

MINUTES

Meeting: Salisbury Area Board

Place: Online

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Start Time: 6.00 pm Finish Time: 8.45 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Atiqul Hoque (Chairman)Cllr Sven Hocking (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Derek Brown OBE, Cllr Brian Dalton, Cllr Matthew Dean, Cllr Mary Douglas, Cllr Atiqul Hoque (Chairman), Cllr Ricky Rogers and Cllr John Walsh

Wiltshire Council Officers

Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer Marc Read, CEM - Salisbury

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Pete Sparrow Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Station Manager Matthew Maggs

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
32	Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman Cllr Atiqul Hoque welcomed everyone to the online meeting of the Salisbury Area Board and invited the members of the Board to introduce themselves.
33	Apologies for Absence
	There were none.
34	<u>Minutes</u>
	Decision The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 8 October 2020 were agreed as a correct record and would be signed by the Chairman at a later date.
35	Declarations of Interest
	In relation to item 10 – Community Area Grants, Cllr Hocking noted that he was in discussions with the applicant for the Anybody Can Cook application, regarding the possible use of his catering equipment. Due to this he would not take part in the discussion or vote on the item.
	In relation to item 10 – Health & Wellbeing Funding – Safe and Supportive Salisbury Application, Cllr Walsh noted that in his capacity of City Mayor, he featured in the booklet to be printed, but as this was a non-pecuniary interest he would take part in the discussion and vote on the item.
36	Chairman's Updates
	River Park Following on from the presentation at the last Area Board, the consultation on the River Park Masterplan and Phase 1 proposals of the River Park scheme had now commenced. Details could be found on the Council's web-site www.wiltshire.gov.uk/salisbury-future and would close on 8 January.
	Area Board Champions Both of the Area Board Champions were praise and thanked for their work.
	Carers Champion, Helen Dowse, was organising a 'Christmas Stocking Surprise' for nearly 100 of the unpaid carers in the city. Helen had been working tirelessly on the project, collecting donations and making up Christmas Stockings for these often, unsung heroes in our community.
	Older People's Champion, Irene Kohler, had organised the Silver Salisbury teas project in October, which saw 175 older people, who were unable to get out and

about or were still isolating or shielding, receive a fantastic afternoon tea. Not content with this success, Irene was now looking to repeat the project in February 2021.

Partner and Community Updates

The Board noted the written updates attached to the agenda and received the following verbal updates:

Police - Inspector Pete Sparrow

The figures around crime reporting were pleasing, recorded crime was at 199 crimes for the whole of Salisbury in November 2020, which was significantly down compared to the same period last November where there were 331 recorded crimes. Violent crime was also down from 95 to 73 for the same period.

Inspector Sparrow would try to circulate a report to members in due course.

<u>Fire – Station Manager Matthew Maggs</u>

In addition to the written report attached to the agenda, Matty noted that there hd not been a dramatic increase in attendance, it had in fact decreased, this was put down to more people working from home.

Salisbury City Council – Liz Sirman

The shops were now open please encourage everyone to shop locally. The Christmas markets will open on Sunday.

The Impact of Covid on Schools, Health & Care Services in Salisbury

The Board had invited representatives from some of the services in Salisbury to share how Covid had impacted on their organisation and what measures they had needed to take to cope and meet the needs of the community during the pandemic.

Katy Gillingham - Salisbury Medical Practice.

Katy ran through a presentation which detailed how they have coped at the practice and some of the steps taken:

Impact and adaptations

- Branch site changes
- Pre-booked appointments only
- New appointment system
- Hot and cold sites
- Working with other Practices
- Referrals/Minor Surgery
- Adapted flu clinics

- Fisherton House site was closed to walk in patients
- Bemerton Heath surgery recently re-open
- The min impact had been a review of the appointment system, and the adaptation to a telephone system.
- Introduction of same day GP telephone appointments morning and afternoon.
- Video consultation triage could view symptoms such as rash etc.

A huge amount of calls were received especially in the morning, so the phone lines were increased to 60, resulting in patients getting through a lot quicker.

There had been the introduction of 'hot' and 'cold' sites, where people with certain symptoms could be separated and then seen in the hot site.

There had been a big impact on the flu clinics, these were held at Sarum Academy and there had been wonderful feedback following these.

It was hoped that here would be more information to circulate on the Covid Vaccine clinics soon.

Covid-19 Procedure

- Cleaning high touch areas three times a day
- Screening patients before attending appointments
- Wiping chairs down after each patient
- Open windows to ensure ventilation
- Socially distanced waiting rooms
- Patients arrive 5 minutes before their appointment
- Face coverings/PPE

Positive Outcomes

- Staff working from one site –teamwork
- Same day appointments for patients
- Introduction of video consultations
- Uptake of online services
- Engagement with our local community

Thank you to all of the businesses and individuals that donated PPE at the start of the Covid pandemic. We are still open for business

Questions and comments:

- All very grateful for the hard work of the national health service over the last months, it really had been an extraordinary period.
- Could you explain your personal role? <u>Answer</u>: Engaging with the community, to be the in-between person, I am able to relay information back to the GPs, and help the practice be more of a community hub rather than just a health centre.

The flu clinic at Sarum Academy was very well run, I attended and there
was an orderly process, efficient and effortless. Congratulations. If that is
a model for the Covid vaccination clinics, they would be seamless.

Matthew Airey from Wessex Care.

We are a strategic partner of the local authority and the NHS our provision ranges from nursing care through to specialist dementia care

Main challenges

Some of the equipment needed and its availability, however we had preconsidered this and had been purchasing PPE from Nov/Dec the previous year, to be ready.

As a strategic partner we were asked to set up a hospital discharge support unit in direct support of the hospital, very quickly when the first spike was identified around the Easter weekend.

During modelling it was seen there was a risk to the hospital, so units were set up as Covid Hot units. All patients discharged that were covid positive, came to us and we managed it in our setting. We recruited within our team from those that were willing to take on this role.

This service ran through until it was decommissioned at the end of July. All of those that were supporting us did an amazing job.

The support and things we received from the community from scrubs, pizzas, beauty products showed outstanding support which was much appreciated.

Wanted to ensure that contact between residents and their families continued until the guidance came in.

Focus was always to allow as much visiting as was safely possible. Staff were tested every 7 days and the residents tested every 28 days. This would change to staff being tested twice a week and residents once a week. With some of the new tests available, this may allow us to increase some of the visiting contact.

The new normal for us is a testing regime, support to our residents and the hospital with discharge.

Little Manor care centre had recently opened and was a dedicated rehab unit, to get people out of hospital and keep those beds free for further need.

Winter planning for the south of Wiltshire was the next big test, we feel prepared and well equipped. Had no positive covid identified in our units or community services. That was testament to all of the members of staff in doing a fantastic job in maintaining high standards and good use of PPE.

We are expecting to be very busy with lots of challenges.

Questions and comments:

- Do you feel confident that the hospital had it organised so that the care homes did not have to accept any patients that came out? <u>Answer</u>: In Wiltshire they quickly responded to put a stop to that and it helped to prevent an outbreak of covid in Wiltshire. Covid tests were taken within 48 hours of discharge, patients were initially isolated and monitored. I am confident but never complacent
- There was mention in the media about mental health issues for both patients and relatives, was there an increase? Answer: It was difficult to say, as we recognised there may be a rise early on and had put in measures to mitigate that. Where it was recognised, we had been able to give increased support to that individual. However, all ages were susceptible to not seeing family, the older generation are incredibly resilient. Yes it was something that we watch out for. I think the issue we were more concerned about was the anxiety of individuals and family members. We had a member of staff who was in contact with families, we see it as part of our community roll to support the family members. Staff had been amazing, but this has come at a cost, they are tired. We have clear support mechanisms in place.
- In the beginning was it difficult to get hold of the test kits for care homes?
 <u>Answer</u>: Yes, as the test kits didn't exist at all in the beginning. What we did was we got involved with the early pilots.

Gareth Jones – Sarum Academy was unable to attend.

The Future of Salisbury City Hall

We have been asked by Cllr Rogers to support the re-opening of the Salisbury City Hall as soon as it is possible and safe to do so.

The Board was asked to support the proposal of Cllr Rogers, to request that Wiltshire Council conducts any community engagement and/or consultation should the usage change, through the Salisbury Area Board.

Cllr Rogers noted that the 8 Board Cllrs were the representatives of the city and should be involved if there was to be any change to the operation. People had been in touch with him about this issue as it was a much-loved venue in the city. It was important to be able to take the views of the public

Cllr Walsh supported the recommendation, adding that the city Hall was build with money put together for a war memorial for people that died in the second world war. There would be uproar if anything was done that was not considered by the Area Board.

Cllr Dean had previously spoke to the Leader of the Council, when it first closed, he had assured him that there were no plans for a change of use and that when permitted the City Hall would be in use again for a new calendar of events with the existing staff.

Cllr Dalton noted that all of the staff at City Hall had been made redundant so there would not be a staff to run it if it did open tomorrow.

Decision

The Salisbury Area Board requested that should the use of City Hall change in any way, that it conducts any community engagement and/or consultation through the Area Board.

40 Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

The Board noted the report from the last meeting on 17 November which was attached to the agenda.

Cllr Hocking (Chairman of CATG) gave an update on the recommendations for funding and current schemes.

The Street Nameplate Refurbishment Scheme was nearly complete. A list of work already carried out and the outstanding work in the two remaining areas (Bishopdown and Harnham) was being compiled for consideration and would be brought to a future meeting.

Decision

The Salisbury Area board approved the recommendations for funding as detailed in the attached CATG report.

41 Area Board Funding

The Board considered the applications for funding as detailed in the agenda pack. Applicants present were invited to give a brief overview of their projects, followed by an opportunity for questions.

Community Area Grants:

Hampworth Croquet Club – requested £5,000

The applicant Stephen Bennett spoke in support of the project.

Questions:

• How many members did you have? Answer: Approx. 60

- What fundraising had taken place? <u>Answer</u>: We had been applying for funding and were successful with £1k from Persimmons Homes, Membership fees brough in £3500, and crowd funding supported by sports England. Also applied to Southern Wilts AB which also allocated £5000. Had approached PC however, had not had much joy in communicating with them.
- Why had there been a change in the lawn care situation? <u>Answer</u>: The
 previous system was for all of our funds to be handed over to the landlord
 in return for maintenance. That arrangement had ended and now there
 was a new regime where we must maintain the lawn ourselves.
- The club was outside of our community area. Should be down to the PC as well.
- You are equidistant to Southampton, so I suggest you also look further afield to provide some support.
- There were only 2 clubs that offered this across the whole of Wiltshire, there must be quite a few of our residents who partake. Happy to support some level of funding.
- Cllr Dean £5k was a generous amount from Southern AB. As there were only 50 – 60 members, it was likely half would be from the Salisbury area.
 I propose £1000. This was seconded by Cllr Rogers.

Decision

The Hampworth Croquet club was awarded £1000 towards the project. *Reason*

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

Five Rivers Indoor Bowls club – requested £1,000

The applicant, Diane Makepeace spoke in support of the application.

The Chairman moved the motion to award in full, this was seconded by Cllr Douglas.

Decision

The Five Rivers Indoor Bowls club was awarded £1000 towards the purchase of a motorised wheelchair to accommodate greater participation. *Reason*

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

Devenish Bradshaw Trust – requested £2,127.44

The applicant David Burton spoke in support of the application.

Questions and comments:

- Cllr Dean noted that whilst the project was a nice thing to do, he felt that perhaps it was not as deserving as some of the other projects.
- The exercise aspect was supported by some members.

The motion to award a lower amount of £1000 was put forward by Cllr Dean.

This was seconded by Cllr Walsh.

Decision

The Devenish Bradshaw Trust was awarded £1000 towards the city to countryside dog trails.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

Secret Spitfire Charity – requested £5,000

The applicant Chris Walley spoke in support of the application.

Questions and comments

The Chairman noted his support for this exciting project and moved the motion to award the full amount. This motion was not seconded.

Cllr Brown supported the outstanding project, noting how well organised and well supported it was.

Cllr Dean moved the motion of an award of £3000. This was seconded by Cllr Walsh.

Cllr Douglas lost connection briefly but was able to re-join before the next application was considered.

Decision

The Secret Spitfire Charity was awarded £3000 towards the Spitfire project. Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

The Any Body Can Cook CIC – requested £5000

The applicant Catherine Maxwell spoke in support of the application.

Cllr Hocking had declared a non-pecuniary interest and chose not to speak or vote on this application.

Cllr Dean noted his support for the project, adding that the Pantry Partnership was a success story for Salisbury. He then moved the motion to award the full amount. This was seconded by Cllr Douglas.

Decision

The Anybody Can Cook was awarded £5000 towards the Local Pantry project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

Milford Street Bridge Project - requested £980

The Applicant Clare Christopher spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Dean moved the motion to support in full. This was seconded by Cllr Hocking.

Decision

The Milford Street Bridge Project was awarded £980 towards the Project. Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21.

Alabare Christian Care & Support - £2,884.12

The applicant Nicky Cushing spoke in support of the project.

Questions and comments:

- What reserves do you have? <u>Answer</u>: We have £424k 350 people in our care every night, that is one months running costs.
- When we previously visited 5 years ago, was under impression bedding
 was funded by WC housing is that not the case? <u>Answer</u>: No when a
 sleeper moves on the bedding goes with them or is disposed of. Have
 been turned down for 3 lots of financial support since the start of Covid.

Cllr Hoque moved the motion to award a lower amount of £2000. This motion was not carried.

Cllr Dean then moved the motion to award the full amount. This was seconded by Cllr Douglas.

Decision

The Alabare Christian Care & Support was awarded £2,884.12 towards the project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21

Macklin Road Residents Association – requested £389.00

The applicant John Abbott spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Walsh moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Hoque.

Decision

The Macklin Road Residents Association was awarded £389 towards the project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2020/21

Young People Grants

Wiltshire Youth Futsal League – requested £1,000

The applicant Stuart Garnett spoke in support of the application.

Decision

The Wiltshire Youth Futsal League was awarded £1000 from the Youth Funding budget 2020/21.

Health & Wellbeing Funding

Safer & Supportive Salisbury - £550

The applicant Anne Trevett spoke in support of the application.

Cllr Walsh reminded the Board that he had declared a non-prejudicial interest. He chose not to take part in the discussion or vote on this application.

Decision

Safer & Supportive Salisbury was awarded £550 from the Health & Wellbeing budget for 2020/21.

Area Board Intergeneration Project

The Board received an update from the Community Engagement Manager on the Intergeneration Project, as detailed in the agenda.

Cllr Rogers had led a Panel which had considered the three bids for funding from this intergeneration project. The Panel recommended that funding be awarded to the Salisbury Museum.

Cllr Brown move motion to approve the recommendation, this was seconded by Cllr Rogers.

Sarah Gregson – Community Curator at Salisbury Museum gave an intro to the proposed Intergeneration Oral History project.

Decision

The Salisbury Area Board awarded £5000 to Salisbury Museum to run the Intergeneration project.

42 Close

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and noted that the next meeting of the Salisbury Area Board would be held on 21 January 2021.