

MINUTES

Extraordinary Meeting of: SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD

Place: Methodist Church Hall, St Edmunds Church Street, Salisbury,

SP1 1EF

Date: 15 March 2010

Start Time: 4.30 pm **Finish Time:** 5.50 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Richard Britton (Chairman), Cllr Leo Randall (Vice Chairman), Cllr Ian McLennan, Cllr Christopher Devine and Cllr Julian Johnson

Wiltshire Council Officers

Tom Bray, Community Area Manager (CAM) Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer

Parish Councillors and Grant Applicants

Clearway – K Dean and K Ward
Downton Football Club – J Blake
Downton Moot – S Barnhurst - Davis
Downton PC – J Brown, B Cornish, C Hall, A Ireland, S Lacey and J Whitmarsh
Ebble Valley Short Mat Bowls Club – D Germains
Pitton & Farley PC – D Balfour and A Shaw

Cllr W Moss in attendance for part of the meeting.

Total in attendance: 22

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision	Action By
1.	Welcome and Introductions	
	The Chairman, Councillor Richard Britton, welcomed everyone to the extraordinary meeting of the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.	
	He explained that the extraordinary meeting had been scheduled in order to allow the Board to consider an additional tranche of grant applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme, before the end of the financial year.	
	Since the scheduling of the meeting, Cabinet had agreed that all Area Boards be permitted to roll-over any monies they had not spent during the available time from the 2009/10 budget into the 2010/11 budget. This would apply in respect of 2010/11 only and would be reviewed in subsequent years.	
2.	Apologies	
	There were none.	
3.	Declarations of Interest	
	Councillor Leo Randall declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 4 – grant application from Whiteparish Memorial Ground Trust, as he was a trustee. Councillor Randall left the room and did not vote for this item.	
4.	Community Grants	
	The Board considered nine applications for funding from the Community Grant Scheme. Applicants in attendance were invited to speak in support of their application. The ward councillor for the area in which the project would take place also spoke, after discussion the Board voted on each application.	
	<u>Decision</u> Pitton and Farley Parish Council were awarded £615 towards their project to purchase new children's play equipment. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and would be of benefit to the children from the area.	Tom Bray
	Decision Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls Primary School were awarded £215 towards their project to purchase water butts, with the	

following condition:

that the shortfall of £215 be match funded by the School, to enable the project to go ahead. Should the match funding not be available, the grant from the Community Area Grant Scheme would be withdrawn, and the applicant would be invited to reapply in the new financial year, after further information had been provided.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and provided an opportunity for children to be involved in a project which was aimed at teaching them the importance of protecting the environment.

Decision

Ebble Valley Short Mat Bowls Club were awarded £720 towards the purchase of three new bowls carpets.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and would provide a useful facility for people in the community of all ages.

Decision

The application from Laverstock Gardening Club was refused. Reason

There was a lack of community benefit and the applicant had access to sufficient reserve funds.

Decision

Downton Museum and Archive were awarded £890 towards their conservation project of local historical documents.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and the project would preserve the local history for generations to come.

It was suggested that the Applicant could produce an inventory, detailing what documents were available, where they were stored and how they could be accessed. The inventory could be kept at the Library for people to view.

The Board also agreed to write a letter to the Library service to ask them to store the archives to enable access by local people.

Decision

The Moot Preservation Trust was awarded £463 towards their project to repair the boundary wall.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and the facility was widely used by people of all ages in the community. However the applicant was awarded half of the amount requested on the application form as they had previously received funding from the SWAG scheme.

Decision

Clear Way was awarded £1,140 towards their bridleway, footpath and cycleway clearance and surface improvement project.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and the facility was widely used by people of all ages in the community.

Decision

The Memorial Ground Trust (Whiteparish) was awarded £1,000 towards the purchase of children's play equipment.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and would be of benefit to the children in the community.

Councillor Randall left the room and did not vote for the application above.

Decision

The application from Downton Football Club was deferred, pending the club's ability to demonstrate the formation of a youth team from the area.

Reason

At present, only six of the clubs sixty eight players were from the Downton area. The Board felt that the project did not benefit a large enough number of the Downton community and requested further evidence that the club could benefit the community.

5. Close

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Future Meeting Dates:

Thursday 15 April 2010, 7.00pm at Winterslow Village Hall Thursday 17 June 2010, 7.00pm at Coombe Bissett Village Hall Thursday 19 August 2010, 7.00pm at Alderbury Village Hall