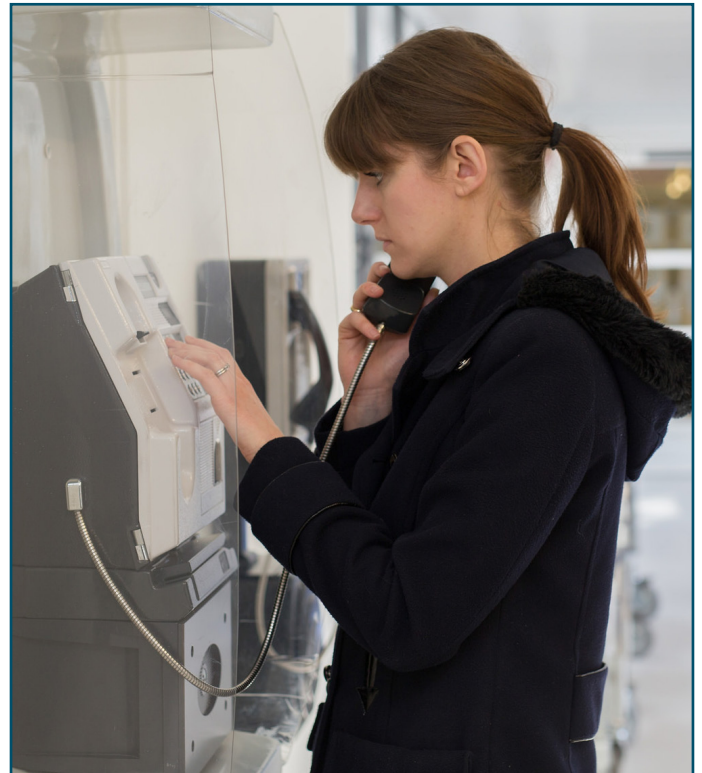
How you can get involved

Two versions of the survey are available online, All feedback is anonymous.

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and can be completed depending on how you accessed the Advice and Contact Service.

If you contacted the team by telephone, go to www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/adviceandcontacttelephone

If you contacted the team by email, go to www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/adviceandcontactemail

If you prefer, you can have a chat about your experiences with a member of the Healthwatch Wiltshire team, either on the phone or in your own home, please call us on 01225 434218 or email us at info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk to arrange.

March 2020

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.

This is our last update as Wiltshire CCG but we will continue to provide updates and engage with Area Boards as Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire CCG.

News

BSW CCGs merger – new Governing Body appointments

Following the recent election of Dr Andrew Girdher as Clinical Chair for the merged BSW CCG, a number of appointments have been made, both through votes from members and through Governing Body appointments, to strengthen our leadership team.

Medical Director

Dr Ruth Grabham has been appointed as Medical Director for BSW CCG, starting 1 March 2020. Ruth has been Medical Director for BaNES CCG for seven years and spent 25 years working as a GP partner in our local area.

As a key part of her new role, Ruth will work to bring clinicians and colleagues together across BSW, deliver benefits for patient care by championing the clinical voice and helping to develop cross system integrated care.

Locality Clinical Chairs

Two of the three Locality Clinical Chairs have been appointed following a GP member vote. They will ensure there is strong clinical representation on BSW CCG's Governing Body and will take up their positions on 1 April 2020.

Dr Bryn Bird has been elected as Locality Clinical Chair for BaNES. Bryn is a local GP and has been a member of the BaNES CCG Governing Body for the past 18 months.

Dr Amanda Webb will take up the position for Swindon. Amanda is a GP based at Westrop Medical Practice and has been a member of the Swindon CCG Governing Body for the past year.

The Wiltshire role is yet to be appointed and work is continuing to fill the post.

Locality GPs

GP members also took part in an election for Locality GPs for BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire. Locality GPs will act as a link between Primary Care, our Primary Care Networks and BSW CCG's Governing Body. They will all take up their positions on 1 April 2020.

Dr Tim Sephton will take up the role of Locality GP for BaNES. Tim is a GP Partner at the Chew Medical Practice in Chew Stoke and is currently a member of the BaNES CCG Governing Body.

Locality GP for Swindon is Dr Francis Campbell. Francis is a GP at the Elm Tree Surgery in Shrivenham and currently GP Representative on the Swindon CCG Governing Body.

Wiltshire has three appointments in recognition of our relative size compared to BaNES and Swindon.

Dr Sam Dominey, a GP from the Three Chequers Medical Practice in Salisbury, will represent practices in the south; Dr Nick Ware, a GP Partner from Northlands Surgery in Calne will represent practices in the north; and Dr Catrinel Wright, a GP Partner from Lovemead Group practice in Trowbridge and current GP Chair for West Wiltshire will represent the west part of Wiltshire.

We are still in the process of recruiting for a number of other roles on the BSW Governing Body and will keep you up to date with these appointments once they are finalised.

Coronavirus (COVID19) update

Nationally, the NHS and Public Health England (PHE) are extremely well prepared for outbreaks of new infectious diseases.

Locally, we are working extensively with our partners and providers in Wiltshire and across B&NES and Swindon to ensure the safety of our patients and colleagues while also ensuring services are available to the public as normal.

Testing of suspected coronavirus cases is carried out in line with strict regulations. This means that suspected cases are kept in isolation, away from public areas. Any equipment that comes into contact with suspected cases is thoroughly cleaned as appropriate. Specific guidance has also been shared with NHS staff to help safeguard them and others. Members of the public can be reassured that their safety is a top priority, and we encourage them to attend all appointments as usual.

Everyone is being reminded to follow Public Health England advice to:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after using public transport. Use a sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

More information can be found here: gov.uk/coronavirus

Changes to Wiltshire's early mental health and counselling support service

Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire CCG have recently changed how children and young people are supported earlier to prevent escalation of mental health disorders.

The new service provider is Barnardo's which will offer access to the new service through www.onyourmind.org.uk, as well as aligning closely with the single point of access to Oxford Health's Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS).

From 1 April 2020 the new service will offer five to 18-year olds in Wiltshire:

- Information, advice and guidance
- Online and face-to-face counselling
- Navigation to positive activities in the community/social inclusion.

The service will also deliver information, advice and support to parents and carers who are concerned about their child's mental health and wellbeing.

For further information you can email Barnardo's – info.wiltsemh@barnardos.org.uk.

Our Health Our Future panel

Recruitment continues for panel members to join the Our Health Our Future panel – a new way of engaging with the public from B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire to get their views of health and care issues.

After four weeks of recruitment activity we have signed up around 400 panel members, well on the way to our target of 1000 members.

The recruitment team have been in some of the larger population areas of B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire including Salisbury, Trowbridge, Chippenham, Warminster, Devizes, and various locations in Bath and Swindon.

The Our Health Our Future Panel is an online panel made up of a representative sample of the population from across our region. Panel members will take part in regular surveys throughout the year as well as form focus groups from time to time. The option of hard copy surveys and telephone interviews will be offered to people who are not able to access the survey online. Full reports of every survey will be publicly available and insights gained from the panel will be used to inform our decision making, strategy, service design and service change.

We are keeping the Get Involved section of our website up to date with details of recruitment activity – visit www.wiltshireccg.nhs.uk for locations, dates and times. There is also a link for people who can't get to a recruitment session to sign up online and complete the first survey.

If you would like to know more about the Our Health Our Future Panel, please get in touch with the communications team communications.wiltshireccg@nhs.net

International Year of the Nurse and Midwife 2020

2020 is Florence Nightingale's bicentennial year, designated by World Health Organisation as the first ever global Year of the Nurse and Midwife. Nurses and midwives make up the largest numbers of the NHS workforce. They are highly skilled, multi-faceted professionals from a host of backgrounds that represent our diverse communities.

This year is our time to reflect on these skills, the commitment and expert clinical care they bring, and the impact they make on the lives of so many. It is also an opportunity to say thank you to the professions; to showcase their diverse talents and expertise; and to promote nursing and midwifery as careers with a great deal to offer.

We will keep you updated on activities to celebrate the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife across the region.

BSW CCG online

As we head towards the merger with Bath and North East Somerset CCG and Swindon CCG on 1 April 2020, we are consolidating our online presence.

Our Twitter accounts have already merged – you can follow us @NHSBSWCCG

Our Facebook account is now @NHSBSWCCG

We are on LinkedIn as NHS BSW Clinical Commissioning Group

Our Instagram account is NHS BSW CCG

And by 1 April 2020 we will have a new website in place – more information to follow.

Governing Body meeting

Our next, and last Wiltshire CCG Governing Body meeting will be Thursday 26 March 2020 at 1.30pm at Southgate House, Pans Lane, Devizes.

The next BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire (BSW) Governing Bodies in common meeting is on Thursday 19 March 2020 at St Johns Parish Centre, 2 Wingfield Road, Trowbridge, BA14 9EA starting at 10am.

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.

Keep up to date with news and information from Wiltshire CCG on social media.



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Devizes Community Area Transport Group – 4th February 2020 – Notes

	Item	Update	Actions and Recommendations	Who
1	Apologies and Attendees			
		<p>Apologies: Cllr Richard Slack (Worton PC); Cllr Peter Evans (Wiltshire Council)</p> <p>Present: Cllr John Mann (Potterne PC); Cllr Kelvin Nash (Devizes TC); Cllr Victoria Turner (Easterton PC); Cllr John Hawkins, Rebekah Jeffries (Rowde PC); Liz Starling (Potterne & Worton PCs); Michael Maxwell (resident); Cllr Richard Gamble (Chair), Gareth Rogers, Richard Dobson, Andrew Jack (Wiltshire Council)</p>		
2	Notes of last meeting			
3	Financial Position			
		Budget Available - £4480.71		
4	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	Issue <u>5421</u> High Street Worton - Speeding	<p>CATG discussed and committed to scheme as a priority – 14.06.17. Assessment completed and sent to the Parish Council who has outlined their support. Discussed by the CATG at meeting on 31.01.18. And remainder of funding for 17/18 allocated to the scheme. Remainder of funding to be received from PC. Added to works program for 2018/19.</p> <p>All signing work has been completed. Works to remove the old gateway and road markings is programmed for the 22nd July. Cost estimate to deliver is £5,324.</p>	LS confirms the work is complete and the invoice has been paid. GR agrees and apologies for error.	

		Invoice for contribution has been sent. Road markings at Mill Road / C20 have been added to Ad hoc list. Close Issue & Remove.		
b)	Issue 6120 Lydeaway - Request for speed limit reduction	<p><i>The speed limit or rather the lack of on the A 342 road between Lydeaway and Stert village entrance. When exiting the entrance of The Clock Inn Park the visibility is poor in both directions. Seeing that a lot of money has been spent on the work carried out in recent months on the renovation of the pathway between The Clock Inn Park and the entrance to Stert village which means more of the people from The clock Inn Park are using the pathway some of which have mobility scooters are finding it very difficult in crossing the road because of the speed of traffic which in some cases is in excess of the 60 miles per hour limit. In the last year there has been one accident of a car exiting The Clock Inn Park which in this case no one was hurt the police were not informed but both cars were written off. There are slow signs on the road and also illuminated 'slow down' signs before the 's' bends and the entrance to Stert village these do not seem to be effective.</i></p> <p>Stert PC have confirmed a contribution of £500 to the request.</p> <p>Atkins have completed the Speed Limit The assessment has concluded that a 50mph restriction can be considered. Indicative cost £6,000</p> <p>CATG to consider if it wishes to pursue the implementation of the recommendation. No-one from Stert PC was present. RG feels they need to contribute towards the implementation of the new speed limit and that other adjoining PCs should do too. Others agreed with this. CG agreed that other PCs are affected by this road. It is recognised that Stert is a small parish and that other PCs need to be approached to contribute.</p> <p>Awaiting Decision on whether to proceed</p> <p>(Priority No.01)</p>	No one from Stert PC was present at the meeting and this item was skipped.	
c)	Issue 5964 Devizes, Rotherstone	<p>Initial issue description:</p> <p><i>The roads in Devizes SN10 2BJ area, Avon Terrace from Shopmobilty to</i></p>	KN confirms DTC's contribution towards the project. RG confirms the TRO will be	

	Speeding	<p><i>Rotherstone cemetery is used as a race track. The speeds people do is ridiculous. I've spoken with few residents and all are for a speed watch group to happen. Its recently turn to 20mph but people are speeding more mounting pavements. Won't be long before some gets serious hurt.</i></p> <p>Open meeting held to discuss options. Town Council sent out follow up consultation questionnaire to all residents and following the results of this have sent a response stating that:</p> <p><i>"The Town Council supports a resident's request for Rotherstone to be made a no through road with one end being closed to motorised traffic and would ask the Community Area Transport Group to undertake the necessary work to determine the most suitable location for the closure for a viable of the scheme"</i></p> <p>Devizes TC have confirmed support for proposal and requested that the proposal proceeds.</p> <p>Initial Discussion with Police has indicated continued support with the condition of a physical feature enforcing restriction. Draft order has been developed and are being processed for formal consultation by WC Legal Team. Advertisement expected – Late April</p> <p>Development costs - £3,000. DTC to reiterate 25% contribution.</p> <p>(Priority No.02)</p>	<p>advertised in late April. If there are no objections, work will be in place by August. However, he does anticipate there being objections which will need to be addressed and this will lead to delays.</p>	
d)	Issue 5909 Speeding Market Lavington Request for Village Gateways	<p><i>Speeding through Market Lavington has long been an issue and it was hoped that the recent introduction of a 20mph speed limit through the village would help. However unfortunately this seems to have made little or no difference to the speed of traffic. It is questioned therefore whether this is down to lack of awareness, deliberate dis-regard of the lower speed limit or a combination of both. To provide a further visual reminder that motorists are entering a village and to check their speed etc. Request to install Village Gateways at the 4 main entrances to the village White Street Lavington Hill The Spring Spin Hill and the High Street Easterton end to be</i></p>	<p>No one from Market Lavington PC was present. They do need to give either GR or RD the go-ahead over this work.</p>	

		<p><i>sited as near to the changing speed limit as possible.</i></p> <p>PC have confirmed that 4no Gates are required. MLPC to provide details of proposed locations. CO confirms Market Lavington PC agrees to 50% of costs.</p> <p>Initial assessment and draft proposal produced – See Attached. <i>Note: Site 1 No issue. Site 2; there isn't enough verge space to place the gates by the Market Lavington Village sign due to thick heavy, however there is space for 750mm slanted gates at the 30mph limit terminal points.</i></p> <p>Costs estimated at £4,000. Decision required on whether to proceed.</p> <p>(Priority No.03)</p>		
e)	Issue 6688 B3089 Market Lavington	<p><i>Driving on the pavement. Motorists are driving on the pavement outside of 60-64 High Street Market Lavington. This is happening more and more often and frequently this is at high speeds. There are bollards on either side of this stretch and it would help immensely if three or four further bollards are placed outside of 60-64 High Street to prevent this from continuing to happen. Only today a car drove along the pavement at high speed despite there being a toddler on said pavement. When it is lorries which are mounting the pavement also happened today they are inches away from the windows of our houses.</i></p> <p>Complete – Close Issue & Remove</p>	CATG agrees this can close.	
f)	Issue 4936 Town Centre Car Park Signing	<p><i>At a recent meeting of the Town Council's planning committee concern was raised about the effectiveness of some motorist signage which directs visitors to the town centre and town centre car parks.</i></p> <p>DTC have provided confirmation proposed alterations to Car Parking Strategy. Signing alterations will be included in wider review of signing alterations within the Town Centre programmed for 2019/20.</p> <p>Wiltshire Council Parking Services do not support the proposal to remove Short Stay parking from Station Road, as this offers flexibility to users.</p>	<p>KN asks for a look at the proposals for these plans and designs. GR states that the work is not yet complete. KN says that DTC has not seen any ideas for designs but does want to see and check designs before being installed. GR confirms DTC will get to see the design once complete but there will not be any chance for much</p>	

		<p>Design work associated with the signing changes is currently ongoing and will be completed in the current financial year. Copies of changes will be forwarded to TC for information when ready.</p> <p>(Priority No.04)</p>	input into them and alter final designs.	
g)	<p>Issue 7126</p> <p>Rowde</p> <p>Request for dropped kerbs.</p>	<p>There is a need for more dropped kerbs around the village of Rowde. In particular across the entrance to Springfield Road from Marsh Lane and then across Marsh Lane towards Rowde Court Road. This is to enable residents from Hft a residential complex for adults with learning difficulties to fully access the village in particular the Church and bus stop on the High Street. The Parish Council has identified further dropped kerbs that it would like to install around the village. A map with the locations on can be supplied.</p> <p>Site meeting with PC has taken place an initial estimate provided (£9,100). RPC have outlined acceptance of the PC Contribution - £2,275. Scheme has been added to contractor's programme for Jan / Feb (weather dependant).</p> <p>Works are currently be undertaken. Invoice for PC contribution sent.</p> <p>(Priority No.05)</p>	<p>Rowde PC confirms the work is complete and they are happy with this. Also Hft charity located in the village.</p> <p>CATG agrees this can be closed.</p>	
h)	<p>Issue 6-19-02 (Previously known as Issue 6569)</p> <p>Footway at Tanis, Conscience Lane, Rowde</p>	<p>RJ asked about the Issue (6569) recorded to create a new footway from houses at Tanis on Conscience Lane to the A342. The parish council supports this request.</p> <p>An initial ball park estimates of £6,000 provided to enable development of scheme. Awaiting RPC to confirm acceptance of need to contribute 25% of the development costs, ahead of 2020/21 Substantive CATG Bid.</p> <p>Rowde PC now confirm their 25% contribution Initial discussion with BT for Service diversion has indicated costs of circa £30,000. Alternative solution being discussed with WC Estates to dedicate</p>	<p>GR says that designs for the scheme are being worked on, but utilities are getting in the way – a BT pole would need to move out of the line of footway and cost estimates are about £30k.</p> <p>Wilts Council Estates are happy to dedicate land from a neighbouring farm property as footway and so go behind this pole. This is an ideal work-around. Also looking at</p>	

		some of adjacent field and relocate hedgerow ongoing. Topographical survey commissioned – Design ongoing. (Priority No.06)	ownership of land elsewhere on route but is still workable. Work will be ready by end of June to go towards Substantive scheme bid in July. CATG agrees this is a worthwhile project as 30-40 houses at Conscience Lane will benefit.	
5.	Other priority schemes			
a)				
6.	Outstanding / Open issues			
a)	Issue 6008 Rowde, Springfield Request for No Through Road signs	<i>Residents who live in two of the closes off Springfield Road Rowde have requested No Entry signs or Cul-de-Sac signs for their closes. There is no indication for HGVs that the two closes are dead ends and it causes problems for residents as the vehicles are then unable to turn around and have to reverse out onto Springfield Road.</i> Rowde PC is happy to pay for this. RJ says that Richard Dobson was due to have name plates with no-through-road symbols on. This was set to proceed but there were questions about installation costs and now it is not clear. Update Required from RD	RD confirms this work is done.	
b)	Issue 6171 Devizes – A342 / A361 Dunkirk Hill Congestion – Request for Prohibition of Turn.	<i>Road congestion at Dunkirk Hill /Bath Road, Devizes. Cars travelling from Caen Hill on Bath Road can turn left onto Dunkirk Hill there is no 'No Left turn' sign. This means that vehicles have to traverse both lanes on Dunkirk Hill and frequently cannot make the turn in one move. This is dangerous especially as it is a blind corner and a fast moving road with a pavement on the other side.</i> <i>Likewise vehicles are permitted to turn right at the top of Dunkirk Hill onto the Bath Road towards the direction of Caen Hill. These vehicles also have to traverse both lanes of traffic and go against the road layout.</i>	RG stated there were still plans with the Air Quality group for lights to control traffic at the junction, but these were longer term. KN says he has asked DTC for evidence at the junction but this has not happened yet. He reiterated the question from a previous meeting: is this dangerous or an inconvenience?	

		<p>Given the financial requirements and perceived benefits, evidence of turning movements was considered beneficial at April 19 Meeting. Given potential costs of a full survey DTC were discuss internally whether other methods of completing survey were possible (local volunteers).</p> <p>GR confirmed that the location isn't a collision cluster site. DTC still trying to identify volunteers to conduct survey to establish degree of issue. This matter is on the agenda for a Devizes TC meeting on 05/11/19 to decide if this is still a priority. Update Required from DTC.</p>	<p>The need to find and sign an alternative place for vehicles to turn was pointed out. AJ described an earlier road closure directed traffic left into town, along New Park St and Gains Lane to turn at the Green and then go out the way they'd come. This was not acceptable to DTC.</p> <p>RG is happy to progress this project through other channels, in particular the air quality group.</p>	
<p>c)</p>	<p>Issue <u>6675</u> A342 Bromham</p>	<p><i>Bromham Parish Council would like to put in motion a speed restriction on the A342 from South of the Calne A3102 50/40mph speed restriction to the St Edith's Marsh 30 MPH restriction. This length of the A342 is now a 60MPH road with frequent occurring accidents which can be backed up by local police and a freedom of information request for the crash map information for accidents. This stretch of road starting at the Calne junction has the following: Farm shop, Residential properties, Chittoe junction - poor visibility. The Audi Garage, Residential properties, The A3102 Melksham junction with Collins Veg. Shop - minor accidents happen here on a regular basis not always police recorded- V P Collins Vegetables at 81 Devizes Road can support this. ACCIDENT SPOT; Double bends. ACCIDENT SPOT; New Farm and Digester entrance to A J Butlers Farm -between the double bends. Cross road junction to Highfield village centre and Roughmoor. Roughmoor 9 residential properties plus A J Butlers main Farm access and Open Reach telecom building. ACCIDENT SPOT; Cross road junction to Yard lane and The Pound village centre. ACCIDENT SPOT; Hawkstreet junction. A speed restriction has been requested on two previous occasions but without response. Bromham Parish Council ask that this request is seriously considered by that appropriate team.</i></p> <p>Speed Limit Assessment discussed at Nov 19 Meeting. Bromham PC to consider and advise if the wish to proceed with requesting a speed limit assessment. GR sent further information to PC 17.12.19. Awaiting BPC response on whether to proceed & contribution.</p>	<p>No one from Bromham PC was present at the meeting and this item was skipped.</p>	

d)	<p>Issue <u>6736</u> Market Lavington; Ledge Hill / Broadway Request for speed limit reduction</p>	<p><i>Cars driving too fast down Road that we live on Location Spin Hill Broadway Market Lavington SN10 5RH Cars and motorbikes speed up coming down hill to sometimes 70-100 miles an hour... the road bends in parts is relatively a short length of Road with a very dangerous junction at the end known as black dog junction where drivers have to stop. Currently the speed limit is 40 turning into 60 miles an hour - which does not make sense considering there are 6 residential homes various offices and businesses with vehicles entering and exiting throughout the day. There have been various incidents in the last 2 years... two cases of cars losing control driving into my gateway and telephone poll - causing a loss of telephone service and internet for 7 days - also the spot where my children have to stand waiting for their school bus - if they had been there they would have been killed 2 cars driving into the ditch where they have lost control on a bend a collision between two cars as one was leaving a small lane and visibility is difficult caused by car driving too fast down the Road. These are the only ones I have witnessed and I am sure there have been more. And more recently my neighbour walking her dog was killed - both herself and large Labrador were both killed. We are still waiting to fully find out the full story but knowing where it happened I have witnessed many drivers going too fast around a difficult bend - I am sure it was down to negligent driving. It also does not make sense that such a small Road with bends throughout with residencies businesses etc. is marked as a national speed limit when the main Road from Devizes to Lavington is at 50 miles an hour Currently it is too dangerous for us to walk outside our home - even mowing my lawn is dangerous we are unable to walk to our local village which is just up the road.</i></p> <p>Awaiting information as to whether this is supported by the Parish Council</p> <p>Police investigation was concluded and Coroner Inquest held (May 2019). No recommendations to the Highway Authority made.</p> <p>Awaiting PC feedback.</p>	<p>GR mentioned that following investigation, the accident in question appears to have been caused by other factors, not Highways conditions.</p>	
e)	<p>Issue <u>6745</u> Devizes, Church</p>	<p><i>Devizes Town Council supports a request to the Community Area Traffic Group for an extension of the Devizes East 20 mph speed limit in Church</i></p>	<p>KN says DTC is waiting for action but GR has not had any notice,</p>	

	Walk Extension of 20mph Speed Limit	<i>Walk</i> Initial Metrocount results received. Devizes Town Council to consider whether to continue with request for 20mph limit and confirm their 25% contribution towards the assessment cost.	although KN thought this had been given in November. GR will look up. RG felt TROs are expensive to put in for few results and wondered if other solutions, like “Slow” or “Danger” signage would have the same effect for a much lower cost? GR explains the need for a full 20mph assessment and that a Metrocount is not enough on its own. The assessment costs £2,500 regardless of the roads included within it. AJ describes Marlborough TC which assessed the whole town centre for the £2,500 flat rate. GR agrees DTC could do this.	AJ to look up results
f)	Issue 6881 A342 Lydeaway, Planks Farm Speed Limit reduction request.	<i>As a safety measure to prevent death or serious injury we would like the current 50 mph reduced to 40mph as we believe that a contributory factor to the serious accidents which have already occurred is the speed. A cost effective solution of reducing the speed limit by 10 mph will not stop those that speed regularly but even regular speeders are reticent to go very far above set limits. We suggest that the area of the A342 be from Lydeaway past Wedhampton to Chirton. This section of road has very tight bends and highly used junctions. This small measure we believe will lessen the chance of a fatality along this section of the A342.</i> PC Support Received. Issue linked to 6120 above.	This is linked to issue 6120 as discussed above. CATG agreed to move on.	
g)	Issue Ref 06-19-12 Worton A360 Black Dog Crossroads Request Junction	<i>Numerous accidents at the crossroads – both reported and unreported.</i> <i>Concerns have been expressed both by councillors and members of the public that something needs to be done before another fatal accident occurs.</i> <i>We would like Wiltshire Council to seriously consider measures to improve this junction and to reduce the speed of traffic on its approach without</i>	MM describes the situation. Several parish councils now coming together to look at this. There have been two more non-injury accidents recently. MM put in a Freedom of Information request to Wiltshire Police about an incident with a school bus. He has contacted	

	Alterations	<p><i>further delay.</i></p> <p>RL opened by saying he was not sure Worton PC should lead on this as several PCs have an interest here. Worton's view is this is a safety issue but it's not clear on the exact cause. Could be a combination of speed, sightlines and coordination of routes into the junction. BD has heard lots of stories of incidents.</p> <p>CO said how Market Lavington PC wanted to speed limit to be 40 not 50mph. New housing going in will make the situation worse, but the S.106 money could go into a solution.</p> <p>JF says that West Lavington PC also has concerns about speed and angles. MM comments on the incidents he knows about.</p> <p>RG agrees the cause is not obvious and wants to take progress slow in order to find the correct solution. A study from consultants Atkins is likely to cost about £10,000 before any implementation work begins. He would like to speak to officers and PCs first.</p>	<p>CLlr Bridgit Wayman about re-prioritising the site following these incidents.</p> <p>RG says that he has also had a near-miss recently and has a better understanding of the situation. He would like to put together information locally and not spend money on an outside consultant who does not understand. If local PCs have Neighbourhood Plans, this could bring in S106 or CIL contributions towards any work, but that is longer term.</p> <p>MM wanted to see a timetable for work here but RG was reluctant to give this</p>	
8.	New Issues			
a)	<p>Ref: 5760 Bishops Cannings:</p> <p>Speeding: Devizes to Horton road</p>	<p>Road leaving Devizes from Murco Garage on London Road, bound for Horton up to and beyond Marlborough Close. Speed limit is currently 50mph from the Murco Garage onwards.</p> <p>New houses being built along Horton Road, many facing directly onto the road. Likely to be occupied by families with children.</p> <p>Would like to see a reduction in speed limit until past the new housing developments.</p>	<p>No one from Bishop Cannings PC was present to discuss this issue but KN confirmed DTC had been in touch with BCPC about this and supported this request.</p>	
b)	<p>Ref: 7157 Bishops Cannings:</p> <p>Traffic calming at North Wilts Golf Club.</p>	<p>The club house and part of the golf course is one side of the road and the other part of the golf course the other side of the road. Players must cross the busy, straight and fast road to access both parts. This includes younger players and older members.</p> <p>Club would like to see more warning signage for pedestrians in the road and possibly informal crossing marked on road.</p>	<p>GR felt there was not much more that could be done along the stretch of road and there is warning already in place. He asked what else the golf club would like to see.</p>	

		Club has offered to contribute to any costs for this.		
c)	<p>Issue Ref: 6-19-01</p> <p>Potterne</p> <p>Proposed Traffic Calming Measures</p>	<p><i>Proposed traffic calming measures for A360, Whistley Road, Worton Road Court Hill</i></p> <p><i>See attached documentation detailing suggestions:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Retain existing Potterne village sign</i> <i>2. Start 30-limit at a suitable point on the long left-hand bend before the Potterne Wick junction.</i> <i>3. Install Village Gates close to the bus stop, shortly before the entrance to Eastwell Manor.</i> <i>4. Install a Vehicle-Activated Speed Indicator at the position of the present 30-limit sign.</i> <p>Recommend Potterne PC outline their priorities. To be discussed.</p>	<p>JM passed round a document detailing Potterne’s plans. They are now looking at just the traffic calming element. The work to the High St would be infrastructure and costly. GR confirms SIDs and white gates fall under CATG to implement.</p> <p>JM raises Whistley Rd and the current weight limit and 30mph limit. HGV restrictions do not prevent large buses/coaches from trying to use the road. Could this be extended to a width limit or anything else?</p> <p>GR feels this would be expensive and suggests a length limit might be more appropriate but points out enforcement by the police is needed to make any vehicle comply with this.</p> <p>JM asks about erecting their own signs – GR says that Highways cannot allow other signage on the highway and mentions court cases where accidents have happened involving non-regulation signage. The cost of a new length restriction would be £5,000 for the TRO and signage could be another £5,000. RG asks if this matter can be parked.</p> <p>CATG agrees a contribution of £3,000 towards new posts for SIDs to be erected on and GR is happy to</p>	GR

			prioritise this work. JM was asked to use new, separate request forms for other two elements of his document.	JM
d)	<p>Issue Ref: 6-19-03</p> <p>Rowde</p> <p>The Common</p> <p>Measures to reduce vehicle speed through The Common</p>	<p><i>Speeding through the Common from Cock Road towards Berhills Lane. Also, the use of the road by HGVs. Requested:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A 30 mph speed limit, not the national speed limit as it currently is</i> • <i>Traffic calming measures</i> • <i>Weight restrictions</i> <p>The limit is NSL however the environment and road geometry dictate that vehicle speeds are substantially below this level. The introduction of a lower limit is unlikely to alter vehicle speeds. A speed assessment could be undertaken, however this isn't seen as an effective use of the groups allocations.</p> <p>The route isn't of strategic purpose and the clear majority of users will be of a frequent and local nature. The use of traffic calming and weight limit are not considered to be necessary as there aren't any records of injury collisions or excessive use by large vehicles.</p> <p>Recommend Issue is closed.</p>	JH says how a farmer has the legal right to run cattle over the Common and so the limit needs to be 40mph and the section of road would need to be enclosed with a cattle grid, however the farmer chooses not to do this. JH therefore agrees this item can be parked.	
e)	<p>Issue Ref 06-19-04</p> <p>Devizes</p> <p>St Johns Street / Wine Street</p> <p>Request to alter kerbing.</p>	<p><i>Safety as the low pavement at that junction is exposed to oncoming traffic.</i></p> <p><i>The Town Council believes a raised bevelled kerb should be added to raise driver awareness.</i></p> <p>To be discussed.</p>	KN is not clear on the detail of this matter. He is happy to leave it for now and get further information from DTC later	KN
f)	<p>Issue Ref 06-19-05</p> <p>Market Lavington</p>	<p><i>The problem with traffic congestion through the village of Market Lavington has been getting increasingly worse and worse. The combination of the sheer volume of traffic, lack of off-street parking, and large vehicles trying</i></p>	No one from Market Lavington PC was present at the meeting and this item was skipped.	

	<p>B3098 Traffic congestion.</p> <p>Request for review / Traffic Calming.</p>	<p><i>to negotiate the wholly unsuitable B3098, mean that vehicles regularly have to mount the pavements, and damage to vehicles and property is occurring on an all too frequent basis. Only a few weeks ago, a tractor and lorry trying to pass each other in Church Street, resulted in major damage to an elevated garden retaining wall.</i></p> <p><i>The Parish Council would like to please respectfully request that the CATG meeting consider arranging for a full assessment of the current situation be carried out by Wiltshire Council Highways Department, with a view to making their recommendations for any suitable traffic management proposals for the village. One suggestion that has already been put forward, is the implementation of a 'priority right-of-way' system to be located at the narrow points at each end of the village, to only allow vehicles through in one direction at a time i.e. section of High Street between Stobberts Road and Fiddington Clay roundabout, and section of Church Street by Church Cottage. The Parish Council recognises that any proposals subsequently put forward would have a significant financial cost, however, they consider that a holistic approach, which considers all the contributing factors is necessary in order to find a viable and effective solution. It was also questioned whether any subsequent proposal may be a suitable project for the 'Substantive Highways Scheme Fund'.</i></p> <p>CO requested information about the cost of a survey to allow them to decide whether they can make the 25% contribution.</p> <p>GR felt this was not straight forward and without some early work, an estimate would not be possible.</p> <p>This can be discussed at the next CATG to be prioritised.</p>		
g)	<p>Issue Ref 06-19-06</p> <p>Devizes</p> <p>Nursteed Road</p> <p>Request for 30mph</p>	<p><i>Speeding Traffic</i></p> <p><i>Devizes Town Councils makes a request to the Community Area Traffic Group that 30mph repeater signs be placed along the length of Nursteed Road which can be views from both directions.</i></p> <p>The A342 Nursteed Road is subject to a 30mph by virtue of a system of</p>	<p>30mph is the default speed when there is street lighting so repeaters cannot be installed.</p> <p>It was felt that a Community Speedwatch team there might be helpful. A Metrocount would help to show speeding and if CSW is</p>	

	Repeater Signs	street lighting throughout its length. The Traffic Signs Manual & General Directions 2016 do not permit the use of 30mph speed limit repeaters in locations where 30mph restrictions are by the virtue of street lighting. Recommend issue is closed.	appropriate. CATG agreed to close this.	
h)	Issue Ref 06-19-07 Devizes Victoria Road Request for a 20mph Limit	<i>Speeding Traffic</i> <i>Devizes Town Councils makes a request to the Community Area Traffic Group that a 20mph speed limit be put in place for the length of Victoria Road.</i> Requests for a 20mph limit require a full assessment prior to approval. The cost associated with the assessment is fixed at £2,5000. To be discussed.	It was felt that this is mostly down to certain drivers' behaviour. Markings at the hospital end have worn away, reinstating these could help. KN wondered if staggering the current on-street parking to create more of a chicane effect might help to slow cars. GR says this is possible. If they are timed bays, the TRO would need to be changed to show this, which would cost. If they are just informal bays, with a white box, these can be moved. It was recognised there would be some space lost to allow vehicles to change lanes. GR would need to know that residents are happy with these changes before going ahead. Changes to white lining could be done by RD.	KN to look at bays
i)	Issue Ref 06-19-11 Potterne Blounts Court Request junction altered to form a Mini-Roundabout	<i>Improvements require to previously agreed formal crossing</i> <i>Request the junction with the A360 & Blount's Court is altered with the introduction of a min-roundabout and associated kerb line alterations. This will enable alterations to be made to the crossing point to improve visibility for pedestrians crossing in the vicinity of the George & Dragon PH.</i> To be discussed.	GR confirmed that the issue has been logged. However it will be for the PC to prioritise their schemes given the budget availability. PPC have done so and will revisit the scheme in due course once other priorities have been concluded.	
j)	Issue Ref 06-19-13	<i>Concerns have been raised about the number of cars not seeing the "one-</i>	At a previous CATG meeting, there	

	<p>Devizes</p> <p>Long Street / High Street</p> <p>Contravention of One Way Order.</p>	<p><i>way" signs at the High Street junction with Long Street and therefore going the wrong way up the High Street.</i></p> <p><i>Wiltshire Council's Principal Engineer commented that the current signing arrangement does not accord with the current legislation (or previous iterations) for the signing of this type of restriction. He suggested that this arrangement was due to aesthetical reasons, but these recent contraventions are the consequence.</i></p> <p><i>The engineer has put forward a possible solutions ; To make the restriction enforceable by the Police, and would require the installation to have the correct signing and accord with the guidance. This will require the addition of 2 signs, one directly outside No 15, and another on the central Island. Although the left-hand slip is covered by signs on the bollards, these aren't sufficient to ensure compliance, as signs on the bollards are only there to supplement fixed larger signs (600mm in diameter).</i></p> <p>There are bollards that need No Entry signage replacing and No Entry could be painted on road. GR would like to replace bollards with hoops to be in keeping with elsewhere in town. Estimates that this could cost CATG £3-4k plus other elements paid from Maintenance. Issue has previously been listed under AoB.</p> <p>To be discussed.</p>	<p>was discussion about whether DTC wanted hoops or bollards as the replacement. GR is still waiting for this information.</p> <p>It was felt this is mainly due to vehicles trying to turn left from the Market Place end. The solution can be done, but GR needs to know what DTC wants.</p>	<p>KN</p>
k)	<p>Issue Ref 06-19-14</p> <p>Devizes</p> <p>Victoria Road</p> <p>Request for Dropped Kerbs.</p>	<p><i>A request has been received from a wheelchair user in Victoria Road for the kerb in Victoria Road and corresponding kerb to the north, joining with New Park Road, to be made wheelchair friendly. The local traffic engineer has visited the site and proposed a solution for the north end of the pavement.</i></p> <p><i>The Sedgefield Gardens junction is likely to need a more permanent dropped kerb however the corresponding kerb on the east side of the road already has this provision.</i></p> <p>To be discussed</p>	<p>KN described the locations where dropped kerbs are needed. GR gave costs to install of £1,500 per pair. CATG cannot afford this until the new financial year – would DTC pay 100% to get work done sooner? RD is doing maintenance work in Sedgefield Gdns and could include the dropped kerb at no cost to CATG but this would be later in the year.</p> <p>This was deferred until April and</p>	

			the new f/y along with more information about RD's work.	
l)	Issue Ref 06-20-01 Bromham A342 Request for Village Signs.	<i>Due to the decline in village shops the Parish Council would like to request brown signs indicating 'Village Shops' to be located on the A342 at the Roughmoor Junction and Pound Junctions to indicate that there are shops in the village centre.</i> Tourist Signs (Brown Signs) are not permitted for this type of feature, however traditional road signs can be considered. To be discussed.	No one from Bromham PC was present at the meeting and this item was skipped.	
9.	Other items			
a)				
10	Date of next meeting: 10.00am Tuesday 28th April, White Horse Room, Devizes Library			

Devizes Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group Meeting

Tuesday 4th February 2020, White Horse Room, Devizes Community Hub

Notes

Present: Cllr Richard Gamble (Chair), Martin Aldam, Gary Tomsett, Andrew Jack (Wiltshire Council); Richard Ormerod, Kate Freeman, Jasper Selwyn, Jeremy Cross (Sustainable Devizes), Philippa Morgan, Philip Abbott (Potterne PC)

Item	Notes	Action
Apologies	Cllr Kelvin Nash, Cllr Nigel Carter (Devizes TC); Cllr Peter Evans, (Wiltshire Council)	
Recap / Funding Summary	<p>AJ resent the notes from the last meeting on 05/11/19 RG covered points within these notes. He raised the local plan vs. the core strategy, the timings of this and the number of new houses. Devizes has changed and moved into the Chippenham Housing Market Area. This has consequences for Devizes and RG would like a proper discussion on this topic at another meeting.</p> <p>JC raised the issue of infrastructure and the level of congestion, asking what is going to be done. RG responded that whilst this group can look at re-modelling junctions, this is expensive, and the group needs to look at different ways to make it less attractive to drive, especially within town. RG pointed out that previous traffic counts had shown that not much of Devizes' traffic was passing through, so must be locally generated.</p> <p>KF thought more needed to be done with travel planning, especially with employers. Aster had started using this and a communication strategy but it had not gone anywhere.</p> <p>Regarding the county-wide Air Quality plan, MA said that the plan for Devizes would not be as well developed as those for Salisbury, Trowbridge and Chippenham. RO pointed out LTP4 will be county-wide, but MA said that there will not be a separate model for Devizes based on the level of development here compared to Salisbury, Trowbridge and Chippenham.</p> <p>MA covered the funding situation. There is £11k for modelling. A further £3k which is non-discretionary for a TRO at Quaker's Walk. Cars parking there are mostly commuter, and this could be squeezed. This was not included in the residents' parking area. Also, allotment holders park there. Funding could be used in Victoria Rd and Quaker's Walk area, at the top end of New Park Rd. There is further discretionary funding, £500k, to deliver sustainable transport from the transport strategy. It couldn't be used for all of the work at Shane's Castle, maybe the sustainable transport element there. The £563k public transport funding is for the Lay Wood area and what effects that area but if public transport solutions do not go ahead, it could be used for sustainable transport.</p> <p>JC said he would like to see bigger budgets for walking and cycling schemes. RG agrees and would like to see full networks of cycle routes,</p>	

	<p>not simply sections, e.g. a route from Worton into Devizes for young people to meet their friends. MA said that Wiltshire Council will offer £100k in revenue funding (officer posts) to encourage cycling. Sustainable Transport dept. has been asked to put together a plan to spend this money, if this groups wants to put in a bid for someone to work in Devizes to promote cycling.</p> <p>RG felt that the south of the area is well covered by rights of way but the north has far fewer.</p>	
<p>Wiltshire's new Air Quality Strategy, October 2019 + recap of Devizes' Action Plan</p>	<p>GT said that the new county Air Quality Strategy has now gone out. The document is on the county air quality website http://www.wiltshireairquality.org.uk/reports Air quality actions plans are for the 8 AQMAs.</p>	
<p>1. Updates on:</p>	<p>I Canal towpath & extension beyond Windsor Drive: JC has done a lot of work on this. The cycle path on the towpath ends at Windsor Drive. An option is a crossing over the road to take people safely to the other side to re-join the towpath or to go under the road. The footway on top of the bridge is too narrow. Ideas include opening up the towpath to get to the back of the Lay Wood development. This would end up on the wrong side of the canal from the houses. There was lots of discussion about ways to cross the canal north of Windsor Drive to access Lay Wood and where this could be.</p> <p>MA pointed out there is a shared use footway (pedestrian and cycle) from Lay Wood, past the Barracks to Windsor Drive and people can join the towpath southwards there.</p> <p>RG asked about how to go about getting costings and plans established. MA said that K&A Trust people could be asked whether they want to do this work and open the towpath further. Could get the canal engineers to see how far the width of the towpath could be opened up. RG asked someone to write a note for this plan and JC will do this.</p> <p>RG raised the link from Potterne to Devizes, e.g. to get students in to the secondary school. Potterne PC has agreed to support this. Part is still a footpath but the northern section is a bridleway. There may be some objections to the change of the footpath to a bridleway. It is approx. 2miles from Potterne to the school. MA felt the cost effectiveness of this plan in reducing the number of cars travelling in to Devizes would be less than if the same amount of money was spent on plans for Lay Wood.</p> <p>II Shane's Castle: Land there is confirmed as reserved to allow for a design there. MA stated the scheme is on hold because air quality levels dipped, so the need for the scheme appears to be diminished. GT said that levels have risen this year and levels are now above the threshold, so the Shane's Castle project could be back on the agenda.</p> <p>JS pointed out traffic can back up as far as the market place because of this junction.</p> <p>MA felt the design would produce a marginal drop in poor air. KF felt the money would be better spent on improving footpaths.</p> <p>GT stated the data has gone up for 2018 and has now passed the threshold. He has data for London Rd and will circulate this.</p>	

	<p>III Trees: JC asks about the idea of planting trees on land north of Quaker's Walk, next to Police HQ. AJ confirmed he had contacted Wiltshire Police's property team about planting trees at HQ and at Bath Rd. The response from them was that the future of the HQ building is uncertain and they are not able to agree to planting there.</p> <p>KF felt there are open spaces at Nursteed Rd and asked if trees could be planted there. AJ said there are a number of local groups about to begin tree planting projects, including DOCA, CUDS and a new group Trees for Devizes. Tree saplings are available all year round from the Woodland Trust and are free for community groups. They come in different packs of species and numbers depending on the purpose.</p>	
Buses:	<p>There is no update from PTU although RG said the unit is working on a response.</p> <p>There was discussion about disabled access on school buses, the D6 service to Bath and the No. 2 to Salisbury – RG spoke about the increase in number going past Stonehenge. Also that links from Devizes to Marlborough are in active discussion.</p> <p>RO spoke about buses and travel time and the detours routes take to visit rural communities. He felt PTU's priority is with vulnerable people and not in focusing on travel time to encourage people to choose the bus over driving. RG spoke about his ideas on how to do that involving small park & rides along the route of longer inter-town services.</p>	
Other updates and AOB	<p>I No idling: RG is happy to support new signage to encourage drivers to switch off engines at certain locations, such as outside schools or shops. GT mentions new legislation coming in about air quality and taxis. He also mentions banners that are being produced for schools.</p> <p>II Enterprise Car Club: MA says that Enterprise Car Club is likely to move in to Devizes. There was discussion around the suitability of different locations within town to be the parking place and from where club members will pick up the vehicles.</p>	
Next meetings	<p>Dates for futures meetings have been set as: Tuesday 28th April, 2.00pm in Devizes Library Tuesday 28th July, 2.00pm in Devizes Library</p>	

Report to	Devizes Area Board
Date of Meeting	16/03/2020
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Devizes Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount Requested
Applicant: Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days Project Title: Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days 2020	£500.00

Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£500.00
Total Youth funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2019/20	£20,173.00
Total amount awarded so far, 2019/20	£18,631.00
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	£1,795.86 (inc. £753.86 carried forward from 2018/19)

1. Background

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People Local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2019/2020 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.

2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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 has been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implication

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards and Local Youth Networks must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Youth Grants and 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
819	Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days	Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days, 2020	£500.00

Project Description:

We are holding four fun days in April, August and October for the benefit of young special needs children which will be held at Trowbridge Rugby Club. The children attending will usually be students of Rowdeford, Larkrise or St Nicolas and various activities and food is provided.

The fun days are to give special needs students and their carers/parents a chance to enjoy an activity outside school term time. In the three fun days last during 2019, about 50 children and young people took part in two event and over 100 in the Halloween themed event in October holidays.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets the criteria for the grant scheme by providing activities for young people within the specified age range. These fun days provide a free,

positive activity for young people from the Devizes area and other neighbouring areas where they can socialise and take part in different interests. It also gives their parents and carers an opportunity to relax and meet other people.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Wiltshire Special Needs Fun Days for £500.00

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

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Report to Devizes Area Board
Date of meeting 16 March 2020
Title of report Health and Wellbeing funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Devizes Rotary Project Title: Devizes Community Area Be Active Day, 2020	£1,901.66
Applicant: Sustainable Devizes Project Title: Devizes area Repair Café	£592.00
Applicant: Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living Project Title: Connecting people in Devizes	£1,000.00

Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£3,493.66
Total Health & Wellbeing funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2019/20	£7,700.00
Total amount awarded so far, 2019/20	£3,340.21
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report (including £2,100 rollover from 18/19)	£2,966.13

1. Background

Area Boards have a delegated revenue budget for 2019/20 of £7,700 to support projects to improve health and wellbeing in the community area. This funding is focussed at, but not limited to, supporting the health and wellbeing of older people and vulnerable people within our community.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2019/2020 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 will improve health and wellbeing in the area and should consider the views of their local Health and Wellbeing Group.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of 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.

Applicants have 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

I.D.	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3713	Devizes Rotary	Devizes Community Area Be Active Day, 2020	£1,901.66
<p>Project description:</p> <p>Be Active 2020 is the first of two proposed Devizes Community Area Health and Well Being Days for 2020. Adults will learn what activities are available to help keep them healthy and active. Exhibitors will be allocated free space in The Shambles to display and talk about their promotional materials and Demonstrators will be allocated a free space and time slot in the Market Place to demonstrate the kind of activity sessions such as exercise classes and holistic therapy sessions they offer. Attractions including a climbing wall and other activities will be provided.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</p> <p>Following the success of Devizes Community Area Health and Well Being Days in 2018 and 2019, the event has been separated in to a Be Active day (May 2020) and a Be Social day (October 2020). They will take place in the covered Shambles area of town, bringing the event to the town centre and undercover to avoid the weather. It also opens up the area of the market place to hold demonstrations and 'have a go' events.</p> <p>Splitting the event into two separates the sporting or physical activities that keep people physically healthy from the social or recreational activities that put people together and prevents isolation.</p> <p>Many of the items purchased in this application will be re-used for the Be Social day in October and can be used by other events from other organisations as well.</p>			

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1,901.66

I.D.	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3677	Sustainable Devizes	Devizes Repair Cafe	£592.00

Project description:

The Repair Cafe is an initiative to provide a monthly event where members of the community can bring items for repair rather than throw them away. It will offer repairs for clothing small electrical goods knife and tool sharpening and wooden items. There will be a cafe for customers while they wait so that there can be community interaction. The benefits of the cafe are increased community awareness of reuse reduction in items going to landfill and skills transfer for simple repairs. Where repairs can't be undertaken customers will be directed to local tradespersons.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Sustainable Devizes are modelling this project on the successful repair café recently set up in Salisbury. It will take place in a central and accessible location, likely to be on a Saturday and in Devizes Library, to allow people to attend.

As well as preventing the repaired items from ending up in landfill and instilling a re-use ethos in people, the café will provide a new social point for the area. It is expected people will stay whilst their item is repaired, they can have some refreshments and chat to other people or the volunteers, or just read a book. It will allow people to learn new skills in repairing items and create new opportunities to volunteer. This project meets many of the 5 Ways to Wellbeing: Connect; Be Active; Take Notice; Learn & Give.

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £592.00

I.D.	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3677	Sustainable Devizes	Devizes Repair Cafe	£592.00

Project description:

A project to support adults in the Devizes Primary Care Network area covering Devizes GP surgeries to connect with their community through providing small person-centred well-being opportunities which will build confidence and reduce isolation.

Individuals are currently referred through from the four GP surgeries of the Devizes PCN area including Market Lavington. With the support of our community connector they identify what is important to them and what their Good Life looks like. From these ideas we create pathways to connect them with their community. The Area Board funding will be used flexibly to support people in innovative ways to make these community connections. The small pots of funding will be for specific activities acting as a catalyst for these connections and is not intended for long term activities.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1,000.00

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

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Report to	Devizes Area Board
Date of Meeting	16/03/2020
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Devizes Eisteddfod Project Title: Lavington School Stage Drapes	£962.93
Applicant: Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race Project Title: Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race Awareness-raising material	£790.90*
Applicant: Devizes Open Doors Project Title: ICT equipment upgrade	£1,171.49*
Applicant: Devizes and District Foodbank Project Title: ICT equipment and software	£879.97

Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£3,805.29
Total capital funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2019/20	£49,886.22
Total amount awarded so far, 2019/20	£45,932.86
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	£148.07

* These applications have already been awarded via delegated authority due to time constraints

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 2019/2020 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
3639	Devizes Eisteddfod	Lavington School Stage Drapes	£962.93
<p>Project Description: Application to fund the purchase of new stage drapes at Lavington School. The hall is used by a number of notable local arts organisations including the Devizes Eisteddfod and White Horse Opera and the present curtains are in a very poor condition and indeed could be viewed as a safety hazard.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the criteria for the grant scheme. Devizes Eisteddfod themselves put on performances over several days each year, as well as White Horse Opera and the school itself.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Devizes Eisteddfod for £962.93</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3657	Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race	Awareness raising material, 2020.	£790.90*
<p>Project Description: Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race is the toughest canoe race in the world hence why it is known as The Canoeists' Everest. Our aim is to make more local people aware of the race and encourage people to take up canoeing and also join the local Devizes Canoe Club. With over 3,000 people coming to Devizes for the start of the race we also want to encourage them to come into the town and use the shops, restaurants, etc. and visit the many places of interest in the town.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the criteria of the grant scheme. The canoe race is becoming more widely known outside of the world of canoeing. This award will help to attract more visitors to the town to watch the race prepare and set off. This will benefit both the race and the town's economy from the spending these visitors will bring.</p> <p>Proposal This application has already been determined by the area board and awarded via delegated authority. This is due to the timing of the event and when area board meetings fall.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3605	Devizes Opendoors	ICT equipment upgrade	£1,171.49*
<p>Project Description: Devizes Opendoors is a charity set up to help people in Devizes Community Area who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless and to benefit individuals in need including the marginalised and vulnerable. It provides three cooked meals a week at St. John's Parish Rooms, Long Street and a drop-in session on a fourth day. 15 to 20 people attend most sessions to receive good food and company, a shower, advice and support. We urgently need to better equip our two paid staff and our team of befriending volunteers by providing them with new computers to improve communications and co-ordination in their work. We also need to upgrade our kitchen equipment used in meal preparation including a microwave oven, scales, commercial standard toaster and utensils.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the criteria of the grant scheme. Devizes Opendoors provides an important service for some of the area's most vulnerable residents. The advice and support they give to their "guests" are invaluable in helping them</p>			

move forward. This new ICT equipment will allow the charity's two paid workers to access this advice and information more straightforwardly.

Proposal

This application has already been determined by the area board and awarded via delegated authority. This is due to the urgent need for this equipment and when area board meetings fall.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3670	Devizes and District Foodbank	ICT equipment and software	£879.97

Project Description:

The Foodbank needs to replace its laptop and printers which are several years old and have reached the end of their working life. We would like to purchase a Windows 10 laptop plus office software and an office printer that is capable of printing A3 size. This will enable the Foodbank to continue to run the administration necessary to facilitate the receiving of food, money, donations and the giving out of emergency food to those in need in the Devizes and District Area. Our database show that in the period April 2018 to March 2019 Devizes foodbank fed a total of 1,578 people of which 500 were children age 16 years and under. Already since April 2019, we have fed 1,897 people of which 775 were children - this shows that the need is increasing. The people who will benefit are financially disadvantaged in that at a given point in time they have insufficient money to buy food.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets the criteria of the grant scheme. The figures given within the application show the high number of people that need the foodbank and also that this number has risen from 2018/19 to 2019/20. This new ICT equipment will allow the foodbank to administer their business more effectively and to support the local area's vulnerable residents.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Devizes and District Foodbank for £879.97

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