

## AGENDA

**Meeting:** AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Figheldean Village Hall, Pollen Lane, Figheldean, SP4 8JR  
**Date:** Thursday 1 July 2010  
**Time:** 6.00 pm

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

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**The Area Board welcomes and invites contributions from members of the public. The chairman will try to ensure that everyone who wishes to speak will have the opportunity to do so.**

If you have any requirements that would make your attendance at the meeting easier, please contact your Democratic Services Officer.

**Refreshments and networking opportunities will be available from 5:30pm.**

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### Wiltshire Councillors

Mike Hewitt (**Vice Chairman**)  
John Noeken  
John Smale (**Chairman**)  
Ian West  
Fred Westmoreland  
Graham Wright

Bourne and Woodford Valley  
Amesbury East  
Bulford, Allington & Figheldean  
Till & Wylve Valley  
Amesbury West  
Durrington & Larkhill

***Map to venue enclosed at page 1***

<b>Items to be considered</b>	<b>Time</b>
1. <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
2. <b>Chairman's Announcements</b> ( <i>Pages 3 - 8</i> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Annual Highways Maintenance Programme</li> <li>b. Local Transport Programme (LTP) Scheme Funding Allocation</li> <li>c. Draft Parking Strategy</li> <li>d. The Chairman will invite questions on issues not covered elsewhere in the agenda, including questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services (Councillor Lionel Grundy) who will be in attendance.</li> </ul>	<b>6.05 pm</b>
3. <b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
4. <b>Declarations of Interest</b> <p>Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p>	
5. <b>Minutes</b> ( <i>Pages 9 - 22</i> ) <p>To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2010, and the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2010.</p>	
6. <b>Your Local Issues</b> ( <i>Pages 23 - 24</i> ) <p>To receive an update from the Community Area Manager on local issues.</p>	<b>6.13 pm</b>
7. <b>Update from Partners and Town/Parish Councils</b> ( <i>Pages 25 - 30</i> ) <p>To receive any updates from the Town/Parish Council representatives and from other partner organisations.</p>	<b>6.20 pm</b>
8. <b>Waste Collection Service Consultation</b> <p>To receive a brief presentation from Tracy Carter (Service Director – Waste Management) regarding the on-going consultation on the Waste and Recycling Collection Service.</p>	<b>6.35 pm</b>
9. <b>Review of Library Service</b> <p>To receive a brief presentation from Geoff Langridge (Head of Library and Information Services) and John Salen (Project Manager, Business Change) on the review of the Library Services.</p>	<b>6.55 pm</b>

10.	<b>Community Area Young People's Issues Group (CAYPIG) - Update</b>	<b>7.15 pm</b>
	To receive an update on the work of the CAYPIG, including the minibus project and the Bourne Valley Youth Project.	
11.	<b>Community Planning Update</b> <i>(Pages 31 - 38)</i>	<b>7.30 pm</b>
	The Area Board will be asked to agree new arrangements for Community Planning in the Amesbury Community Area.	
	Also, to note the Porton, Idmiston and Gomeldon Community Plan <i>(available to view with the online agenda documents – hard copies available on request)</i> .	
12.	<b>Cycle Routes</b>	<b>7.45 pm</b>
	To receive a presentation from Heather Blake (Transport Planner).	
13.	<b>Appointments to Associated Groups / Outside Bodies</b> <i>(Pages 39 - 40)</i>	<b>7.55 pm</b>
	To note the appointments to outside bodies which were made by the Board last year; to note that these appointments will continue for 2010/11; and to agree any new appointments.	
14.	<b>Community Area Grants</b> <i>(Pages 41 - 46)</i>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
	To consider any applications for Community Area Grant funding.	
15.	<b>Future Meeting Dates, Evaluation and Close</b> <i>(Pages 47 - 48)</i>	<b>8.10 pm</b>
	The next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board will be held on Thursday 2 September 2010, 6pm at The Bowman Centre, Archers Gate, Amesbury.	

**Future Meeting Dates**

**Thursday, 2 September 2010**

6.00 pm

The Bowman Centre, Shears Drive, Archers Gate,  
Amesbury, SP4 7XT

**Thursday, 21 October 2010**

6.00 pm

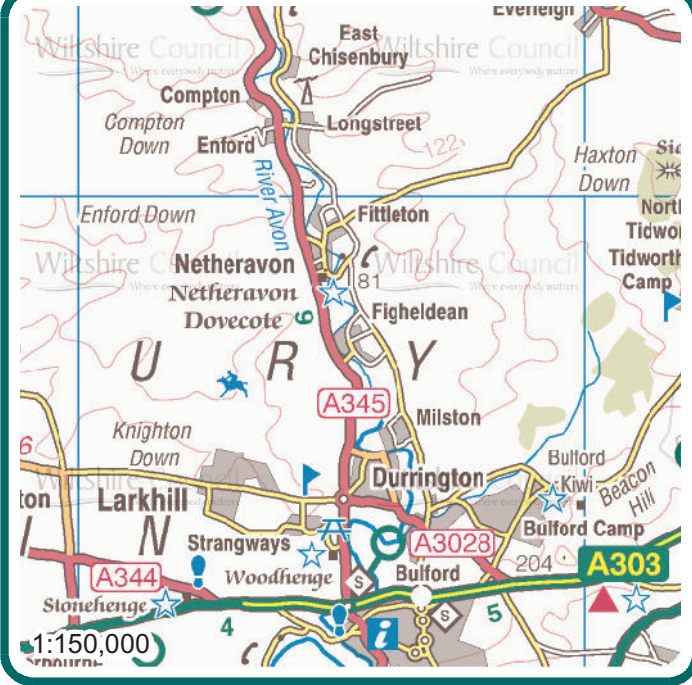
Avon Valley College, Recreation Road, Durrington,  
SP4 6HH

**Thursday 2 December 2010**

6.00pm

Antrobus House, Salisbury Road, Amesbury, SP4 7HH





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**Pollen Lane**  
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## **Amesbury Area Board 1 July 2010**

### **Chairman's Announcements**

#### **Highways Programme for 2010-11**

The annual programme of highway maintenance and improvement schemes for 2010/11 has been approved. This information is presented on an individual community area basis and is available on the Council's website under Community Area Highway Information.

The information includes lists of proposed highway and related works for 2010/11 with facts and figures about the roads in your area.

Web link:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwayspavements/areaboardhighwayinformation.htm>

Further enquiries should be made to Spencer Drinkwater, Principal Transport Planner, on 01225 713480.



## Amesbury Area Board 1 July 2010

### Chairman's Announcements

#### Local Transport Plan (LTP) Scheme Selection Process

##### **Purpose of announcement**

To ask the Area Boards to set up a Community Area Transport Group to identify schemes they wish to progress using the discretionary highway budget that has been allocated to the Boards.

##### **Background**

The establishment of Area Boards presents an opportunity for decisions on small-scale transport and highway improvement schemes to be taken locally.

In response to this there are plans for the Area Boards to be allocated a discretionary budget to assess and select small-scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community areas. The amount of funding available to the Area Boards will be confirmed in due course.

The allocation will be for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is to be used 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 maintenance schemes or to pay for revenue functions such as passenger transport.

Due to the complexity of assessing and selecting a scheme from the many requests, and the potential time that such an agenda item would take, it is proposed that recommendations are made to the Area Board by a Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

Members of the CATG will be identified by the Community Area Manager in conjunction with the Chairman, and agreed at the Area Board. It is requested that the number on each Group should not exceed ten and that the meetings take place during the day. Meetings will be attended by relevant officers from Wiltshire Council and will be chaired by the Area Board Chairman.

It is envisaged that the first meeting of the CATG would include a half day workshop covering the following matters:-

- Background to the Council's transport policies and transport funding.
- Review of requests received in the community area.
- Assessment of schemes.
- Discussion on the need for a feasibility study
- Discussion on future funding
- Selection of scheme(s)
- Recommendation to Area Board.



## Amesbury Area Board 1 July 2010

### Chairman's Announcements

#### Review of Local Transport Plan Car Parking Strategy

The Council's current car parking strategy dates back to 2000 and now needs to be reviewed to reflect the move to Wiltshire Council and to ensure that parking charges and standards are broadly consistent across the whole of the county.

A parking strategy can be one of the most useful tools available to local authorities in helping them achieve their objectives. In particular, it can:

- support the local economy;
- encourage the use of sustainable travel modes;
- enhance the look of streetscenes;
- meet residents' needs for car parking;
- raise revenue for the Council to reinvest in transport measures; and
- provide essential access for the mobility impaired.

The Council commissioned its consultants Mouchel to undertake the review.

Consultation on Mouchel's report is open from **12 July to 3 September 2010**.

Our preferred method of communication is for comments to be submitted online at <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>. Paper copies of the questionnaire and a reference copy of Mouchel's main and technical report are also available from all libraries.

The Council will feedback to Area Boards in the autumn and the Council's Cabinet will consider the results in December, with any changes becoming effective from April 2011.

**Consultation Portal Link:** <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>



# MINUTES

**Meeting:** AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Winterbourne Glebe Hall, Winterbourne Earls, Salisbury SP4 6HA  
**Date:** 29 April 2010  
**Start Time:** 6.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 7.45 pm

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Cllr Toby Sturgis (Cabinet Member for Waste, Property and Environment)

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Mark Smith, Service Director  
Karen Linaker, Community Area Manager  
Matthew Woolford, Media Relations Manager  
James Hazlewood, Senior Democratic Services Officer

### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Amesbury Town Council – R Fisher  
Durrington Town Council – M Towle, D Healing  
Allington Parish Council – M Brunton  
Berwick St James Parish Council – R Brasher  
Bulford Parish Council – G Burt  
Figheledean Parish Council – S Banton  
Idmiston Parish Council – P Fisher  
Newton Toney Parish Council – T Miles, S Stubbs  
Orcheston Parish Council – S Shepherd

Shrewton Parish Council – C Slater  
Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council – P Stoner

**Partners**

Police – Inspector Martyn Sweett, Detective Sergeant Marj MacCallum  
MOD – D Marks, G Lawrence  
Salisbury Journal – K Barton

**Members of Public in Attendance: 14**

**Total in attendance: 43**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>	<u>Action By</u>
1.	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Mike Hewitt, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Amesbury Area Board, and invited Councillors and officers to introduce themselves.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Winterbourne Glebe Hall for hosting the meeting.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The Chairman commented that he would invite <b>questions</b> after making the announcements as set out in the agenda.</li> <li>b. <b>Planning Seminar for Parish Councils</b> – This event would take place on Friday 14 May at 9.15am in the Alamein Suite, City Hall, Salisbury</li> <li>c. <b>Meeting for Parish Councils</b>, hosted by Amesbury Area Board – This event would take place on Thursday 10 June at 5pm at Antrobus House, Amesbury. The Chairman commented that this meeting would include an opportunity to discuss the future of Community Planning in the Amesbury Area.</li> <li>d. <b>Flooding Consultation</b> – Parish Councils’ input was sought to the Council’s statutory duty of managing flooding risk. Packs were available for each Parish Council, to help identify areas which were liable to flooding. These packs should be returned to the Community Area Manager at the next meeting on 1 July 2010.</li> <li>e. <b>Air Quality Consultation</b> Details of the consultation on this document were set out in the agenda at page 7.</li> <li>f. <b>Contaminated Land Strategy</b> – Details of the consultation on this document were set out in the agenda at pages 9-10.</li> <li>g. <b>Youth Project Funding</b> – The Chairman announced that an additional £5K had been made available to the Amesbury Area Board for youth projects, particularly in relation to transport.</li> <li>h. <b>Community Asset Transfer Scheme</b> – The Chairman commented that this scheme was under development and details would be sent to Town and Parish Councils in due course.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman then invited questions and comments on issues not covered elsewhere on the agenda:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A representative of Durrington Town Council commented that some documents sent out via email by Wiltshire Council had not been accessible, due to the format in which they had been sent. It was requested that in future all documents be sent in a format accessible to all (such as PDF). Councillor John Noeken, in his capacity as Cabinet Member for Resources, undertook to convey this request to officers.</li> <li>• On a similar note, a member of the public commented that a link to the Wiltshire Fire and Rescue 2010-2013 Strategy sent out to the Community Area Network, had not worked. Karen Linaker, the Community Area Manager, undertook to investigate.</li> <li>• A representative of Idmiston Parish Council commented that bins in Gomeldon had not been replaced neatly in their original position by the refuse collectors. In some instances this had led to pavements or driveways being blocked. Councillor Toby Sturgis (visiting Cabinet Representative for Waste, Property and Environment) responded that refuse collection teams were instructed to replace bins as found, but that he would pass a reminder to the team who covered the Gomeldon Area.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Cllr John Noeken</b></p> <p><b>Karen Linaker</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Toby Sturgis</b></p>
3.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>None received.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Councillor Graham Wright declared a prejudicial interest in item 12 (Community Area Grants), in relation to the application from Durrington Town Council, as he was a member of that Town Council.</p> <p>In addition, the Chairman, Councillor Mike Hewitt declared a prejudicial interest in item 12 (Community Area Grants), in relation to the application from Newton Toney Parish Council, as he was a member of that Parish Council.</p>	

5.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The minutes of the meeting on 11 February 2010, and the minutes of the extraordinary meeting on 25 March 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></p>	
6.	<p><u>Your Local Issues</u></p> <p>Karen Linaker, the Amesbury Community Area Manager, introduced the report enclosed at page 39 of the agenda, commenting that a full, up to date summary of each issue was available online.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Reducing Street Lighting</u></p> <p>The Community Area Manager set out the details of a new scheme to help reduce energy costs, light pollution and carbon emissions.</p> <p>Following successful trials in Urchfont and Tidworth, each Area Board would receive funding towards replacing street lights with new units which could be switched off or dimmed during part of the night, for example from midnight to 5.30am. The Amesbury Area Board would receive around £5k under the scheme, which would allow for around 100 units to be changed.</p> <p>Despite the obvious benefits, there were other considerations, such as potential concerns over personal safety and highways safety. As such, the views of Town and Parish Councils were sought, to propose areas and streets which may be suitable for this project. The Area Board would then consider the feedback as a whole. In addition, it was noted that this project was to be run as a pilot, and that further funding may be available depending on the success of the scheme.</p> <p>This initiative was welcomed by the Area Board, particularly in view of the presentation on light pollution which had been given at the Area Board meeting on 25 March 2010.</p> <p>Responding to a question, the Community Area Manager undertook to clarify whether the project would involve the replacement of the whole unit or just the photoelectric cell.</p> <p>The view was expressed that it would be more effective to enlarge the existing “dark area” around Salisbury plain, rather than to spread the project around the Community Area, which would not give such a noticeable impact in terms of reducing levels of light</p>	<p><b>Karen Linaker</b></p>

	<p>pollution.</p> <p>The Chairman asked that comments be sent in writing to the Community Area Manager, to allow a holistic approach to be taken by the Board as to how the funding should be spent.</p> <p>Councillor Toby Sturgis added that the feedback from Town and Parish Councils would also be used to inform the process of regular maintenance of street lighting.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils</u></p> <p>The Chairman invited updates from Town/Parish Councils and other partners.</p> <p>David Healing gave an update on behalf of <b>Durrington Town Council</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As part of its Annual Parish Meeting, the council had held a “drop in” session to discuss various projects, attracting over 200 people.</li> <li>• An Election Question Time had been held with the five Prospective Parliamentary Candidates for the Devizes Constituency.</li> <li>• Avon Valley College had invited the Council to become a trustee.</li> <li>• The Council had organised events to celebrate St George’s Day.</li> <li>• The “Durrington in Bloom” competition would be taking place shortly.</li> <li>• A Community Showcase event was planned for 29 May, which would involve all village organisations.</li> <li>• The Village Show was scheduled for 18 July.</li> </ul> <p>Paul Fisher spoke on behalf of <b>Winterbourne Parish Council</b>, raising concern that, despite the reopening of Pheasant Road, little benefit could be seen due to the timing of the traffic lights at the junction with the A30. Clarification was required on when the scheme would be finalised and what the phasing of the lights would be. The Chairman commented that the lights would be finalised by the end of May and asked Graeme Hay (newly appointed Service Manager for Highways and Street Scene in the Southern Locality) to investigate.</p> <p>In addition, Paul expressed disappointment that Winterslow Road had not been resurfaced, and had not been included in the highways maintenance programme for 2010/11. The Chairman</p>	<p><b>Graeme Hay</b></p>

	<p>expressed the hope that the road could be fully resurfaced within the next two years, and undertook to provide a full answer by the meeting on 10 June 2010.</p> <p>Councillor Graham Wright added, in relation to <b>Durrington Town Council</b>, that Bulford Bridge would be closed for six months from Tuesday 4 May. Signs had now been erected as requested by members of the public.</p>	<p><b>Cllr Mike Hewitt</b></p>
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>Local Policing - Structure and Performance</u></p> <p>Inspector Martyn Sweett gave a presentation detailing the structure and performance of the local policing team in the Amesbury Area.</p> <p>This included details of the composition of the three Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPTs) and the other support units in Salisbury and Devizes. Inspector Sweett also set out the crime and detection rates for the previous two years, highlighting that there had been a 5.9% overall reduction in total crime from 2008/09 to 2009/10, building on the 7% reduction in the previous year.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Inspector Sweett for his presentation and invited questions and comments from the floor. The following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was hoped that the £6 million savings programmed for the Wiltshire Police budget could be achieved through efficiency savings. Inspector Sweett emphasised that frontline services would be protected.</li> <li>• The Amesbury Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) covered 18 parishes.</li> <li>• A recent spate of burglaries in the Winterbourne area had now stopped, and victims of those crimes had been updated on progress.</li> <li>• Responding to a question regarding the MOD police and the Royal Military Police (RMP), Inspector Sweett commented that the local police teams worked closely with these bodies, sharing intelligence where appropriate.</li> <li>• The Chairman referred to a number of fuel thefts from farms, around the border with Hampshire. Inspector Sweett undertook to look into this, in conjunction with colleagues in Hampshire Constabulary.</li> </ul>	

10.	<p><u>Police Protective Services Department</u></p> <p>Detective Sergeant Marj MacCallum gave a presentation on the work of the Police Protective Services Department. This comprised the following units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Major Crime</li> <li>• Special Branch</li> <li>• Economic Crime</li> <li>• Public Order</li> <li>• Civil Contingencies</li> <li>• Critical Incidents</li> <li>• Organised Crime</li> <li>• Public Protection</li> <li>• Forensic Department</li> <li>• Operations (road policing, dog section, firearms).</li> </ul> <p>DS MacCallum worked in the Public Protection department, which in turn comprised the Child Protection Unit, the Domestic Abuse Unit, the Vulnerable Adult Unit, and a team which oversaw the management of sex offenders.</p> <p>Responding to a question from the Chairman, DS MacCallum explained that young people with learning difficulties would continue to be protected after the age of 18, by the Vulnerable Adults Unit.</p> <p>It was noted that the non-emergency number for Wiltshire Police was 0845 408 7000.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked DS MacCallum for the presentation.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Area Board Councillors Feedback from Meetings of Associated Groups</u></p> <p>Karen Linaker referred to the written updates set out at page 41 of the agenda.</p> <p>In relation to the <b>Housing Tenants’ Panel</b>, the Chairman invited volunteers to join this group as turnout was often fairly low. It was suggested that calling the body a “Residents’ Panel” might make the group sound more inclusive.</p> <p>Karen Linaker referred to the Youth Minibus Project, as referenced on the update from the <b>Community Area Young People’s Issues Group (CAYPIG)</b>. This pilot project would involve volunteers driving minibuses to provide a safe and affordable transport service</p>	

	<p>for young people from rural villages to access leisure activities in Salisbury and elsewhere.</p> <p>General support was expressed for this project, although it was emphasised that this initial funding would only support the pilot stage, which would operate in one or two parishes.</p> <p>It was proposed and seconded that the Area Board released the funding required for the pilot, and to avoid any hiatus in the service, that the full project be supported in principle, subject to the success of the pilot.</p> <p>Karen Linaker confirmed that this funding would be allocated from the Area Board's share of £100,000 which had been made available to all 18 Area Boards to support youth projects of this kind, in particular transport projects.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. The Area Board agreed to fund the pilot Youth Minibus Project with £1,000.</b></li> <li><b>2. The Area Board further agreed that delegated authority be given to the Amesbury Community Area Manager (in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Area Board) to approve the release of further funding for this project (up to £3,000 in 2010/11), subject to the success of the pilot exercise.</b></li> </ol> <p><b><u>Reasons</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. To support the pilot project and improve access for young people to leisure services.</b></li> <li><b>2. To ensure that, subject to the success of the pilot exercise, the project can be rolled out to other parishes without further delay.</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>Karen Linaker</b></p>
<p>12.</p>	<p><b><u>Community Area Grants</u></b></p> <p>Councillor John Noeken introduced the item, as Chairman of the Grant Review Panel.</p> <p>Applicants that were present were invited to speak on their applications, following which the Board discussed the application then put the matter to the vote.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b></p> <p><b>Langford Parish Hall Committee was awarded £743.30 towards the cost of works needed to the parish hall, including replacement of the fire door, replacement of a rotten window and repainting of the exterior.</b></p>	<p><b>Karen Linaker</b></p>

<p><b><u>Reason</u></b> – <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2010/11 and would increase the potential for use of this hall.</i></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Brigmerston and Milston Parish Hall Committee was awarded £2,574.78 towards the cost of works to the parish hall, including to the kitchen entrance area, window replacements and main hall flooring.</b></p> <p><b><u>Reason</u></b> – <i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2010/11 and would increase the potential for use of this hall.</i></p> <p>In relation to the application from Shrewton Football Club, it was noted that the officer’s recommendation was for refusal, as the application had not met the Community Area Grants Criteria. However, it was also noted that the Community Grants Scheme allowed for such applications to be approved in exceptional circumstances where an Area Board considered there to be a wider community benefit. The Grant Review Panel considered that the community benefit exception applied in this case. It was emphasised that this would not constitute a precedent, and that all applications were considered on individual merit.</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Shrewton United Football Club was awarded £1,000 towards the cost of providing a hardstanding between the recreation hall and the west end of the football pitch.</b></p> <p><b><u>Reasons</u></b> – <i>Despite not meeting the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2010/11, the application was approved for the following reasons:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>1. The wider community benefit brought about by the hardstanding.</i></b></li> <li><b><i>2. There were a number of funding avenues which needed to be explored by the applicant to source the remaining funds required, including the Football Foundation, Sport England and the Rural Development Programme for England.</i></b></li> <li><b><i>3. Whilst a retrospective application, the applicant may not have been fully aware of the processes, criteria and timescales involved in agreeing a grant.</i></b></li> </ol> <p><i>NOTE – Having declared prejudicial interests in the following applications, the Chairman (Councillor Mike Hewitt), and Councillor Graham Wright, left the room at this point. In the Chairman’s absence, the Vice-Chairman took over to the end of the item.</i></p> <p><b><u>Councillor John Smale in the Chair</u></b></p>	<p>Karen Linaker</p>
	<p>Karen Linaker</p>





	<p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Amesbury Area Board supported the bid from Community Payback to go forward for consideration by the Performance Reward Grant Panel.</b></p> <p>Councillor Noeken also reported that the bid for the Larkhill Rejuvenation and Road Safety Project, as supported by the Area Board on 11 February 2010, had been approved by the Performance Reward Grant Panel. The Panel had considered this to be such a positive bid that it had invited another application to include funding for other aspects of the project. As such, the bid had been amended to include an additional £4,035 of funding.</p>	<p><b>Karen Linaker</b></p>
<p>14.</p>	<p><b><u>Future Meeting Dates, Evaluation and Close</u></b></p> <p>Before closing the meeting, the Chairman introduced Graeme Hay, Service Director for Highways and Street Scene in the Southern Locality. Graeme explained that he would be attending future meetings of the Area Board and would also be giving reports and updates on various projects.</p> <p>The next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board would be on Thursday 1 July at Figheidean Village Hall, Pollen Lane, Figheidean, at 6pm. In addition, there would be a meeting for Parish Councils on Thursday 10 June, 5pm at Antrobus House, Amesbury.</p> <p>Councillor Mike Hewitt commented that this would be his last meeting as Chairman as he would be standing down as Chairman at the Annual Council meeting on 18 May 2010. The meeting thanked Councillor Hewitt for his Chairmanship.</p>	

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Council Chamber, County Hall, Trowbridge  
**Date:** 18 May 2010  
**Start Time:** 1.20 pm  
**Finish Time:** 1.21 pm

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Cllr Brigadier Robert Hall (ex-officio), Cllr Mike Hewitt, Cllr John Smale,  
Cllr John Noeken, Cllr Ian West, Cllr Fred Westmoreland and Cllr Graham Wright

## Apologies:

(None)

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### 1. Election of Chairman

The Chairman of the Council sought nominations for the position of Chairman of the Amesbury Area Board for the 2010/11 municipal year.

#### Decision

**Councillor John Smale was elected Chairman of the Amesbury Area Board for the 2010/11 municipal year.**

Councillor Smale in the Chair

### 2. Election of Vice-Chairman

The Chairman sought nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman of the Amesbury Area Board for the 2010/11 municipal year.

#### Decision

**Councillor Mike Hewitt was elected Vice-Chairman of the Amesbury Area Board for the 2010/11 municipal year.**



WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

ITEM 06

AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
1 JULY 2010

## ISSUES UPDATE

### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. To update the board on the issues received and in progress since the last meeting in April 2010.

### 2. Background

2.1 An online system has been designed to enable anyone from the Amesbury Area to submit an issue for the Community Area Manager to respond to, by identifying the relevant officer, councillor or partner to assist.

2.2 The system is currently being reviewed to ensure its ease of use by members of the public and any one wishing to submit an issue, and to ensure that the process by which issues are addressed is fully robust and efficient.

### 3. Overview of the issues received on the online system:

Issues in progress -

ID	Category	Parish	Summary of Issue	Status	Date Received
820	Transport	Amesbury	Promised bus shelter on Countess Road, Amesbury	Wiltshire Council officers have confirmed that budgets do not allow for this shelter in 2010/11 and Wilts & Dorset Bus Company has announced a review of bus routes in this area.	8 Mar 10
851	Planning/Highways	Amesbury	Heavy lorries from firms using Pendragon Way early in morning	Planning officers have confirmed that the road is not restricted. The Camera Safety Unit has also been asked to assess the speed of traffic on this road	20 Mar 10

868	Highways	Shrewton	Large volume of vehicles consistently exceeding 30 mph speed limit on A360 through Shrewton and Tilshead	Assessments of the A360 through Shrewton and Tilshead have been carried out and steps are being taken in consultation with Shrewton Parish Council to proceed with the Community Speedwatch Scheme	26 Mar 10
999	Highways	Porton	Speeding on Winterslow Road, Porton	The Camera Safety Unit has been asked to investigate this concern	21 May 10
1006	Highways	Amesbury	Speeding on Porton Road, Amesbury, by the Baptist Church. .	This issue has been referred to the Camera Safety Unit in regard to speeding at the roundabout by Amesbury Baptist Church and to Wiltshire Council officers regarding the speed limit on the road between Solstice Park roundabout and Archers Gate roundabout. .	25 May 10
1016	Highways	Durrington	Traffic flow problem at Countess Roundabout due to summer traffic on A303 – exacerbated by Bulford Bridge closure	Cllr Wright is leading on this issue and a site meeting was held at Bulford Bridge on the 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	4 Jun 10

#### 4. **Updates for the above issues:**

Full details on the issues are available online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard), and then click on issue tracking.

If you would like to be sent hard copies of the issues and updates, contact Karen Linaker : [karen.linaker@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:karen.linaker@wiltshire.gov.uk) or 01722 434697.

To report an issue go to [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard) and click on “report an issue in your community now”.

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*Karen Linaker, Amesbury Community Area Manager*

**Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper**  
**Amesbury Community Area Board**  
**1<sup>st</sup> July 2010**



## 1. Neighbourhood Policing

**Team Sgt:** Martin Phipps

### **Amesbury Town**

Beat Manager – PC Lucy Smith  
 PCSO – Sarah O’Driscoll  
 PCSO – Dean Shaw

### **Amesbury Rural**

Beat Manager – PC Alan Day  
 PCSO – Shona Maycock  
 PCSO – Will Todd

### **Durrington, Larkhill & Bulford**

Beat Manager – PC Lyndsey Smith  
 PCSO – Chris Miller

## 2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

□ Visit the new and improved website at: [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk)

## 3. Police Authority Representative: Councillor Richard Britton

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

## 4. Performance and Other Local Issues

The Amesbury Area Neighbourhood Policing teams are now up to full strength with the arrival PCSO Dean Shaw following his training. We welcome Dean to the Amesbury Town Team and hope that he enjoys working on the priorities set by the community. The abstraction rates (time spent off the area) continue to be low allowing the teams to concentrate on their areas priorities and other on-going issues.

The whole team continues to build on their success and have been trying to prevent incidents of anti-social behaviour (ASB). Over the last twelve months reported levels of ASB has continued to fall despite the fact that we have been asking people to report incidents. There have been several initiatives involving all three Neighbourhood Teams working together. These have also involved our partners from the Council, MDP, RMP and other specialist officers from Wiltshire Police in support. These operations have targeted general ASB and also specific motor vehicle ASB in Amesbury Town Centre and Durrington.

Events of note include the removal of graffiti by local youths under the supervision of the areas NPT in Amesbury and with the introduction of Local Resolution we hope to utilise this type of event to benefit the whole community in due course. The Amesbury NPT, with other agencies, organised a Fun Day during the last school holiday period and concentrated on cycle safety for the local youth. This day proved to be a great success - it not only addressed a priority for the area but also improved relations between local officers and the young people who attended. Events and patrols have also occurred in Durrington and some of the rural villages.

Since the beginning of April there has been an increase in the number of reported dwelling burglaries. However, it is pleasing to see that they have decreased significantly over the last week or so. We have focussed our resources in this area by carrying out high profile patrols as well as targeting potential suspects. This appears to be successful. We have also been liaising with effected communities and as a result further neighbourhood watch schemes have been initiated. Please note that many burglaries take place due to houses being left insecure.

The following areas are where the community can continue to help;

- Report any suspicious activity to police as soon as possible.
- Always close and lock windows and doors when you are not in the room - especially when leaving the house for a short period or in the garden.
- Double check that doors and windows are locked at night before you go to bed.

And concluding on a positive note overall Amesbury Sector continues to have one of the highest detection rates - currently over 35%.

Sergeant Martin PHIPPS.



AMESBURY SECTOR						
AMESBURY	CRIME				DETECTIONS	
	JUNE 2008 - MAY 2010				JUNE 2008 - MAY 2010	
	2008/09	2009/10	+ / -	% Change	2008/09	2009/10
Violence Against the Person	299	275	-24	-8.0%	60.9%	51.6%
Dwelling Burglary	54	72	18	33.3%	22.2%	33.3%
Criminal Damage	333	286	-47	-14.1%	26.7%	19.6%
Non Dwelling Burglary	77	80	3	3.9%	13.0%	7.5%
Theft from Motor Vehicle	76	84	8	10.5%	30.3%	14.3%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	33	35	2	6.1%	24.2%	17.1%
Total Crime	1195	1348	153	12.8%	34.6%	35.2%
County Division is compared with 15 most similar divisions in other Forces. Currently County Division is performing very well and is ranked 3rd (out of 15) for our overall detection rate and 2nd (out of 15) for our overall crime levels						

#### 5. Abstraction Rate Performance:

The Policing Pledge sets a target of a minimum of **80%** for the time spent by NPT staff on their respective areas. The performance figures for Amesbury Community Area are:

SGT - % of time on NPT area: 100%  
 CBM - % of time on NPT area: 97.9%  
 PCSO - % of time on NPT area: 94.1%

Inspector Sweett (01/07/10)  
 Area Commander



<b>Update from</b>	<b>Amesbury Town Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	1 July 2010

## Headlines/Key Issues

- Potential loss of bus routes to the North of Amesbury. Information received from Passenger Transport, Wiltshire Council. This could also affect Durrington, Larkhill, Figcheldean as well as Parishes further North on the A345 up to and including Marlborough
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## Projects

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## Future Events/Dates for the diary

- 4<sup>th</sup> July Italian Market, Central Car Park, Amesbury
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Signed: R W Fisher

Date: 22/06/10



## COMMUNITY PLANNING IN THE AMESBURY AREA

### 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To agree the commissioning of a group to lead on community planning in the Amesbury Area.

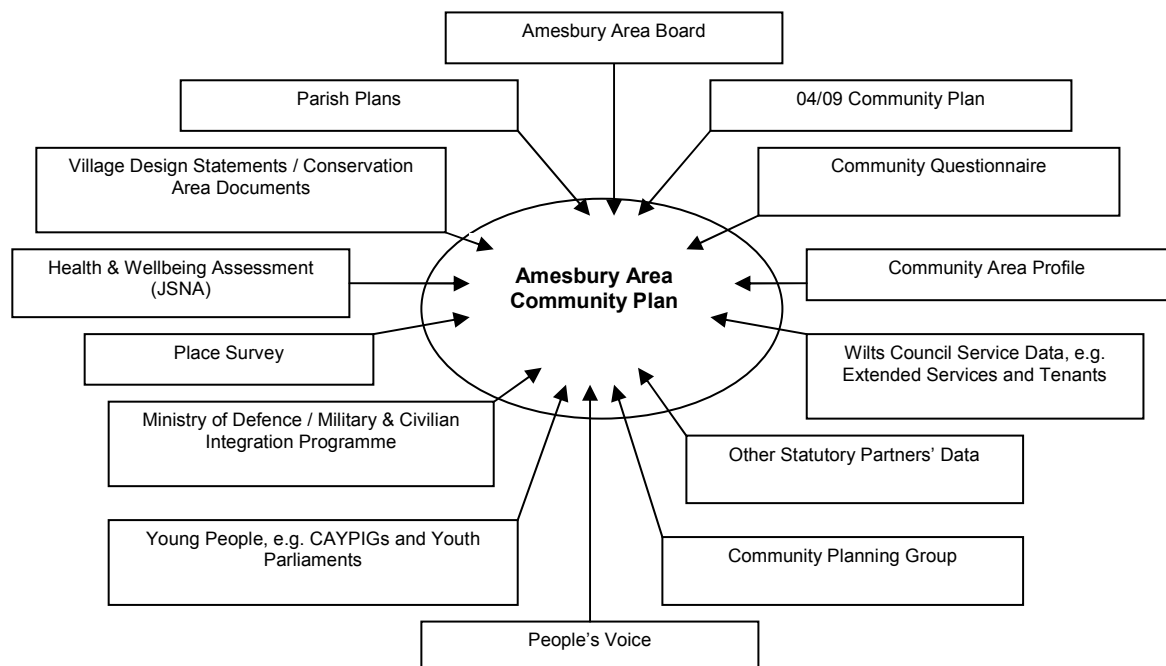
### 2. Background

- 2.1. The Amesbury Area Board held an informal meeting with parish council representatives on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010 to consider the report attached at [Appendix 1](#). A key proposal in the report at Appendix 1 is that the area board should ensure that its future work is informed by an up to date Community Plan.
- 2.2. Just as with community plans produced by a town or parish group, a community plan is required for the Amesbury Area Board. A community plan for the Area was produced in 2003/2004 but this is now out of date. For example, there is no reference to the economic downturn, the threat to jobs at Porton Down, the Local Development Framework, local government reorganisation or Project Allenby.
- 2.3. The up to date plan will publish the results of what local people want to see, and it will set out priorities for action to improve the quality of life for all in the Amesbury Area.
- 2.4. The plan will provide the evidence base for service and budget planning across the public sector. Without an up to date plan, the area board will find it difficult to press the case for the Amesbury Area or to access available funding, e.g. planning gain funding. Consequently, there is a clear and urgent need to begin the process of producing a new plan.
- 2.5. The up to date plan will:
  - (a) help the board to identify the priorities, needs, concerns and aspirations of all living in the 22 parishes which make up the Amesbury Area
  - (b) influence partners to address local priorities and promote projects that are a direct response to local needs
  - (c) lead to the appropriate action to meet these needs and priorities
  - (d) provide valuable data for attracting external funding for specific projects

- (e) help community groups by showing what is being achieved and how partner organisations can support their work
- (f) stimulate interest and involvement in creating stronger, more resilient communities in this Area

### 3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. Based on the principle that a community plan should be written *by the community – for the community*, the Amesbury Area Board is asked to agree the commissioning of a small group of community representatives to work on the development of the new plan.
- 3.2. As part of this work, the group will actively consult and involve community representatives from across the Area to ensure the revised plan is fully informed by all. The process will include desktop analysis of existing data, and the running of additional consultation exercises to plug any gaps identified. For example, 7 out of the 22 parishes in the Area have produced a parish plan, an example of which is attached at [Appendix 2](#), and 5 others have compiled information and published this in the form of a 'parish profile', conservation document or demographic audit. Other parishes, without a full parish plan, may wish to consult with residents on their needs and aspirations for the parish using a simple questionnaire, which the Community Planning Group will draft. These parish plans will be important building blocks in the development of the Amesbury Area Community Plan
- 3.3. The Area Board would also like the Community Planning Group to take a role in providing assistance to parish councils and parish groups who may need help and support in producing/updating their parish plan or in carrying out a community questionnaire exercise.
- 3.4. Below is a diagram which, whilst not exhaustive, is intended to illustrate the different elements that the Community Planning Group will need to draw on in updating the Plan:



#### 4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. The Area Board's budget is available to fund community planning related activities each year. Combining the funding available in 2010/11 and the funding carried forward from 2009/10 (just over £7,000), this provides the Area Board with a total of just over £17,000 for community planning purposes.
- 4.2. A part-time project officer is needed to support the work of the Community Planning Group, for example to provide secretarial assistance, data gathering, and the co-ordination of consultation events and exercises. The process to recruit this officer is underway, and the board is asked to allocate £7,000 to fund this work over the next 12 months. Members should note that this level of funding is required for 2010/11 to ensure good progress is made with the community plan and is unlikely to be required in future years once the plan is published
- 4.3 In addition to the cost of a project officer, the Community Planning Group will incur other running costs, e.g. meeting/events room hire, printing of consultation material, postage and promotion. The Area Board is asked to agree delegated authority to the Community Area Manager to (in consultation with the Area Board Chairman) release funding as and when required to cover these running costs up to the sum of £5,000 in 2010/11. This £5,000 is part of the £17,000 allocation as detailed in paragraph 4.1 above.
- 4.4 Funding is also available, through the Community Area Grants Scheme for parish/community groups and councils to access financial assistance for the production of parish plans and to help with local projects arising from those plans.

<u>Area Board Allocation for Community Planning in 2010/11</u>	<u>£</u>
Part – time project worker to support the work of the Community Planning Group	7,000
Community Planning Group running costs, i.e. room hire, postage and publicity costs	5,000
Support for projects arising from community planning activities	5,000
<i>NB: this can be supplemented by funding from the Community Area Grants budget</i>	
TOTAL	17,000

## **5. Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

- (a) the Area Board commission a Community Planning Group to lead on community planning in the Amesbury Area
  - (b) the Area Board note that its available budget allocation for community planning purposes in 2010/11 is £17,000 (inclusive of £,7000 carried forward from 2009/10).
  - (c) the Area Board agree to allocate £7,000 to pay for the cost of a part-time project worker and £5,000 (delegated to the Community Area Manager to allocate in consultation with the Area Board Chairman) for all associated community planning work in support of the Amesbury Area Community Planning Group (AACPG) in 2010/11.
  - (d) the Porton, Idmiston and Gomeldon Community Plan be referred to AACPG for consideration and incorporation into the Amesbury Area Community Plan.
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## COMMUNITY PLANNING IN THE AMESBURY AREA

### A DISCUSSION PAPER

#### Purpose of the Report

1. To assist the board in taking forward a revised approach to community planning in the Amesbury Area.

#### Context & Background

2. One of the features of Wiltshire Council's local governance arrangements is the role of the community area partnerships. Under this approach, the area boards operate as local multi-agency executive bodies, while the partnerships facilitate community planning, public engagement, consultation and participation – with strong links maintained between the two.
3. In some areas this arrangement works well, in others it has been less successful and in some it has not yet established.
4. The most recent review of the local governance arrangements has revealed some concerns about the operation of this system, including:
  - (a) there is an urgent need to involve a broader cross section of the community in the work of the board.
  - (b) the council should avoid being overly prescriptive and allow arrangements to evolve in ways that best suit each area
  - (c) the legitimate democratic role of parish and town councils needs to be emphasised more clearly
  - (d) community plans need to be robust and representative of the needs of the wider community in order to influence public services in Wiltshire.
5. In the Amesbury Area (as in a number of other areas) there is a need to revise arrangements for community planning. Feedback received from parish and town councils in particular, is that a more flexible model is required, which focuses on facilitating community engagement, participation and networking without adding extra tiers of bureaucracy or setting up new organisations that duplicate the work of parishes and other groups.
6. The hard work of those who have been involved in the Stonehenge Community Area Partnership's (SCAPs) development is very much appreciated by the board. However, the SCAP Chairman is the first to admit that these endeavours have struggled to achieve the 'buy-in' needed to develop effective community networking, or a clear sense of direction in terms of community planning.

7. Having said that, a feature of the Amesbury Area that SCAP has helped to highlight, is the way in which a number of the 22 parishes already work very well in partnership with one another. This Community Area is fortunate to have very strong, active parish councils and a clear history of collaborative working. These qualities are critical to the future success of community planning in this Area.
8. The Amesbury Area Community Plan was produced in 2003/2004 and is now out of date – there is no reference to the economic downturn, the threat to jobs at Porton Down, the Local Development Framework, local government reorganisation or Project Allenby. This is a serious weakness. The Amesbury Area Community Plan provides the evidence base for service and budget planning across the public sector. Without an up-to-date plan, the area board will find it difficult to press the case for the Area or to access available funding (such as Performance Reward Grant and planning gain funding). There is a clear and urgent need to begin the process of producing a new plan.

### **Proposed Way Forward**

9. The proposal is therefore to discontinue efforts to establish a new separate organisation to deliver the community plan, and to move towards a more inclusive and flexible approach, where parish and town councils, partners and the wider community work collaboratively towards the development of a Community Plan for the Amesbury Area.
10. To get the ball rolling, the Area Board will :
  - (a) bring together parish and town councils, partners and community groups over a period of time, through new and better communications, purposeful focused meetings and targeted consultation
  - (b) continue to support towns and parishes to produce or update their own local parish plans
  - (c) provide support, assistance and funding to help parish councils who may wish to form liaison groups, alliances or ad hoc joint arrangements with other parish councils
  - (d) building on some of the content in the 2004-2009 Stonehenge Community Area Plan, working with parish councils, partners and the wider community, and drawing on the research already documented in parish/community plans, other documents and through additional public surveys, produce a Community Plan for the Amesbury Area which addresses the needs and priorities of the area
  - (e) work with town and parish councils and the wider community in implementing the actions in the Amesbury Area Community Plan. This will help to focus the Area Board's activities and help it to direct support to local projects which fit the priorities of the Area

- (f) facilitate meetings to track the progress of the Community Plan and run events in partnership with parishes / parish alliances to maintain wider community engagement in the development of the Plan, ensuring its continued relevance to all living in the Amesbury Area
- (g) ensure that the Community Plan is available online and is kept up-to-date continuously over time to help communicate and facilitate further engagement in the community planning process
- (h) allocate some of the funds remaining from 2009/10 previously ear-marked for SCAP, and funds allocated for CAP development in 2010/11 to fund a part-time project co-ordinator (Community Area Network Development Officer (CAN-DO)) to get the urgent community planning work underway in earnest.

### **Recommendation**

11. The Amesbury Area Board Unitary Councillors are asked to comment on this paper at the 'members' briefing' meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2010.
  12. Parish and Town Councils are requested to discuss this paper in full with the Unitary Councillors on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010 (5pm), at Antrobus House.
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**Amesbury Area Board**  
**Outside Bodies appointments**

Outside Body Title	Why Rep Needed	Organisation aims	Meeting schedule	Voting rights	Reps needed	AB Rep(s) – appointed 30.06.09
Amesbury Sports Centre Managing Body	1 Representative	Management of sporting facilities in Amesbury	-	-	1	John Noeken & Fred Westmoreland
Stonehenge (Amesbury) Community Area Partnership	<i>Appointment discontinued</i>				1	Graham Wright
Amesbury Youth Issues Group (CAYPIGS)	So young people can present ideas to councillors and council	Youth issues and democracy	4 meetings per year	Yes	Up to 2	John Smale & Mike Hewitt
Durrington Sports Centre Management Body.	4 representatives	Management of sporting facilities in Durrington	-	-	1	Ian West & Graham Wright
Tenants Panel	-	To promote & Represent the interest of all Council Tenants	Every 6 Weeks	Yes	1	Mike Hewitt & John Noeken

NB: Councillor John Noeken was also appointed as the Board's lead Member on Grants.

NB: Subject to the Area Board's approval to the recommendations at Item 11 (Community Planning Update), the Board is recommended to appoint to the following additional body, to which Councillor Fred Westmoreland has been nominated:

Community Planning Group	To inform on the development of the Community Area Plan	Development of the Community area Plan	TBC	No	1	<b>NOMINEE:</b> Fred Westmoreland
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<b>Report to</b>	<b>Amesbury Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>1st July 2010</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 4 applications seeking 2010/11 Community Area Grant Funding, totalling £3,744.50.

1. Winterbourne Stoke Events Committee – seeking £1,410.78 to contribute towards the costs of purchasing a storage container and a base upon which to site the container to store the committee’s equipment.
2. Woodford Valley Scottish Country Dancing Group – seeking £683.76 to contribute towards the costs of purchasing equipment for this recently established group.
3. Orcheston Village Hall Committee – seeking £650 to contribute towards the cost of works to the village hall, including replacement of rotten fascia boards.
4. Larkhill Primary School – seeking £999.96 to contribute towards the cost of a new Sensory Toy Library for children with learning difficulties.

Officer Recommendation

*Approve*

*Approve*

*Approve*

*Approve*

## **1. Background**

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.5. The Amesbury Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £50,529 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. The carry forward from the 2009/2010 budget was £154. This gave a total budget of £50,683 for the 2010/2011 budget. £7,308.08 of this was allocated in community grants at the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2010 meeting, leaving a remaining total of £43,374.92.
- 1.6. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.7. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

## **2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 6 rounds of funding during 2010/11. The first is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;
  - 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2010
  - 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010
  - January / February 2011 (date to be confirmed)

## **3. Environmental & Community Implications**

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



#### **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Amesbury Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, the Amesbury Area Board will have a remaining balance of £39,630.42.

#### **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

#### **6. Human Resources Implications**

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

#### **7. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer Recommendations”.

#### **8. Officer recommendations**

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1	Winterbourne Stoke Events Committee	Purchase a storage container and a base upon which to site the container to store the committee’s equipment. Works to be carried out by volunteers from the village.	£1,410.78

- 8.1.1. It is recommended that the Winterbourne Stoke Events Committee is awarded a grant of £1,410.78 to assist with the cost of purchasing / installing a container and base for the storage of the committee’s equipment.
- 8.1.2. This application meets the grant criteria for 2010/11.
- 8.1.3. The Winterbourne Stoke Events Committee is a small village group constituted to organise events and entertainment for the local community. It provides a vital service, helping to bring people together in the village to enjoy local events such as bingo, pub quizzes, a village lottery, Easter Bonnet competitions, fireworks events, fancy dress parties, BBQs, Christmas parties, egg and spoon races, sack races etc. The committee also hire’s out its equipment to other local groups, e.g. for the church fete.
- 8.1.4. The committee’s equipment, i.e. tables, chairs, marquee, lights, generator is currently stored in three private garages in the village. A form of storage is required to keep the

equipment on one site and in a safe and secure unit close to the village play park, where most of the village's activities take place.

8.1.5. The committee does not foresee that the new base and storage will need much maintenance once sited, but should this be needed, the work would be carried out by local volunteers and supported by funds from the committee.

8.1.6. Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council supports this grant application.

8.1.7. Given the location for the container, the Area Board may wish to suggest to the Events Committee that it try to ensure that the container is discreetly sited and if at all possible screened, to safeguard both the visual amenity and security of the items to be stored.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2.	Woodford Valley Scottish Country Dancing Group	The purchase of equipment for this newly established group, including a variable speed music player and microphone.	£683.76

8.2.1. It is recommended that the Woodford Valley Scottish Country Dancing Group is awarded a grant of £683.76 to assist with the cost of purchasing a variable speed music player and microphone to supply the music and "caller".

8.2.2. This application meets the grant criteria for 2010/11.

8.2.3. This is a growing community group, set up in response to requests from people living in the Valley, and meets twice a month in Middle Woodford Village Hall.

8.2.4. The group enables people to come together to enjoy a traditional village activity and involves a wide range of ages.

8.2.5. Woodford Parish Council supports this application.

8.2.6. The Area Board might like to suggest to the Dancing Group, that where possible, it consider allowing other community groups in the Woodford Valley use of the equipment.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.3.	Orcheston Village Hall Committee	Works required to the village hall, including replacement of rotting fascia boards	£650.00

8.3.1. It is recommended that the Orcheston Village Hall Committee is awarded a grant of £650.00 to assist with the cost of works required to the village hall.

8.3.2. This application meets the grant criteria for 2010/11, and is supported by Orcheston Parish Council.

8.3.3. The Village Hall Committee is a not for profit organisation whose aim is to provide a hall for the use of the local community with the objective of improving the conditions of life for all in Orcheston. The hall is used by many groups and individuals in the village.

8.3.4. The works required include the supply and fit of new fascia, soffit materials, gutters, downpipes and fittings to the front of the village hall.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.4.	Larkhill Primary School	To operate, on behalf of the local community, a Sensory Toy Library for children (4 – 11yrs) with learning difficulties who live in the area	£999.96

8.4.1. It is recommended that Larkhill Primary School is awarded a grant of £999.96 to assist with the cost of setting up a Sensory Toy Library for the local community for 4-11 year olds with learning difficulties.

8.4.2. This application meets the grant criteria for 2010/11. Whilst the applicant is a local school, the Sensory Toy Library is not a core service of the school. Instead, the school will operate the library on behalf of the local community and for all 4-11 year olds living in Larkhill.

8.4.3. The library will stock a number of sensory toys for parents to borrow (£1 per annum membership fee) particularly for parents of children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or with other behavioural disorders like Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

8.4.4. Children with learning difficulties, in particular ASD and ADHD respond well to sensory toys and can calm more quickly as a consequence. The library will help the school to work closely with parents and ensure improved continuity for the child, providing a link between home and school, helping the child to access the curriculum quicker and to build positive relationships.

8.4.5. Sensory Toys are expensive and difficult for families on low incomes to access. The library will help families to try out the toys before considering purchasing the toy for their child.

8.4.6. There is a high percentage of children in Larkhill with ASD and other learning difficulties, and strong local support for the new community library. Educational Professionals, including the school nurse, psychologist, health visitor and local children centre staff have each expressed a need for this new facility.

8.4.7. The impact of the new library will be monitored by Larkhill Primary School. This will include a wellbeing survey of parents and children. Evidence of the outcome from similar initiatives is that sensory toys help children with learning difficulties to feel less agitated - possibly harming themselves and siblings/parents, and help them to participate more in school and community activities.

8.4.8. Larkhill Primary School will facilitate this community facility, providing a registration scheme in the school office. The grant request is for the one off set up costs for the library, ongoing commitments, i.e. the running of the library in future years, will be paid for out of the £1 membership fee. The members of the library will be supported by the school and other professionals to fundraise for any future repairs or replacement of the toys in the library. The toys themselves are designed to withstand harsh treatment and come with guarantees and warranties.

8.4.9. Durrington Town Council supports this project.

<p>Appendices (available on website only)</p>	<p>Appendix 1 Grant Application – Winterbourne Stoke Events Committee  Appendix 2 Grant Application – Woodford Valley Scottish Country Dancing  Appendix 3 Grant Application – Orcheston Village Hall Committee  Appendix 4 Grant Application – Larkhill Primary School</p>
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## AMESBURY AREA BOARD – Forward Work Plan

ITEM 16

Please note: this is a working document which is subject to change due to availability of relevant Officers/Partners and relevant time scales.

Date	Cabinet Member Attending	Location	Area Board Agenda Items	Other events (provisional)
2 Sept 2010	Cllr Dick Tonge (Highways and Transport)	The Bowman Centre Shears Drive Archers Gate Amesbury SP4 7XT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on Langfords Allotment project</li> <li>English Heritage – Presentation on Stonehenge Visitor Centre</li> <li>Village Agent (Good Neighbour) Scheme</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Partner Updates, Parish/Town Council Updates and Community Area Grants.</p>	Results of Flooding Consultation Consultation on Waste Sites Community Payback - Call for “Grot Spots”
21 October 2010	Cllr Stuart Wheeler (Leisure, Sport and Culture)	Avon Valley College Recreation Road Durrington SP4 6HH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2011 Councillor Census TBC</li> <li>Review of Leisure Services</li> <li>Local Transport Plan (LTP) Strategy Consultation</li> <li>Highways Schemes (Countess Roundabout Improvements and closures affecting A344) TBC</li> <li>Gypsy and Traveller Consultation Update</li> <li>Extended Schools - presentation</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Partner Updates, Parish/Town Council Updates and Community Area Grants.</p>	Parish Steward Scheme

2 December 2010	Cllr Jane Scott (Leader of the Council)	Antrobus House, Salisbury Road, Amesbury, SP4 7HH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) – Implementation Plan</li> <li>• Housing Tenants - Presentation</li> <li>• Consultation on Budget 2011/12</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Partner Updates, Parish/Town Council Updates and Community Area Grants.</p>	Standards Committee presentation
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