## AGENDA

Meeting: Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Place: Alderbury Village Hall

Date: Thursday 26 May 2022

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Alderbury, Allington, Britford, Cholderton, Clarendon Park, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Firsdown, Grimstead, Idmiston, Landford, Laverstock & Ford, Newton Tony, Odstock, Pitton and Farley, Redlynch, West Dean, Whiteparish, Winterbourne, Winterslow.

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#### Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Richard Britton, Alderbury and Whiteparish Cllr Andrew Oliver, Old Sarum & Lower Bourne Valley Cllr Richard Clewer, Downton and Ebble Valley Cllr Zoë Clewer, Redlynch & Landford Cllr Ian McLennan, Laverstock Cllr Rich Rogers, Winterslow & Upper Bourne Valley

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	Items to be considered	Time
	Election of a Chairman for 2022/23	7.00pm
	The Democratic Services Officer will open the meeting and call for nominations for a Chairman for 2022/23.	
2	Election of a Vice-Chairman for 2022/23	
	The Chairman will call for nominations of a Vice-Chairman for 2022/23.	
3	Welcome and Introductions	
4	Apologies	
5	Minutes (Pages 1 - 12)	
	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held online on Thursday 10 February 2022.	
6	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
7	Chairman's Announcements	
	To receive Chairman's Announcements	
8	To note the written reports and updates in the agenda pack or distributed on the night ( <i>Pages 13 - 28</i> )	7.10pm
	<ul> <li>Fire &amp; Rescue Service</li> <li>Wiltshire Council Updates <ol> <li>Taxi Driver Recruitment</li> <li>Solar Together Wiltshire</li> </ol> </li> <li>Healthwatch Wiltshire</li> <li>Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)</li> <li>Current consultations: <u>Consultations - Wiltshire Council</u></li> </ul>	
9	Matters of Community Wide Interest (Pages 29 - 36)	7.15pm
	a) Parish Councils and Community groups	
	b) Community Policing – local issues and priorities	
	In attendance: Inspector Tina Osborn	

10	Area Board Review		7.35pm
	To note the new changes made to Area Board proc	esses regarding:	
	<ul><li>a) Priorities</li><li>b) Working Groups &amp; Lead Members</li><li>c) Grant Funding</li></ul>		
	Officer: Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Ma	anager	
11	Local Priorities and Appointments of Lead Mem (Pages 37 - 44)	bers	7.50pm
	The Area Board is asked to:		
	<ul> <li>Acknowledge the progress update from the 2 priorities work.</li> <li>Consider the report along with its appendice upon the priorities it wishes to focus on in the Appoint a councillor lead for each of the sele</li> <li>Appoint any required working groups in relat priority. Note; any existing externally operate already be in place and should be acknowled</li> </ul>	s and decide e coming year. cted priorities. ion to each ed groups may	
	Officer: Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Ma	anager	
12	Outside Bodies and LHFIG Appointments 2022/ (Pages 45 - 56)	23	8.05pm
	The Area Board is requested to:		
	<ul> <li>Appoint Members to Outside Bodies as s</li> <li>Appendix A;</li> </ul>	set out at	
	b. Agree to reconstitute and appoint to AB Working Group(s) as set out in Appendix		
	c. To note the Terms of Reference for the L in Appendix C.	HFIG as set out	
13	Amesbury - Porton - Salisbury cycle route proje	ct Update	8.15pm
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	Officer: Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager	
16	Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Report (Pages 113 - 140)	8.55pm
	To note the minutes from the last LHFIG meeting held on 4 May 2022, and consider the recommendations for funding, detailed in the report and summarised below:	
	• $5a - \pounds 562.50$ • $5e - \pounds 6,000.00$ • $5h - \pounds 6,727.50$ • $5i - \pounds 1,807.50$ • $6a - \pounds 1,200.00$ • $6b - \pounds 2,250.00$	
	Note: As a result of the change from CATGs to LHFIGs the annual Southern Wiltshire budget allocation has been doubled. The annual allocation for the group now stands at £32,344.	
17	Close	9.00pm
	The Next meeting is scheduled for 8 September 2022 at 7.00pm	

## MINUTES

Meeting: Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Place: Online Meeting

Date: 10 February 2022

Start Time: 7.00 pm

Finish Time: 9.26pm

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#### In Attendance:

#### Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Richard Britton (Chairman), Cllr Andrew Oliver (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Richard Clewer, Cllr Zoë Clewer, Cllr Ian McLennan and Cllr Rich Rogers

#### Wiltshire Council Officers

Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager Lisa Alexander, Senior Democratic Services Officer

#### Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Tina Osborn

<u>Minute</u> <u>No</u>	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
44	Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman, Councillor Richard Britton, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
45	Apologies
	Apologies for absence were received from:
	Cllr Andy Oliver
46	<u>Minutes</u>
	<u>Decision</u> The minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 December 2021, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
47	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.
48	Chairman's Announcements
	Leader delegated decision All Area Board meetings held online were required to pass any recommendations for a decision, through the Leader Delegated Decision process to meet legislative requirements.
49	To note the written reports and updates in the agenda pack or distributed on the night
	The Board noted the written reports and information items included in the agenda pack. These were:
	<ul> <li>Fire &amp; Rescue Service – appreciation of the support of Matty Maggs and best wishes to him for his retirement.</li> </ul>
	A reminder of the availability of Safe & Well visits offered by the Fire & Rescue services was given, people were urged to spread the word, especially to the vulnerable and elderly in the community.
	Wiltshire Council Updates:
	<ol> <li>Ask Angela Campaign – relaunch</li> <li>Queens Jubilee – most PCs and communities were considering</li> </ol>

	their own plans 3. Highway Code changes 4. Waste Collection Changes • Healthwatch Wiltshire update • Clinical Commissioning Group update • Current consultations: <u>https://wiltshire.objective.co.uk/portal/</u>
50	Matters of Community Wide Interest
	Parish Councils and Community groups There were none.
	<u>Community Policing – local issues and priorities</u> Inspect Tina Osborn drew attention to the update report within the agenda pack and highlighted the following points:
	<ul> <li>A reduction in reported incidents of catapult damage</li> <li>A continued focus on issues in Downton – with a Special ops team working on a joint operation.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Community Consultations continue – success at the last one held outside CoOp in Downton – a further 10 planned.</li> <li>Street Watch – happy to offer guidance and get scheme up and running if</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>wished.</li> <li>An arrest had been made following criminal damage.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Alderbury – antisocial behaviour involving a motorbike – bike now ceased</li> <li>Poaching and hare coursing – continued targeting with Rural Crime Team and officers across the border.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Community Speedwatch had been supported in Whiteparish, Redlynch Harnham, visits to other areas over next few weeks</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Cholderton area – burglaries – arrest made – one person on bail.</li> </ul>
	Questions included:
	• Elaine Hartford - Interested to hear you would be supporting Alderbury for the next fortnight as we don't have the speedgun due to the rota, Redlynch would have it. When we did have it, we only saw one Police car in the fortnight and it drove past. We don't seem to get any support, how was this governed? <u>Answer</u> : There may be some confusion, I will make sure we have the
	correct dates so that we can cover the appropriate areas.
	<ul> <li>Was there any written information available on Streetwatch? There is interest would like to see more. Thanks for attending Downton on Monday it was appreciated.</li> <li><u>Answer</u>: I will email you the information.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>The PCC had recently published its draft Police &amp; Crime Plan, did you see any issues in delivering that plan? I also raised issue of smartwater any plans to reinvigorate that?</li> <li><u>Answer</u>: The Plan reinforces most of the areas we were focusing on, we are limited in our small team, we do reach out to other areas for support. With regards to Smartwater, that project was one that was handled by Pete Sparrow, you can contact him direct.</li> </ul>
	The Chairman noted that the Board had previously looked at a bulk purchase option which was not possible, but that the commercial offering was still there for people to take on.
	• Cllr Richard Clewer thanked Tina and her Team for the continued work that had been going on in Downton, noting that the feedback so far from the public was that they were a bit more motivated to report incidents.
	<ul> <li>Was there an update on the purchase of additional Speed camera equipment, as we had trained some volunteers but were not able to start sessions yet as no available kit? <u>Answer</u>: Tina would take the query away and feedback to the Chairman.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Cllr Zoe Clewer also praised the session in Downton and was pleased to hear there would be a further 10 planned which she noted would help to strengthen relationships really well. There had not been any specific feedback on e-scooters or drug taking but asked if there were any areas for concern?</li> <li><u>Answer</u>: The main concern was around the antisocial behaviour and drug taking. Tina noted that it was brilliant to see that so many people were protecting their own properties by having a ring doorbell.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Cllr Zoe Clewer added that Ring doorbells could register to be notified if CCTV footage was required for evidence, following a crime.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The Chairman noted that a part of the community area fell under Amesbury Policing Team and that part of the report was not relevant for some people at the meeting. <u>Answer</u>: Tina confirmed that she did filter out specific updates to share that were relevant to the community area.</li> </ul>
51	Area Board Work Plan
	Karen Linaker, Community Engagement Manager ran through the Area Board Work Plan's six top pieces of work.
	<ul> <li>Promote 'Our Community Matters' (OCM)</li> <li>Deliver Rural Youth Outreach Project (RYOP)</li> </ul>

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<ul> <li>Support village youth groups to get back up and running</li> <li>Deliver Make A Friend Be A Friend project in Downton and Redlynch</li> <li>Develop a local programme (directory resource) of health and wellbeing support and services</li> <li>Deliver Healthy Schools Project</li> </ul>
Events 3 events had been held, with one more yet to come, these were:
<ul> <li>Youth Engagement event delivered in July 2021</li> <li>Health &amp; Wellbeing events delivered in Oct 2021and Jan 2022, involving Silent Discos</li> <li>Parish Council event delivered in November 2021</li> <li>Eco Friendly Villages event planned for 27 April 2022</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Communications: <ul> <li>(a) Our Community Matters (OCM) training for all contributors, including parish councillors and clerks</li> <li>(b) Target village newsletters &amp; community groups each month requesting OCM contributions</li> <li>(c) Invite parish councils to publish a good news story for each Friday OCM Newsletter</li> <li>(d) Trial a parish council document resource hub</li> <li>(e) Run a parish clerk's conference</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Health &amp; Wellbeing: <ul> <li>(a) Make A Friend Be A Friend (MAFBAF) – project launched 10 February 2022</li> <li>(b) A local directory of health and wellbeing related activities, support and services</li> <li>(c) Healthy Schools Project – 8 new schools signed up and working towards bronze and silver accreditation</li> <li>(d) Dementia Support – new collaboration with Salisbury Area Dementia Group, Alzheimer's Support and local representatives</li> <li>(e) Silver Salisbury Project – strengthening engagement with older people support groups (also working with MAFBAF)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Questions and comments:
Cllr Zoe Clewer explained that at the meeting for PCs held last year, they had discussed ways to share tips and experience on areas of work which other parishes had already carried out. Tasks or projects which were new to one parish, but which may have been successfully completed by another. Cllr Z Clewer, Cllr Oliver and Karen went out to parishes to ask whether they would be willing to take part in a pilot project which aimed to share parish council minutes in a system which could be used to carry out a search for phrases or words as a research facility, with the aim of sharing knowledge. This project was almost at
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	the point of taking the trial forward.
	The Chairman noted that the Board had previously looked at the idea of a Clerks Forum, however this had never progressed due to the issue of payment for attending outside events. He added that it would be an issue for the chairman or PC to address. He invited clerks to make contact with Karen or himself to give their thoughts on whether it would be worthwhile.
52	Work Plan Spending and Priority Decisions
	Youth Outreach
	The Rural Youth Outreach project was an initiative funded by 5 Area Boards in the South, which provided funded youth support and activities. The report in the agenda pack included a list of the local offer for Southern Area. Trained skilled and youth workers were needed.
	Historically the Youth club in Winterslow was struggling before covid to secure volunteers to keep it going. The proposal set out the plan for a Youth night at the Barry's Field centre in Winterslow, this was aimed at holding a discussion with families how the Youth club might get back up and running.
	Cllr Rogers, added that the project would need the local community to get behind it, as a key component of success were the adult volunteers. Need to make sure we are talking to potential volunteers and that they have a good support network.
	Karen explained why the selected villages were chosen, the reasons given were due to antisocial behaviour and there being little current youth provision.
	Cllr McLennan, Lead Member for youth, supported the decision to focus on the three villages.
	Cllr R Clewer noted that the initiative looked interesting, and he supported the approach which had been set out, adding that the idea of a youth charity may be a good idea, if marketed correctly.
	Karen confirmed that if 4a in the recommendations was researched, it could lead to achieving 4b.
	The Board voted on the motion to approve recommendations 1 to 4a.
	Recommendations:
	<ol> <li>To agree the top three areas to prioritise in phase 2 : (1) Winterslow, (2) Alderbury and (3) Allington, Idmiston, Newton Toney</li> <li>To earmark the 2021/22 youth budget underspend for phase 2 work</li> </ol>

and potential year 2 RYOP

- 3. To earmark any remaining capital funds from the 2021/22 community area grants budget to fund new equipment needed for youth activities/clubs resulting from the RYOP.
- 4. To ask the Community Engagement Manager to research the following for future investment:
- a) The beginning of a new youth charity in Southern Wiltshire, or collaboration with nearby youth agencies that might be able to offer outreach youth worker resources to our villages

#### Earmarked 2020/21 funds

Karen set out the budget underspend from the Health & Wellbeing (H&W) budgets, along with the recommendations for investment proposals as detailed in the agenda pack.

Cllr R Clewer noted that the work appeared to be focusing on dementia, and that to fully understand the scope of what was required in terms of support, the Board would benefit from working out what the direction of travel really should be. He suggested that the Southern Area had few areas of deprivation, and proposed looking at the concept of rural isolation of elderly people particularly with dementia and those other people with other vulnerabilities which put them in a similar position.

Karen noted that other Area Boards had established Health & Wellbeing Groups, which helped with the understanding as there was a sharing and a regular coming together.

Cllr McLennan supported there being more opportunity to learn more on the subject to best establish how best to move the work of the Area Board on.

The Chairman supported the workstream proposals which had been set out by Karen, adding that if they carried out conceptual thinking, they would probably end up with a workstream similar to what had been produced.

Cllr Z Clewer added that the work programme focused on the young who were fairly mobile and the elderly or the dementia group, but did not touch on the middle section of the population as they could generally help themselves.

Cllr Rogers felt that there was some value in working through the exercise to make sure the Board started with a clear focus.

#### Decision

The Southern Wiltshire Area Board agreed to allocate the funds as set out

	in the published model, with the addition of an extra £1, People's Isolation, with the view to develop it furth meeting.		
	Workstream/Project	Amount	
	1. Maximising engagement of vulnerable families in Rural Outreach Youth project	£1500	
	2. Local Cultural Partnership Hub	£1000	
	3. Guide for Health & Wellbeing Support Groups	£1000	
	4. Deliver a Dementia Support networking event	£3000	
	5. Local eco-friendly projects directory	£1000	
	6. Deliver Silent Discos in the Community Area's Sheltered Housing Schemes	£2000	
	7. Older People's Isolation	£1000	
53	Upcoming Area Board Events		
	<ul> <li>Climate Change Event - – April 27 at 6.30pm Whiteparish M</li> <li>In the process of confirming exhibitors to attend and that has going on. A presentation from Ariane Crampton's group from with the aim of identifying practical things that could be identify parish level.</li> <li>ClIr R Clewer noted that he would attend the event and be behalf of UK100.</li> </ul>	ave practical things n Wiltshire Council, fied at a community	
54	Amesbury to Salisbury Cycle Route		
	There would be a briefing for Members at the end of Febru Further updates would be available in due course.	ary or early March.	
55	Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Update		
	The Board noted the minutes from the last CATG meeting which were attact to the agenda and considered two funding recommendations detailed within papers.		
	It was noted that both schemes were approved funding, then to come from the 2022/23 CATG budget.	£4745 would need	
	Local Members confirmed that the parish councils involve proposed had agreed to support the schemes with contribu- the report.		
	Decision The Board approved CATG recommendations to award f	unding to:	

	<ul> <li>4c – Redlynch PC - the Ridge, 30mph increased measures &amp; crossing point - £7801.50 (PC to contribute £2600.50).</li> <li>4e – Cholderton PM - Gately Rd 30mph sign relocation - £3825 (PM to contribute £1275).</li> </ul>
56	Community Area Grants
	The Board noted the remaining budgets available at the start of the meeting, these were:
	<ul> <li>CAG = £16,898</li> <li>Young People = £12,011</li> <li>Health &amp; Wellbeing = £11,920</li> </ul>
	The Board considered the funding bids as set out in the agenda. Applicants were invited to give a brief summary of their project, followed by an opportunity for any questions.
	Community Area Grants
	The Board discussed whether it wished to fund applications from precepting bodies in the future as it felt that they were able to and should help themselves by precepting for upcoming projects.
	It was noted that a review of Area Boards was currently underway within the Council and that it was likely there would be suggestions for changes in how funding was decided. All of the applicants from precepting bodies on the agenda were advised that any decisions tonight were made with the caveated that they should consider precepting for future projects.
	<u>Downton PC – Defibrillator £1335</u> The applicant spoke in support of the project. Want to move a defib from inside to outside and install a new one in a phone box in Charlton All Saints.
	The Board voted on the motion to award in full.
	<u>Decision</u> Downton PC was awarded £1355 towards the defibrillator project <i>Reason</i> <i>The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.</i>
	Winterbourne PC – Upgrade to Sports Facilities - £2360 The applicant spoke in support of the project.
	The Board voted on the motion to award in full.

Decision Winterbourne PC was awarded £2360 towards the Sports Facility upg project	<b>jrade</b>
<i>Reason</i> <i>The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.</i>	
Downton Allotments Leisure Garden Society – Infrastructure Restorat $\frac{\pounds1667.50}{1}$ The applicant spoke in support of the project.	<u>ion -</u>
The Parish Council had awarded £500 towards the project.	
The Board voted on the motion to award in full.	
<u>Decision</u> Downton Allotments Leisure Garden Society was awarded £160 towards the Infrastructure Restoration project <i>Reason</i> <i>The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.</i>	67.50
<u>Winterbourne Cricket Club – Pitch Mower &amp; Storage Shed - £2395</u> The applicant spoke in support of the project. The project would benefit young cricketers and 30 adults, with the aim to host more girls cricket may through the season too.	
Cllr Z Clewer, noted for opened that both of our children had been taught b applicant, however this did not constitute an interest and she was able to part in the discussion and vote on this application.	•
The Board voted on the motion to award in full.	
Decision Winterbourne Cricket Club was awarded £2195 towards the Mower storage shed project Reason The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.	and
Health & Wellbeing	
Bourne Valley Day Centre for Elderly – Activities and Entertainment progra - £800 The applicant spoke in support of the project.	<u>imme</u>
Cllr R Clewer clarified that luncheon clubs would benefit from funding as p the Budget proposals which were due to be considered at Full Counci following week. If the funding was approved at Full Council, then the Area E award would not be required, so any award the Board made now wou	l, the Board

subject to the Budget Decision at Full Council.

The Board voted on the motion to award in full, subject to the cavate relating to funding through the Budget proposal.

#### **Decision**

Bourne Valley Day Centre for Elderly was awarded £800 towards the project, subject to the outcome of the Budget decisions on 15 February 2022.

#### Reason

The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.

<u>Alabare Christian Care & Support – Somewhere to go in Salisbury project -</u> <u>£1000</u>

The applicant spoke in support of the project.

Cllr R Clewer sought clarity on whether funding the project would result in 'double dipping' of WC funding and proposed deferral to allow time for Karen to look into the matter fully.

<u>Answer</u>: The applicant advised that the facility was not funded at all by the local authority, there was no statutory funding for rough sleepers.

Karen agreed to look into the query and feedback.

Cllr Z Clewer suggested that the deferral also be used by the applicant to source statistics on how many residents in the southern area would benefit from the facility.

The Board voted on the motion for deferral.

#### **Decision**

The application from Alabare Christian Care & Support was deferred to allow further clarification on double funding

<u>Youth</u>

Laverstock & Ford PC – Skatepark Youth Art Project - £1086.20

The applicant spoke in support of the project. Local young people would be engaged to take part in the design phase of the project with the aim of developing their connection with the project and having them take ownership of the skatepark. The Parish Council had funded half of the costs.

The Board voted on the motion to award in full.

#### **Decision**

	Laverstock & Ford PC was awarded £1086.20 towards the Skatepark Youth Art Project Reason The application met the grants criteria for 2021/22.
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#### 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 <u>fire.safety@dwfire.org.uk</u> 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 <u>www.dwfire.org.uk/working-for-us/on-call-firefighters/</u> or should you have any questions, you can call **01722 691444**.







#### **Recent News & Events**

#### First national Biker Down safety campaign held

The National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) held its first national Biker Down safety campaign between 11-17 April.

Biker Down is a free three-hour course that provides practical and potentially lifesaving advice, and the sessions are suitable for riders of all experience levels.

The course gives riders an awareness of what to do if they are involved with or see an injured motorcyclist, and how to reduce their own risk of being in a collision.

The national campaign also highlighted the importance of motorcycle maintenance and the wearing of legal and protective riding gear, especially since the trade in counterfeit and fake gear has grown in recent years.



More information can be found at www.dwfire.org.uk/biker-down







#### Bonfires and garden safety



Bonfires are very common in the summer, but they can get out of control very easily. If you want to burn off garden waste, here's some safety advice:

- Site any bonfire well away from buildings, fences, trees and garden structures.
- Have a garden hose to hand in case the fire starts to get out of control.
- Don't light a bonfire on a windy day, as it could flare up more than you expect.
- Be courteous to your neighbours if you're planning a substantial bonfire, let them know, and stay with it at all times to ensure that it remains safe.
- If you're intending to have a large bonfire, use our <u>on-line form</u> we often receive emergency calls from people who can see lots of smoke, and it helps us to know where this could be a controlled burn.
- Never use flammable liquids such as petrol or paraffin to start a bonfire.

If you have concerns about the environmental impacts of bonfires, such as smoke, you will need to contact your local council.

For further information regarding bonfire and garden safety please visit https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-outdoors/bonfires-and-garden-safety/

#### UK fire services rally to support colleagues in Ukraine

The Service has donated some surplus equipment to support colleagues in Ukraine, as part of a wider effort coordinated by the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC).









#### Water safety



Cooling off in rivers, canals, ponds, quarries and lakes can have deadly consequences.

Every year, firefighters are called to incidents where residents (particularly children and young people) get into difficulty when swimming in open water.

For further information on the dangers of cooling off in open water and some key safety tips for staying safe near water, please visit: - https://www.dwfire.org.uk/safety/safety-outdoors/water-safety/

#### Supporting Pride

The International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia, which is marked every year on 17 May, was created in 2004 to draw attention to the violence and discrimination experienced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex people and all other people with diverse sexual orientations, gender identities or expressions, and sex characteristics.

As a Service, we work hard to create a culture where all staff can come to work and be themselves. We also have a supportive network in place, Firepride, which is open to everyone.

As part of our commitment to supporting all communities, we will be attending the Pride celebrations within our Service area, which are back this year after being affected by Covid over the past two years.









#### Demand

Total Fire Calls for Salisbury Fire Station for period 24th January to 16th May :-

Category	Total Incidents
No. of False Alarms	120
No. of Fires	83
No. of Road Traffic Collisions and other Emergencies	65
Total	268

#### Local Incidents of Note

House fire – Coombe Bissett <u>https://www.dwfire.org.uk/incident/house-fire-</u> coombe-bissett/



Chris Wood Station Manager Email: chris.wood@dwfire.org.uk Mobile: 07500578801



# Wiltshire Council NEWS RELEASE

8 April 2022

#### For immediate release

## Wiltshire Council is encouraging people to become a taxi driver in Wiltshire

Taxis are an essential part of our transport network providing a valuable service to the local community and in Wiltshire there is a shortage of taxi drivers.

Not only are taxi drivers needed by the community, but Wiltshire Council also needs reliable drivers to fulfil its growing number of SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) school and social care contracts. These contracts offer regular work and hours. They also help and support some of the most vulnerable people in Wiltshire.

Cllr Dr Mark McClelland, Cabinet Member for Transport said: "The council is committed to delivering contracts across our services which deliver the best value for money. Wiltshire needs a workforce with the right skills to prosper and more taxi drivers would help the council deliver our commitment to ensure young people get the best start in life.

"Being a taxi driver is a flexible job and they can either work for a taxi company or be their own boss, deciding when and where they want to work. Local taxi firms currently have lots of vacancies and we are carrying out a recruitment campaign on behalf of the taxi trade across the county.

"It's easy to become a licensed taxi driver and once people have become a licensed driver, we hope that they will bid for one of the growing number of SEND school transport and social care contracts that we have available. There are plenty of opportunities and plenty of work available."

Wiltshire Council has lots of contracts available which start at around £30 a day for short routes, increasing to £250+ a day for longer routes. Drivers are free to combine these contracts with rank work.

To become a taxi driver takes around six weeks and costs around £400. To be licensed people need to provide proof and undertake these simple checks:

• Proof of Identity

- Driving Licence held
- Enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check on previous convictions and whether disbarred from working with children
- Right to Work in the UK
- Medical (if applicable)
- Undertake on-line Safeguarding Training
- Take a guidelines test
- Knowledge test (if applying for a hackney carriage licence)

Find out more about becoming a taxi driver, how to licence a vehicle as a taxi, private hire or hackney carriage vehicle, and for an application pack visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/licences-permits-transport

To find out about our SEND school transport and social care contracts and how to bid for one email Wiltshire Council's Passenger Transport Unit at Passengertransport@wiltshire.gov.uk



Find out more at wiltshire.gov.uk/licences-permits-transport

Wiltshire Council

#### Solar Together Wiltshire briefing

Wiltshire Council is working in partnership with Swindon Borough Council and independent experts iChoosr to give homeowners the opportunity to invest in renewables through a group-buying scheme for solar panels and battery storage.

Here's some information which should help you respond to any enquiries you may get on the scheme:

- Registration for the scheme opens on 9 May, and the Communications team will begin promotion w/c 2 May with a members' briefing note being issued on 5 May, and press release, newsletter articles, and social media content beginning from 6 May
- A letter drop, organised by iChoosr, will be posted to 60,000 Wiltshire households w/b 23 May. The contact details on the letter will lead people to iChoosr customer service help desk so you should get minimum calls/enquiries off the back of this.
- The letter also contains a link to this webpage <a href="www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-permission">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-permission</a> to provide people relevent local planning advice. The full letter is enclosed for your information. People can still be part of the scheme, regardless of whether they receive a letter or not, providing they are eligible.
- There will be no selling by phone or doorstepping of residents.
- If you're responding directly to a customer query, in the first instance please check if they've contacted the iChoosr helpline as that should be the first port of call. For more information people can visit <u>www.solartogether.co.uk/wiltshire</u>, email <u>wiltshire@solartogether.co.uk</u> or call 0800 048 8113.
- All residents living in one of the participating council areas and who own their own house (or have permission from the landlord to install a solar PV system) can register for the Solar Together group-buying scheme. Small and medium-sized enterprises (non-domestic) and Community buildings meeting this requirement can participate as well.
- Pre-approved UK solar PV suppliers participate in an auction on 14 June. They are able to offer competitive pricing as the volume and geographic concentration makes it possible for them to realise greater efficiencies, which they pass onto customers.
- After the auction, registered households will be emailed a personal recommendation which is specific to the details they submitted in their registration.
- If they choose to accept their recommendation, the specifics of their installation will be confirmed with a technical survey after which a date can be set for the installation of their solar PV system.
- People can accept or decline their personal recommendation. If they choose to go ahead and accept with Solar Together, a £150 deposit is required, which is conditionally refundable
- Telephone and email helpdesks are on-hand throughout the whole process run by iChoosr, which, together with information sessions, will allow households to make an informed decision in a safe and hassle-free environment

For more information people can visit <u>www.solartogether.co.uk/wiltshire</u>, email <u>wiltshire@solartogether.co.uk</u> or call 0800 048 8113.

If you get any enquiries/phone calls that you need internal Wiltshire Council assistance with please contact <u>climate@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>.

## Area Board Update May 2022

## healthwatch Wiltshire

# Report highlights lack of support services for young LGBTQ+ community

Young people who identify as LGBTQ+ say there are few health and care services in Wiltshire to support them, and a lack of understanding from healthcare professionals has left them feeling unheard and disrespected.

These are the key findings of a project carried out by our Young Healthwatch Wiltshire volunteers, focusing on what young LGBTQ+ people aged 11-25 thought of the support they had received, and the support they would like to see in their schools, colleges, workplaces, and local communities.

More LGBTQ+ education in schools and better access to advice and information were seen as vital ways to help close the current gap in LGBTQ+ support for both young people and adults in the county.

#### What young people told us

- There is a need for LGBTQ+ support in Wiltshire and there is currently a gap in services.
- Education was seen as key in addressing the lack of understanding and discrimination faced by the LGBTQ+ community. This included changes in language and normalising the use of pronouns.
- Advice and information was seen as an important area where young people could make informed decisions about the support they needed, but finding support was difficult.
- Sex education was identified as a support need and for sexual health services to be LGBTQ+ inclusive.

 Transgender healthcare was raised as an issue with long waiting lists for HRT (Hormone Replacement Therapy) and a lack of gender reassignment surgeries.

Young Healthwatch Wiltshire volunteer **Robyn** said: "It was great to be involved in this project and hear directly from LGBTQ+ young people, particularly those in more rural areas where young people are often more isolated and even less visible. As a member of the LGBTQ+ community who grew up in Wiltshire, it was also important to me personally, and the feedback really resonated with me.

"I'd like to see far more awareness of and support for non-binary and transgender young people, especially in healthcare and mental health provision. I'm also looking forward to seeing the impacts from the new relationships and sex education legislation on the information and support available to all young people."

**Stacey Sims**, Healthwatch Wiltshire Manager, said: "We're grateful to the young people of Wiltshire's LGBTQ+ community for sharing their experiences and ideas with us and to our young volunteers for producing this report. It is clear from our survey that there is a need for LGBTQ+ support - for both young people and adults - in Wiltshire and that there is currently a gap in services. We look forward to working with the commissioners of local services to see how support for the LGBTQ+ community can be improved."

Read the report on our website.



#### **Update for Wiltshire Area Boards**

April 2022

#### Covid-19 update

In the last few weeks, the number of people in our region testing positive for Covid-19 has increased dramatically.

At the beginning of March, daily positive test results stood at around 560, but that has now risen to more than 1,100.

In light of these concerning statistics, staff at BSW CCG have been reminding people of the important behavioural changes everyone has made over the past two year: staying home and away from others when showing Covid-19 symptoms wearing a face-covering in enclosed public spaces and maintaining social distancing when out and about.

People aged 75 and over, as well as those residing in a care home, are now able to have their Covid-19 immunity topped up with a second booster vaccine.

Those coming forward for this new jab, which for many people is their fourth vaccination, will need to have had their first booster dose at least three months ago.

However, while this additional top-up dose can be given 12 weeks after the first, experts suggest it is best for people to receive the second booster after a period of six months.

#### Ongoing pressures on local health and care system

Health and care services in Wiltshire have continued to experience pressures over the past few weeks as hospitals and surgeries struggle with high numbers of patients with Covid, covid-related staff absence and patients affected by usual winter pressures.

Appeals to the public to support services during this difficult time are ongoing. The main messages being for people to use our health services appropriately, support hospitals by collecting loved ones as soon as they are ready to go home, using our pharmacies for help and support wherever possible and using the online 111 service in the first instance.

To help address these pressures in Wiltshire and help the flow of patients from the Salisbury Foundation Hospital, a number of schemes were put in place including the opening beds in South Newton Hospital and the provision of a discharge grant to support patients being discharged to home.

Schemes such as this were only ever intended as temporary measures to help alleviate system pressures and BSW CCG will be assessing how effective the schemes have been so we can take forward learnings for periods of sustained pressure on services in the future.

#### **BSW ICS update**

Following the appointment of Sue Harriman as Executive Designate of the BSW Integrated Care Board and four Non-Executive Directors to oversee Audit, Public and Community Engagement, Remuneration and People and Quality & Performance, the recruitment process at the BSW ICS is continuing.

Recruitment is currently underway for Director positions for Medical, Planning & Performance, Strategy & Transformation, Chief Nurse and Director of Place roles and announcements on successful applicants for these positions will be made shortly.

As part of its ongoing work to address inequalities the BSW Partnership is developing a new strategy to make sure that tackling inequalities is everybody's business and that there is a long-term commitment to tackling these issues across BSW. Inequalities are unfair and avoidable differences that can impact on the health across different communities driven by factors such as education, housing, employment, ethnicity and access to health services and programmes.

Steve Maddern, Director of Public Health at Swindon Borough Council has been appointed as Senior Responsible Officer for Inequalities and is being supported by a Health Inequalities Project Manager.

The BSW Academy launched on 28th February and is now available for all health and care staff working in BSW.

The BSW Academy is a new initiative, enabling collaboration across health and care services for the benefit of the people working with us and those in our local communities. The BSW Academy brings together teams from across all of our health and care providers as part of a network and mobilised through the core five pillars of: Leadership, Learning, Inclusion, Innovation, and Improvement.

The Wiltshire Integrated Care Alliance also held a strategy session this month to discuss items including principles and priorities for 2022/23. The session was attended by health and care organisations from across Wiltshire.

# Southern Area Board Update

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# Your CPT - Salisbury

Inspector: Tina Osborn

Neighbourhood Sergeant: Sgt Caroline Ralph / Sgt Lisa Lovatt

#### Central – which covers City Centre, The Friary & Southampton Road

PC Nicola Clark PCSO Amelia Hudson PCSO Rupinder Kaur PCSO Marie Kitt

#### West – which covers Bemerton Heath, St Paul's & Churchfields age

PCSO Val Brown

### $\stackrel{\omega}{\circ}$ East – which covers Castle Road, Bishopdown, Alderbury, Laverstock & Old Sarum

PC Rachel Gunn / PC Pete Jung PCSO Jenny Moss PCSO John Taylor PCSO Geanina-Mariana Tablet

#### South – which covers Harnham, Wilton (Town and Rural), Downton & Redlynch

PC Mark Douglas PCSO Jonathan Rose PCSO Simon Ward PCSO Matt Murray

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## Performance – 12 months to March 2022

## Force

- Wiltshire Police recorded crime reports a YoY increase of 13.1% in the 12 months to March 2022 and continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the country per 1,000 population. The 13.1% increase is attributed to a return to pre covid volumes and an extended Summer high experienced as restrictions were removed.
- Our service delivery remains consistently good.
- In March 2022, we received:
  - 8,911 '999' calls, which we answered within 10 seconds on average;
  - 10,814 '101' calls, which we answered within 8 seconds on average;
  - 11,417 CRIB calls, which we answered within 1 minute and 32 seconds on average.
- In March 2022, we also attended 1,635 emergency incidents within 9 minutes and 49 seconds on average.

Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
Totals	41,400	100.0
Violence without injury	7,292	17.6
Violence with injury	6,172	14.9
Criminal damage	5,207	12.6
Stalking and harassment	4,074	9.8
Public order offences	3,930	9.5
Other crime type	14,725	35.5

## Salisbury CPT

Crime Type	Crime Volume	% of Crime
Totals	5,282	100.0
Violence without injury	796	15.1
Criminal damage	786	14.9
Violence with injury	714	13.5
Public order offences	488	9.2
Stalking and harassment	440	8.3
Other crime type	2,058	39.0

#### Stop and Search information for Salisbury CPT

During the 12 months leading to February 2022, 137 stop and searches were conducted in the Salisbury area of which 71% related to a search for controlled drugs.

During 67.2% of these searches, no object was found. In 32.9% of cases, an object was found. Of these cases 74.5% resulted in a no further action disposal; 25.5% resulted in police action being taken; 7.3% resulted in an arrest.

Of the stop and search subjects who defined their ethnicity:

- White 119 stop and searches.
- Black or Black British 3 stop and searches
- Asian or Asian British 3 stop and searches



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## Performance – Hate Crime overview

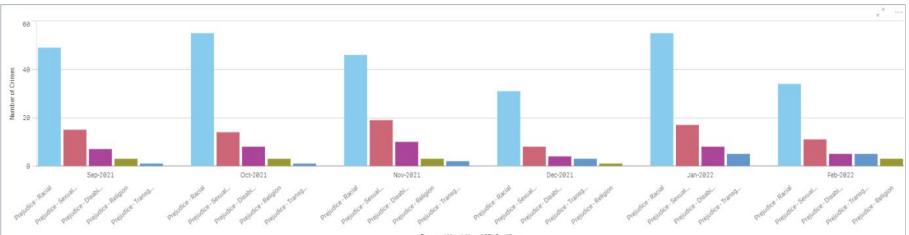
## Force

- Hate Crime volumes are within normal bounds. Summer highs have been slightly more extended which has resulted in year-on-year increases (133 crimes, +17.5%), largely within Sexual Orientation and Racial crimes. This extended summer high is reflective of the trend seen within overall crime volumes, but is now showing signs of returning to the norm.
- Formal Action Taken (previously "detection") rate is at 13.5%, down by 7.2% from the previous year. Whilst rates have remained stable across Sexual, religious,
- transgender or disability related hate crimes (<1% variance), Racially motivated crimes relating to public order are driving the loss in detection rate.

## Salisbury CPT

	Number of Crimes	Change (number)	Change (%)
Total	115	38	49.4%
Prejudice – Racial	62	12	24.0%
Prejudice – Sexual orientation	27	7	35.0%
Prejudice - Disability	12	11	1100.0%
Prejudice - Religion	4	-1	900.0%
Prejudice - Transgender	10	9	-20.0%

Year on year comparison April 2021 to March 2022 (note: an individual crime can be tagged with more than one prejudice type e.g. sexual orientation & transgender)



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#### Force Hate Crime (6 months to March 2022)

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## Local Priorities & Updates

	Priority	Update
	Non dwelling Burglaries	We have seen an increase in non-dwelling burglaries across the area, whereby garages, outhouses and sheds have been targeted. Items stolen include power tools, bikes and garden machinery. High visibility patrols are being undertaken in known hot spot areas. Rural areas are being most affected. A number of bike marking consultations have been carried out by the team and further sessions are planned in the coming weeks. We are continuing to work with our cross boarder forces in identifying possible suspects.
Ра	Youth Engagement	The Neighbourhood team have been working with partner agencies and going out into the community especially Downton, to engage with young people. This is helping to understand and recognise where to commence a Youth project which will be beneficial to all. This engagement has led to a huge reduction to reported ASB in the area.
age 33	Closure notices to protect vulnerable persons	Following reports of drug dealing and anti social behaviour at a property in Wilton, we have managed to obtain a Closure Notice for this address. This has had an immediate positive affect on the community and also allowed protective measures to be put in place for a vulnerable resident.
	Community Speed Watch	Officer from the neighbourhood and response teams have continued to support our CSW colleagues where possible out in the community.

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## Local Priorities & Updates Continued

Priority	Update
ASB involving off road motorbikes	Following several reports of off road motorbikes being ridden across fields and byways, officers are engaging with landowners to report incidents as they are happening in order to identify and appropriately deal with those involved. This is being supported by our specialist traffic officers carrying out targeted patrols in known areas.

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## Useful links

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

- PCC's Website <u>https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/</u>
- HMICFRS Website <u>https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/</u>
- Police.uk <u>https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/</u>
  - For information on what crimes and incidents have been reported in the Salisbury Community Policing Team area, visit <u>https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/salisbury/</u> to view a crime and incident map and find links to more detailed data



## Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service – www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

## Follow your CPT on social media

- Salisbury Police Facebook
- Salisbury Police Twitter

Find out more information on your CPT area at: <u>www.wiltshire.police.uk</u> and here <u>www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk</u>



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CPT Salisbury covers the areas of Salisbury, Wilton and surrounding areas

Salisbury CPI

To contact your CPT about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email SalisburyAreaCPT@wiltshire.police.uk. Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7

You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response. In the case of an emergency please contact 999 and for nonurgent crimes and incidents, please call 101 or **Report a crime here** 

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#### Southern Wiltshire Area Board

#### 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### **Annual Review of Local Priorities**

#### 1. **Purpose of the Report**

- I. To report on progress made in addressing the Area Board priorities selected for 2021/22
- II. To consider any new evidence or information that will help inform the Area Board in selecting its priorities for 2022/23
- III. To highlight potential priorities for the Area Board to consider for 2022/23
- IV. To inform the Area Board of the broad mechanism for delivering these priorities including (where appropriate): leads, working groups and allocating funding.

#### 2. Introduction

This report has been written by the Community Engagement Manager in consultation with the Area Board Chair. It is provided to help celebrate the success so far and support the Area Board Councillors in setting their priorities for the coming year.

In early 2021, the Community Engagement Manager combined data from the Community Area "Joint Strategic Needs Assessment" (JSNA) with other sources of data and additional local intelligence. This was used to produce a Community Area status report that highlighted where further local improvements may be required. In May 2021, this report was shared with local Area Boards to help inform which priorities it should focus its energy and resources upon.

Given the challenging financial environment, both nationally and locally, Area Boards are encouraged to continue to develop this evidence led approach to its work, so that they can have the greatest impact on the lives of our communities. This includes:

- ✓ Selecting priorities and directing resources to where there is the greatest need and where the Area Board can make a tangible contribution;
- ✓ Being clear on what the Area Board is trying to achieve and the mechanism for doing so; and
- ✓ Regularly reviewing and communicating progress against the chosen priorities.

#### 3. **Progress on 2021/22 Area Board priorities**

The Area Board working with its partners and the wider community has focussed its attention over the past year on the priority areas below.

- i. <u>Communications Priority</u> parish communications survey delivered, Our Community Matters training planned, considering running a Parish Clerk Conference
- ii. <u>Environment Priority</u> produced and published new community and family eco friendly projects directory and delivered successful engagement event
- iii. <u>Young People Priority</u> commissioned new Rural Youth Outreach Project and begun more structured intervention to tackle youth ASB
- iv. <u>Health & Wellbeing Priority</u> launched Get Out Get Active scheme, launched Make A Friend Be A Friend scheme, increased impact of Silver Salisbury outreach, increased number of schools on Healthy Schools Programme from 4 to 10, helped Laverstock Memory Group transition to a new support lead and base

#### 4. The context for agreeing new Area Board priorities.

The selection of Area Board priorities should be undertaken using both the evidence available to us, as well as the context within which we are operating. Both are continually changing, and the following is provided to help inform the Area Board's decision.

- i. The <u>Joint Strategic Needs Analysis</u> was collated 2 years ago in 2020 and although it used the latest information available at the time, some it is now out of date. This is partly due the significant impact COVID-19 has had on issues such as debt, the economy and mental health as well as the release of more up to date data that was not previously available. For the Southern Wiltshire Community Area, this includes
  - Rural Youth Outreach Project data from "listenings" (outreach in villages) during August-December 2021
  - Partner insight from multi-agency meeting with Age UK, HealthWatch Wiltshire, Carer Support Wiltshire, Public Health, Adult Social Care, CCG in April 2022
  - <u>Annual report (citizensadvicewiltshire.org.uk)</u>
- ii. The 2021/22 Area Board priorities were selected whilst in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic. The demands of this public health crisis demonstrated the importance of partnership working with some services struggling to cope and many of our community groups and organisations unable to operate. The focus of our time and resources has been upon coming together and supporting the vulnerable within our communities. As we now emerge from the pandemic, the

focus is shifting away from this reactive response and onto the rebuilding of our communities. In particular, the evidence suggests that

- More volunteers are needed for a range of issues, i.e. community transport, young people and older people's activities
- Most community groups have got back up and running, but many older people in particular are reluctant to emerge and take advantage of this offer
- Frailties have deepened for some, and yet statutory services have had to realign (or remove) services in response to growing demand and decreasing central support
- Those who feel frail do need places to be active and stay healthy and well, but they also require meaningful connection and support where activities are unable to satisfy this area of vulnerability
- Carers are more unable to access effective respite services now
- Vulnerabilities are deepening for those previously challenged, whilst others not previously vulnerable, are tipping into greater dependencies through job loss, debt, mental health challenges our focus is especially needed to ready people for Winter 2022
- Some Parish Councils are struggling to recruit councillors and officers leaving this aspect of community resilience somewhat depleted there is a need for more collaboration and/or a parish by parish recovery focus
- There is capacity and passion to engage around the climate change theme
- Businesses are keen to contribute to the recovery of communities
- Those in work are very busy and even more worried about job retention, and yet some are still willing to contribute to community life especially where tasks are very clear and co-ordinated well
- iii. The last 2 years has seen a change in the way that people communicate, especially with the shift to more permanent home and remote working. This has allowed a new approach that includes the ability to be more inclusive and a reduction in the need to travel. The Area Board is encouraged to embrace these opportunities but also mitigate against any local impact upon our communities.
- iv. Wiltshire Council has released its new <u>business plan</u>, outlining its strategy for 2022-2032. It focusses upon the 4 themes of "Empowering People", "a Resilient Society", "a Thriving Economy" and "a Sustainable Environment". In addition, Wiltshire Council on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022, approved both the <u>Wiltshire Climate Strategy</u> and <u>Wiltshire's Natural Environment Plan</u>. The Area Board should be aware of these plans and seek to help deliver them at a local level.

#### 5. Agreeing and delivering priorities for 2022/23

The Community Engagement Manager in consultation with the chairperson of the Area Board has provided a list of possible priorities for consideration. These can be found in Appendix A. The Area Board should carefully consider how many priorities it can work on at any one time and ensure that they are meaningful for their local area. As a guide, it is recommended that where an Area Board has 4 or less councillors, no more than 4 priorities are selected at any one time. Larger boards can select up to 5 if they believe that they have the capacity to deliver on them. Area Boards can at any time select, review or amend their priorities in order that they remain relevant and linked to current needs.

As well as being evidence led, priorities should be selected where the Area Board believes that it can realistically make a positive impact upon them. To aid the delivery of the chosen priorities, the Community Engagement Manager will support the Area Board councillors including in the creation and management of an action plan. This plan will include clearly defined, manageable and measurable outcomes so the intended outcome is fully understood and will, in turn, facilitate the annual review of delivery on local priorities.

The key mechanism for delivery is to support the local community to use their own experiences, abilities and passions so that they are empowered to shape and deliver positive change. To achieve this the Area Board may wish to consider allocating funding where money is required to help deliver the required aims. The Area Board may also look to set up a local working group to lead on the delivery of a priority, especially where no suitable group already exists.

It is recommended that, for each priority selected, an Area Board councillor takes responsibility for overseeing its delivery and reporting back to the Area Board on progress. The Community Engagement Manager will support the Area Board councillors in undertaking this work.

#### 6. Area Board Lead Councillor Role Description

Area Boards are invited to appoint lead Councillor(s) representatives for each of the priority themes that they have selected. The following guiding principles are in place for Councillors who take a role as an Area Board lead for a priority theme:

- To be the main Area Board point of contact for local officers, councillors and residents within their respective lead area;
- To attend (and usually take the role as chair) relevant working groups of the Area Board;
- To work collaboratively and cooperatively with relevant local partners, community groups, volunteers and outside bodies;

- To provide regular updates back to the Area Board in relation to their lead area, including providing feedback on the success or limitations of previously funded Area Board grants;
- To diligently and democratically consider any funding applications, ensuring due process is undertaken; and
- To in consultation with the local Councillor, monitor feedback for those grant applications that relate to the local priority the lead Councillor has responsibility for, ensuring that relevant feedback on progress and outcomes is provided to the Area Board.

#### 7. **Recommendations**

- I. The Area Board is asked to acknowledge the progress update from the 2021/22 local priorities work.
- II. The Area Board is asked to consider this report and decide upon the priorities it wishes to focus on in the coming year.
- III. The Area Board is asked to appoint a councillor lead for each of the selected priorities.
- IV. The Area Board is asked to appoint any required working groups in relation to each priority. Note; any existing externally operated groups may already be in place and should be acknowledged and noted.

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#### APPENDIX A – Suggested priorities for 2022/23

The following are some possible priorities for the Area Board to consider for the coming year

Potential Priority	Key objectives	Additional comments
1. Environment	Start and support new local environment group	<ul> <li>Focus on helping Parish Council estates to go carbon neutral by 2030</li> <li>Solar Panel info/workshops</li> <li>Better explore the scope of the biodiversity and associated work on Castle Hill country park impacting and influencing residents to live more green on Riverdown Park and Bishopdown, with the schools etc. Model for other places</li> <li>The Greening Campaign, including Green Card</li> <li>Organise village hall greening workshops</li> <li>Continue to support the Laverstock Schools Travel Plan Working Group</li> </ul>
2. Young People	Continue to implement and further develop the Rural Youth Outreach Project	<ul> <li>New PSPO to address catapulting</li> <li>New Streetwatch scheme</li> <li>Youth Worker interventions</li> <li>Re-look at the potential of a Salamander (now known as <u>Op Spectra</u>) course as another possible intervention</li> <li>Support pop up events and engagements</li> <li>Support existing and help to set up new youth clubs</li> <li>Train young people as young leaders to support the voluntary capacity of the community led youth offer</li> </ul>
3. Health & Wellbeing	Support and facilitate a range of projects and activities to support older people and vulnerable adults health and wellbeing	<ul> <li>Make A Friend Be A Friend Project</li> <li>Facilitate new/support ongoing activities, for older people, i.e. Silent Discos, Age UK Fitness &amp; Friendship clubs, more Get Out Get Active initiatives and similar with AGE UK and Wilts &amp; Swindon Sports Partnership</li> </ul>

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		Silver Sunday Outreach
		<ul> <li>Mental Health 8 week free course from Well City Partnership (cultural workshops to support people living with mild to moderate mental health difficulties)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Dementia Support – working with the new dementia action alliance</li> </ul>
		Carer Support, particularly to facilitate more opportunities for respite
		<ul> <li>Understand better how to positively impact fuel poverty – to be 2022/23 winter ready</li> </ul>
4. Thriving Economy	Map business operating in Southern Wiltshire Community Area	This would be a new priority theme to add to the Area Board's work plan, for councillors to consider at its May 2022 meeting
	Understand how we can better engage with them	

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#### Appointment of Area Board Lead Councillors to Outside Bodies & Non-Priority Working Groups

#### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. To appoint Councillor representatives for the Area Board. This will include appointing to Outside Bodies and to reconstitute and appoint to Working Groups for the year 2022/23

#### 2. Background

- 2.1. Area Boards are invited to appoint Councillors to be their respective lead for particular Outside Bodies or Non-Priority Working Groups. The following guiding principles are in place for Councillors who take a role on an Outside body or Non-Priority Working Group:
  - To be the main Area Board point of contact for local Officers within their respective area
  - To attend (and often Chair) relevant working groups of the Area Board
  - To work collaboratively with relevant local partners and community groups
  - To provide regular updates back to the Area Board in relation to their Group/Outside-Body including providing feedback on the success or limitations of previously funded Area Board grants (if applicable)
- 2.2. The Area Board is invited to appoint Councillor representatives to the Outside Bodies listed at **Appendix A**. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' terms of office, and will be reviewed annually, unless the Board determines otherwise.
- 2.3. The Area Board is also invited to reconstitute or create new Non-Priority Working Groups set out in **Appendix B.**

#### 3. Main Considerations

3.1. Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) has replaced Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs), which will continue to operate as informal working groups making recommendations to the Area Board for approval. Terms of Reference are set out in **Appendix C** for information. 3.2. Where a Non-Priority Working group is required, the exact purpose should be set out and agreed by the Board.

#### 4. Financial and Resource Implications

4.1. None.

#### 5. Legal Implications

5.1. Some appointments carry responsibilities and duties, for example, those which involve becoming a trustee. Councillors are advised to seek advice on individual appointments if required. Protocol 3 of the Council's Constitution sets out Guidance to Members on Outside Bodies.

#### 6. Safeguarding Implications

6.1 Processes are in place to ensure Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are undertaken as appropriate.

#### 7. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

7.1 None.

#### 8. Equality and Diversity Implications

8.1 None.

#### 9. Delegation

- 9.1 By convention, appointments to Outside Bodies which operate within the boundary of a community area are made by the relevant Area Board.
- 9.2 The appointment of Councillors and other representatives to non-Priority working groups operating under the Area Board is a matter for the Area Board to determine.

#### 10. Recommendation

- 10.1 The Area Board is requested to:
  - a. Appoint Members as Lead representatives to Outside Bodies as set out at Appendix A;
  - b. Agree to reconstitute and appoint to AB Non-Priority Working Group(s) as set out in Appendix B; and

c. To note the Terms of Reference for the LHFIG as set out in Appendix C.

#### Lisa Alexander, Senior Democratic Services Officer

#### Appendices:

Appendix A – Appointment to Outside Bodies Appendix B – Appointment of Members to Non-Priority Working Groups Appendix C – LHFIG Terms of Reference

#### Unpublished background documents relied upon in the preparation of this report

None.

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## Appendix A

## Appointments of Lead Members to Outside Bodies 2022/23

Outside Body	Councillor Representative
Brian Whitehead Sports Association	Cllr Richard Clewer

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### Appendix B

#### **Appointments of Area Board Councillors**

To Non-Priority Working Groups of the Board:

Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)

1 x Councillor to be appointed

#### LOCAL HIGHWAY & FOOTWAY IMPROVEMENT GROUPS (LHFIG)

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### Membership of the LHFIG

The LHFIG will normally be made up of:

- Members of the Area Board
- Town and Parish Council representatives
- Community / Stakeholder representatives

It is recommended that the groups do not normally consist of more than 10 representatives, but for larger community areas this may not always be feasible.

Representatives should act as a conduit between their organisations and the LHFIGs by putting forward the views of the body they represent and providing feedback to its members regarding the work of the LHFIGs. The group members will also need to be mindful of the needs of the community area when making their recommendations, as not all councils and groups may be represented on the LHFIGs.

Recommendations to the Area Board will usually be reached by consensus, but if necessary, these can be agreed by a show of hands by those representatives present at the meeting.

The group will normally be chaired by a Wiltshire councillor. Membership of the LHFIGs will cease when a member ceases to hold the stated office as first appointed, or when a parish/town council or group choose to nominate an alternative representative.

The LHFIGs may invite representatives from local organisations to its meetings to give technical advice or to share pertinent local knowledge on projects in the area.

#### Appointment of LHFIGs members

Appointment of Wiltshire Council members to the LHFIGs will normally be agreed at a full meeting of the Area Board. Membership may be varied, with the agreement of the Area Board Chairman, subject to approval at the next full Area Board meeting.

Where required for flexibility, the Area Board may appoint an unnamed representative of an organisation to the LHFIGs (e.g. town/parish council or Community Area Partnership) to ensure that the organisation is always represented at meetings. However, it is preferred that the same representative attends if possible to ensure consistency of membership.

#### Media relations

Members of the LHFIGs must not issue press statements on behalf of the Area Board.

Any press statements about the work of the LHFIGs should be agreed between the Chairman of the LHFIGs and the Chairman of the Area Board, and in consultation with

Wiltshire council's communications team. You can contact the communications team at <u>communications@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>.

#### <u>Meetings</u>

It is recommended that the LHFIGs meet four times a year. Ideally the meetings should be 2 to 4 weeks in advance of the Area Board meetings. Meetings are intended to be limited to the membership set out above and is open to other members of the Area Board who wish to attend. It can be open to public if the LHFIG chair wishes, and by invitation. It should be noted that LHFIGs are advisory bodies and do not exercise delegated decision-making powers. All decisions are to be ratified by the Area Board.

#### Officer support

Meetings will be attended by relevant officers from Wiltshire Council, including a Senior Transport Planner, a Senior Traffic Engineer, Local Highway Maintenance Engineer and the local Community Engagement Manager. Attendance by officers of other expert knowledge may be arranged when necessary.

Additional support will be provided outside of the meeting by the Corporate Office Business Support unit as currently for Area Boards, for the purpose of arranging meetings, venues, and the production of meeting action notes.

#### Terms of reference

The LHFIGs have no formal decision-making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but act as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Board. Recommendations must be agreed at a full LHFIG meeting before being brought to the next Area Board for approval.

The LHFIGs terms of reference are set out at Appendix A:

Examples of projects the LHFIGs can and cannot fund are set out in Appendix B:

#### Terms of Reference

#### 1. Small-scale transport schemes - discretionary funding

To make recommendations to the Area Board to determine priorities and levels of expenditure required for small-scale transport schemes in the community area. A discretionary highways budget has been allocated to the board by the Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste, Street Scene and Flooding. The funding allocation is a mixture of highways and council capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure. It is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport and improve traffic management.

It cannot be used to fund revenue functions, such as routine maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services.

A list of schemes which the groups can fund in contained in Appendix B

Schemes considered by the LHFIGs must have first been raised through the highway improvement request system and endorsed by the relevant town or parish council.

The LHFIG's can be directed to look at issues identified by Highways Officers when considered appropriate. For example, when an issue is raised for which other centrally held resource does not exist.

In choosing their local transport schemes, Area Boards will need to be mindful of the priorities of the Local Transport Plan and the likely availability of future funding for implementation.

#### 2. Small scale transport schemes - substantive funding

To submit bids for funding from the centrally held substantive funds. A scheme qualifies as substantive if the estimated cost is more than the total discretionary amount available as part of the group's annual allocation.

Appendix B – Example of projects which can and cannot be funded by LHFIGs

#### LHFIGs can fund the following:

Pedestrian improvements: including dropped kerbs, new footways, substantive improvements to existing footways, pedestrian crossings (including assessments). **Cycle improvements**: new cycle paths, cycle parking / storage. Bus infrastructure: new and replacement Shelters (subject to agreement on future maintenance liability), bus border kerbs, bus stop road markings. Traffic signing: new and replacement signs (including signposts), street name plates, village gateways. New road markings: new and replacement of existing markings. Speed limits: assessment and implementation. Waiting restrictions: assessments and implementation. Footpath improvements: styles, gates, surface improvements to rights of ways (council maintainable only). Drainage: minor improvements, new gullies. Street lighting: new installations. Traffic management measures: including Sockets and posts for SID (Speed Indication Device) equipment.

As a general rule, an asset should exist at the end of the project, i.e. something new that wasn't there beforehand.

#### LHFIGs cannot fund:

Routine maintenance: such as gully emptying, ditch clearing, hedgerow cutting, pot hole repairs. Service subsidy: bus services Promotional campaigns SID equipment Improvements for individuals and properties

As a general rule, activities that repair, clean, tidy or remove something that is already present are likely to be considered routine maintenance and cannot be funded by LHFIGs.

Report to	Southern Wilts Area Board
Date of Meeting	26 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
Title of Report	Rural Youth Outreach Project - Update

#### Background

- 1. The Rural Youth Outreach Project (RYOP) started in August 2021, funded by area boards in Southern Wiltshire, Amesbury, Warminster, Tidworth and Pewsey, and delivered by youth and community development officers from Community First.
- 2. The targeted project outcomes are as follows:
  - Improved level of engagement with young people, targeting a reduction in isolation of young people in rural areas.
  - Identification of young people with issues around mental health, educational attainment and physical health issues and signposting to appropriate activities and support.
  - Increased and strengthened community led activity provision, with stronger communications channels between providers and partners across the communities.

#### Context

- 3. Section 507B of The Education Act 1996 requires Council's, so far as reasonably practicable, to secure for qualifying young persons (aged 13-19 in the local area (and up to 25 with SEND)) access to sufficient positive leisure-time activities which improve their well-being, and sufficient facilities for such activities. With an annual budget for positive activities for young people and enabling support from Wiltshire Council Children's Services, this responsibility has been delegated to Community Area Boards.
- 4. The Southern Wiltshire Area Board is devolved approximately £20k each year from Wiltshire Council's Department for Families & Children to carry out this requirement locally, to facilitate the community led delivery of positive activities and support for young people (see appendix 1 for our local youth network).
- 5. Wiltshire now, as developed and strengthened since 2014, has a varied community led offer, ranging from grass roots volunteer led activities to Wiltshire-grown, regional or national youth charities delivering the offer, supporting the work of specialist officers, including social workers, youth offending officers, and similar, to ensure the needs of young people are catered for.

- 6. The Community Engagement Managers (CEMs) in the more rural community areas in the south of the county, reflecting upon how the community led model has developed since 2014, concluded last year that there is a disparity between this offer when compared with more urban community areas, which meant that some young people in Southern Wiltshire, Amesbury, Warminster, Tidworth, and Pewsey were at risk of not engaging for a range of reasons in positive activities.
- 7. We have around 5000 young people living in Southern Wiltshire, and the majority are fortunate in being able to access positive activities from the community led offer, here and in neighbouring community areas, and indeed counties. Since starting the Rural Youth Outreach Project in August last year, we are steadily gathering data which suggests that a proportion are not able to take full advantage of the offer. Based on the insight gathered, the project has been targeting outreach in a range of villages in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area (see appendix 2).

#### **Progress Update**

- Phase 1 (Aug Dec 2021) of the RYOP was primarily about research (the conversations with young people, families and parish representatives). Phase 2 (Jan July 2022) is primarily about delivering on actions to address some of the issues unearthed in phase 1.
- 9. This work is substantial, and we always knew that 12 months would not be sufficient to reset all that needed to be reset for lasting effect, and we are working up plans to source external funding with the hope of extending the project into Yr2 at least. At the end of 2021/22 the area board set aside £20k of unspent funds (approx £9k capital, approx £11k revenue). The board is also requested to earmark a further £5k for RYOP yr2 from the 2022/23 Youth Budget.
- 10. The attached appendix 2 lists out the villages that have been targeted as part of this project, with the top 4 in red being progressed as priorities for action in phase 2 (Jan-Jul 2022). The remaining will need to be costed and funded through RYOP y2.
- 11. Councillors agreed at the December 2021 Area Board meeting to explore the idea of setting up a Youth Support Charity for Southern Wiltshire. An update will follow on this at the September meeting.
- 12. The Rural Youth Outreach project is facilitated through the pooling of a small local fund from 5 area boards (£25k). We have always been conscious to draw from the strengths of a multi-area approach, whilst balancing the need to ensure the funds achieve equitable impact across the 5 areas. In March 2022, CEMs and the Community First officers facilitated a stakeholder event to further raise the profile of this project's objectives, and to stimulate debate about its merits generally, and specific to each area. We were fortunate to attract around 80 attendees to this online event, ranging from the local scout group leader to the director of regional youth charities and with residents,

parish council representatives, area board councillors, community groups and education colleagues (including the Youth Voice Team) in the mix. Attached are the presentation and report considered at that event. We will be following up with attendees to ensure their input can continue to influence the project.

#### Recommendations

- 1. To note the update and work that is ongoing in Downton, Alderbury, Winterslow and the Bourne Valley during phase 2.
- 2. To earmark £5k from the 2022/23 Area Board Youth Budget to build a fund to enable the Rural Youth Outreach Project to continue for a further year, based on emerging detail in appendix 2.

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#### Appendix 1

### The Community Led Local Youth Network in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area

- American Football Marauders (Laverstock)
- Alderbury Tennis Club
- Alderbury Football Club
- Alderbury Scouts and Guides
- Bridge Youth Mentoring Project
- **Clarendon Juniors FC**
- Coombe Bissett & Homington Cricket Club
- Woodfalls Methodist Church Youth Club
- **Downton Tennis Club**
- Downton Football Club
- **Downton 4 Families**
- **1st Downton Scouts**
- Hamptworth Croquet Club
- St Marks Church, Flipside Youth Group
- Old Sarum Youth Club
- Pheonix Stars Cheerleaders
- **Riverbourne Community Farm**
- Laverstock Sports & Social Club football activities
- Alabare Christian Care and Support
- Whiteparish Youth Club (not currently meeting)
- Whiteparish Church Youth Group
- Winterslow Youth Club (not currently meeting)
- Winterbourne Cricket Club
- New Bourne Players Youth Group
- Winterbourne Scouts and Guides
- Downton Baptist Church Youth Group
- 1<sup>st</sup> Pitton & Farley Guides

Farley Junior Football Club The Underground Studios Project Spark 1st Laverstock Scouts Laverstock Explorer Scout Unit 23 Salisbury Scouts Old Sarum Army Cadets Old Sarum Bourne Valley Rangers

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Where	What	When	Cost / Resource
Priority for phase 2 Winterslow	<ol> <li>Deliver a Youth Night event at Barry's Field Centre, for the young people and their families, with the objective of offering advice and support as to how to re-start regular youth activities</li> <li>At the Youth Night, 36 young people attended and 12 adults signed up as future volunteers</li> <li>Aiming for a July follow up event helping volunteers to take more of a lead role, offering them further training and support</li> </ol>	6th April July	RYOP officers and CEM, activities and refreshments
Priority for phase 2 Bourne Valley Parishes	<ul> <li>(4) Organise a trip out to Hazel Hill Wood in July where YP will be supported to input into a potential new Youth Club</li> <li>(5) Organise a Pop Up Youth Event at Newton Tony Memorial Hall</li> </ul>	July Autumn	RYOP officers and CEM, activities, refreshments, marketing etc
Priority for phase 2 Alderbury	(6) A potential new community led youth club/café provided by a local organisation	ТВС	ТВС
Priority for phase 2 Downton/Redlynch	<ul> <li>(7) 'Listening tours' to take place with police partners and other youth outreach workers to target ongoing youth ASB</li> <li>(8) Youth Outreach Café to visit regularly during 2022</li> <li>(9) Devise other interventions alongside Streetwatch pilot and PSPO, including a potential Salamander (OpSpectra)</li> </ul>	May/Jun August ASAP	TBC TBC
Redlynch, Woodfalls, Morgans Vale	<ul> <li>(10) Return visits to refine thoughts in areas requiring attention, but potential scope for a dedicated Community Organiser intervention for next 2 or 3 years (a separate piece of funded work outside of the RYOP scope). Needs a focus on 8 yearolds +</li> </ul>	ТВС	ТВС
Old Sarum & Longhedge	<ul> <li>(11) Strengthening leader support and increasing opening hours of Old Sarum Youth Club</li> <li>(12) Facilitate Splash Days for individuals identified as suitable for this intervention</li> <li>(13) Old Sarum Youth Club work with local skate park art project</li> <li>(14) Identify space and potential to start youth activities/club at Longhedge, continue to discuss as part of Inter Agency Group and overall plan to develop spaces on the estate for community activity</li> <li>(15) Pop up event at annual Old Sarum Fun Day</li> </ul>	ТВС	ТВС
Whiteparish	<ul><li>(16) Listening tours to arrange</li><li>(17) Karen to continue to liaise with Youth Club lead</li></ul>	ТВС	ТВС
Redlynch/Landford	(18) Organise a Cameron's Cottage residential stay and Hazel Hill Wood event	твс	ТВС
West Dean	(19) Listening tours to arrange	твс	ТВС

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### **Project background**

The Area Boards in the Warminster, Amesbury, Pewsey, Tidworth, Southern Wiltshire, and Southwest Wiltshire community areas have identified a need to increase engagement with young people in their areas, particularly in more rural areas. We are seeking a provider who will work across several community areas to develop a stronger offer of positive activities and other services aimed especially at those who are potentially at risk.

Desired outcomes from the project are:

- Improved level of engagement with young people in the community areas, particularly with isolated young people in rural areas
- Increase in positive activities available
- Reduced isolation of young people in rural areas
- Identification of young people with issues around mental health, educational attainment, and physical health issues
- Evidenced improvement in the above areas for those individuals identified
- Evidence that the needs of minority groups have been addressed
- A sustainable model has been developed in collaboration with key local partners and stakeholders

The project delivery work in two phases. Phase one has been an initial period of consultation and research to ensure that the programme complements and strengthens what already exists, addresses need, has local ownership, and will make a difference. Phase two will work alongside local partners, clubs and organisations would be required to design and execute a programme of activities in each community area.

This project initially takes place over a 12-month period from August 2021 and this report covers activity from phase one.

This report will look at each area individually with the breakdown of main figures and then a table of info from all locations visited. This information consists of themes drawn out from the engagement carried out. Where not enough young people were able to be reached to provide themes, or where no themes were discovered, we have provided information and key things discovered that are important for the project outreach and next steps in phase 2.

The data will include number of people listened to, number of locations visited, hours spent, and staff provided, and referrals made. This will include time spent door knocking in the community but also online meetings, phone calls, typing up the findings too and desk-based research too. Figures do not include the hours spent meeting within the team or with the CEMs and management.

Phase 1 has utilised outreach and door knocking from 2 Community Organisers and a Youth consultant. Support has also been given through desk-based research, type ups and other meetings



from an additional Community Organiser and Community First have also benefitted from the added support from other team members on projects in the company to include young people in their projects that reached the specified areas.

This report will cover each of the following areas

-Amesbury

-Southern

-Pewsey

-Ludgershall and Tidworth

-Warminster

And then give a summary of themes for the overall areas combined and the suggestions and next steps for phase two



### Amesbury Area

Young People engaged with	109
Total people engaged with	138
Number of Areas/locations	10
Referrals to Splash	9
Referrals to Building Bridges	1
Potential volunteers	

Amesbury and Stonehenge school.	Through engagement people have been connected to the new rugby team, there is also Element's café for people with SEND and referrals and signposting has been directed to this on the doorstep. them There is a divide between finance and transport; 'the haves and have nots'- finance and transport are a barrier to getting to any local things that are happening. There is a youth club but not centrally and lots of people didn't know about it. Kingsgate and Archers Way had more awareness of it. People in centre said that they wouldn't walk that far. There was low confidence in some young people that felt they wouldn't be brave enough to go to youth club. There is a real appetite within the school for acting and cosplay around Anime Feedback mentioned there are good sports facilities and that teens were quite into sports. Did speak to a group of drug users (between15-17years old) who said they needed somewhere to 'smoke weed and hang out' Community Organisers met with a Youth offending officer who was going to follow up on this for a Building Bridges referral and is doing a volunteer role locally potentially. Referrals were made to Splash and Building bridges through the door knocking there.
Durrington	A real want for activities for secondary school age people, particularly things that are low cost and active. Higher number of young people with SEND and learning needs were engaged with in this area with a concern of how they will fit in to existing groups/clubs. It was felt something like Splash would be good because of the mentoring and support that goes with the days People really didn't know about Durrington youth club- many hanging out on green spaces and parents felt this was off putting and noisy. Other parents mentioned they needed proper goals there to keep them occupied. Transport big issue to get to anything outside and if you can't drive
Avon Valley School	Students spoken to were interested in cookery, dance and mental health awareness and support also clubs around LGBTQ+
Bulford	It seems some young people walked all the way to Durrington youth club from Bulford, but it was too cold to walk in winter and the buses were found to be too expensive.
Woodford	Here there is a lack of transport and some of the young people were unable to do after school clubs because they couldn't get home. Getting lifts home with friends which makes things challenging. Often young people are relying on other parents to take home so not able to do activities.



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Shrewton	<ul> <li>Strong need for youth club was highlighted in this area.</li> <li>Majority of young people engaged were interested in sports and cooking and somewhere safe and warm to hang out and make up games.</li> <li>Ideas and suggestions included things like pool competitions or things that were a bit different.</li> <li>Door knocking uncovered the need to advertise for volunteers and a youth worker. This area uncovered some young people who would like to become young leaders and would like to be trained up.</li> <li>Existing provision was a Football Club, Beavers and Scouts and the bike track is good but needs resurfacing.</li> <li>Cricket sessions being offered for free by cricket pro at the cricket club and is trying to engage with people to come along for taster sessions (12-15year olds)</li> </ul>
Orcheston	Many here said 'Nothing for us to do.' The lack of transport leaves young people feeling that they are 'stuck'. Parents explained that journeys had to be of necessity only and could not afford to transport to clubs etc. There were not many teenagers here and people said that the ones that do live there tend to go to things outside the village but must walk into Shrewton or get a lift where they can or hang out at the park. The young people engaged with said they would walk to a youth club in Shrewton
Tilshead	A Handful of teens were spoken to in this area. Young people need to get transport everywhere and the buses were described as poor. Young people say they can get into town, but the bus back is too early to allow for them to do any activities which means having to rely on parents. A few would be ok to get to Shrewton if something was going on there and said that they would like to go to a youth cub.
Larkhill	There is Youth provision here, but young people don't really get to engage outside of school, and they would like to do more. The military do offer quite a bit, but nothing aimed at integration. Most young people tend to go to Durrington to see friends. There is a scooter and skate park but maybe something where they did pop up events teaching us scooter skills etc.

The Amesbury area faced real barriers around transport particular in the smaller villages and this impacts a lot on young people accessing any youth provision if not through school. Additional barriers are then added when it gets dark early or in adverse weather conditions. The reliance on parents caused extra probs

Though there were youth clubs in the area there was not enough awareness of them and whether they included military/civilian attendees.

When visiting Shrewton there was a great acceptance of the idea of having a youth club and holiday activities/pop ups and linking to surrounding villages to try and tackle the issue around transport. Parents there were prepared to drive to Shrewton and Orcheston.

A few families in the Durrington had young people who were SEND and behavioural issues. Parents unaware of youth club and concerns of sending child there as the support may not be enough and any stigma that comes with it for them

As activities Cookery came up high as an idea of what people would like to do



#### **Recommendations for Phase 2**

- Find vols for the youth club and funding for a paid position.
- Continued outreach and referrals by Community Organisers around the SEND themes to Splash for holiday activities and following up with door knocking to reengage to make sure they have accessed the support that is available. Liaise with Elements café and any new Splash and young carers projects coming

### Salisbury Southern Area

Young People engaged with	85
Total people engaged with	140
Number of Areas/locations	11
Referrals to Splash	3
Referrals to Building Bridges	1
Potential volunteers	

Winterslow	In Winterslow some meetings held for the youth
	council. Most people wanted a youth club or
	activities for younger age groups (7+) many of the
	parents said that if this was in place then they would
	volunteer. Because of the age of their children, they
	would only volunteer for their age group.
	Some children enjoyed making their own bike tracks
	There is a Youth club is available, but charges vary
	and there are access issues if you have younger
	children that you must stay home for; so, cannot get
	the discount for your older child to go by
	volunteering your time.
	There is a lot of sport and football which the kids
	enjoy it, but they do miss the cricket.
	Young people feeling slightly less connected after
	leaving primary as the secondary schools are all out
	of the village and this has split them all up.
	Other popular themes in this area where dancing
	was popular in this area and computers and gaming.
	Please note: Many young people aged 7+ in this area
	so didn't meet the project criteria. Group of young
	people who went out on their bikes a lot and made
	tracks for fun.
Downton	The young people spoken to said that the transport
	routes to Salisbury were good and accessible, so they
	enjoyed using the skate park in Elizabeth Garden in
	Salisbury. They didn't mind travelling there and felt
	they had a good community with all ages. Some
	parents were there to supervise their children but



	felt they couldn't always do this. Some tend to go to the skate park in Salisbury and the bus route is ok. Parents said they like them going but wouldn't leave them unsupervised.
Allington, Cholderton, Newton Tony	There was a really strong desire from young people for a youth club here that links the four villages. The local park in Newton Tony is aimed at younger children so the older ones feel they need to move on to give them space- this leaves them with nothing to do. Parents from these areas also expressed support for these ideas and would like pop up events with one set of transport that takes them all to it. Cricket was also popular in newton tiny and rugby. Young people described the wish to be able to go out and not be thought to be troublemakers like the ones who are out there causing trouble.
Old Sarum	This saw a need for holiday and one-off sessions and activities. Met with council and discussed 5 young people that were causing trouble at the skate park. These have now been spoken to and are attending the local youth club. There was a string desire for having activities in holidays and one-off activity days
Old Sarum Youth Club	Youth club attendance has gone up and has 9 new young people attending following promotion from the Cos door knocking. Plans will now include advertising at longhedge.
Redlynch	There was nowhere central for young people to hang out. Woodfalls was the biggest green space. High travelling community presence and people talking about a lot of anti-social behaviour- with many feeling that more activities from a young age and more engagement with those young people will create a preventative measure for the future
Firsdown	Door knocking and engagement with residents (mainly families) found that they tend to head out of Firsdown for activities, entertainment, and socialising. Years ago, residents did use, and some volunteered at, the Youth Club in Winterslow but now their children have grown up. A couple of the teenagers said they might go to a Youth Club, but it would depend on what day it was and whether it would clash with anything else they had on. No volunteers came forward from here at all.
Alderbury	A good engagement day within The Spiders Island area, with feedback from a broad range of ages. There is a very big need for a safe space for children of all ages but particularly teenagers to hang out. Currently they seem to collect in the bus stop, at the rec and at the younger children's play park, which is intimidating for younger children and their parents, particularly when they use foul language. This means the young children and families can't play in the park



	after 4/4.30ish, so are riding their bikes and scooters around the estate which causes concern for road safety. A few people that were reached expressed interest in being volunteers, ranging from someone wanting to run a possible Youth Club to someone offering to share with the youths their knowledge on mechanical repairs. Also, a mother and a young person who wanted to be trained to be a young leader.
Longhedge	Outreach here highlighted a need for support for Families with SEND. Good connections were made with a housing association who has agreed to continue asking about what is needed in the area. A member of the housing association team has taken part in the Community Organising training and can provide a further working partnership with us in phase 2. The main age group in need of support here was 10 years plus. Whilst outdoor knocking, it became apparent that not many families know of the Old Sarum Youth Club. Advertising the Youth Club will be arranged; including for committee members and volunteers.

Longhedge and Winterslow had a very high interest in provision but required for a younger age group. Old Sarum could reach the Longhedge teenagers could be reached through the Old Sarum Youth Club, but it tends to be the younger ages that need the provision which is not catered for by this club. This also doesn't account for the high level of support needed for SEND families. Winterslow had a few people expressing interest in supporting something if it happened.

There was good feedback from Alderbury for a youth club and several people expressed an interest in volunteering for it. This also covered the correct age demographic.

Lots of young people went to different schools and so young people felt that having a village-based youth club would unite them.

Recommendations for Phase 2

- Pop up day event in Winterslow Newton tony, Cholderton, Allington to test appetite and involve local connections made from Phase 1
- Team to offer support to Alderbury to set up a youth club
- Engagement for Old Sarum youth club to try and identify more volunteers and committee support. Potentially include advertising in Longhedge to broaden support.
- Ongoing engagement to refer to Building Bridges, Splash and Young carers and ensuring people have connected with the support that is available to ensure no barriers.



### Pewsey Area

Young People engaged with	60
Total people engaged with	135
Number of Areas/locations	10
Referrals to Splash	4
Referrals to Building Bridges	3
Potential volunteers	4

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Pewsey- near school	Young people here would love somewhere they could hang out, they don't even need 'activities' put on if they can't be, but they don't want to go home straight from school, as they like hanging around together – they would go into a café, but they know (think) they wouldn't be welcome. They suggested a 'Youth Café'. If activities were available, they would like a pool table or tennis table. They think that Pop up activity days would be a great idea through the summer as it is such a long time off and with not much to do. They suggested Archery, trampolining and bubble football days.
Pewsey Vale Leisure Centre	It was clear here that young people here would like somewhere to hang out and somewhere that's warm and dry in the winter. The boys also like playing football, riding their mountain bikes, and going on scooters. They think pop up days would be a good idea in any school holidays and would like anything active.
Bus stops around the area	The common theme was for somewhere they can hang out and relax without people moaning at them not to 'gather' and cause trouble (even though they don't!) some said how much they would like like an art/crafts club/space, with the freedom express yourself or to create something would be good.
Pewsey football pitches x2	Youths were engaged with that were chilling on the bank but said that people do not like them hanging out there. These youths just want somewhere that is out of the way to hang and not be bothered, also some place they will not be asked to move on.
Woods next to tennis courts	Many people spoke about the woods where some young people were hanging out- this was also mentioned in a couple of other areas in Pewsey. When Community Organisers visited the woods, they were unable to engage with any young people at the time.
Housing estate by Bouvier Hall	Lots of people had children at the age of the project range and below. There were lots of young people that had heard about the shack when it was running and wished they had something like that now. There was also an appetite for a mixture of activities. Young people talked about things ranging from sports, outdoor activities such as archery and climbing and



	cookery. Really the thirst was to have somewhere to go that was safe and interesting. Parents here also spoke fondly of the previous youth
	club and did say if something like that was around,
	they would like a further discussion around them
	potentially volunteering.
Town Centre	Some young people said that transport was an issue
lown centre	and that they needed better ways of getting out to
	socialise outside of Pewsey.
	Some felt 11year olds were missed out.
	Several adults wanted the anti-social behaviour
	tackled and young people would like somewhere just
	to hang out and be safe and dry.
Little lunch box cafe	Parish councillors were engaged with in the café and
	were able to extend that engagement to speak to a
	handful of young people there too who happily
	answered the questions. Some felt that it would be
	nice to have the youth club back in the area. Some
	felt that young people were all viewed as having the
	same reputation as some of the ones who were
	considered troublemakers. This made them step back
	from getting involved.
	Two young people supported the engagement team
	by volunteering to ask other young people in the
	area what they wanted. Mental health focus
	activities came up as a high priority. Another thing
	mentioned was they wanted to be sure that there
	were groups of more than one age group available.
Youth Football club area and surrounding streets	This was a divided area; some adults were frustrated
	by the cars and noise that the green space attracted
	and felt that young people would bring antisocial
	behaviour. Others felt that young people in the area
	needed nurturing and support having grown up their
	themselves and experienced a lot of barriers for not
	being considered a local person. One of these people
	said that they would consider volunteering.
Pewsey- Other	When door knocking the Organisers met with one of
	the Parish Councillors and spent time talking about
	the dispute over the skatepark. The Shack being
	closed was a real disappointment and it felt there is a
	need for somewhere for the teenagers to hangout.
	The Pewsey Carnival got mentioned and what a big
	event it is and how great it would be to enlist the
	involvement of some of Pewsey's Teenagers. Swimming facilities catered for young people with
	disabilities, but wheelchair basketball had been
	stopped at Tidworth Leisure centre and this was
	really missed.

There was a definite need for something for young people in this area; with the local council also fully supportive and taking action. It is important to mention that young people did not want it to be called a youth club and would prefer the term 'Youth Café'. The overall desire is to have somewhere to hang out safely,



warmly, and securely without so much emphasis on activities. If there were activities young people would like to be separate age groups and would enjoy cookery, pool, and darts. Young people said they are happy to travel from surrounding areas of Pewsey to go to café

Funding has been agreed for a skate park but there is an ongoing battle around location. Support with this could link up with supporting safe spaces for young people to hang out.

Recommendations for Phase 2:

- Continue to work with the Parish Council and re-engage with young people reached in Phase 1. Work with them to advertise any activities that come out of their plans and to help address the fact that young people are deterred from getting involved in case they are assumed to be the troublemakers. They want to show not all young people cause trouble.
- Engage with surrounding villages if a youth café is set up to promote and design.
- Community First to offer support for youth café; for set up and to ensure policies and procedures are in place.

### Tidworth and Ludgershall Area

Young People engaged with	83
Total people engaged with	148
Number of Areas/locations	10
Referrals to Splash	3
Referrals to Building Bridges	1
Potential volunteers	1

Ludgershall	There was a need for a youth club here, but an age- appropriate space would be needed. Lots of people requested sessions for their children ages 11-17. Some said they wouldn't want it to be called a youth club. Wanted activities like darts, cooking, art, and music were popular.
Ludgershall Rec	Nets were needed at the rec for the goals and people want to make use of the space there too.
Chute	Teenagers here found nothing to do apart walks and going to the stables (if you are into horses) The lack of transport means having to rely on family; young people even must get taxis to school. There is nothing going on for teenagers, or younger people, even the pub has closed. The young people engaged with would like to attend a youth club/café if one was running and transport wasn't an issue.
Activ8	The Community Organisers met with Active8 on a couple of occasions, once when engaging with teenagers in Ludgershall rec, and have established an ongoing relationship for moving forward into phase 2; potentially for a youth club café.



Laisura Contra and Lliva	Engagement showed that there was a Youth club
Leisure Centre and Hive	that ran at the Leisure centre called 'The Youth Zone' but it had stopped running after a volunteer stepping down and because one of the activities was climbing and they can't get another instructor. This ended the whole youth club. They also offered badminton and other similar activities. There was a mention of a need for a more social platform when advertising events at The Leisure Centre, as WOM is not reliable anymore and a Facebook and or Instagram presence is needed – especially when targeting youths.
	There is separate Youth Club run by the AWS (Army Welfare Service) run by Rachel Winter. Rachel gave great info about the Youth club, which had been running for 6 months and is for ages 11-18 and costs just £1 a session! This youth club is open to all children not just military. Continued engagement and enquiry revealed that the Youth Club is not well known about in the area, that may well be due to the 'newness' of it. The community organisers ensured that this was promoted when in Tidworth and it has had a very positive reception. Also said that the wheelchair basketball was missed.
Walk around with Pippa	Some young people were referred to PC Pippa to get ideas to improve the skate park. This data will be used to access improvement funding. Also committed to continue to work with the Community Organisers into phase 2
Tidworth& Shipton Bellinger	Popular ideas were cookery, music, and art- some even said about having a space that would allow them to teach each other guitar. (This came from some young people that were known as troublemakers in the community.)
Tidworth Youth Club	There is a newly established Youth Club run by The AWS (Army Welfare Service), although it has already grown in numbers, it was apparent that not many in the area knew about it. However, the news that there was such a club was greatly received and we handed out flyers with information on dates, times, cost, and activities. There were many questions asked about whether it was for Military children or Civilian children – the answer is both but we this seemed to be a common theme. Promotion of the Youth Club is key here. There is a younger Youth Club for ages 7-11 years, and this was oversubscribed with an impressive wating list.
Tidworth Military area	General feedback in Tidworth was that there was nothing for children of any age but particularly 11– 18-year-olds to do. They just hang about in kids play parks or head to Ludgershall where they hang around on the rec.



	A few families in the Military bases said, they don't even have the parks right (in terms of apparatus being age appropriate) which means the teenagers in Ashdown end up sitting in them and their language can be horrendous, they are quite aggressive and very intimidating to anyone asking them to move so younger children can use the park. They also kick a ball around which results in people shouting at them as the ball hits cars and people's front doors! No-one, especially the parents do anything! Military kids have lost all respect. A few do a Martial arts club, but this is after school (with the school) and some play football for Tidworth Town FC. Nothing for teenage girls at all. Lots of clubs stopped when covid hit and don't appear to have re-started. There isn't anything sport related and if there is you must commit – a few ad hoc activities would be a good idea.
Collingbourne Ducis	In this area Community Organisers found a 22-year- old who showed an interest in volunteering for youth activities. she is also a freelance photographer and suggested a photography session if this is something the teenagers might be interested in

Ludgershall had the most interest and a direct need as there was a group that intimidate others in the community that could be reached by setting up a youth activity. It seems to be the place that young people travel to, to be with friends and this all gives good indication that a youth club would be well used and provide support. Those that didn't want to use a youth club did say that they would use the football pitches if there were nets.

The youth group in Tidworth run by the army is a good facility and fits with the needs described by the young people.

#### Recommendations for Phase 2

- Continue to work with residents around disabled activities for teenagers, liaising with councillor for support for wheelchair basketball to hopefully be reinstated after closing just before Covid.
- More outreach to be planned to support volunteer recruitment for pop up events/youth club
- Pop up event to be held at the youth centre in Ludgershall in the easter holidays and support to be offered to set up a youth club.
- Referrals to be made to Splash, Young Carers and Building Bridges programme to those met through ongoing engagement.
- More advertising from the Youth club in Tidworth run by army as this could be a well-used service. Young people and parents also sought clarity on this being open to all as they were discouraged by not knowing if it was for military only.



### Warminster Area

Young People engaged with	39
Total people engaged with	113
Number of Areas/locations	11
Referrals to Splash	4
Referrals to Building Bridges	1
Potential volunteers	1

Heyetsbury	Most children were under 14 in this area.
	Heytesbury has funding and space that would
	benefit young people in this community, but this is
	under an ongoing dispute within the village. Young
	people did say that they wanted nets for the goals
	on the football pitch and the football club does not
	accept young people under 16, which meant any
	that were keen to play football, were leaving the
	village and playing elsewhere. Transport from here
	was a barrier for many and although there is a
	regular bus to Salisbury, you cannot let younger
	children travel unattended and if parents can't
	afford the travelling, the children must stay local.
	The village appeared to have a divide between
	different parts, from the social housing and the
	homeowners, also from one end of the village to the
	other end, teenagers from the bottom end would
	not mix with those families that had lived in the
	village for generations.
Chapmanslade	Though there are a community space and grounds
	people felt this was utilised and that a youth club
	would be unsuitable for the village, they expressed
	that one off session would be more suitable and
	that they would be happy for this to be out of the
	village if transport was provided. May young people
	mention a drug problem in this area which held
	them back from going out. The youth club that is
	running was priced differently for different people
	and was too expensive for those on low income or
	with larger families.
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Upton Scudamore	There were not many young people out and about
	when engagement was carried out, but adults were
	happy to discuss. There was a strong church group
	that were keen to get involved but would need to
	access funding for this. It was also expressed that
	there was no real community space for anything to
	happen so would like the opportunity for the young
	people to be picked up and transported to things
	that were more central.



Sutton Vonu	Door knocking here reached families with mostly
Sutton Veny	Door knocking here reached families with mostly
	with younger children, who explained that they love living in Sutton Veny and realised that they would
	have to transport children out of the village for
	activities due to its rurality.
	A family was engaged with that was referred onto
	the young carers service and youth club in
	Warminster. The young carer service could provide
	transport for the individual that is a young carer
Maiden Bradley	There was a space here but many of the people we
	spoke to said that they did not use the local centre
	due to cost. People found it hard if they had large
	families as it made attending the local youth club
	too expensive and mentioned language barriers. It
	was hard to find people here.
Kingdown school	Young people here said that they tend to stay
	indoors and are isolated from friends because they
	have nowhere to go and nothing to do. They also
	explained that parents tended to drive them to the
	few things they did go to and that this sometimes-
	created barriers as they couldn't do things regularly
Military	The local Army welfare support here was praised by
	locals.
Knook	Engagement in Knook, saw a couple of families with
	teenagers, who are active with school activities.
	Some teenagers were home schooled and lead a
	very busy active social life with Cadets, music,
	swimming etc the parents drive the teenagers to all
	the activities that attend.
	Some families did not engage in any activities
	outside of school. Further re-engagement has been
	planned here.
Chilmark	Several teenagers here worked at the local pub and
	were keen to earn money to be able to drive and
	travel further than Chilmark and not rely on parents
	and public transport, that isn't that frequent.
	There appeared to be more a need for younger
	people in the Chilmark, the secondary age groups,
	said they kept themselves busy outside of school
	and made the most of sporting activities in and out
	of school.
Upton Lovell	Many families spoke about a lovely friendly village,
	although said not enough for teenagers to do, but
	didn't have any suggestions as to what would work
	well.
	Two teenagers were referred to young carers, in the
	hope they could attend fortnightly youth club
	sessions.
Codford	Some spoke about a drug issue here with a handful
	of the young people. There was also a divide
	between people that had the financial capacity to
	access the things o offer, and those that don't.
	People talked about the great space. Many adults
	felt that there should be more put into the village
	for young people but that it should be free and
	provide transport so that all could access.



Overall, small villages didn't really identify a good space to have activities and as an additional challenge transport was a barrier to families on a low income or with more children.

There was a clear financial and social divide which is impacting on the accessibility when things are set up within the small villages and so if something is set up all people need to feel welcome and a neutral ground.

Heyetsbury would have a good space that could pull in surrounding villages to host young people to offer provision but at present there is a dispute on where the funding and space will be placed. Having something here could alleviate the need for young people to have to travel all the way to Salisbury and Trowbridge to socialise.

The two local youth clubs, (Westbury and Warminster) have brilliant feedback and people are happy to use if they had transport.

#### Recommendations for phase 2

- Continued outreach to existing organisations and those engaged with in phase 1 offering support to link young people up with the youth clubs that are there, and any Splash and Young Carers activities planned (Which can offer transport).
- Pop up in Chapmanslade to establish what appetite there is and how accessible it would be from surrounding villages to include others.
- Part of phase 2 could be focused on identifying young leaders that could then support at the local youth clubs and activities already being provided to involve the target age group in a way that gives them leadership skills.
- More conversations with Heyetsbury regarding youth plan.



### Combined themes across all areas

- Overall people were expressing the need for provision for young people- whether that be a pop-up session or a youth club, or support accessing what is happening already; people agreed that this was needed for our young people.
- Transport came up in most conversations throughout the engagement due to the rurality of the areas visited. Bus services did not offer the flexibility required to access existing provision and families that were larger or on a lower income found themselves having to prioritise use of their own vehicles for work or other important journeys- if they had their own vehicle at all.
- The size of family also presented issues when trying to access existing clubs as it meant cost was higher and it was less likely for the parent to be able to volunteer their support to things going on.
- Many people in the conversations expressed how important it was to 'catch these young people younger' to try and prevent the antisocial behaviour patterns that they saw in their communities. This was a view shared overwhelmingly amongst young people, parents, residents and provision staff and volunteers.
- There are some fantastic existing groups and planned activities across these areas that will tackle some of the responses heard- but these need to be advertised clearly and widely.

Area	Action
Pewsey	Promotion, recruit and support for youth café setup
Tidworth and Ludgershall	Pop up event, support for youth club setup, outreach promoting existing provision
Winterslow/Idmiston/Newton Tony/Allington	Pop up activity, further outreach to promote and recruit
Alderbury	Pop up event, outreach, youth club support
Shrewton	Outreach to recruit and advertise youth club
Old Sarum Youth Club	Outreach to recruit volunteers and support for youth club
Chapmanslade	Pop up activity, ongoing re-engagement, referrals
Heyetsbury	Further outreach, facilitation and support for Parish council re community space.

#### Draft recommendations for delivery of phase 2

The ongoing focus will be drilled down the above areas using 8 days for 2 Community Organisers in each funded area. This needs to be agreed by the Community Engagement Managers and the Community Organisers.

To get the very best use of the funding it would be beneficial to choose 8 locations (2 within each of the funded areas,) to focus work for phase 2. This will ensure that the engagement and work can be carried out in a way that builds on the relationships that have started to form in the communities and will lead to any volunteers being more invested which will increase the sustainability of this work.

Proposed activities are to Deliver 4-6 pop-ups/taster sessions\* in the specified locations up until October half term, and in some cases provide support around the setup of new youth clubs and support to volunteers that have been identified in phase 1.

A strong take away from engagement shows how much young people want to engage with provision and how willing they were to be a part of the development of that- whether it was through giving their opinions to us, to the consultations offered in communities or in showing an interest in getting involved and being a part of the projects that emerge to support other young people. It seems that if funding could be acquired to develop



a young leader training programme, then not only would the target age group be engaging- but the younger age range would be supported by them too which could satisfy communities looking for support for younger age groups. This could be a consideration when looking at moving the project into Year 2; with the engagement throughout Phase 2 including questions around this from Community Organisers.

\*Pop ups should not be something like a climbing wall- it must give the idea of what the youth club would usually look like.





**Area Board Rural Youth Project** 





## Welcome and housekeeping

### Cllr Allison Bucknell, Portfolio Holder for Area Boards





## **Rural Youth Project Overview**

Rhys Schell, Service Manager, Engagement and Partnerships





## **Community led youth model**

- Community led model has been in place since 2014. Working with our community
  organisations and volunteers to support locally developed, locally delivered and locally
  supported youth provision.
- Statutory function of the council to secure access for young people aged 13 19 years (up to 25 for SEND) to sufficient positive leisure-time activities which improve well-being, and sufficient facilities for such activities.
- "A positive activity can be any educational or recreational leisure-time activity that is arts, sports, leisure, informal education and community based which helps young people achieve healthy and safe lifestyle outcomes."
- Responsibility was delegated to Area Boards with a £347,700 budget. Area Boards award funding to organisations who deliver projects that provide positive activities for young people.





### **Background to Rural Youth Project**

- A strong community led model has developed in some parts of the county, with professional and sustainable providers, but this isn't consistent across all areas.
- In 2019 five of the Area Boards Pewsey, Southern Wiltshire, Stonehenge, Tidworth and Warminster identified some commonality in the challenges that local young people faced and took a proactive, collaborative approach to address.
- Identified an inequity of provision in many rural areas, there were barriers to accessing activities and limited positive engagement opportunities for young people
- The local Community Engagement Managers and Area Boards undertook local consultation, worked with partners internally and externally and developed a project brief for a provider to develop the model in these 5 rural communities.





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## **Project aims and principles**

- The project ultimately aims to develop a stronger offer of positive activities in the identified rural communities, for all young people, but with particular consideration for those who may be at risk or are vulnerable.
- The project will complement and strengthen existing community based provision, increasing local expertise and ownership. Increasing communications channels between providers and partners across the rural communities.
- It aims to deliver direct engagement with young people to better our understanding of the barriers they are facing and the issues that a lack of provision is causing.
- Through increased engagement with young people, we hope to improve signposting to appropriate activities and support for those who are struggling with mental health, educational attainment or physical health issues.



### **Current status**

- Community First were awarded a 12 month grant from the respective Area Boards in August 2021 and commenced work in September.
- Having now completed the research phases CF are moving into implementation based on their findings in research phase.
- As a council we are assessing this different way of working across multiple areas. Welcome comments and feedback.
- How this is supporting our existing youth providers and looking ahead at funding options for potential future years of the project.







# Listening to young people across Wiltshire





## Phase 1

### 662 hours spent listening and engaging

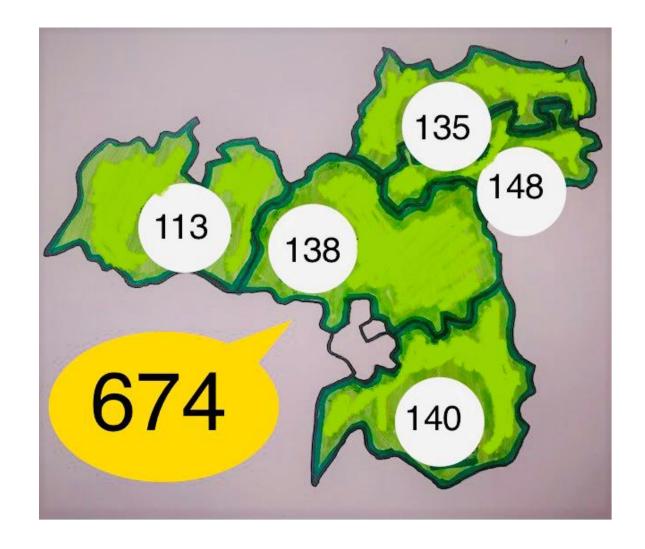
674 people reached

Community Organisers from the Community First team have gone out into 50 locations across rural Wiltshire within 5 Area Board areas.



# Who have we listened to?

- 674 people reached over the 50 locations areas
- 376 young people listened to
- 5 Schools and youth clubs
- 6 organisations/service providers
- 30 referrals made to Splash and Building Bridges Program
- 7 People interested in finding out about volunteering





# What has the reception been?

- Using Community Organising methods such as door knocking and sparking grassroots conversations with open dialogue, young people across these areas have been given the opportunity to have their voices heard around what there is for young people to do where they live.
- Used links that Community First had, door knocking and walk abouts, going where the people are, social media outreach, meetings, survey and listening sheets. Outreach to existing youth clubs and sessions and providers, schools, bus stops.







## Stonehenge 138

- Stonehenge school
- Durrington
- Avon Valley College
- Bulford
- Woodford Valley
- Shrewton
- Orcheston
- Tilshead
- Larkhill



## Southern Wiltshire 140

- Winterslow
- Downton
- Allington
- Cholderton
- Netwon Tony
- Old Sarum
- Old Sarum Youth Club
- Redlynch
- Firsdown
- Alderbury
- Longhedge







## Pewsey 135

- Pewsey Vale Leisure Centre
- Near school
- Bus stops
- Woods next to tennis courts
- Football pitch areas x2
- Housing estate by Bouvier Hall
- Town Centre
- Little Lunch Box Café
- Youth Football club and surrounding streets
- Other





## Tidworth and Ludgershall 148

- Ludgershall
- Ludgershall Rec
- Chute
- Activ8
- Leisure Centre and Hive
- Walk around with Pippa
- Tidworth and Shipton Bellinger
- Tidworth Youth Club
- Military area
- Collingbourne Ducis







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## Warminster 113

- Heytesbury
- Chapmanslade
- Upton Scudamore
- Sutton Veny
- Maiden Bradley
- Military
- Knook
- Chilmark
- Upton Lovell
- Codford

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# Summary of all areas combined

There is a need for enhanced provision for young people

Transport is a barrier

The size of family is a barrier

A need to engage them from a younger age group

More promotion needed where existing provision is in place





# -Old Sarum -Stonehenge Door knocking



## Next steps

To work with existing clubs and organisations to help them to not only maintain their offer but extend it to be more inclusive and attractive to all young people in the local area.



## Moving Forward

	FIRS
Area	Action
Pewsey	Promotion, recruit and support for youth group setup
Tidworth and Ludgershall	Pop up event, support for Ludgershall youth club setup, outreach promoting existing provision
Winterslow/Idmiston/Newton Tony/Allington	Pop up activity, further outreach to promote and recruit
Alderbury	Pop up event, outreach, youth club support
Shrewton Amesbury and Durrington	Outreach to recruit and advertise to find a youth leader with pop up event arranged Working with Avon Valley College and other support organisations to set up
	sessions focusing on encouraging young people to get involved with cooking.
Old Sarum Youth Club	Outreach to recruit volunteers and support for youth club
Chapmanslade	Pop up activity, ongoing re-engagement, referrals
Heytesbury	Further outreach, facilitation and support for Parish council re community space.

COMMUNITY



# Breakout groups 25 mins





# Group feedback and commitments Max 2 mins per group





# Questions





# Final comments and what next?

Lynn Gibson

Chief Executive, Community First

**Rhys Schell** 

Rhys Schell, Service Manager, Engagement and Partnerships





# Close

# Cllr Allison Bucknell, Portfolio Holder for Area Boards



# Wiltshire Council

Report To	Southern Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	Thursday, 26 May 2022
Title of Report	Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report

## **Purpose of the Report**

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

## **Area Board Current Financial Position**

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For 2022/2023	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 84.30
Current Balance	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,615.70
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 17,672.00	£ 18,651.00	£ 2,735.70

## **Grant Funding Application Summary**

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG585</u>	Community Area Grant	Downton Bowling Club	Downton Bowling Club Mower	£6940.00	£3470.00

#### **Project Summary:**

Downton Bowling Club has for the past 40 years, been a source of community activity both as a physical activity and social bonding. We are also finding that with some of the older members, the Club is a strength for their mental well being, including dementia sufferers. The pace of bowling suits those members with weak hearts. Our sport and facilities have also served the community outside of the Bowling Club membership. To a large extent the Club relies on one main factor - the health of the playing surface, "The Green". The essential tool for keeping the green in good condition is the mower. Our present mower is so old that the bodywork is corroding, and parts are not available, so we need to buy a new machine at a cost in the region of £6940. This is something we can ill afford as our income is diminishing relative to the increase in the cost of running the Club. Over the past two years we have had a restricted income due to COVID safety regulations. We were unable to receive full compensation at the start of the pandemic because we do not pay business rates. Our income relies on Membership, and playing matches; both, as I say have been restricted in 2020, less so in 2021. Our membership has not increased over the last four years, but unfortunately costs have, and are likely to rise in the near future. We are hoping for an increase in the next couple of years due to "normality" and a higher profile of bowls which is to be featured in the Commonwealth Games, hence more members( fingers crossed). That is for the future and the mower is needed within the next twelve months. The previous mower has lasted over twenty years and the new mower needs to be of high spec to have the same longevity and be able to cut a fine turf. The mower itself has a cost saving feature of interchangeable cassettes, these cassettes may be purchased in the future as a cheaper alternative to dedicated scarifiers and aerators that will eventually need replacing.

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG640</u>	Community Area Grant	Alderbury Village Hall Management Committee	Alderbury Village Hall Commercial Dishwasher	£3000.00	£1500.00

#### **Project Summary:**

The Village Hall has recently been refurbished and upgraded to high standard. It is now a much more attractive and enhanced asset and venue for events such as weddings, large family parties and social gatherings. The kitchen has also been upgraded to cater for larger and more formal events. The refurbishment was an excellent example of project management delivered to budget and on time. Inevitably, this involved strict cost control as the project progressed and, for good reasons at the time, some requirements were trimmed, one of which was a commercial dishwasher. It has now become clear, however, to maximise use of the Hall, specifically for larger events, a commercial dishwasher is essential. Most village halls in the area have one installed as standard and the majority are of a commercial standard.

<u>ABG416</u>	Health and Wellbeing	Alabare Christian Care and Support	Somewhere to Go Salisbury	£38032.80	£1000.00
	Grant				

#### **Project Summary:**

Food, showers, laundry facilities, advice and support for local rough sleepers and households in Salisbury who are low income, vulnerable and at risk of losing their accommodation. Our rough sleeper drop in is being extended to include preventative work with clients who are risk of becoming homeless. With the current housing crisis, the increased costs to families during COVID and the large energy cost rises, we anticipate an increasing number of referrals from Wiltshire Council and other organisations. We will provide education around budgeting and eating healthily on a low income, as well as tenancy support and mediation. We will sign post clients who need further specialist support to the relevant agencies and ensure our clients are able to feed themselves and their families. We expect clients from all areas of Salisbury and its surrounding villages to access this support now it is open to those experiencing debt, tenancy issues and who are struggling in some way to maintain their tenancies/accommodation. So far, we have had clients from a broad area, including: SP1 2BQ, SP1 3EP, SP1 8FH, SP2 7SP, SP2 9JP, SP2 9JR, SP2 9JS, SP3 4TQ, SP4 2JP, SP4 7DE, SP6 2EJ, SP9 7AA. We are unable to predict who will use this support service in the coming 12 months but would expect any areas where residents are accessing foodbanks to be included.

W	Health and Wellbeing Grant	Silver Salisbury Group	Silver Salisbury 2022 in Downton and surrounding villages	£1000.00	£900.00
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#### **Project Summary:**

To further develop on the outreach work conducted in Downton and surrounding villages in 2021/2 to alleviate isolation and loneliness by co-ordinating a programme of activities and events for older people around 1st October in celebration of International Older People's Day. To consult with older people we visited a number of groups and circulated a questionnaire which told us that one of the major barriers to getting to groups was transport: we have met with Downton Link and plan further discussions with them regarding transport around the autumn programme. We also met with service/activity providers and compiled a list of all the activities in the area and commissioned a centre page pull-out in the Downton newsletter delivered to some 1,500 homes in Downton and an additional 200 hard copies and distributed them in the surrounding villages. We feel that we have established the connections and generated the impetus for Downton groups to contribute to a Silver programme this autumn including ideas on helping people get transport to events. This project is to promote and co-ordinate the programme, produce, get printed and circulate the programme brochure.

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<u>ABG677</u>	Health and Wellbeing Grant	West Dean Parish Council	West Dean River Dun and Wildlife Project	£5980.00	£2980.00
Project Sun Summary d	nmary: locument attached.				
<u>ABG512</u>	Youth Grant	Alderbury Explorer Scout Unit	New tents and provision of external provider for adventurous activities	£670.00	£670.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
Reference				Cost	

#### **Project Summary:**

Alderbury Explorer Scout Unit is taking 8 young people (ages 14-18) to camp in Switzerland in the summer. The cost is over £500 per person and the young people are expected to raise the funds for this. However, we need some new tents to support this activity and future explorer scout camps. In addition one of the things which helps out volunteer leaders is if we can occasionally outsource an evening by hiring in someone to, for example, run a session of fencing or similar. I would like to request funding to pay for four new tents and two evening sessions to be outsourced to an external provider.

## 1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grants (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

## 2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

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

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

## 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

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

## 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.

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

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	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
	Date of Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> May 2022		
1.	Attendees and apologies			
	Present:	Cllr Richard Britton – Wiltshire Council (RB) – Chair Cllr Richard Clewer – Wiltshire Council (RC) Cllr Zoe Clewer – Wiltshire Council (ZC) Cllr Ian McLennan – Wiltshire Council (IM) Cllr Andrew Oliver – Wiltshire Council (AO) Cllr Rich Rogers – Wiltshire Council (AO) Cllr Rich Rogers – Wiltshire Council (RR) Chris Chelu – Coombe Bissett Parish Council (CC) Steven Cocking – Idmiston Parish Council (SC) Nick Back – Lavertsock & Ford Parish Council (NB) Trudi Deane – Lavertsock & Ford Parish Council (TD) Edward Riley – Odstock Parish Council (ER) Nicky Ashton – Redlynch Parish Council (IA) Charles Penn – Winterbourne Parish Council (CP) Graham Axtell – Wiltshire Council (GA) Paul Shaddock – Wiltshire Council (PS) [Notes: ZC left the meeting at 6.30pm / NB joined the meeting at 7.15pm.]		
	Apologies:	Elaine Hartford – Alderbury Parish Council (EH) Catherine Purves – Idmiston Parish Council (CU) Colin Berry – Odstock Parish Council (CB) Maria Pennington – Whiteparish Parish Council (MP)		



2.	Notes of last meeting				
		The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed at the Southern Wiltshire Area Board meeting on the 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2022.		Area Board	
		The Southern Wiltshire Area Board minutes can be found at:			
		https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=170&M Id=13923&Ver=4			
3.	Financial Position				
		As a result of the change from CATGs to LHFIGs the annual Southern Wiltshire CATG budget allocation has been doubled. The annual allocation for the group now stands at £32,344.	That the update is noted.	Area Board	
		There is currently £45,147.50 still unallocated.			



4.	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	Issue No: <u>13-19-1</u> Odstock PC Nunton Footway Improvement	Construction of the footway improvements in Nunton have been provisionally programmed to take place between 31/10/22 and 25/11/22. Detailed design work ongoing. The construction works will require a road closure. Road closure application currently being prepared.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
b)	Issue No: <u>12-20-5</u> Request to address local concerns around an increased use of Milford Mill Road by vehicular traffic and its continued use by HGVs.	Draft proposals issued for comment. Proposals will include the provision of improved advanced warning signs of the weight limit on the A36, relocation of the weight limit terminal signs on New Petersfinger Road closer to the junction of the A36 to improve their conspicuity and the provision of advisory NO HGVS road markings. The estimated cost of these works is £10,404. This figure includes an allowance of £5,000 to complete the National Highways Design Check and Approval Process. However all works would be located within the Salisbury Area Board boundary, so would nominally the funding decision would be there's to make.	the proposed interventions were located within the Salisbury Area Board boundary. The group felt that overall whilst the proposed signs on the A36 would be of some benefit that did	



			Petersfinger Road in its entirety and in return the Southern Wiltshire LHIFG could offer to meet the costs of the proposed 20mph speed limit extension in the Milford Mill Road area.	
			Options to be discussed with the Salisbury LHFIG at the next meet of the group.	PS
c)	Issue No: <u>13-21-24</u> Redlynch PC Request for the measures to increase the awareness of the 30mph speed limit and informal crossing point in The Ridge	Works order for signing and village gate installation work currently being prepared and will be issued in May 2022. Proposed lining works to be undertaken following carriageway resurfacing works currently planned for July 2022.	That the update is noted.	Area Board



d)	Issue No: <u>13-21-19</u>	The existing double white lining system has been checked and	Arrange meeting with PC	PS
	Idmiston PC Request for double white lining system in the vicinity of the junction of Church Road and the A338 Tidworth Road	The regulations do permit the restrictions to be 150mm wide to		Area Board
		Site observations indicate that visibility of traffic approaching from the left is somewhat obscured by the presence of bollards, a Porton Down directional sign and foliage from trees, particularly as vehicles tend to stop some way short of the give way marking. Visibility improvements could be made by addressing some of the aforementioned issues.		
		More extensive junction realignment options could be considered but should only be considered if visibility improvements are not considered to satisfactorily address concerns when exiting Church Road onto the A338.		
		Next steps would be to arrange a meeting with the PC to consider the options and draw up proposals to bring back to the next meeting of the group for a funding decision.		
		[Scheme temporarily added to Top 5 Priority Schemes in place of 13-21-4.]		



e)	Issue No: <u>13-21-25</u>	There is already a partial village gateway present on Grately	
		Road (consisting of a white gate, painted carriageway speed	
	Cholderton PM	limit roundel). However there are no speed limit countdown	previously allocated to this
	Request to relocate the 30mph	markings present. Such markings could be provided to alert	scheme being returned to the
	speed limit signs on Grately	motorists to the speed limit change. Additional 30mph speed	groups budget.
	Road further away from the	limit roundels and repeater signs could also be provided to	
	start of the village.	improve the conspicuity of the speed limit on Grately Road.	That the PM approves the
			allocation of £875 to allow this
		The group has previously allocated £5,100 (CATG Contribution	work to be undertaken.
		£3825 / PC Contribution £1275) to the installation of a village	
		gateway at this location. However, the estimated cost to provide	
		the speed limit countdown markings and additional speed limit	
		repeater signs on Grately Road is £3,500 (CATG Contribution	
		£2,625 / PC Contribution £875) so would result in additional	
		funding being available to the group.	



5.	Other Priority Schemes			
a)	Issue No: <u>13-20-3</u> Laverstock & Ford PC Measures to improve	The PC have considered the briefing note outlining potential signing improvements to the speed limit signage on the A345 between the Beehive and Longhedge Roundabouts and have indicated a preference for the provision of painted speed limit	allocated funding to allow this work to be undertaken.	
	compliance with 40mph speed restriction on the A345 in the vicinity of Mynarski Close.	roundels to complement the existing upright repeater signage. The estimated cost of undertaking this work is £750 (CATG Contribution £562.50 / PC Contribution £187.50).	That the Area Board approves the	Area Board
		[Note: Lining works to be taken forward on an ad-hoc basis].		
b)	Issue No: <u>13-20-16</u> Laverstock & Ford PC London Road, Salisbury Request for Crossing Point	Planned maintenance project at St. Thomas' Roundabout is provisionally within the highway's maintenance programme for 2022/2023. However, the exact dates of the work are not yet known. Dropped kerbs to aid crossing movements will be provided as part of the works.		Area Board
c)	Issue No: <u>13-21-2</u> Landford PC Various Locations Signpost improvements to enable the deployment of a SID	Works delayed due to difficulties in obtaining NAL sockets. Works now programmed to be undertaken during week beginning the 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.		Area Board
d)	Grimstead PC Request for Improved Village Speed Limit Terminal Signing on Long Drove	Works provisionally programmed to take place during week commencing 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022.	That the update is noted.	Area Board





			That the Area Board approves the allocation of £6,000 to allow this work to be undertaken.	Area Board
			That the PC approves the allocation of £2,000 to allow this work to be undertaken.	PC
f)	Issue No: <u>13-21-7</u> Downton PC Request for the investigation of alterations to an existing signpost in The Borough to enable the deployment of a SID	Works order issued in February 2022. Work's provisionally programmed to take place during week commencing 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
g)	Issue No: <u>13-21-8</u> Winterbourne PC Request for improvements to allotment access track on Down Barn Road	Topographical survey completed in March 2022. Design work for this project will be taken forward by Sarah Anderson. Based on current works programme commitments the design work is expected to commence in June 2022.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
h)	Issue No: <u>13-21-13</u> Idmiston PC East Gomeldon Road Railway	Proposed signing and lining amendments to the East Gomeldon Road Railway Arch circulated to and supported by the PC. The estimated cost of undertaking this work is £8,970 (CATG Contribution £6,727.50 / PC Contribution £2,242.50).		Area Board
	Arch Signing Improvements		That the PC approves the allocation of £2,242.50 to allow this work to be undertaken.	PC



i)	Issue No: <u>13-21-14</u>	Proposals are to provide two farm vehicle warning signs,		Area
		complemented with SLOW road markings, to highlight the	allocation of £1807.50 to allow this	Board
	Idmiston PC	concealed farm access and village hall directional signs. The	work to be undertaken.	
	Idmiston Road, Porton Village	estimated cost of undertaking this work is £2410 (CATG		
	Concealed Entrance Warning	Contribution £1,807.50 / PC Contribution £602.50).	That the PC approves the	PC
	Signs and Village Hall		allocation of £602.50 to allow this	
	Directional Signs	[Note: Lining works to be taken forward on an ad-hoc basis].	work to be undertaken.	
j)	Issue No: <u>13-21-15</u>	Work's order issued in December 2021. Awaiting Ringway to	That the update is noted.	Area
		programme works.		Board
	Idmiston PC			
	Request for Pedestrian	Works provisionally programmed to take place during week		
	Warning Sign on Gomeldon			
	Road	<b>.</b>		
k)	Issue No: 13-21-21	Design work to commence in May 2022. Cost estimate to be	That the update is noted.	Area
,		brought to the next meeting of the group for a funding decision.		Board
	Laverstock & Ford PC			
	Request for the extension of the			
	existing 20mph speed limit			
	along Milford Mill Road			



I)	Issue No: <u>13-22-01</u>	As advised at the previous meeting No Through Road sign relocated from the railway arch to the rear of the Stop sign at the	consult with local residents to	PC
	Winterbourne PC	junction of the A338 and Figsbury Road. PC to advise if this has		
	Request for the introduction of		•	
	No Through Road signage at	road.	addressed the problem and advise	
	the junction of the A338 and		the group at its next meeting if they	
	Figsbury Road	An additional No Through Road sign could be provided on the		
		A338 outside of the property called The Elms to better alert	of the proposed options.	
		motorists travelling north-east that Figsbury Road is a No		
		Through Road. The estimated cost of undertaking this work is		
		£217 (CATG Contribution £162.75 / PC Contribution £54.25).		
		The existing street nameplate could be replaced with a new sign incorporating a No Through Road symbol and relocated slightly closer to the A338 to better alert motorists travelling south-west that Figsbury Road is a No Through Road. The estimated cost of undertaking this work is £545 (CATG Contribution £408.75 / PC Contribution £136.25).		
		The estimated cost of undertaking both measures is £762 (CATG Contribution £571.50 / PC Contribution £190.50).		



6.	New Requests / Issues			
a)	Issue No: <u>13-22-02</u> Coombe Bissett PC Request for the introduction of Road Narrows Warning Signs on Homington Road.	<ul> <li>The PC have requested the introduction of road narrows warning signs in Homington Road.</li> <li>The estimated cost of providing two road narrows warning signs, complemented with SLOW road markings, is £2096 (CATG Contribution £1572 / PC Contribution £524).</li> </ul>	like to proceed with both the signing and lining elements, with the lining elements being taken	
		[Note: If lining works are taken forward on an ad-hoc basis the proposed costs would be reduced by £500].	That the Area Board approves the allocation of £1,200 to allow this work to be undertaken.	Area Board
		If the PC wished to just go with the warning signs without the SLOW road markings, then the estimated cost of the works would be $\pounds785$ (CATG Contribution $\pounds588.75$ / PC Contribution $\pounds196.25$ ).	allocation of £400 to allow this	PC
b)	Issue No: <u>13-22-03</u> Idmiston PC Request to extend the existing 30mph speed limit on Gomeldon Road (Porton end)	The PC have requested that the existing 30mph speed limit be extended to include 4 properties currently situated just outside of it. A formal speed limit assessment will need to be undertaken to determine if the speed limit can be extended. The cost of a speed limit assessment would be £2,500. (CATG contribution £1,875 / PC contribution £625).	and whilst supportive of the request to extend the 30mph speed limit felt the need to	



	The group indicated that they would support proceeding with the speed limit change if the speed limit assessment didn't need to be completed and asked PS to discuss with his Line Manager if the assessment could be waived on this occasion.	
	[Post Meeting Update: PS has discussed matter with his Head of Service, and it has been agreed that the assessment would not need to be considered on this occasion in consideration of the guidance on the setting of 30mph speed limits which advises that they should begin at the point where development commences within a village.]	
	That the Area Board approves the allocation of £2,250 to allow this work to be undertaken.	Area Board
	That the PC approves the allocation of £750 to allow this work to be undertaken.	PC



C)	Issue No: <u>13-22-04</u>	The PC have compiled a report outlining locations in Porton where new / improved footways and or dropped kerb provision	Arrange meeting with PC	PS
	Idmiston PC	is required. The report is attached as <b>Appendix 2</b> . Officers to		
	Improved footway and dropped	• •		
	kerb provision in Porton	potential solutions. Meeting with PC to be arranged.		
d)	Issue No: <u>13-22-05</u>	A request has been received to consider potential safety	That the update is noted.	Area
u)	1350e 110. <u>15-22-05</u>	improvements at Dunstable Crossroads. Matter to be	That the update is noted.	Board
	Firsdown PC / Winterslow PC	investigated and an update provided at the next meeting of the		Doard
	Safety improvements at			
	Dunstable Crossroads	gioup.		
7.	Closed Items			
a)	Issue No: <u>13-20-5</u>	Weston Lane speed limit assessment has been completed and	That the update is noted.	Area
		results circulated to local member and PC. The assessment		Board
	Winterslow PC	recommended no changes to the existing speed limits in place		
	Weston Lane Speed Limit	along Weston Lane. Issue has been closed.		
	Review			
b)	Issue No: <u>13-21-5</u>	Street nameplate installed in March 2022. Issue has been	That the update is noted.	Area
		closed.		Board
	Whiteparish PC			
	Request for a replacement			
	street nameplate at Ashmore			
	Close			
c)	Issue No: <u>13-21-9</u>	NAL sockets installed in April 2022. Issue has been closed.	That the update is noted.	Area
				Board
	Laverstock & Ford PC			
	Request for installation of NAL			
	sockets at three locations to			
	enable the deployment of SIDs			



d)	Issue No: <u>13-21-17</u>	NAL socket installed in April 2022. Issue has been closed.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
	Alderbury PC			Doard
	Request for installation of NAL			
	socket in Southampton Road to			
	enable the deployment of a SID			
e)	Issue No: <u>13-21-23</u>	NAL sockets installed in April 2022. Issue has been closed.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
	Odstock PC			
	Request for the provision of a			
	SID in Odstock			
f)	Issue No: <u>13-21-26</u>	Street nameplate installed in March 2022. Issue has been closed.	That the update is noted.	Area Board
	Whiteparish PC			
	Request for a replacement			
	street nameplate at Green			
	Close			
8.	Other Items			
a)	Highway Maintenance Update	GA from the Area Highway Office provided an update on the	That the update is noted.	Area
		latest programmed dates for planned carriageway and footway		Board
		resurfacing works during the 2022/2023 financial year. A copy		
		of the information provided by GA is attached as <b>Appendix 3</b> .		
9.	Date of Next Meeting:	17 <sup>th</sup> August 2022		



#### 1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent, and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

#### 2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
- 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Southern Wiltshire Area Board will have a remaining highways funding balance of £27,800 in the LHFIG allocation available for the 2022/2023 financial year.

#### 3. Legal Implications

3.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

#### 4. HR Implications

4.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

#### 5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

#### 6. Safeguarding implications

There are no specific safeguarding implications related to this report.

#### LAVERSTOCK & FORD PARISH COUNCIL

#### Subject: Potential Church Road Traffic Regulation Order

Date:10/03/2022Author:Nick Baker

#### 1. Report Summary

- 1.1 219 responses were received to the informal consultation carried out by the parish council including 163 local residents and 46 school parents. Sixty percent agreed or strongly agreed with the proposed no traffic restrictions as set out in the consultation documents. 18% strongly disagreed. There was strong support from residents of Elm Close and Bishops Mead for those roads to be included in the regulation by the extension of the single yellow line.
- 1.2 This report recommends that the Parish Council carries out further consultation with the residents of Elm Close and Bishops Mead by means of a leaflet with opportunity to respond and that the Parish Council recommends to Wiltshire Council that an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order should be put in place covering the area originally proposed (and Elm Close and Bishops Mead subject to the results of the further consultation). This experimental order would last for up to 18 months and allow us to evaluate the impact of the traffic regulation order and whether it needed extending before making it permanent.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 Traffic problems on Church Road related to journeys to the school have been a long standing issue in Laverstock. Key issue have been congestion, dangerous driving on pavements due to one side of the road being blocked by parked cars, pollution from idling vehicles and drives and access to nearby closes being blocked.
- 2.2 Since September 2020 a working party has been meeting where the schools, the parish council, Wiltshire Council and the police have met to look at the issue. We have looked at ways to promote alternative methods of travel as well as how traffic in the village can be better managed.
- 2.3 At the end of 2021 the Wiltshire Council Highways Engineer produced a set of plans for traffic restrictions based around a two hour no-waiting period from 2-4pm (when the issues are most severe) marked by single yellow lines from just before Bishops Mead to the junction with the Green. In addition there would be double yellow lines on the junctions with Elm Close and Bishops Mead and the entrance to the Bishopdown

Path. A public consultation was carried out using Microsoft Forms and was publicised on Social Media, through the Salisbury Journal and in the Parish Newsletter. The opportunity to write or email in was also provided and Ian McLennan also did some leafleting on a personal basis and gathered a few further written responses.

- 2.4 Copies of the drawings showing the exact details of the regulations and a spreadsheet showing all the responses to the survey can be found here. <u>Church Road Traffic</u>
- 2.5 Microsoft Forms is part of our new Office 365 is part of our new computer package and has proved a very effective way of carrying out a consultation. I am very happy to give some help to any officers or councillors who would like to learn how to use it.

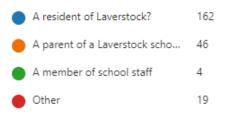
#### 3. Consultation Responses

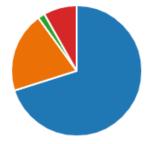
NB three additional responses were received after this summary was produced.

#### 216 Responses, 162 of whom were local residents

1. Please let us know why you are filling out this survey

#### More Details





#### 38 People Responded from Church Road Itself

38 respondents (23%) answered Church Road for this question.



There was a clear majority agreeing with no waiting restrictions, but 18% strongly disagreed

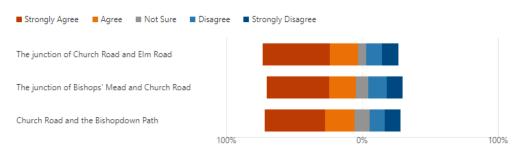
3. Do you think that the proposed no loading and no waiting restriction (single yellow line) on Church Road from Bishop's Mead to The Green between 2pm and 4pm will make a worthwhile contribution to reducing the traffic problems in the area?
More Details

Strongly agree	92	
🛑 Agree	39	
Not sure	21	
Disagree	26	
Strongly Disagree	40	

# There was strong support for double yellow lines on the junctions with Elm Road, Bishop's Mead and at the Entrance to the Bishopdown Path

Do you agree that the No Waiting at any time (double yellow lines) in the following areas will help reduce traffic problems.

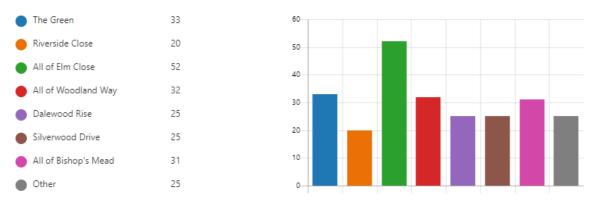
#### More Details



There was a small majority for not extending waiting restrictions further, but within that particularly strong support from the residents of two of the roads affected. In Elm Close where 19 out of 24 respondents favoured the whole close being covered and one more asked for the restrictions to come further down the close, but not all of the way. In Bishop's Mead 8 out of 11 respondents wanted the whole road to be covered and one wanted one side but not the other.

Which other areas would you like to see covered by no waiting and no loading restrictions between 2pm and 4pm

More Details



#### There was reasonably strong support for the 2-4pm timing

Do you think 2-4pm is the right time restriction for no loading and no waiting? More Details

<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li><li>Not Sure</li></ul>	124 76 18	
What time restriction More Details Insights 76	a would you like to see used?	Latest Responses

Responses

Latest Responses
"to also cover the morning school drop-off times when the roads become imp...

#### 4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That the parish council should carry out a further specific consultation in Elm Close and Bishops Mead about whether single yellow lines should be extended throughout the closes introducing the no waiting restriction from 2-4pm. This should include a simple reply slip or the option of replying by email and have a one week response period.
- 4.2 The Parish Council should write to Wiltshire Council requesting the traffic restrictions proposed by the Highways Engineer should be introduced for as an experimental traffic regulation order (ETRO) for a period of up to eighteen months. Subject to a clear majority of respondents in Elm Close and/or Bishops Mead responding positively to the survey the Parish Council should request that the ETRO should be extended to cover these roads.
- 4.3 The Parish Council and the other parties to the working group should monitor the impact of the ETRO and carry out a further consultation after a year of operation to review whether it should be retained, and if so whether there has been an impact on any roads beyond the area covered and if so whether it should be extended to cover them.

#### LAVERSTOCK & FORD PARISH COUNCIL

# Subject: Potential Church Road Traffic Regulation Order: Elm Close and Bishop's Mead

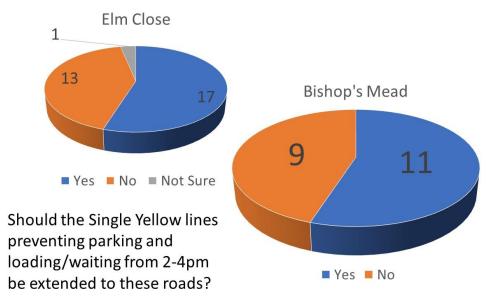
Date:10/03/2022Author:Nick Baker

#### 1. Report Summary

1.1 Further consultation has been carried out with the residents of Elm Close and Bishop's Mead following strong support from the respondents to the initial survey for the traffic regulations to be extended to these roads. There was a much smaller majority for extending the regulations following the survey and this report recommends a partial extension to Elm Close and a "watch and wait" approach to Bishop's Mead with no immediate extension of the regulations.

#### 2. Background

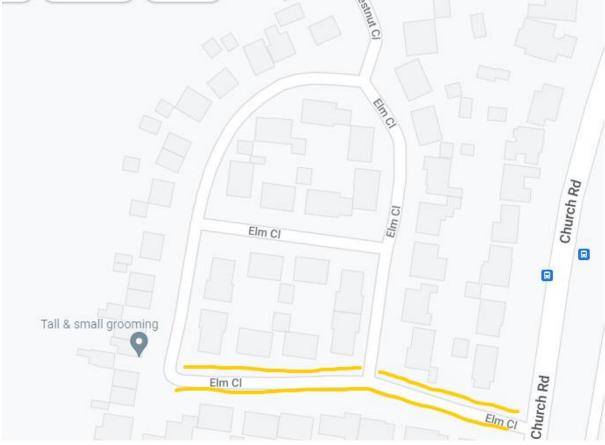
- 2.1 At last month's meeting the Parish Council considered <u>Report 22.045</u> and agreed to recommend to Wiltshire Council the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order for Church Road. See that report for details. The order will be experimental allowing monitoring of the impact before a permanent decision is taken
- 2.2 The consultation which was carried out in the run up to that meeting showed strong support from residents in Elm Close and Bishop's Mead who had completed the survey for the regulations to be extended to those roads. The Parish Council therefore agreed to put a short additional survey through every letterbox on these roads to ensure that they had been consulted and had the opportunity to contribute.



#### 3. Consultation Responses and Further Discussions

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3.2 There is stronger support in Elm Close for an extension of the traffic regulations, and most houses have large drives and so residents are less likely to experience issues with their own cars. The Wiltshire Council Highway's Engineer has suggested that a first step could be to extend the single yellow line along the length of Elm Close visible from Church Road.



3.3 Although there was a small majority in favour of extending the regulations to Bishop's Mead, several residents have spoken strongly about the problems they would experience. Houses in this road often have smaller drives and residents sometimes rely on having a car on the pavement and are concerned the regulation could be a source of inconvenience.

#### 4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That Wiltshire Highways are requested to extend the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order to Elm Close, either in full or in the area suggested by the highways engineer.
- 4.2 That no request should be made in relation to Bishop's Mead, but that the impact of the experimental regulation on this road be carefully monitored, and further consultation carried out if necessary to see whether a clearer consensus has emerged after the effects of the regulation have become clear.

#### Report on audit of Porton village footpaths/pavements/road surfaces January 2022

On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022, Idmiston Parish Councillors David Sangster & Steven Cocking conducted an audit of the state of footpaths, pavements & road surfaces (which are used by pedestrians in the absence of separate footpaths).

This audit was conducted in response to a report submitted by a parishioner who is a wheelchair user. The focus of her report was the lack of accessibility to wheelchair users but is also of significance to pedestrians & pushchair users. The report was supplied to the IPC in the form of coloured print outs (probably of Google Maps) of the village roads at a highly detailed scale. The areas of concern were indicated with written 'crosses' and comments detailing the complaints.

During their audit, Councillors Sangster & Cocking took photos, discussed each location, and decided whether they agreed with the complaints & what we thought could & should be done.

The following is a list of the sites of complaint & their findings. The order has no particular significance; it's just the order in which the councillors walked around bearing in mind they started at the closest point to both their houses.

The photos of the sites are attached separately & are grouped by site to limit the huge amount of data needed to download.

#### Site 1. Cross-roads of Winterslow Road & Gomeldon Road (aka.....)

Ref. photos 0463, 0464 & 0465

*Complaint:* No dropped kerb on corner.

*Audit result*: The Councillors felt this was an invalid complaint. There was no step from the road surface to the footpath on 3 of the 4 corners. The 4<sup>th</sup> corner is for access to the north side of Winterslow Road which can easily be accessed by other means.

# 2. Footpath on the south side of Winterslow Road between St. Nicholas Church/Driveway of Chalk House and Styles Close.

Ref. photo 0466

Complaint: Poor pavement.

*Audit result*: Agreed the surface is very poor. However, the area is passable in a wheelchair or pushchair by moving to the left (as looking at the photo) onto part of the driveway. Also, this is awaiting repair by the utility companies & the contractors developing up Styles Close (which may have been done by the time this is published). As a result, we do not feel that this is a high priority.

3. Entrance to St. Nicholas Close from Winterslow Road.

Ref. photos 0467, 0468 & 0469 *Complaint:* No dropped kerbs on corners. *Audit result:* Agree, needs corrective action.

#### **4. Footpath on south side of Winterslow Road between Styles Close & St. Nicholas Close.** Ref. photos 0470, 0471 & 0472

*Complaint*: Footpath way too narrow.

*Audit result:* Agreed, please note photo 0472 shows footpath between St. Nicholas Close & Bonaker Close to show how it should be.

*Corrective action recommended:* Relocate telegraph pole (good site nearby) & metalled surface needs to be cleaned back closer to the hedge so it looks more like the footpath shown in photo 0472.

#### 5. Junction of High Street with Winterslow Road near NISA shop.

Ref. photos 0473 & 0474

*Complaint:* Dropped kerb too steep.

*Audit result:* Disagree. While not tidy, there are plenty of dropped curb options; none are too steep.

# **6.** Footpath on SW side of Winterslow Road between doctor's surgery & entrance to the playing field; specifically, beside the unnamed close running parallel to the main road. Ref. photo 0475

Complaint: Pavement not wide enough.

Audit result: Very low priority. There are plenty of options to get around the short narrow bit.

#### 7. Footpath on SW side of Winterslow Road between the river and Parkland Way.

Ref. photo 0476 *Complaint:* Bad pavement. *Audit result:* Not perfect but useable in a wheelchair. Not a high priority.

#### 8. SE entrance into Parkland Way opposite the Porton Burial Ground.

Ref. photo 0477 *Complaint:* No dropped kerb. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action is necessary.

#### 9. Junction of Malvern Way with Winterslow Road.

Ref. photos 0478, 0479 & 0480 *Complaint:* No dropped kerbs to cross W/low Road. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action necessary.

# 10. Footpath on SW side of W/low Road between Malvern Way & NW entrance into Parkland Way.

Ref. photo 0481 *Complaint:* No dropped kerb. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action necessary.

#### 11. NW entrance into Parkland Way.

Ref. photos 0483 &0484 *Complaint:* No dropped kerb. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action necessary.

#### 12. Pavement of footpath turning left from A338 Tidworth Road into W/low Road. Ref. photos 0485 & 0486

*Complaint:* Inaccessible! *Audit result:* Agree but cannot immediately see what corrective action is possible. Need to consult with WC Highways.

#### 13. Footpath between Malvern Way & Southbourne Close.

Ref. photo 0487 *Complaint:* No dropped kerb. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action necessary.

#### 14. SE exit from playfield on footpath towards Bourne Close.

Ref. photos 0488 & 0489 *Complaint:* Poor surface, difficult to pass. *Audit result:* Agree, corrective action necessary.

#### 15. High Street, Porton between Parson's Close & Baptist Church.

Ref. photos 0493, 0494 & 0495 *Complaint:* Very poor & unstable road surface. *Audit result:* This is a long-standing problem, but the Councillors understood this area is being attended to and improved in the 2022/23 financial year.

# **16.** South side of Tidworth Road heading east from the junction with The Avenue. No photos.

*Complaint:* Totally inaccessible because of narrow footpath. *Audit result:* Another long-standing problem that has been reported by the PC to WC multiple times. Appropriate corrective action is necessary to widen the footpath.

#### 17. Two other items. 2 road signs whose posts are rusted through, or nearly so.

1 on High St. by Bourne Close, the other on Winterslow Road near Bonaker Close.Ref. photo 0491, 0492 & 0496. Noted by IPC Councillors during their audit. Considered to be a danger to the public, new posts are required.

#### Notes from Southern LHFIG – 4<sup>TH</sup> May 2022

Although we are in to the second month of the new financial year, we are still awaiting the final works programme and programme dates. This is partially down to having to incorporate the rise in material costs.

Those sites that are programmed are as follows :-

#### **Carriageway Works**

Surfacing

Parkwater Road Whiteparish 16<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> May -week days only.

#### Surface Dressing

This starts in June in the county. Sites are:-

A27 Cowesfield to County Boundary Whiteparish B3080 Between Downton and Redlynch C324 West Grimstead to West Dean. C336 Shute End Road Alderbury. C285 Gomeldon Road Gomeldon.

<u>Reactive Patching</u> Milford Mill Road Laverstock 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June

More sites will be added during the financial year.

#### **Footways**

#### **Reconstruction**

Greens Meade Redlynch 13<sup>th</sup> August for 7 days. Part Church Road Laverstock The Green to Elm Close West Side, Woodland Way to Duck Lane East side 19<sup>th</sup> August for 10 days.

#### Slurry Seal

Sites are currently being measured for consideration for this year's programme. Those measured so far are :-

Lyndhurst Road Landford Junc Forest Road to end opposite Sports field entrance. Pound Hill Landford Junc Glebe Lane north to first lay-by. Lode Hill Downton The Sidings west to where reconstruction finished last year.

There is no guarantee that these will be done as the budget is not known. Also there are sites remaining from last year, which need re-programming to be considered.