

AGENDA

Meeting: BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD
Place: ST Margaret's Hall, St Margaret's St, Bradford on Avon BA15 1DE
Date: Wednesday 19 September 2012
Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Limpley Stoke, Winsley, Monkton Farleigh, Bradford-on-Avon, Holt, South Wraxall, Wingfield, Westwood, Staverton

The press and public are invited to attend the meeting

The Area Board welcomes and invites contributions from members of the public

ARRIVE EARLY! Refreshments will be available

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Wiltshire Councillors

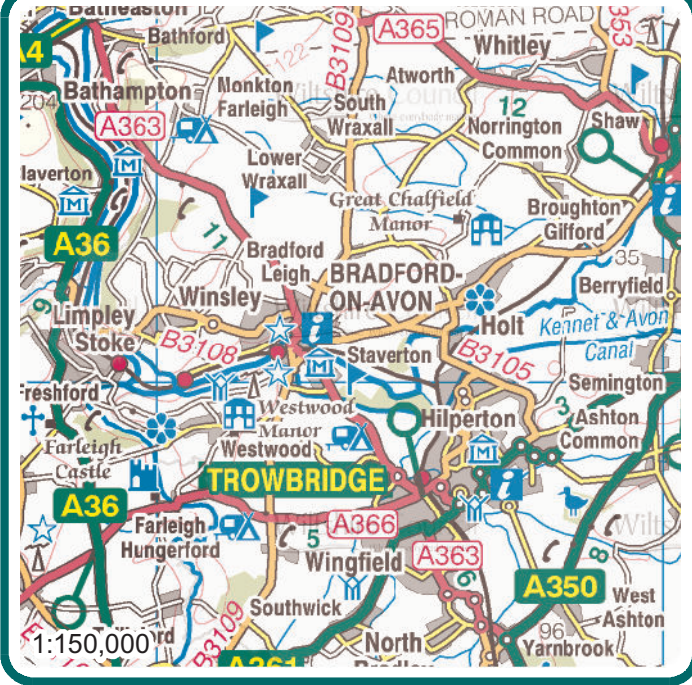
Cllr Rosemary Brown, Bradford on Avon
North (Chairman)
Cllr Malcolm Hewson, Bradford-on-Avon
South (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Trevor Carbin, Holt & Staverton
Cllr Linda Conley, Winsley &
Westwood

Items to be considered	Time
Arrival and Refreshments	6.30pm
1 Chairman's Welcome and Introductions	7.00pm
2 Apologies for Absence	
3 Declarations of Interest Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
4 Minutes (Pages 3 - 12) To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Bradford on Avon Area Board meeting held on 18 July 2012.	
5 Chairman's Announcements and Updates (Pages 13 - 46) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Report on the inaugural meeting of the Shadow Campus Operations Board held on 12 September. ii) Mini-recycling site review. iii) Street Lighting Savings. iv) State of the Environment Report. v) Wiltshire and Swindon Local Nature Partnership. vi) Barrier Busting Proposals. vii) Wiltshire Involvement Network Update. viii) 'From Drought to Flood' event, 17 October. ix) Police and Crime Commissioners. Updates from Wiltshire Police, Wiltshire Fire and Rescue, NHS Wiltshire and the Community Area Young Peoples' Issues Group.	
6 The Legacy of 2012 Councillor Jane Scott, Leader, Wiltshire Council & Laurie Bell, Director of Communications, Wiltshire Council - To recap on the year's events, discuss the effect the year has had on the community and to discuss how to carry on the legacy through 2013 and beyond.	7.20pm

7	<p>Air Quality Action Plan for Bradford on Avon</p> <p>Jim Lynch, Bradford on Avon Community Area Network - To report on the work of the Task and Finish Group in developing an Air Quality Action Plan for consultation.</p>	7.50pm
8	<p>Volunteering in Wiltshire</p> <p>Emma Cooper, Partnership Development Manager, Wiltshire Council & Simone Ward, Manager, Volunteer Centre Wiltshire - To inform the area board of the work being undertaken with partners to develop and support volunteering in Wiltshire.</p>	8.20pm
9	<p>Tackling Financial Exclusion (<i>Pages 47 - 48</i>)</p> <p>Emma Cooper, Partnership Development Manager, Wiltshire Council - To promote the new Wiltshire Community Bank service.</p>	8.35pm
10	<p>Conigre Hill - Asset Transfer (<i>Pages 49 - 58</i>)</p> <p>Rosemary Brown, Chairman - To approve the detail of the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill to a community trust.</p>	8.50pm
11	<p>Community Area Grants (<i>Pages 59 - 88</i>)</p> <p>Councillors to consider four applications to the Community Area Grant budget in 2012/13:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Bradford on Avon and District French Twinning Association requesting £2,006 for the May 2013 visit of twin town Sully-sur-Loire to Bradford and for a trip by Fitzmaurice School to Sully. ii) Wiltshire People First requesting £500 towards the 'Our Lives, Our History' project. iii) Holt Sports and Recreation Committee requesting £1,195 towards the Holt Second Sports Court. iv) TEDxBradfordonAvon requesting £900 towards an event on 4 November 2012 for creative people and businesses on the theme of 'Crafting the Unexpected'. 	8.55pm
12	<p>Next Meeting Date</p> <p>Wednesday 21 November – Cereal Partners, Staverton.</p>	9.10pm





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MINUTES

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Place: Winsley Village Hall, Winsley BA15 2LU
Date: 18 July 2012
Start Time: 7.00pm
Finish Time: 9.30pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Malcolm Hewson (Chairman), Cllr Rosemary Brown (Vice Chairman),
Cllr Trevor Carbin and Cllr Linda Conley

Wiltshire Council Officers

Peter Dunford – Community Area Manager
Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer
Mal Munday – Acting Service Director
Jenny Wilcockson – Digital Literacy Co-ordinator

Town and Parish Councillor

Bradford on Avon Town Council – Vicky Landell Mills
Holt Parish Council – Becky Stevens
Wingfield Parish Council – Keith Brendish
Winsley Parish Council – Pam Bennett & Linda Ladner

Partners

Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Mike Franklin
Bradford on Avon Community Area Network – Jim Lynch, Tony Haffenden & Kim Samouelle

Total in attendance: 50

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to Winsley Village Hall, and introduced the Wiltshire councillors who made up the board, as well as the Community Area Manager, Democratic Services Officer and Service Manager.</p> <p>All town, parish and partner and youth representatives in attendance were welcomed by the Chairman.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Police Inspector Lisette Harvey and Matthew Midlane – Monkton Farleigh Parish Council.</p>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the Area Board meeting held on the 16 May 2012 were approved and signed as the correct record.
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements and Updates</u></p> <p>The following announcements contained in the pack were mentioned briefly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Localism Act – detailed briefing. • Helping people to live safely in their own homes. • Paths for Communities. <p>Partner updates</p> <p>Wiltshire Police - the written report was noted.</p>

	<p>Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Mike Franklin reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Safety Checks – still being offered by Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service who were looking to better promote this service to the local communities. • Fire & Rescue Service Business Plan 2013 – community engagement would be sought in this process. <p>NHS Wiltshire - the written report was noted.</p> <p>Community Area Young Peoples Issues Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CAYPIG members advised that they were looking to try and improve the skate ramps situated in Poulton Recreation Ground. The ramps were in poor condition and were attracting anti-social behaviour. CAYPIG were looking to find £5,000, looking for funding from the Area Board and the Town Council. <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for their updates.</p>
6	<p><u>Focus on Winsley</u></p> <p>Pam Bennett, Chairman of Winsley Parish Council, thanked the Area Board for holding the meeting in Winsley, and then gave an overview on the village, the challenges facing its community and some of the success stories that had come out of the village.</p> <p>Issues for attention include poor broadband coverage and speeds; traffic intrusion and speeding; HGVs and delivery lorries in narrow lanes; and congestion caused by on-street parking in the historic centre of the village.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Pam Bennett for her presentation.</p>
7	<p><u>Bath Lorry Ban and proposed new HGV signage</u></p> <p>i)Update on lorry ban – The Chairman announced that the Department for Transport would now be considering the appeal lodged by Wiltshire Council, Somerset County Council and the Highways Agency into the proposed implementation of an experimental traffic order at Cleveland Bridge in Bath and</p>

	<p>would determine the outcome by September this year.</p> <p>ii)Town Bridge Advance Weight Limit Signage – The Chairman advised that this matter had been referred by CATG with overwhelming support. A programme of 18 new, improved, signs was proposed to be erected on the approaches to the town to warn of the 18 tonne weight limit on the Town Bridge.</p>
8	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group</u></p> <p>Decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the Community Area Transport Group meeting held on the 25 June 2012 were approved and signed as the correct record. <p>Bids to the Substantive Highways Scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wingfield Footways Phase 4 £16,828 • Mythern Meadow footpath resurfacing £ 25,000 <p>Bid outcomes to be agreed by Councillor Tonge, Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Transport by end July.</p> <p>Other project updates – as detailed in the agenda pack.</p>
9	<p><u>Holt Manor - brown tourist signs</u></p> <p>Sean McIntyre, Key Transport Consultants, on behalf of Mr Harris, owner of Holt Manor gave a presentation which sought to highlight why a request for brown tourist signage at Holt Manor estate was justified.</p> <p>Mr McIntyre advised that he had taken on the consultancy for Holt manor after the FMW Consultancy had withdrawn as they felt that they had a conflict of interest.</p> <p>Representatives of Holt Parish Council were given the opportunity to explain to the Area Board why they opposed the brown signage around Holt manor. A petition of residents' objections had reached 165 signatories</p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board supports Holt Parish Council in its opposition to the brown signs and bollards which had been sited by the owners of Holt Manor, and requests that officers of Wiltshire Council instruct the owners of Holt Manor to remove the misleading signage and illegal bollards as soon as possible and if

	<p style="text-align: center;">necessary take all reasonable measures required to do so.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mr McIntyre and representatives of Holt Parish Council for attending the Area Board.</p>
10	<p><u>Conigre Hill - Asset Transfer</u></p> <p>David Maude - Hillside Action Group gave a presentation and requested the support of the Area Board for the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill to a community trust. Full business plan details were included in the agenda pack.</p> <p>Households on the hillside footpaths of Middle Rank, Tory and Wine Street Terrace have no direct vehicle access to their homes and are highly dependent on the availability of nearby off-street parking spaces. They consider that the land is vulnerable to redevelopment interest. They propose to contribute to a sinking fund to manage and maintain the car park as a community asset.</p> <p>Councillor Hewson considered that the land was more valuable and useful to the community than to Wiltshire Council.</p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board supports in principle the request for the transfer of the Conigre Hill car park to community trust status. Further legal and technical investigations would now be required. • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board requests that the car parking charges at the Budbury car park are removed and no over-night camping signage is displayed. <p>The Chairman thanked David Maude for his presentation.</p>
11	<p><u>Wiltshire Online: Digital Literacy in Wiltshire</u></p> <p>Jenny Wilcockson - Digital Literacy Co-ordinator, Wiltshire Council, gave a presentation to raise awareness of the digital literacy project and to recruit local people as digital champion volunteers to support local people to get online.</p> <p>Communities would be supported through the use of volunteers to provide hands on support for digital literacy. This would achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More adults being able to use technology and the internet, with fewer feeling 'digitally excluded', especially amongst the elderly and those on low incomes. It can also help people in getting jobs, as most employers

	<p>now require digital skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More demand for internet access and services, especially superfast broadband connectivity. • To ensure that every adult has the opportunity to become digitally literate and confident users of technology. (Phased in conjunction with the superfast broadband rollout in each area) • A volunteer programme will be established (schools, local community groups and business) that will offer a menu of support and also work with Area Boards to identify specific needs and opportunities for support linked to opportunities arising from localism projects and to the customer focus programme. (Phased in conjunction with the superfast broadband rollout in each area) • Support from business to provide skills around day-to-day use of technology e.g. “how to do on-line banking”, “how to do the weekly shop on-line” will be supported through partnership with local business and Race On-Line 2012 to provide digital literacy support at the workplace. • Jenny advised that an estimated 2,720 people in the Bradford on Avon community area do not have a computer and are not digitally literate. <p>Questions raised from the floor included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are you working with the local schools? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Yes, as part of a four year plan, local schools would be engaged, with Melksham Oak school as a pilot.</i> <p>The Chairman thanked Jenny Wilcockson for her presentation and invited her back to a future meeting to give an update.</p>
12	<p><u>Campus Project for Bradford on Avon</u></p> <p>Following invitations for expressions of interest, the Chairman advised the make up of the membership of the Shadow Community Operations Board. The SCOB would meet for its inaugural meeting on either the 14/15 August and would be liaising with the youth co-ordinator to ensure the SCOB has a youth input.</p> <p>Shadow Community Operations Board membership:</p> <p>Cllr Rosemary Brown – Bradford on Avon Area Board</p> <p>Jonathon Brown - Bradford on Avon Town Council</p> <p>Anthony Ottaviano - Bradford United Football Club</p>

	<p>Jim Lynch - BoACAN, Bradford on Avon Community Area Network</p> <p>Debbie Stupples - Bradford on Avon Tourist Information Centre and Museum and Preservation Trust</p> <p>Raymond Winrow - Bradford on Avon Development Trust</p> <p>Ros Griffiths - Wiltshire Council, Transformation team</p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board approves the membership of the Shadow Community Operations Board. • That the Board operates in accordance with the Terms of Reference presented at the Area Board meeting held on 16 May by Lucy Murray-Brown – Head of Campus and Operational models.
13	<p><u>Air Quality Action Plan for Bradford on Avon</u></p> <p>The Chairman updated the Area Board on the work of the Task and Finish Group that had meet on the 27 June 2012 and progress in its task to prepare an Air Quality Action Plan for adoption by the Area Board in September. The report from the meeting of the 27 June was included in the agenda pack and the group would meet again on 23 July.</p> <p>It was agreed that the issue requires a dramatic solution if it is to have any impact. Since the last exercise in 2005 there are new technologies available such as electric vehicles.</p> <p>The success of Lorry Watch in reducing the number of overweight lorries crossing the Town Bridge needs to be backed up with the legal weight of at least one successful prosecution for publicity purposes. Action may be required by senior officers at the Council to secure this prosecution.</p>
14	<p><u>Bradford on Avon Community Area Network</u></p> <p>Jim Lynch - Project Officer, outlined the work of BoACAN to seek the Board's approval of core funding covering the financial year 2012/13.</p> <p>Councillor Brown, the Area Board representative to BoACAN spoke very favourably of the good work being carried out in support of the community.</p>

	<p>Decision</p> <p>That the Bradford on Avon Area Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approved the whole year's core funding of £9,403 with an agreement to release the 1st tranche of £4,702 immediately. • agreed to the release of the 2nd tranche in early 2013 as long as conditions set by the Partnership Development Officer and agreed by the Board, have been met.
15	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>Councillors considered three applications to the Community Area Grant budget in 2012/13:</p> <p>Decision Made in Bradford on Avon – awarded £5,000 towards the set up costs of the co-operative enterprise and shop unit.</p> <p><i>Reason</i> <i>The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for the local economy and the tourism potential of the area. The product will help to market the town for investment and will contribute to community life and to social networks.</i></p> <p>Decision Bradford BarnStorm, July 2013 – awarded £5,000 towards a large scale, community musical event in the historic C14th Tithe Barn involving 400 local school children, members of the West Wiltshire Youth orchestra, a large community choir, all led by professionals, aimed at a local audience of 1,500.</p> <p><i>Reason</i> <i>The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for local arts and leisure activities, through its development of educational links with schools and for its support to the community use of the Tithe Barn.</i></p> <p>Decision Councillor-led bid from Councillor Brown for £11,748 to renew Town Bridge Advance Warning Signage – Grant awarded.</p>
16	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></p> <p>Wednesday 19 September – St Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon.</p> <p>Wednesday 21 November – Cereal Partners, Staverton.</p>

17	<u>Close</u>
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Bradford on Avon Area Board 19 September 2012
Chairmans' Announcement: Review of Mini - Recycling Sites

Following consultation, the service will be reducing the number of mini recycling sites, primarily those used by schools and not accessible to the general public and will also be terminating plastic bottle and card collections from mini recycling sites.

Changes will be made from 1 October, with the bins to be removed shortly after that date.

Land owners and schools will be informed about the changes over the coming weeks by letter. Posters will be put on affected bins (expect those used exclusively by schools) over the next two weeks to inform service users about the change

Public sites within your community area to be removed from 1 October 2012

Bradford on Avon Bethel Court
ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL - PUBLIC SI

School sites within your community area to be removed from 1 October 2012

Christchurch School, BOA
Fitzmaurice Primary, BOA
St Laurence School, BOA
Westwood with Iford
Winsley Primary

Plastic bottle and cardboard bins to be removed from 1 October 2012(existing paper, glass and can collections remain)

SAINSBURYS - BOA
STATION CAR PARK - BOA

Plastic bottle and cardboard bins to be removed and replaced with paper, glass and can bins from 1 October 2012

BUDBURY CIRCLE

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Street Lighting Savings
Officer Contact Details:	Peter Binley - Head of Service Highway Asset Management and Commissioning Tel: 01225 713412
Weblink:	http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=633
Further details available:	See link above

Summary of announcement:

The Council is seeking views on the proposals to save money and reduce its carbon footprint by reducing energy usage on street lighting.

The initial consultations is on the proposal to convert about half of the Council's street lighting to operate for part of the night, dim suitable lights when the streets are less busy, and remove lighting no longer required.

Subject to the outcome of this consultation and consideration of the by the Council's Cabinet, the scheme will be worked up in more detail. Further consultations will then be held with the relevant Town and Parish Councils on the individual lights to be changed.

The Council are currently seeking views on these changes to street lighting to reduce energy usage and costs.

CONSULTATION ON STREET LIGHTING SAVING ENERGY MONEY AND CARBON

Background

Wiltshire Council has over 40,000 streetlights. Most of these are on all night whether they are needed or not.

The Council needs to save money and reduce its carbon footprint by reducing energy usage. Rising energy costs, carbon tax and budget restraints make it necessary to change the way we light our streets.

The Proposal

It is proposed to convert about half of the street lights to operate for part of the night. Generally they will be off between midnight and 5.30 am.

Lights at junctions, pedestrian crossings and where required for safety will remain on all night.

Where suitable the lighting levels on some street lights will be adjusted to be dimmer when traffic flows and pedestrian movements are reduced.

Lighting where there are CCTV systems, in town centres, and in areas where crime is a problem will remain on.

A few lights will be turned off permanently where they are no longer required.

The operation of the scheme will be monitored and changes will be made as necessary in the event of problems.

Why the changes are needed

The Council's energy budget for street lighting is over £1.2 million, and energy costs will increase in the future, especially with the introduction of the carbon tax. Budgets are constrained and it is necessary for Council's to reduce expenditure.

Street lighting accounts for 12% of the Council's carbon footprint. The Council has a target to reduce its carbon footprint by 20% by 2013/14 and an aspiration to achieve a 50% reduction by 2020.

Over 1,300 street lights have already been converted to part night lighting following the recent Area Board community based projects, and the Council has already converted its illuminated bollards to low energy units.

Other Councils have successfully implemented similar schemes without adverse impacts, and are making large savings.

CONSULTATION ON STREET LIGHTING SAVING ENERGY MONEY AND CARBON

Consultations

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Subject to the outcome of this consultation and consideration of the by the Council's Cabinet, the scheme will be worked up in more detail. Further consultations will then be held with the relevant Town and Parish Councils on the individual lights to be changed.

If you have any comments on the proposals at this stage please go to the Council's consultations page at:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations.htm>

Or e-mail them to:

streetlighting@wiltshire.gov.uk

Or write to:-

Street Lighting Consultation
Wiltshire Council
County Hall
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8JD

All comments should be made by 30 September 2012

We look forward to receiving your comments.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **When will lighting be turned off?**

Selected lighting units will be turned off from about midnight until 5.30 am. They will come back on at about 5.30 am if it is still dark. The times of operation may vary by about 15 minutes depending on the type of switching used. From dusk until midnight and on dark mornings after 5.30 am they will operate as usual. This is when our streets are busiest.

2. **What does dimming lights mean?**

Some of the more modern lighting units can have their power levels adjusted so that lighting levels can be reduced when traffic flows are low or at off peak times. They can be turned up to full power when needed. The dimming saves energy.

3. **Which lights will be converted to operate for part of the night?**

An assessment will be undertaken of every area where the changes are proposed. Where necessary some lights will be left on all night.

The lights to be left on will generally be:-

- Main traffic routes with substantial pedestrian movements, or potential conflict areas such as junctions and roundabouts.
- Areas with above average night time pedestrian activity such as town centres or near 24 hour or early morning facilities.
- Areas with 24 hour operational emergency services sites such as hospitals and fire stations.
- Street lights near uncontrolled pedestrian crossings (zebra crossings or informal crossings) and within subways, stairways and ramps, enclosed footpaths and alleyways.
- Street lights close to potential hazards on the highway (such as roundabouts, central carriageway islands, build-outs and speed-humps).

4. **Which lights will be turned out permanently?**

A few lights which were installed many years ago are no longer required. Modern standards would not require lighting to be provided at these locations. These are generally in rural areas or in other locations where there are no houses fronting onto the roads, or where lighting levels exceed current standards.

5. Why cannot all lights be dimmed instead of turned off?

To dim a street light both the lamp in the lantern and the electronic gear that controls it needs to be capable of dimming. The majority of street lighting equipment is of an older generation and cannot be dimmed. The upgrading of large numbers of street lights is prohibitively expensive. Also dimmed lighting continues to consume energy and does not maximize energy savings.

6. Could one in three lights be turned off permanently instead?

The intention of the scheme is to develop a safe and sustainable method of reducing energy consumption. Turning off lights permanently would result in uneven lighting levels for all road users during the hours of darkness. It is considered that turning lights off for part of the night would have less adverse impact on the public and road users.

7. Could the lighting have new technology such as motion sensing?

Motion-sensing switches, such as those which operate security lights, have been considered, but most of the street lighting in use today requires a warm-up period of several minutes to reach full output and is not suitable for this type of switching. There are also concerns about potential uneven lighting for drivers and disturbance for residents.

8. Could solar powered lighting be used instead?

At present there are issues with the use of solar power for public street lighting. The cost of conversion, battery life and the number of panels required mean that costs are much higher than conventional units. In the future the technology may develop and it could become viable.

9. Could LED lighting units be used instead?

Converting all the existing lights to LED (Light Emitting Diode) lighting would be much more expensive, but on new developments and new lighting installations this type of lighting will be used where appropriate and cost effective.

10. Can the Council legally turn off street lights?

Yes. There is no statutory requirement on local authorities in the UK to provide street lighting. The Highways Act empowers local authorities to light roads but does not place a duty to do so. However, the Council does have a duty to ensure that lighting units are kept in safe condition.

11. What about road safety?

The lights at major junctions, roundabouts, pedestrian crossings and obstructions in the road will be kept on. These are the areas which would benefit most from being lit. All street lighting will be on at peak travel periods during the hours of darkness as at present. The accident data will continue to be monitored regularly, and if problem sites are identified changes to the lighting regimes will be made.

12. What about crime?

The lighting in town centres and any identified high crime areas will remain on. Where there is CCTV the lighting will also remain on as necessary. Wiltshire is a safe county, but it is appreciated that there is a fear of crime, and there are concerns that reducing street lighting could increase anti-social behaviour and vandalism at night. The situation will be monitored and where necessary changes will be made so that the lighting remains on at key sites where justified.

13. What about cars parked on the street at night?

The lights in residential areas where cars are likely to be parked over night are only likely to be turned off between midnight and 5.30 am when traffic flows are low. If you do park your vehicle over night on the road you should be aware of the Highway Code requirements, especially regarding not parking at night facing against the direction of traffic and displaying parking lights on roads with a speed limit greater than 30 mph. Please refer to the Highway Code for details.

14. Will 30 mph speed limits be affected if lights are switched off?

No. A 30 mph speed limit automatically applies to any road containing a system of street lights placed not more than 200 yards apart, unless signposted with a different speed limit. There is no current law stating that these lights have to be switched on all night to be applicable. Therefore, motorists should be aware that the usual 30 mph speed limits will apply.

15. Will there be a reduction in my Council tax?

No. The Council needs to reduce its spending and the money saved by the changes will help keep Council Tax down. Reducing expenditure on street lighting was an area identified for savings during the consultations on the Council's budget.

16. Will my insurance premium go up?

Councils do not have a statutory requirement to provide public lighting. All street lighting is in place to light areas of the highway as a duty of care to road users. Lighting is not provided to protect private properties. Street lighting within the vicinity of your property is not usually an element that insurance companies take into account when developing home insurance or property policies.

17. If I become a victim of crime or have an accident can I claim against the Council?

There is no statutory requirement for local authorities in the UK to provide public lighting and you are unlikely to be able to claim as a result of the proposed changes to the street lighting. If crime or safety does become an issue changes will be made to the lighting in that area as necessary.

18. What are other Councils doing?

Many other authorities have introduced similar part night lighting schemes successfully, without adverse effects and have made significant savings. The proposed changes in Wiltshire are not as large as those some authorities have made, which have turned off lighting permanently. With rising energy costs and reduced budgets these types of changes to street lighting are becoming more common.

19. What savings will this make?

It is anticipated that savings of over £300,000 could be made annually at current energy prices. Even with moderate energy cost increases of 3% annually the proposals would be expected to save over £12 million over 25 years.

20. Would Town and Parish councils be able to pay to keep all the lighting on all night?

Each case would be considered on its merits, but keeping the lights on would not help the Council meet its carbon reduction target, and will become increasingly expensive for the Councils in the future.

21. Can changes be made to the scheme after it is implemented?

Yes. The Council will be introducing a central control system so that the majority of the county's street lights can be controlled remotely. This will allow alterations to the lighting to be made in response to circumstances.

22. Why haven't the Council written to every resident?

It would cost a significant amount of money to write to every individual household in the county. Instead the Council is consulting with the Area Boards and Town and Parish Councils. However, individuals are welcome to comment on the proposals.

23. What consultation is taking place?

The Area Boards and organisations including the police and emergency services are being invited to comment on the proposals. Town and Parish Councils will be invited to comment. Members of the public and other organisations are welcome to submit comments which will be taken into account before reaching a decision about implementation.

24. How will any comments be taken into account?

The comments and views received will be reviewed and reported to the Cabinet before a decision is made regarding the proposals. The response to the consultations will be taken into account before deciding how to proceed.

25. Will there be further consultations on the details of the proposals?

Subject to outcome of the consultations and consideration by the Council's Cabinet, the scheme will be developed in detail. These will then be the subject of further consultations with the relevant Town and Parish councils.

26. When will it be implemented?

Subject to the consultations, and consideration by the Council's Cabinet, it is anticipated that the changes will start to be introduced in 2013 when the necessary alterations to the equipment will be made.

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Wiltshire and Swindon State of the Environment report 2012
Officer Contact Details:	Jenny Hawley, Environmental Intelligence Officer at Wiltshire Wildlife Trust - tel: 01380 736 084 and email: jennyh@wiltshirewildlife.org
Weblink:	Wiltshire Intelligence Network Environment section: www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk/environment
Further details available:	Full report available online or in hard copy and more detailed data on the Wiltshire Intelligence Network.

Summary of announcement:

The State of the Environment report is the first of its kind for Wiltshire and Swindon, published in May 2012 and funded by NHS Wiltshire and Wiltshire Council. It provides a strategic assessment of Wiltshire's environment and forms the basis of the JSA environment section.

The report gives an overview of facts and figures relating to a wide range of issues, including land use, wildlife, climate change, waste, air quality, water resources and the historic environment. It highlights key themes and trends over time and in relation to the South West and the UK as a whole.

More detailed data is available in a new environment section of the Wiltshire Intelligence Network. This website gives easy access to up-to-date environmental information and online links to a wide range of sources.

The report and website provide an environmental evidence base to inform policy and decision-making by local authorities and others, and will help to inform the development of the new Wiltshire and Swindon Local Nature Partnership (a separate briefing on this will be available from August onwards).

Detailed information about the state of the environment in each Community Area can be extracted from these resources. For example, maps are available on the website of environmental designations (such as protected wildlife sites) and agri-environment schemes in each Community Area.

Any questions, comments or requests for further information can be addressed to Jenny Hawley (contact details above).

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Wiltshire and Swindon Local Nature Partnership (LNP)
Officer Contact Details:	Zoe Pittaway, Wiltshire & Swindon LNP Coordinator, hosted at Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, Tel: 01380 725670 extension 279, Email: zoep@wiltshirewildlife.org
Weblink:	LNP website currently under development
Further details available:	Further details on LNPs can be found on Defra's website: http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/natural/whitepaper/local-nature-partnerships/

Summary of announcement:

Over the last 6 months the Local Nature Partnership (LNP) has been developing across Wiltshire and Swindon. LNPs were introduced by Government in June 2011 as a new mechanism to help improve the health of our local environment. Ultimately LNPs will aim to raise the profile of the natural environment and enhance partnership working, in particular supporting the environment sector to engage more effectively with the business, community and health sectors.

All developing LNPs across the Country were asked to submit an application to Defra by 6th June 2012 outlining how the new partnership would function and what the LNP would aim to achieve. The Wiltshire & Swindon LNP engaged with a wide diversity of stakeholders from a range of sectors via workshops, meetings and talks. All of the feedback and comments that we received were incorporated in to the development of the LNP to ensure we built a useful and dynamic partnership.

Over the last two months we have been waiting to hear if our application for LNP status has been successful and I am now pleased to announce that the Wiltshire & Swindon LNP has officially been recognised by the Secretary of State. The Wiltshire & Swindon LNP Board will be meeting for the first time in September 2012.

Please find attached a short information sheet outlining what an LNP is, why the partnership will be important and how the LNP will function. Most importantly we hope you will be keen to respond to the key questions that we have included in the information sheet.

We will continue to keep you updated on the progress of the LNP and look forward to hearing from you soon.

WILTSHIRE & SWINDON LOCAL NATURE PARTNERSHIP

Information sheet for Community Area Boards

A Steering Group formed in January 2012 with representation from Wiltshire Council, Swindon Borough Council, Wiltshire Wildlife Trust and the AONBs to guide the development of a Local Nature Partnership (LNP) in Wiltshire & Swindon. As of July 2012 the Wiltshire & Swindon LNP has been officially recognised as a LNP by Government.

This information sheet provides a brief update on the progress that has been made and invites contributions from interested parties in relation to the strategic direction and future work of the LNP.

What is a Local Nature Partnership?

- LNPs have been introduced by **Government** as a new mechanism for people and organisations to **work together** to **protect and restore our local environment** more effectively.
- LNPs will drive **positive change** for the **environment** in the **local area**, taking a **strategic approach** to manage the environment for the benefit of **nature, people and the economy**.
- Importantly LNPs will encourage a **wide range** of **partners** to **work together** from many different sectors, helping to **secure new funding** to **support joint projects** and initiatives.

Why is the LNP important?

The environment is often undervalued in today's economy, without a healthy environment we would not be able to function in our customary manner. The 'State of the Environment Report 2012 for Wiltshire and Swindon' presents worrying evidence of the decline in our local environment over recent decades and the unsustainable impact of our lifestyles. Here are just a few reasons why we need to act:

- There are many essential **ecosystem services** we all rely on such as: clean air and water, pollination services, flood protection and raw materials that regulate and maintain our planet. We need to understand the impact of human activity on these **ecosystem services** to ensure we not exploit them irreversibly.
- There is growing recognition that the environment is essential to our economy and social well-being, attractive environments encourage business investment and tourism.
- A healthy environment provides the underlying basis for healthier lifestyles; the local environment provides neighbourhoods with character and their own identity.

How will the Wiltshire & Swindon Local Nature Partnership function?

The aim of the LNP is to ensure that it adds value to on-going work and creates opportunities for better partnership working in the future. A new governance arrangement has been developed and the following structure has been proposed:

LNP wider partnership:

The **wider partnership** will comprise of a diversity of organisations, charities, businesses and individuals with an interest in securing a healthy local environment in Wiltshire & Swindon. An **annual forum** will be organised, providing the opportunity for partners to come together and discuss the priorities and actions of the LNP and wider environment. A **LNP website** will also be launched and provide a means for people to be updated on the progress of the LNP.

LNP Working Groups:

Working Groups will be formed to assist with delivery of new projects and initiatives, the LNP will be keen to promote and support new working relationships especially between partners across the business, tourism, public health, community and environment sectors.

LNP Coordinator

An **LNP Coordinator** will be in place as a main point of contact and also to support the working groups and organise the annual forum. They will also be responsible for maintaining the website and assisting with securing funds for joint projects.

LNP Board

An **LNP Board** has been recruited and will provide a strong **strategic steer** for the LNP with **senior leaders** supporting the Board from a **range of sectors**. The Board will develop a long term Strategic Plan for the wider environment and seek new funding opportunities to support the objectives set out in the Strategic Plan.

Importantly the **LNP Board** will provide the opportunity for a diverse group of stakeholders to contribute towards **local decision making** relating to the natural environment, working closely with the local authorities, **Local Enterprise Partnership (LEPs)** and the newly forming **Health & Wellbeing Boards**.

HOW can Community Area Boards get involved?

We are at a very early stage of developing the partnership and there are many important environmental issues that the LNP needs to address. The LNP is being created to improve partnership working and would welcome the views and comments from local communities.

It is vital that community and voluntary groups are aware of the developing LNP and understand this new mechanism that will provide contacts, information, advice and support to help communities develop ideas/projects that support the local environment. We have outlined 6 key questions below that are based on the main objectives of the LNPs- please contact us with any comments as we welcome your feedback:

- **How should the LNP Partnership engage with groups/organisations outside of the environment sector?** *Such as local communities?*
- **How could the LNP support local communities more effectively?** *Providing support to develop sustainable neighbourhood plans, supporting local Green infrastructure developments?*
- **How should the LNP ensure that economic growth also supports the environment?** *Work with the Local Enterprise Partnership and local businesses to make them more aware of their impact on the environment, encouraging joint ventures?*
- **How should the LNP ensure future developments are environmentally sustainable?** *The LNP Board will give the environment a strategic voice, working closely with local authorities aiming to ensure developments incorporate environmentally sound outcomes*
- **How will the LNP encourage healthier living and promote high levels of well-being?** *E.g: The LNP will work with the health sector to raise awareness of the health benefits of actively engaging with the environment*
- **What evidence will the LNP rely on to make key decisions about the environment?** *How do we ensure the decisions we are taking on based on reliable and representative data for the local environment?*

If you would like to be kept updated on the progress of the LNP or if you have any questions/ideas for partnership working please contact:

Zoe Pittaway, Wiltshire & Swindon LNP Coordinator,
ZoeP@wiltshirewildlife.org or 07584 528639

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Barrier Busting Proposals
Officer Contact Details:	David Bowater Programme Lead (Communities) David.Bowater@wiltshire.gov.uk Tel: 01225 713978
Weblink:	http://barrierbusting.communities.gov.uk/
Further details available:	http://barrierbusting.communities.gov.uk/

Summary of announcement:

Barrier Busting Proposals

Many people have great ideas about how they could make their neighbourhood a better place to live.

Volunteers, community groups and social enterprises of many kinds would like to play a bigger role in local life. But sometimes barriers get in the way. Red tape, rules and regulations stop people putting good ideas into action. Not only is this frustrating – it means that local people miss out.

The Government have a 'Barrier Busting Team' to help with this problem.

New rules have been put in place for the way in which 'Barrier Busting' proposals can be submitted to government by local authorities, under the Sustainable Communities Act.

The rules retain the requirement that Wiltshire Council consults its communities and reaches agreement on proposals before submitting them.

The new rules mean, however, that the Local Government Association (LGA) can ask the Secretary of State to look again at proposals submitted by local authorities that have been turned down.

Examples of previous proposals submitted can be found on the government's Barrier Busting Portal:

<http://barrierbusting.communities.gov.uk/>

Anyone can use the portal to submit proposals directly. However, asking Wiltshire Council to submit a proposal means that the LGA can choose to appeal the decision if they are unhappy with the result.

If you have a suggestion for a barrier busting proposal that you think Wiltshire Council should submit, please say why and email these to: David.Bowater@Wiltshire.gov.uk

Wiltshire Involvement Network (WIN)

Report to Wiltshire Area Boards

June 2012 to August 2012

WIN is one of a nationwide system of Local Involvement Networks (LINKs) set up under the *Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007* to listen to the concerns of local people, community groups and organisations about their health and social care services. They all want to see these services change for the better. By sharing your views and experiences of health and social care in Wiltshire, you can help influence how services are planned and run. The work that WIN has carried out from June to August 2012 is set out below:

- The WIN Outreach Group met three times to discuss its work plan and arrangements for representing WIN at all area board meetings.
- The WIN Officer attended the Regional LINKs meeting in Taunton to hear updates from the Great Western Ambulance Service, the Care Quality Commission and NHS South West.
- The WIN Chair, Phil Matthews, attended a meeting of Wiltshire Council's Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board, on which he represents WIN. He also represents WIN on Wiltshire Council's Health and Social Care Select Committee.
- The WIN Enter and View sub group met to discuss its work programme and plan informal visits to Athelstan House, Malmesbury, and Hungerford House, Corsham. These took place in July. (WIN has the statutory power to enter and view any health or social care facility in Wiltshire.)
- In June, WIN held a public meeting in Chippenham with speakers from the Great Western Hospital Foundation Trust ("GWH") who gave an update on the services they provide within the Wiltshire community, and their Productive Ward initiative. The Royal United Hospital Bath gave an update on their work with in-patients with dementia, and the NHS Wiltshire representative spoke about the setting up of the shadow Clinical Commissioning Group for Wiltshire. 49 people attended the meeting.
- In July, WIN held a public meeting in Salisbury with speakers from Wiltshire Council updating attendees on how Healthwatch in Wiltshire might look, and on their digital online initiative. The GWH representative spoke about the services it provides within the Wiltshire community, and a speaker from the Wiltshire Wildlife Trust gave a presentation about the *Wiltshire Wellbeing Project* and its work with people who have mental health problems. 44 people attended the meeting.
- WIN members and staff attended the following events:
 - The launch of NHS Wiltshire's *Falls and Bone Health Strategy* and participated in the consultation.
 - the Wiltshire Equality Network meeting in Trowbridge
 - Wiltshire and Swindon Users' Network welfare reform event.

- Wiltshire Council's Friary Voices consultation event.
 - *GWH Developing a Nursing Strategy* consultation event
 - NHS Wiltshire's Long Term Neurological Conditions Steering group event
 - AWP LINK Stakeholder event
- The WIN Healthwatch Implementation Task Group met with a representative from Wiltshire Council to be updated on the progress of Healthwatch Wiltshire.
 - The WIN Chairs met with the Wiltshire and BANES Compliance Inspector for the Care Quality Commission (CQC) to share information and discuss issues of concern. These meetings take place on a bi-monthly basis and enable WIN to have open and clear communication with the CQC.

A report of all meetings attended by members and staff is produced and shared with the wider membership and published on the WIN website.

If you would like to be involved with WIN, or find out what our future plans are contact us on 01380 871800, winadmin.wsun@btconnect.com or find us online at www.wiltshireinvolvementnetwork.org.uk

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	"From Drought to Flood" Event
Officer Contact Details:	Renate Malton, Project Officer, 07827 954856 renate.malton@wiltshire.gov.uk

Summary of announcement:

Wiltshire Council is organising another Flood Event this year: "From Drought to Flood" at Warminster Civic Hall on the 17th October 2012, 10am – 3pm.

Wiltshire has been lucky and not experienced some of the larger scale flash flooding incidents that some of our neighbouring authorities have, however we have had incidents of flash flooding of property in some of our smaller communities and groundwater levels are high for this time of year, so we are doing our best to try and raise awareness within the parishes.

We will have representatives from the National Flood Forum with examples of the various types of flood defences available, along with input from our partners such as Wessex Water and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue.

All are welcome to attend, and we are hoping to encourage as many flood wardens, community emergency volunteers and Town/Parish Council representatives to attend on behalf of their communities as we want to raise awareness of the current issues relating to flooding.

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Police and Crime Commissioners
Officer Contact Details:	Claire Woods, Communications Officer at Wiltshire Police - email: claire.woods@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk
Further details available:	You can read more about Police and Crime Commissioner on these websites: Wiltshire Police Authority PCC section – www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/pcc Home Office - www.homeoffice.gov.uk Association of Police and Crime Commissioners – www.apccs.police.uk .

Summary of announcement

Introduction

The first ever Police and Crime Commissioner for the Wiltshire Police area will be elected by residents on Thursday 15 November 2012. The commissioner will be responsible for overseeing the Force on behalf of residents, replacing Wiltshire Police Authority (WPA).

Police and Crime Commissioners are being introduced in an effort to increase the public accountability of the police service. The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 sets out how this will be achieved through the introduction of Police and Crime Commissioners in each force area of England and Wales.

Roles and responsibilities

The role of the Police and Crime Commissioner is to be the voice of the people and hold the police to account. This includes:

- Securing efficient and effective policing for Wiltshire and Swindon
- Setting a Police and Crime Plan
- Setting the budget and precept for policing
- Hiring and firing the Chief Constable
- Holding the Chief Constable to account
- Engaging with the public
- Commissioning community safety and criminal justice work with partners

Chief Constable remains responsible for operational matters

The Chief Constable will remain responsible for the direction and control of the police force and day-to-day operational matters. This includes:

- Discretion to investigate or ask for an investigation into crimes and individuals
- Decisions to balance competing operational needs under the framework of priorities and aims set by the PCC
- Operational decisions to reallocate resources to meet immediate demand
- Deciding on officers' specific duties and responsibilities to meet the aims set by the PCC

Transition from Wiltshire Police Authority to a Police and Crime Commissioner

Wiltshire Police and Wiltshire Police Authority are working to ensure the transition from a police authority to a Police and Crime Commissioners is as smooth as possible. This is being led by an internal Joint Strategic Board.

Wiltshire Police Authority and Wiltshire Police are making a number of changes to test procedures in readiness for when the Police and Crime Commissioner takes office. This includes briefing the WPA Chairman who will then account to a full authority meeting as would the Police and Crime Commissioner to the Police and Crime Panel.

Chairman's Announcements

Police and Crime Commissioner scrutiny

The Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner will be scrutinised by a Police and Crime Panel made up of Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council councillors, plus two independent members. The two councils are responsible for setting up and maintaining the panel. At the time of writing the panel was acting in a shadow capacity, with the appointment for two independent members imminent.

Working with partners

As well as a core policing role, Police and Crime Commissioners will have a remit to cut crime. They will have commissioning powers and funding to enable them to do this. From 2013-14 they will be able to commission work from any organisation they consider supports their community safety priorities.

Police and Crime Commissioners will work with a wide range of partners, from community safety and youth justice to health, safeguarding and civil contingencies. A Partnership Board for Wiltshire and Swindon has been established in anticipation of this role. Police and Crime Commissioners will also work with other Police and Crime Commissioners on cross border and national issues.



**Bradford on Avon
Community Area Board
September 2012**

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT) including profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police Website.

📄 Visit the website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

Team News:

The NPT comprises of Sergeant Chris Hams, PC Jamie Darvill, PC Martin Annetts, PCSO Joe Leeds, PC Martin Barrett and PCSO Andrew MacLachlan.

Cllr. Paul Sample is Member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing policing matters in the Community Area.

Cllr Sample can be contacted via Wiltshire Police Authority:

☎ 01380 734022 📄 <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

2. Performance

Non-Dwelling Burglary is on the increase. Tools, bikes, Quad bikes and machinery have been stolen. This is mainly over the weekend in and around the town and some rural spots. Offenders have gained entry through insecurities or forcing shed doors or even cutting through fencing to gain entry.

There are some local suspects however no evidence as yet to link offences. These crimes are intolerable as many impact on people's livelihoods. The police want information and calls in respect of suspicious vehicles & people. The community needs to play its part in gaining intelligence so that the police can take action.

The Wiltshire Police Farm Watch reports of the 79 rural crimes recorded in August, 48 offences were on farms. There were 17 Metal thefts reported, 9 of these from farms. Electric fence and batteries being the main items stolen.

Report these vehicles that are poking around on farms, on either 101 or the rural team as below. We will put out text alerts, and in many cases, the intelligence value is useful for future occasions. At the end of August a male was arrested in the Calne area for stealing water troughs, and another male arrested for stealing power tools from a farm in the Bradford On Avon area. These arrests were only made as you had passed us the registration numbers of involved vehicles.

There were 10 recorded burglaries or thefts in which tools and power tools were taken. 4 of these were on farms. As a reminder you can record serial numbers of these items onto "Immobilise". This database is checked by police forces nationally, against items that we come across when dealing with the sort of person who steal them.

<http://www.immobilise.com>

We have a further 4 incidents which have damage only, be it fences cut, gates smashed, or padlocks cut and nothing believed stolen. Please report these offences to us, as in many cases it can be a precursor to a burglary. In most cases where a quad bike or landrover is stolen, there has usually been a suspicious event in the days prior, be it fences cut, visits or whatever.

For July and August, we have had twelve quad bikes/ATV's, ten 4x4's (6 of them Landrovers), and one piece of plant (Manitou) stolen. Thirteen of these were from farms.

These are the "high value" items for which you really need to consider your security. Wiltshire Police has two Crime Prevention Officers who will come out to your farms/premises and provide free security advice should you so wish.

You can contact:

North Wilts-Robert Walton, 01793507866 robert.walton@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk
South Wilts-Amanda Clarke, 01722435318,
amanda.clarke@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Please consider purchasing GPS Tracking devices for these vehicles. They are no longer as expensive as they were several years ago (the GPS device that is!) and offset against the cost of the item you are looking to protect....

Red Diesel theft is a growing issue at the moment, particularly central to NE wilts. In some cases the fuel is being taken from combines as they are left overnight in the fields.

We also had some game bird thefts down the east of the county. In our case it was pheasants, but speaking with surrounding forces it has been English Partridge this year.

Over the last two months, now that the crops are coming down, we have had 40 calls relating to hare coursing and poaching. This is occurring all over County at the moment. Ten of these incidents have been at night. We have made eleven arrests in relation to this type of offence in this time. A few registration numbers to look out for:

S8**AEC	White Subaru Forrester
S6**FTA	Silver Subaru Forrester
M**6CLW	Green Suzuki Vitara
V1**DCU	Maroon Subaru Forester
P**3TDG	Black Landrover Discovery
Y**7XBN	Yellow Subaru Forrester

We now have over 2000 on our Farmwatch and Horsecatch schemes across the county, but still have areas where we could do with more – so if you know of neighbours who are not yet on, please have them get in touch with us and we will add them to the schemes’.

Violence Against the Person (VAP) is a key focus for the NPT at this time, especially within the town area at weekends. The incidents are mainly between those who know each other and are often have been or are in some form of relationship. This is a concerning issue for police and one that increases fear and uncertainty amongst the community. The problems are not directly linked to the night time economy but such acts impact on those who are law abiding and enjoying a night out.

The focus on reducing violent crime will remain and is under constant review by the police. The problem though does require cooperation and support from the community. The message is clear - *perpetrators who push, punch and threaten others committing acts of violence will not be tolerated.*

The police will take action. Anyone subject to or a witness to assaults (physical or non-physical) need to report what's happening as this is unacceptable behaviour and will be addressed either by the police or by, and with, other agencies.

Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) is reducing (as indicated in the table below). It does however remain as a NPT priority.

The local NPT is working with partners to target with those who make other people lives difficult and open to abuse. This work is continuing.

EA Bradford-on-Avon	Crime				Detections	
	September 2010 - August 2011	September 2011 - August 2012	Volume Change	% Change	September 2010 - August 2011	September 2011 - August 2012
Victim Based Crime	510	561	51	10%	12%	13%
Domestic Burglary	28	45	17	61%	4%	27%
Non Domestic Burglary	77	62	-15	-19%	1%	5%
Vehicle Crime	71	98	27	38%	1%	2%
Criminal Damage & Arson	137	120	-17	-12%	13%	3%
Violence Against The Person	65	93	28	43%	38%	38%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	204	185	-19	-9%		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed in line with peers and better than average for Total Crime & Violence Against the Person in the previous 12 month period (August 2011 - July 2012)

* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

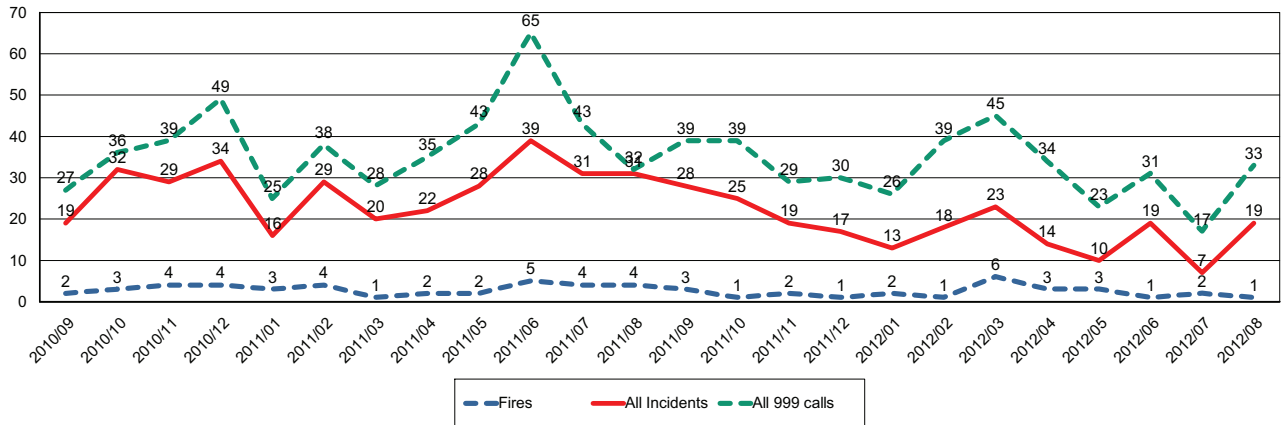
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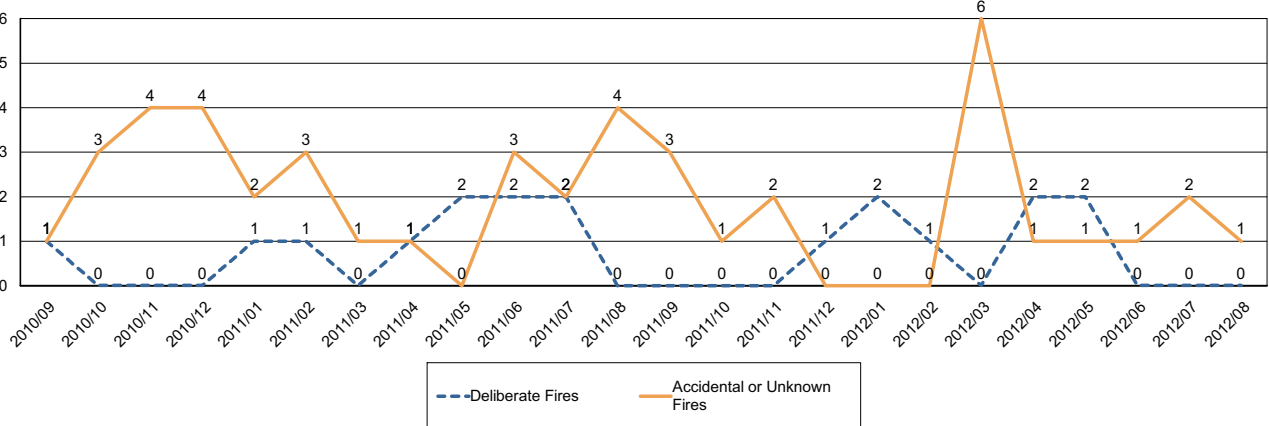
Report for Bradford on Avon Area Board

The following is an update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including August. It has been prepared using the latest information and is subject to change.

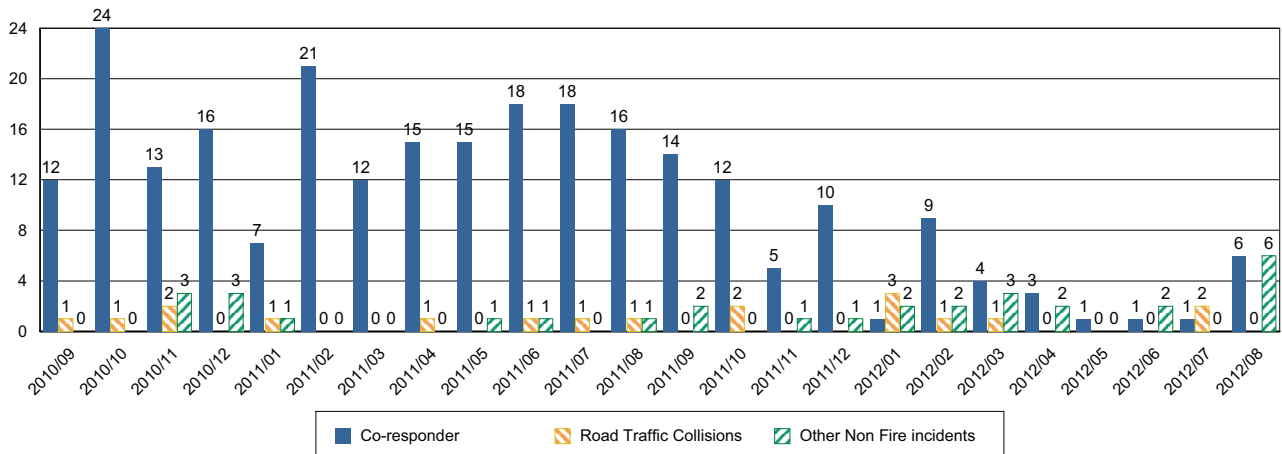
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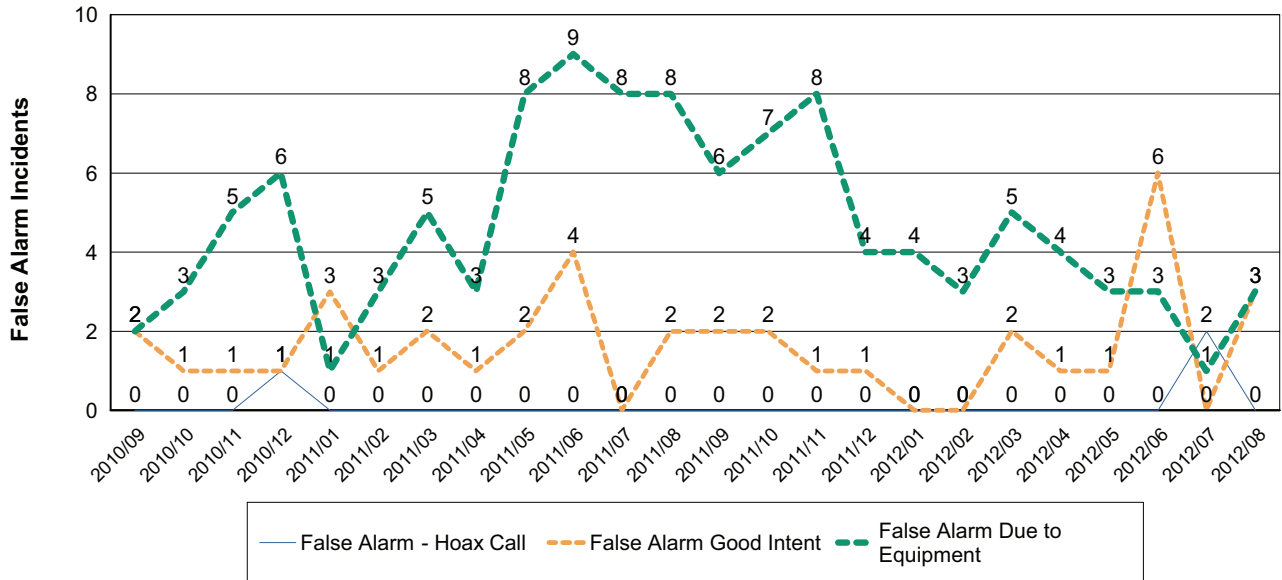
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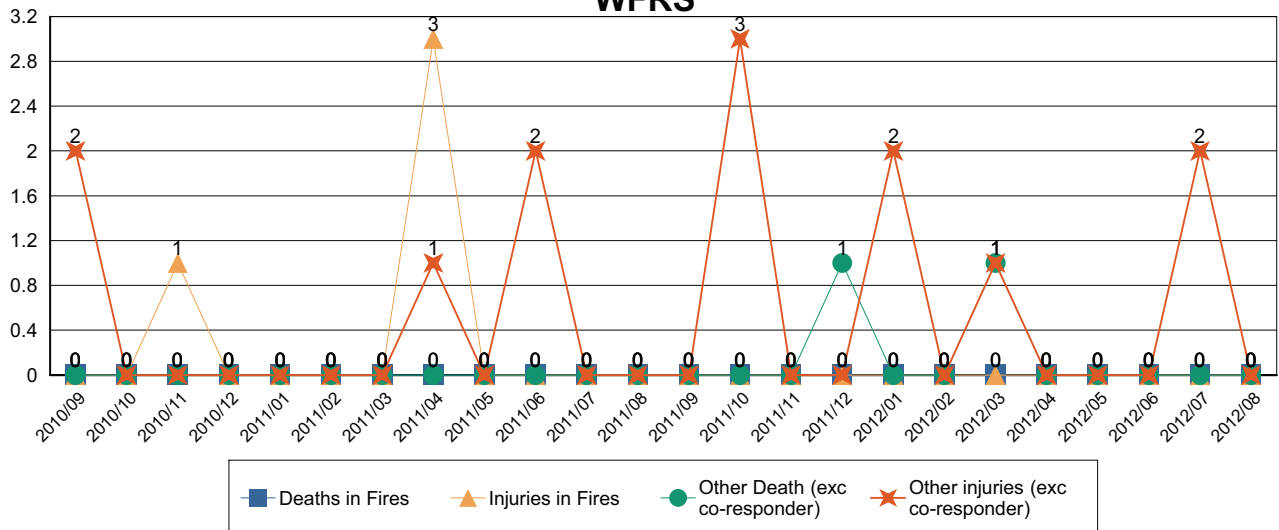
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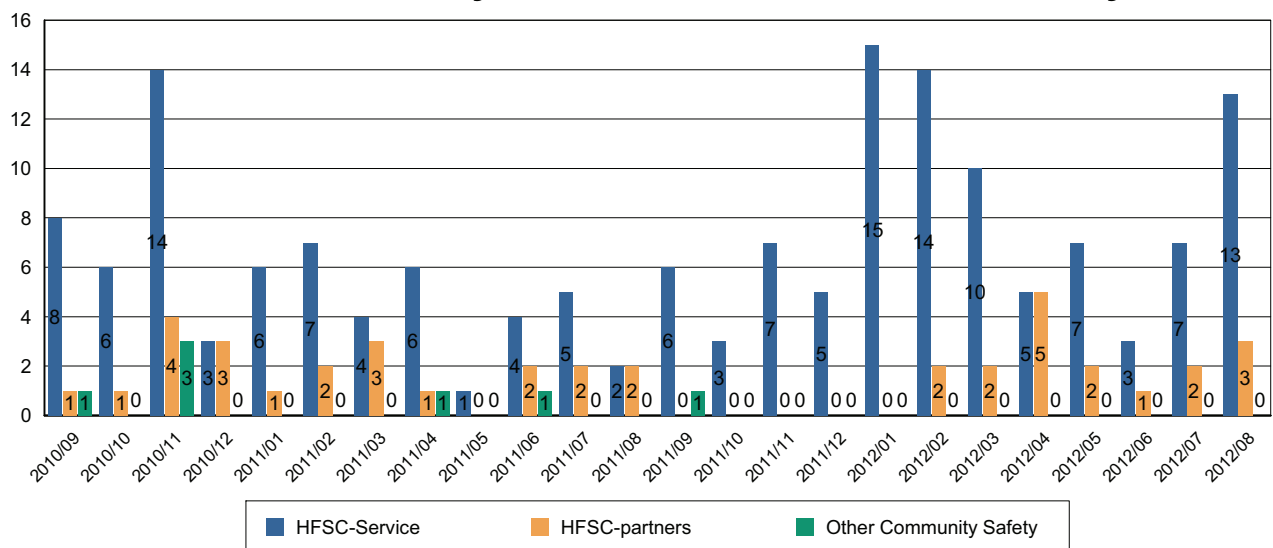
Number of False Alarm Incidents



Death & Injuries in incidents attended by WFRS



Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf

August 2012 update

Transition update

Wiltshire's Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the new GP-led commissioning organisation which will be responsible for buying local health services in Wiltshire, continues to develop its commissioning arrangements before it applies for 'authorisation' status in November 2012.

The organisation will take up commissioning leadership from April 2013. The organisation has established its Clinical Governing Board, with 14 voting members (consisting of a Chairman, three GPs who will act as 'locality representatives', an additional three GPs, a registered nurse and a secondary care specialist doctor, one Chief Accountable Officer, one Chief Finance Officer, one practice manager and two lay members) and eight non-voting members: (three 'locality' directors, Wiltshire Council's Director of Social Services, the Director of Public Health for Wiltshire, one member of HealthWatch and two lay members).

The CCG is considering its staffing structure whilst developing those commissioning functions it intends to keep in house. It is estimated that the organisation will have around 70 staff members and it will hold responsibility for managing a budget of approximately £460m to support the commissioning of high quality health services in Wiltshire. Working closely with GPs and other clinicians, the CCG will lead on the development of plans and projects which help meet the NHS's required national savings target of £20 billion.

Wiltshire CCG will take up responsibility for commissioning in 'shadow' form from October 2012, with support from the existing Primary Care Trust staff.

Salisbury walk-in centre

The coalition Government's Health and Social Care Bill 2010, requires Primary Care Trusts (such as NHS Wiltshire) to be abolished from April 2013. Now that the Health Bill has been enacted, the arrangements for the commissioning of services provided at Walk in Centres across the country need to change. NHS Wiltshire holds a five year contract with Salisbury walk-in centre, in the final year of the contract, the PCT will not exist. Furthermore, the Health Act sets out that from April 2013, all such contracts are to be split between the new NHS Commissioning Board and Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs). NHS Wiltshire and Wiltshire CCG therefore need to consider the options for the future of Salisbury Walk in Centre, under the circumstances imposed through national policy.

Wiltshire CCG and NHS Wiltshire together recognise that the Salisbury Walk in Centre provides excellent services for patients who use it. The great majority of the people who use the services are actually registered with one of the ten Salisbury GP practices, however it is wrong to assume that patients use the services at the Walk in Centre because they cannot get an appointment at their own GP practice – our figures show that the Salisbury GP practices have higher satisfaction rates than the national average.

The Walk-In-Centre's future post March 2014 will be discussed by Wiltshire CCG at a later date as part of their considerations for the wider options for health services across the whole of Wiltshire. Clinical Commissioning Group will strive to ensure all future outcomes are ones which provide the highest quality, best value services for the future.

NHS Wiltshire launches its Neurological Conditions booklet

The fourth annual stakeholder event for people with long term neurological conditions was held at Devizes Sports Club on Friday 3 August.

The booklet has been compiled and created by NHS Wiltshire with input from people living with long term conditions and their carers. It gives information on the services available in Wiltshire and copies are now available for the public.

Neurological conditions include a wide range of conditions from stroke and brain injuries, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinsons Disease and Motor Neurone Disease, through to very rare often genetic conditions.

Some conditions cause progressive decline and disability whilst others can cause sudden unpredictable periods of symptoms after long periods of general good health.

To view the booklet online go to:

<http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk/Downloads/Publications/leaflets/NHS-Neurology-booklet.pdf>

The next PCT Cluster Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 September at 10am in the Conference Room, Southgate House, Pans Lane, Devizes.

Members of the public are welcome to attend. Papers are published a week before the meeting on www.wiltshire.nhs.uk or on request from Stacey Saunders, NHS Wiltshire (tel: 01380 733839, email: stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk)

Tackling Financial Exclusion Bradford on Avon Area Board Wednesday 19 September 2012

What is financial exclusion?

Many people, particularly those living on low incomes, cannot access mainstream financial products such as bank accounts and low cost loans. This financial exclusion imposes real costs on individuals and their families - often the most vulnerable people in our society. It also has costs for the communities in which they live.

People who are financially excluded face many disadvantages, including:

- finding it hard to get a job as employers require bank accounts for direct credit of salaries
- paying more for utilities due to lack of access to discounts available for direct debit
- not being able to access affordable credit easily, so having to pay extremely high rates of interest to borrow from doorstep lenders or 'loansharks'
- lacking the financial buffer to manage unexpected financial pressures
- not being able to access impartial advice, particularly on debt problems

What is being done to tackle financial exclusion in Wiltshire?

Wiltshire Money is the lead body for financial inclusion and includes a number of organisations:

- Social housing landlords
- Wiltshire Citizens Advice
- Wiltshire Community Bank
- Nationwide
- Community First
- NHS Wiltshire
- Wiltshire Council

It provides a strategic framework for activity and its vision is:

To improve the quality of life of those in economic need through improved financial capability and better access to free money advice, financial products and services

Useful contacts and further information:

- Website for Wiltshire Money: www.wiltshiremoney.org.uk
- Film on Wiltshire Community Bank: www.youtube.com/watch?v=5aIT_uAvwmo&feature=youtu.be
- Wiltshire Community Bank telephone 01249 248323 (to find out about your local credit union and collection point)
- Illegal Moneylending: To report a loan shark in confidence telephone 0300 555 2222
- Wiltshire Citizens Advice for free, independent and confidential advice: www.cabwiltshire.org.uk or telephone 0844 375 2775 (from a landline) or 0300 456 8375 (from a mobile)

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**BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD
19 SEPTEMBER 2012**

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER

Conigre Hill Car Park, Bradford on Avon

Executive Summary

This report deals with an application for the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill, Bradford on Avon to be transferred to Hillside Action Group in accordance with Wiltshire Council's Community Asset Transfer Policy.

Proposal

The Area Board is asked to consider an application submitted by Hillside Action Group for the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill, Bradford on Avon. The applicants' proposal is set out at Appendix 2.

Reasons For Proposal

This proposal supports and implements Wiltshire Council's Community Asset Transfer Policy.

Recommendation

To approve the transfer subject to the matters referred to in paragraph 9 of the report.

Peter Dunford
Community Area Manager for Bradford on Avon

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COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER

Conigre Hill Car Park, Bradford on Avon

Purpose of Report

1. The Area Board is asked to consider an application submitted by Hillside Action Group for the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill, Bradford on Avon (see plan attached at Appendix 1). The applicants' proposal is set out at Appendix 2.

Background

2. Wiltshire Council is supporting the principle of the transfer of community assets in order to empower and strengthen local communities. The Council believes that transferring appropriate public assets to communities leads to more responsive services that better meet local people's priorities.
3. Transfer of an asset can also provide the opportunity to lever more resources into a community and provide a more accessible and responsive base from which to deliver local services.
4. A community group or organisation can benefit from greater financial stability and build confidence through having ownership (or long term security through a lease) of a physical asset. This financial sustainability can help the organisation become less dependent on grants, provide security for further borrowing and opportunities for further growth.
5. Typically, organisations that would be considered appropriate are Voluntary and Community Groups/Associations, Town or Parish Councils, Trusts or Charities, or Social Enterprise Groups.

The application before the Area Board

6. The application from Hillside Action Group relates to the transfer of the car park at Conigre Hill, Bradford on Avon.
7. The application was submitted in accordance with the Council's application process and meets the requirements for consideration by the Area Board.
8. The Community Area Manager has consulted with Strategic Property Services, who have undertaken appropriate consultation with service departments across the Council. Local consultation has been undertaken

by the applicant in accordance with the application checklist and the outcome of the consultation is included within the application. Cllr Brown, the local member, has been appraised of the application.

The views of Council officers

9. On behalf of the Council, Strategic Property Services (who have overall responsibility for the Council's estates and property) has provided the following observations to the Area Board:
 - 9.1 *The land is the site of the former Zion Baptist Chapel, and was bought from the chapel in the 1950s. There is still a chapel nearby, in the former Sunday school building, and parking for the congregation should be preserved.*
 - 9.2 *Hillside Action Group as presently constituted does not have legal standing to own the land. A suitable community organisation which does have the ability to own land will need to be formed before the transfer can take place.*
 - 9.3 *The land is to be transferred on the standard basis. This is that there will be a covenant restricting use of the land to community purposes. If the land should cease to be used for this purpose it will revert to Wiltshire Council.*
 - 9.4 *The land has no value other than as a public car park and Hillside Action Group will take over maintenance. Therefore, financial implications are limited to the maintenance cost previously incurred by Wiltshire Council being transferred to Hillside Action Group.*

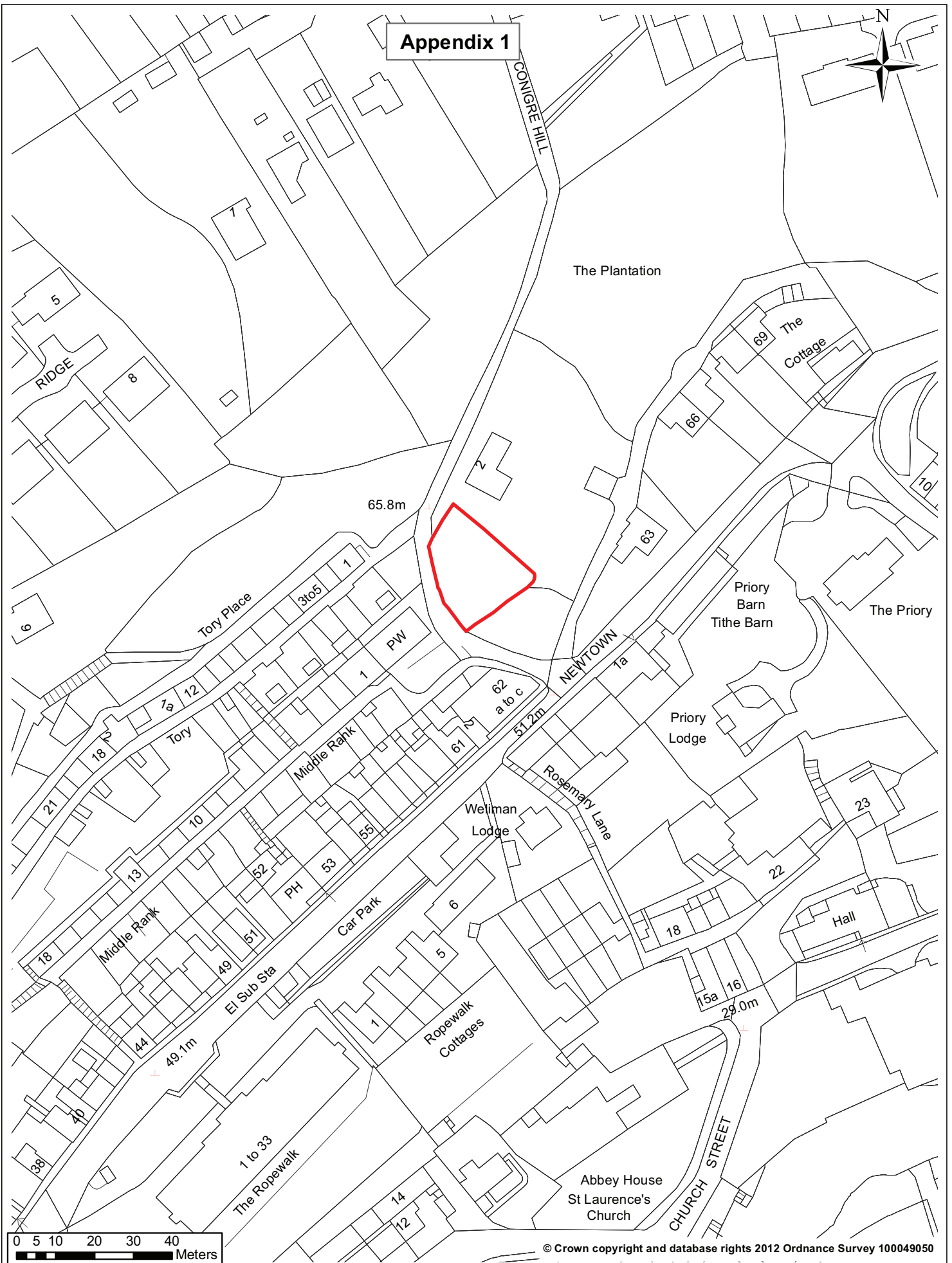
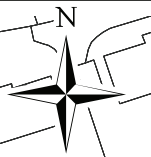
Recommendation

10. To approve the transfer subject to the matters referred to in paragraph 9 above.

Peter Dunford

Community Area Manager for Bradford on Avon

Appendix 1



Title: **Bradford on Avon
Congre Hill Car Park**

Date: Aug 2012
Scale: 1:1,250



Form CAT01

Application for the transfer of a Council asset

Your details

Your Organisation Hillside Action Group

Contact name David Maude

Position held Member of Conigre Hill steering group

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Your proposal

Details of asset

Conigre Hill car park, Bradford on Avon, BA15 1NJ.
For location map, boundaries and access points please see maps in attached transfer plan, page 2.

Summary of proposal Households on the hillside footpaths of Middle Rank, Tory Why do you want the asset and Wine Street Terrace have no direct vehicle access to and how will this benefit the their homes. We are highly dependent on the availability of local community? nearby off-street parking spaces.

For the last half-century hillsiders and their visitors have usually been able to rely on Conigre Hill car park, a plot of spare land opposite Zion Baptist Church owned by Wiltshire Council. But spaces have of late come under increasing pressure.

This has added to concerns that – as has happened twice in the last few years – the site might again become vulnerable to redevelopment for housing. Hence this application.

We ask that ownership of the site be transferred to a Community Interest Company (CIC) controlled by the residents. This would help Wiltshire Council fulfil a key aim of its local transport plan – "to meet residents' needs for car parking near their homes" – while reducing its liabilities and potential future calls on council tax.

It would also be in line with current government and county council policy, to "make it easier for local people to take over amenities and keep them part of local life" and to "promote the transfer of assets it owns to community groups".

The hillside terraces are of economic benefit to Bradford on Avon; they help draw tourists to the town. To keep them that way requires both easy access and people – people who are prepared to live there and take care of their properties, usually on a budget.

We hope the Area Board will help us continue to do that, and feel able to support our application.

Community use
Please explain how the asset will be used

The site will be used as a car park for residents of Middle Rank, Tory, Tory Place, Wine Street Terrace and those at the lower end of Conigre Hill and the eastern end of Newtown without vehicle access to their homes. Provision will also be made for worshippers at Zion Baptist Church.

The parking scheme will be run by the CIC referred to in the summary above, with membership available on a per household basis regardless of occupants' gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation or tenure (i.e. freeholders, private tenants or tenants of Selwood Housing).

For further details, please see Sections 3.3.3 and 3.3.4 of the attached transfer plan (pp 6 & 7).

Suitability for purpose

Please explain why this asset is suitable for the intended purpose

When bought by the then Urban District Council in 1959, the car park was seen as a vital resource for residents. The council clerk said it was "essential to have some vehicular access to the hillside area as otherwise it will not attract people to live there". That remains true today. Our surveys suggest around 30 households regularly use it as their main vehicle access point and parking facility.

Community support and consultation

Please set out who you have consulted about your proposal and how you have addressed any concerns raised

We have gone through two rounds of consultation with all residents who regularly use the car park and, we believe, most of those who occasionally do. We set up a website and online survey, provided a dedicated email address and phone number, and held an open house at Zion Baptist Church. The response has been overwhelmingly in favour.

Some concerns have been expressed about affordability, the precise usage rules, enforcement and the possible knock-on effect on other nearby parking areas. We have tried to address these issues in two leaflet distributions, Q&A sections of the website and via personal contacts and emails.

Legal issues

Please set out how you will address any legal, planning, insurance and health and safety matters associated with the asset

Please see Sections 1.2 & 4 of our transfer plan. We have taken informal advice from a practising lawyer member of HAG, consulted the government-funded Asset Transfer Unity, and been in contact with a Wolverhampton community group that runs a successful paid-for car park.

Financial matters

How will you fund future running costs, repairs and maintenance?

We believe our proposed method of financing a transfer, and maintaining the car park in future - in essence, a household contribution to the CIC of £3 a week - to be both reasonable and realistic.

Future management

How will you manage the asset and ensure that it continues to contribute to the wellbeing of the local community in the future?

Please see Section 3.3.3 of our transfer plan.

DECLARATION

I confirm that the details included in this application are correct

Signed:



Name (please print): David Maude

Date: 16 July 2012

Report to	Bradford on Avon Area Board
Date of Meeting	19 September 2012
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider four applications seeking Community Area Grant funding:

i) Bradford on Avon and District French Twinning Association requesting £2,006 for the May 2013 visit of twin town Sully-sur-Loire to Bradford and for a trip by Fitzmaurice Primary School to Sully

Officers recommend that £ 2, 006 is awarded to the Twinning Association for twinning activities with Sully in 2013.

ii) Wiltshire People First requesting £ 500 towards the 'Our Lives, Our History' project

Officers recommend that £ 500 is awarded towards the 'Our Lives, Our History' oral history project.

iii) Holt Sports and Recreation Committee requesting £ 1,195 towards the costs of the Holt Second Sports Court

Officers recommend that £1, 195 is awarded as a final payment towards the Holt Second Sports Court in recognition of the exceptional circumstances faced by the applicant

iv) TEDxBradford on Avon requesting £ 900 towards an event on 4 November 2012 for creative people and businesses on the theme of 'Crafting the Unexpected'

Officers recommend that £ 900 is awarded towards the 'Crafting the Unexpected' event on 4 November 2012

1. Background

- 1.1 Area Boards have authority to approve Community 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 decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons as to why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 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 Bradford on Avon Area Board has been allocated a budget in 2012/2013 of £47,110 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives.
- 1.5 It has been decided that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce the volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council website and hard copies will be available upon request.
- 1.6 The 2011/2012 funding criteria and application forms are available on the Council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) and paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Area Grant Application Pack 2011/12• Bradford on Avon Community Area Plan• Wiltshire Local Area Agreement
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2 Main Considerations

- 2.1 Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2012/13 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 2012/13, this being the third.

3 Environmental & Community Implications

- 3.1 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 Bradford on Avon Area Board.

4.2 If grants are awarded in line with recommendations, Bradford on Avon Area Board will have a balance of approximately £ 2, 496 remaining in the grants budget for the 2012/13 financial year.

5 Legal Implications

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

6 HR Implications

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

7 Equality and Inclusion Implications

7.1 Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups 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	Bradford on Avon and District French Twinning Association	May 2013 visit of Sully-sur-Loire to Bradford and for a trip by Fitzmaurice Primary School to Sully	£ 2, 006

8.1.1 This application meets the community area grant criteria for 2011/12.

8.1.2 The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for the local economy, tourism, culture,

education and civic links.

8.1.3 The exchange visit will support a visit to Bradford by 50 adults and 20 young dancers from Sully. It will strengthen links between Fitzmaurice School pupils and their partner school in Sully and 32 students from Fitz will be enabled to visit Sully, including 10 from disadvantaged backgrounds. In Bradford the project will support a concert at the Wiltshire Music Centre, a day trip to Stourhead and social meals. It will cover the costs of visitors and support the costs incurred by host families.

8.1.4 Fundraising events are held monthly by the 60 members of the association and have raised £ 3,500 towards costs. Support has been given by 15 local shops and businesses. Bradford on Avon Town Council has contributed £ 500 towards costs and the Sully Twinning Association has put up £ 1, 550.

8.1.5 An evaluation of the impact the visits will be carried out through feedback from the Chamber of Commerce, from host families, the school and the Music Centre.

Officers recommend that £ 2, 006 is awarded to the Twinning Association for twinning activities with Sully in 2013.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2	Wiltshire People First	'Our Lives, Our History' oral history project about the lives of people with learning disabilities	£ 500

8.2.1 This application meets the community area grant criteria for 2011/12. This is a joint application to the Trowbridge, Melksham and Bradford on Avon Area Boards requesting £ 500 from each board towards elements of the project in each community area.

8.2.2 The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for health and social care, education and inclusion objectives.

8.2.3 The project will provide an oral history of the lives of people with learning difficulties in west Wiltshire over the last 100 years. The local community will be encouraged to contribute ideas and to share stories and this will be filmed as part of the DVD and written narratives. Members of Wiltshire People First are keen to tell the public about their lives, aspirations and achievements. Few published records exist and people with learning difficulties are keen to give their own accounts of their lived experiences and their feelings about significant events happening around them and to them. A community event will be held in St Margaret's Hall and the grant funding will be used for room hire, transport, support workers and refreshments.

8.2.4 Community benefits will include greater community inclusion, community participation, potential volunteering opportunities and overall fostering of goodwill and respect for all. Legacy outputs will include a DVD, photos and posters which will form part of an exhibition display in public libraries. All those involved will be invited to a launch event. It is hoped that further opportunities will be created for local people to network, thereby creating a new social group in Bradford on Avon.

8.2.5 The applicant will be raising the majority of the funding from a £ 20,000 Heritage Lottery Fund application.

Officers recommend that £ 500 is awarded towards the ‘Our Lives, Our History’ oral history project on condition that the match funding is raised

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding £ requested
8.3	Holt Sports and Recreation Committee	Holt Second Sports Court	£ 1,195

8.3.1 This application meets the community area grant criteria for 2011/12, however members should note that this is the second time that the applicant has applied for funding towards the project, £ 5, 000 having been awarded in June 2011.

8.3.2 The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for sport and recreation and community development in the village of Holt.

8.3.3 The applicant wishes to build a sports court to extend the fun and activities which have been very successful on their first sports court in the village recreation field. The new court was built in the Summer of 2011 but has been deemed of unsatisfactory quality and is not fit for its intended purpose as a multi use games area. The court has been locked for a year as it cannot be used safely. A professional surveyor surveyed the court and confirmed that the court to be substandard and a health and safety professional deemed it unsafe to use. Following a legal mediation process with the builder, the agreement is that he rectifies the problem with a new surface and pays £ 3,000 costs plus VAT while the club is liable for £ 5, 000 costs plus VAT. The committee have already spent around £ 6,000 on professional fees.

8.3.4 The applicant is very grateful for the Area Board support to date but, in the dire circumstances, is requesting a further contribution towards the costs of 2 coats of green paint, line-marking for tennis and 5-a-side football, a tennis net plus a litter bin.

8.3.5 Project costs are £ 2, 390 towards which the club continues to fundraise, with a Safari Supper and a Spanish evening planned in 2013 for this purpose. Court hire

fees will also contribute to costs.

Officers recommend that £1, 195 is awarded as a final payment towards the Holt Second Sports Court in recognition of the exceptional circumstances faced by the applicant

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding £ requested
8.4	TEDx Bradford on Avon	'Crafting the Unexpected' event for creative people and businesses at Wiltshire Music Centre on 4 November 2012	£ 900

8.4.1 This application meets the community area grant criteria for 2011/12

8.4.2 The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support to the economy, creative industries and local democracy.

8.4.2 TEDx Bradford on Avon is spawned from the global TED.com, designed to give communities and individuals the opportunity to stimulate dialogue at a local level. The event will bring together creative people and businesses in the local area to explore creativity in the widest sense. Speakers will come from disciplines as varied as engineering, sculpture, contemporary art, advertising, film direction, poetry, screenplay writing, music and education. The event will be video recorded and made available on the web to a global audience. It will raise the profile of the town regionally and potentially internationally by showcasing the rich seam of talent living and working locally as well as the quality of intelligent debate and discussion.

8.4.3 There are strict rules about how a TEDx event should be run and as part of the license commercial sponsorship is not allowed. A strong and successful first TEDx will provide a strong platform for subsequent years and for the opportunity to fundraise from other external bodies. No other sources of funding have been applied for. The planning and arrangements are all being handled by volunteers. Discounts and subsidies agreed with the venue and other professional services have at least halved the running costs of the event, budgeted at £ 2,100.

8.4.4 Evaluation of the success of the event will come from ticket sales, numbers viewing the special website at tedxbradfordonavon.com, community feedback and from interest in future events.

Officers recommend that £ 900 is awarded towards the 'Crafting the Unexpected' event at Wiltshire Music Centre on 4 November 2012

Appendices:	Grant applications from: Bradford on Avon and District French Twinning Association Wiltshire People First Holt Sports and Recreation Committee TEDxBradford on Avon Officer Comments from Arts Development Officer
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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