

# Southern Wiltshire Area Board AGENDA

Place: Pitton Village Hall, Whitehill, Pitton, Salisury, SP5 1DJ

**Date**: Thursday 27 September 2012

**Time:** 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Alderbury, Britford, Clarendon Park, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Firsdown, Grimstead, Landford, Laverstock, Ford and Old Sarum, Odstock, Pitton and Farley, Redlynch, West Dean, Whiteparish, Winterslow.

#### Wiltshire Councillors

Richard Britton - (Chairman) Alderbury and Whiteparish

Chris Devine Winterslow

Julian Johnson Downton and Ebble Valley

lan McLennan Laverstock, Ford and Old Sarum

Leo Randall – (Vice-Chairman) Redlynch and Landford

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

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

Refreshments and networking opportunities will be available from 6:30pm.

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## Items to be considered

**Time** 

#### 1 Welcome and Introductions

## 7.00pm

- 2 Apologies
- 3 **Minutes** (Pages 3 16)

To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 26 July 2012.

#### 4 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

#### 5 Chairman's Announcements

7.05pm

To receive Chairman's Announcements.

#### 6 Current Consultations

To note the attached information on the following current consultations:

Consultation	Closing Date	More information
<u>Housing</u>	28	Wiltshire Council has changed the way it uses the money it gets from council house rents, this means that over the next five years an extra £18 million will be available to improve council homes and the surrounding areas.  The council is creating a maintenance and repairs plan
	er 2012	and we are asking council house tenants to complete this questionnaire, your feedback will help us to make sure that we are focusing on the most important areas.
		For further information please contact the housing team the on 01722 434482 or email:hsgmail@wiltshire.gov.uk
	30 Santamb	Wiltshire Council has over 40,000 streetlights. Most of these are on all night whether they are needed or not.
Street lighting savings consultation		The council needs to 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 council is seeking views on reducing its carbon footprint by energy usage on street lighting and on light pollution.
		Read more about the <u></u> Street Lighting Savings

		Consultation 124kb
		You can complete the <u>consultation online</u> Or e-mail them to: <u>streetlighting@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>
	14 October 2012	The purpose of this document is to consult on the drafting of a cultural strategy for Wiltshire. The cultural sector is diverse and vibrant; including community and voluntary groups, local, national and international charities as well as commercial operations and private individuals. The cultural strategy will ensure that every part of the cultural sector works together so that energy and resources are focused upon shared objectives and transformational actions that deliver real benefits for the communities of Wiltshire.
	23 October 2012	The Wiltshire Carers Action Group is the strategic planning group for the development of new and existing services that support unpaid carers in Wiltshire. The Carers Strategy for the county has just been refreshed and we would welcome your comments on the document which will inform the carers action plan 143kb carers action plan in the autumn of 2012.
		For more details please contact vcs@wiltshire.gov.uk
	30 October 2012	From April 2013, the government is stopping the national council tax benefit scheme and asking councils to introduce new locally-run discount schemes to support council taxpayers on low incomes.
Proposed council tax support scheme		Whether you are a current council tax benefit claimant or not, this consultation is your opportunity to help the council develop its local Council Tax Support scheme.
		There are some tough decisions to be made as we cannot provide everyone with the same level of support in the future as we would like to. We want to know your views so that we can decide how we use the limited resources available to us.
		For more details please contact customerservices@wiltshire.gov.uk

#### Wiltshire Council Items for Information (Pages 17 - 26) 7

To note the following attachments for information:

- a) Wiltshire Council State of the Environment Reportb) Wiltshire Council Barrier Busting
- c) Wiltshire Council Wiltshire & Swindon Local Nature Partnership

8	Our Community Area (Pages 27 - 34)	7.10pm
	Reports and updates of interest across the Area; statements and questions on any topic relevant to the area as a whole.	
	Written Updates attached are:	
	<ul><li>Fire &amp; Rescue Service</li><li>NHS</li><li>Southern Wiltshire Issues System</li></ul>	
	Any other verbal updates or comments.	
•		7.45
9	Community Safety - Area Board Theme for 2012/13 (Pages 35 - 38)	7.15pm
	To receive information on the following:	
	<ul> <li>Community Safety - Police &amp; Crime Commissioner</li> <li>Community Safety - Information from the Rural Crime Team</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Update from the Neighbourhood Policing Team</li> <li>Community Safety – Update on Community Safety pilot project in Downton</li> </ul>	
10	Housing Need and Review of Wiltshire's Housing Allocations system (Pages 39 - 40)	8.00pm
	A member of the Strategic Housing Team will deliver a presentation regarding the review of the current Housing Allocations System. A briefing paper is attached.	
	Officer: Nicola Smith, Head of Strategic Housing	
11	Footpaths - Area Board Theme for 2012/13(Pages 41 - 42)	8.30pm
	To receive an update on this Area Board Theme.	
	Officer: Tom Bray, Community Area Manager	
12	Community Area Transport Group(Pages 43 - 44)	8.35pm

To receive an update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) and to consider recommendations for funding projects from the 2012/13 CATG budget.

Officer: Tom Bray, Community Area Manager

## 13 Youth Initiatives Funding Proposals (Pages 45 - 46)

8.40pm

The Board will consider the proposals for the allocation of the £4,109 Youth Initiative Funding for 2012/13.

Officer: Tom Bray, Community Area Manager

## 14 Community Area Grants (Pages 47 - 62)

8.50pm

The Board will consider applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme.

Officer: Tom Bray, Community Area Manager

#### 15 Evaluation and Close (Pages 63 - 64)

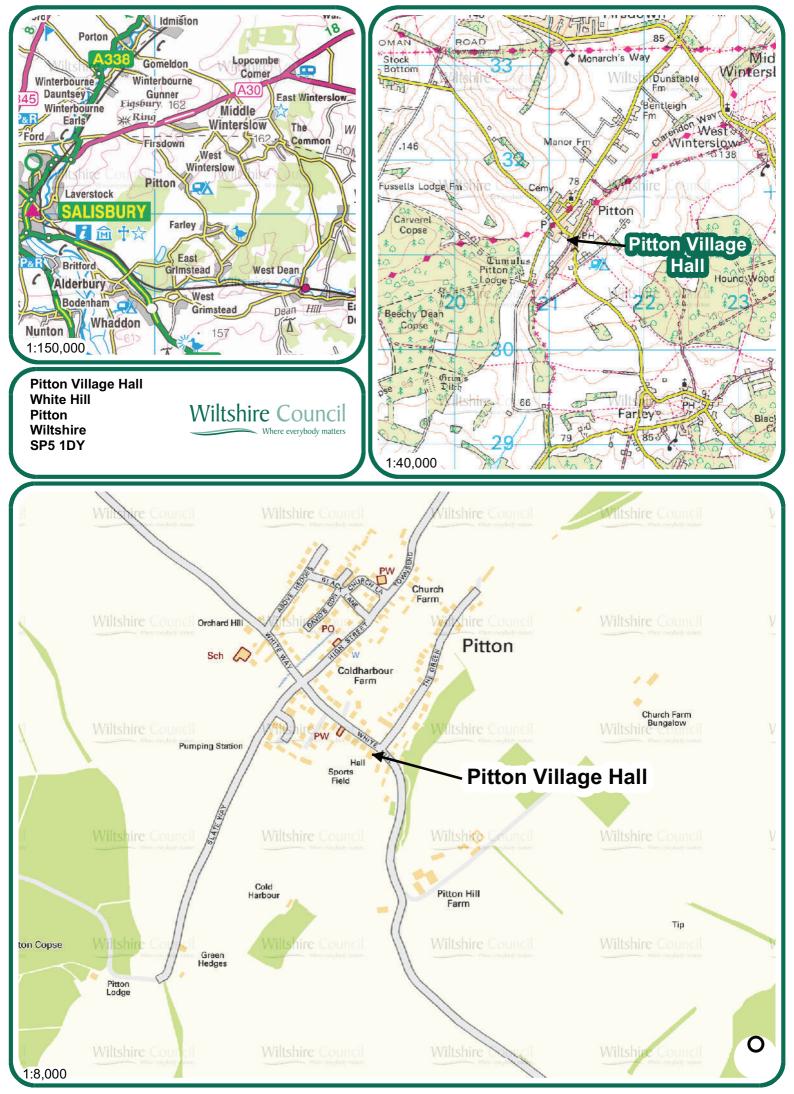
9.00pm

A copy of the Forward Plan is attached for information.

#### **Future Meeting Dates**

Thursday, 29 November 2012 7.00pm Trafalgar School, Downton

Thursday, 31 January 2013 7.00pm Winterslow Village Hall



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## **MINUTES**

Meeting: SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD

Place: Alderbury Village Hall, Rectory Road, Alderbury, SP5 3AD

**Date:** 26 July 2012

**Start Time:** 7.00 pm Finish Time: 9.02 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

Lisa Moore (Democratic Services Officer), Tel: 01722 434560

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Papers available on the Council's website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### In Attendance:

#### **Wiltshire Councillors**

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

#### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Tom Bray, Southern Wiltshire Community Area Manager Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer Tracy Carter, Service Director - Waste Management Services Maxine Gibson, Principal Education Welfare Officer

#### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Alderbury Parish Council – A Newbury & L Whetton
Clarendon Park Parish Council – K Roger
Downton Parish Council – S Barnhurst – Davies, J Brown, B Cornish, S Lacey,
J Whitmarsh & N Wilson

Firsdown Parish Council – M Bishop, B Edgely & M Villes Laverstock and Ford Parish Council – R Champion, D Hayes & V McLennan Pitton and Farley Parish Council – A Shaw Redlynch Parish Council – C Morrison

Whiteparish Parish Council – L Palmer
Winterslow Parish Council – P Robinson

#### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Andy Noble & Salisbury Neighbourhood Sergeant, Jenny Bailey Hobbs

Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – David Dunford, Local Group Manager Wiltshire Involvement Network – P Matthews (Chairman)

Total in attendance: 37

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman, Councillor Richard Britton welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. Councillors and Officers sitting at the top table then introduced themselves.
2	<u>Apologies</u>
	There were none.
3	<u>Minutes</u>
	The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 7 June 2012, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.
	Councillor Ian McLennan noted that grant applicant the Woodfalls Band had previously taken part in one of the Tattoo performances which he organised, however this did not constitute an interest.
5	Chairman's Announcements
	Job Vacancy Boards On Friday 6 July the Chairman had attended the opening of three Jobs Boards at Downton, Old Sarum and Alderbury. He was delighted to say that local jobs were being advertised and if only one local person was able to secure a job from this initiative, then it would be a good result.
	Social Media – Facebook Workshop The Area Board had arranged a training session on Friday 3 August at the Bourne Hill Offices in Salisbury, from 2.00 – 4.30pm. This would be run by Wiltshire Council communications team and aimed at providing useful information on using facebook, to community groups in the southern Wiltshire community area.
6	Current Consultations
	The Board noted the current consultations listed in the agenda. To access information on all consultations currently open you can visit the consultation portal online at: <a href="http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal">http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal</a>

## 7 Report on issues facing the community as a whole

The Board noted the written updates attached to the agenda, in addition the following updates and comments were received:

#### Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

In addition to the written report in the agenda pack, Tom Bray noted that the next meeting of the group would be on 23 August.

Councillor McLennan requested that the planned gateway at Ford be installed before the major works to the Broken Cross bridge. He thought this would help control the speed of the traffic that might use the road during the works. Tom Bray agreed to take the matter to the CATG for consideration.

#### **Action: Tom Bray**

#### Police

In addition to the written report attached to the agenda, Inspector Andy Noble added that two local burglars had been charged following an increase in non dwelling burglaries in the area.

The first event of BLUEZ n ZUZ in Wilton was planned for September, these are social events for 12 to 16 year olds in a safe environment supported and staffed by local Police.

A recent altercation involving travellers at Old Sarum had been dealt with swiftly thanks to the assistance of a local land owner.

Local Resolution is a new way of dealing with low level crime and anti-social behaviour by putting victims at the heart of the service. Instead of court proceedings, justice is delivered by the offender in several ways, these could include: meeting and apologising to the victim, understanding how their actions made the victim feel, paying compensation and repairing damage caused.

There are some conditions attached these which include: the offender must admit to the offence, they must show some degree of remorse and must not be known to the police for any offence in the past.

#### Questions and comments:

There had been a rise in thefts from motor vehicles in and around the area, is this being tackled? <u>Answer:</u> There had been a spike in offences earlier in the year, however within the last couple of weeks, there had only been 6 reported offences within the wider Salisbury community area, which was a reduction from the expected average for that period of 9.

#### Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service

In addition to the written update attached to the agenda, David Dunford, Local Group Manager added that the number of home safety checks carried out within the community area had tailed off, with only 2 being carried out in June. Freepost leaflets were circulated at the meeting for people to complete and return if they wished to register for a home safety check. A copy of the leaflet is attached to these minutes for information.

#### Wiltshire Community Bank - Wiltshire Council Update

Councillor Britton noted that there were a series of community banks across the county, the aim of these was to provide an alternative way of saving and borrowing money for people who did not have access to a conventional bank account. Also to stop people falling prey to loan sharks and money lenders who charged an extremely high level of interest to borrowers. More information can be found by clicking on the link: <a href="https://www.wiltshiremoney.org.uk">www.wiltshiremoney.org.uk</a>

### <u>Youth Services - Update on recruitment process for Youth Development</u> Coordinator, Maxine Gibson - Principal Education Welfare Officer

Following a temporary secondment of Tony Nye to the Westbury Community Area, the recruitment process had not been successful in finding a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy.

It was hoped that an assistant youth worker would be recruited to fill the vacant post until Tony Nye returned.

#### Southern Wiltshire Issues System

Tom Bray, Community Area Manager circulated a table of current issues logged on the online Issues System, to view the webpage, click on the link: <a href="http://portal.wiltshire.gov.uk/area">http://portal.wiltshire.gov.uk/area</a> board/areaboard issues search.php?issue lo cation in=Southern%20Wiltshire

#### Questions and Comments included:

- Had the hold up on the deployment of the SID been resolved? <u>Answer:</u>
  Yes the problem had been rectified and the SID had recently been deployed to Britford.
- There had been an incident where the battery in the SID had run down before the end of the two week period, had this been resolved? <u>Answer:</u> The issue had been passed to the relevant officer for consideration.
- Following his request at a previous meeting, Keith Rodger asked for the Board's support in requesting that the personal details of those objecting to planning applications could be kept anonymous when publishing details on the website. <u>Answer:</u> The Chairman noted that this was not really a metter for the Area Board. However, he would make further enquiries and report back to Mr Rodgers.

## 8 Network Rail closure of A338 Broken Cross Bridge

James Kelly of Network Rail delivered a presentation on the planned closure of the Broken Cross bridge on the A338 in Ford. The bridge would be closed between 27 October 2012 until 8 February 2013 to enable bridge replacement works to be undertaken.

A pass system would be implemented which would allow single lane restricted access across the bridge to emergency services and other specific users such as buses, taxis and school runs.

The new road layout would include two mini roundabouts, with 50mph approach speeds either side.

During the construction of the western roundabout there would be a complete closure of the bridge for 3 weeks.

Questions and comments were then received, these included:

- Why not just lower the floor under the bridge? <u>Answer:</u> Following a survey
  of bridges along this route, 68 were non compliant with current criteria,
  Broken Cross bridge is prone to flooding, so lowering the floor was not
  an option.
- How much disruption to the train service will there be? <u>Answer</u>: There will be a 38 hour window of disruption between 3 November to 4 November when the bridge is demolished; no trains will be able to pass during this time.
- There will be other instances when a pass is needed to gain access to the houses, such as delivery companies and visitors, how will this be administered? <u>Answer</u>: The pass system has been devised by Wiltshire Council, it is currently a work in progress, and further information will be available to those concerned in due course.
- Has there been consultation with the emergency services? <u>Answer</u>:
   There has been consultation with all of the emergency services; it is thought that there would be an increase of 1 minute to their reaction times.
- Cllr McLennan noted that there were three main local businesses, CB Skips, Boswells and Fieldfare Trailers who all required constant access, he asked that direct communication was undertaken with these businesses to ascertain their needs.

#### 9 Volunteering - Digital Literacy

As Volunteering is one of the Southern Wiltshire Area Board themes for 2012/13, Jenny Wilcockson, Digital Literacy Coordinator had been invited to provide information on a Wiltshire Council project to raise awareness and to recruit volunteers to take part in providing IT assistance around the community to local individuals and groups.

The project aim is to recruit two types of volunteers, for the Southern Wiltshire Community Area the suggested requirement would be:

- 20 x Digital Champions people who would provide one to one support to others to get online.
- 2 x Local Volunteer Coordinators responsible for helping register new learners, matching learners with Digital Champion volunteers and acting as a communication channel between these volunteers and the Wiltshire Online team. Volunteer Coordinators are also encouraged to support the Wiltshire Online staff with the recruitment of Digital Champions and the organisation of volunteer coffee mornings.

Jenny was keen to hear about existing local groups may benefit from some free IT assistance, such as coffee groups. Local knowledge would play a big part in the success of getting the project to work.

Schools would also be approached to see if they could be involved by getting young people who were interested in IT to share their knowledge by providing assistance to others in their communities.

For more information and to pre-register to receive IT assistance, go to the web page: http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/wiltshireonline/

#### 10 Community Safety

A Lorry Watch update was circulated at the meeting and is attached to these minutes. Councillor Randall explained that if a village had a weight restriction running through it then Lorry Watch would be a good scheme to be involved in.

Downton Parish Council would consider undertaking a pilot project to link up the watch schemes operating in the area to promote a joined up approach to community safety in the village. An update would be given at the next meeting.

#### 11 Rights of Way - The Next Steps

Landford parish councillor, John Martin read a report by the Landford Public Footpath Committee, a copy is attached to these minutes.

#### 12 Community Area Grants

The Area Board considered four applications for funding from the Community Area Grant Scheme. Applicants present were invited to speak in support of their application. After discussion Area Board members voted on each application in turn.

#### **Decision**

Odstock Parish Council was awarded £223 towards works to river bank at Jubilee Gardens.

#### Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2012/13, and demonstrates a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15 as detailed in the officer's report.

#### **Decision**

The application by Pitton & Farley Parish Council for funding towards work on their community website was refused.

#### Reason

The Board felt that website maintenance should be funded by the parish council. The project does not demonstrate a link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15, as detailed in the officer's report.

#### **Decision**

Winterslow Village Hall |Management Committee was awarded £5,000 towards the refurbishment of a new kitchen.

#### Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2012/13, and demonstrates a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15 as detailed in the officer's report.

#### **Decision**

The application by Woodfalls Band was deferred until the next meeting.

#### Reason

The applicant was not available to answer questions at this meeting so will be invited to the next Board meeting on 27 September 2012.

13 Evaluation and Close

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

Attachments

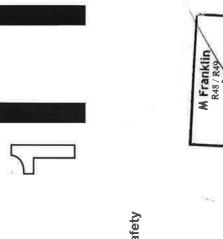
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Report to	Southern Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	26 July 2012
Title of Report	Lorry Watch Update

## **Lorry Watch Update:**

- The Landford scheme is carried out in conjunction with a Speedwatch scheme there. Most vehicles reported seem to have access or have HQ premises in the Forest areas but letters of caution have been sent to those that do not. The fact that the restricted zone is a whole area would make it very difficult for prosecutions to occur so we are hoping the cautions are effective. They seem to be so far.
- The Laverstock scheme has been running for a year now and the co-ordinator feels things have improved greatly.
- A new scheme at West Grimstead will commence in August and I am doing the paperwork now.
- There is interest in a Lorry Watch scheme at Alderbury, where a Speedwatch scheme is currently operating.
- I now have Mark Stansby from Highways involved as advisor on these schemes.

#### Simon King

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## Report by Mike Craddock, Leader of the Footpath Working Party

## **Landford Public Footpath Committee**

The Committee dates from 1974, when a group of Landford residents, concerned about the condition of local footpaths, undertook a major programme of reconstruction, clearing and waymarking. The leader of this work was Michael Avery, who has remained active and interested in the footpath network until the present day.

The Constitution of the Committee was kept deliberately simple. It recognises the jurisdiction of the Parish Council, and the Chair may be appointed by the Council (in practice, Michael Avery has been the sole Chairman from 1974 to 2012, and a record to be proud of). The constitution provides for membership by one of the Landowners through whose properties the paths pass (never exercised), and sets out the functions of the Committee, and the essential officers to be appointed. A basic Bank Account holds the small funds.

The first edition of the Landford Footpath Guide was produced in 1979, written by Mike Avery and other members of the Committee, and the current edition (produced in 2011) is the 6<sup>th</sup>. In each edition the text has been updated, to recognise changes on the ground, but the original hand drawn illustrations have been retained. The current edition is the first to feature colour photographs on the cover. The booklet is sold in local shops and costs £2. Profits from its sale pay for the printing of the next edition, and for materials, such as paint for waymarking.

There could be benefits in sharing knowledge, particularly regarding paths that continue into adjoining parishes. For us, these are Redlynch and Whiteparish within Wiltshire, Melchet Park and Plaitford in Hampshire, and the New Forest forming our southern boundary. We would welcome information allowing us to include within our own guide a list of similar local guides and where they may be obtained.

The Committee organises an annual programme of inspecting and clearing the whole network of Landford Footpaths. Refreshing of Waymarking is also undertaken during the inspections. Reports are compiled detailing any problems encountered (beyond the normal ones of annual plant growth!), including any requests for help from the County Footpath Warden for such matters as broken stiles, major fallen trees and any other work beyond the scope of the members. The report is forwarded to the Parish Council, and to the Footpath Warden.

It should be noted that although the County is not responsible for the work of the Committee, volunteers are covered by Wiltshire Council's insurance. We advise the Warden at the beginning of the season of the programme of work to be undertaken. This insurance does not include Public Liability – which is why the Committee does not undertake the construction of stiles, bridges, etc, which are scheduled for work by the Footpath Warden.

The strength of the Committee has varied over the years, the work sometimes being undertaken by only two or three members. However, there are now more than a dozen volunteers, making it relatively easy to cover the annual programme. It should be noted that the Committee operates entirely independently of the Parish Council. This is partly an accident of history. A previous Chairman of the PC was not keen on Public Rights of Way, and led the PC of the day into total lack of interest in the work of the Footpath Committee. Accordingly, the Committee has just got on with the work. The current PC is interested and supportive – however it is important to note that no PC funds are employed, and the Committee is financially independent, but simply reports its work to the PC and the Warden. Some members of the PC choose to volunteer for the work, but in their private capacities – they are not there as representing the PC.

Mention the Ramblers Association.

Stress need for someone dedicated to keeping open our Rights of Way. 2017 deadline.

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## Wiltshire Council Information – Item 7a

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: <a href="mailto:jennyh@wiltshirewildlife.org">jennyh@wiltshirewildlife.org</a>
Weblink:	Wiltshire Intelligence Network Environment section: <a href="https://www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk/environment">www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk/environment</a>
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).

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## Wiltshire Council Information – Item 7b

Subject:	Barrier Busting Proposals
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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: <a href="mailto:David.Bowater@Wiltshire.gov.uk">David.Bowater@Wiltshire.gov.uk</a>

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## Wiltshire Council Information – Item 7c

Subject:	Wiltshire and Swindon Local Nature Partnership (LNP)
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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 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## 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

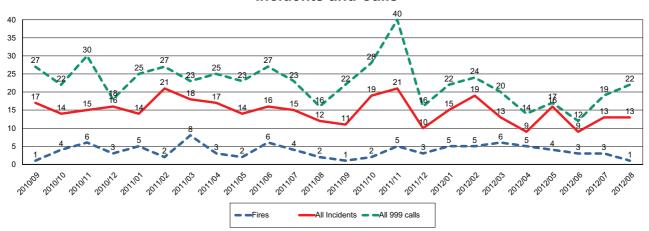
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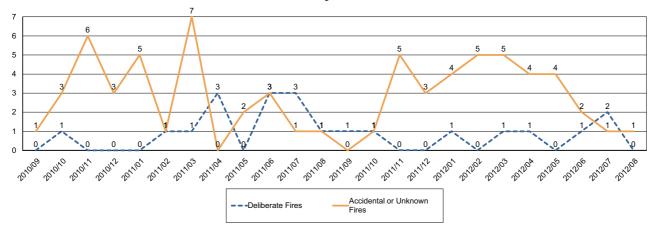
## **Report for Southern Wiltshire Area Board**

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.

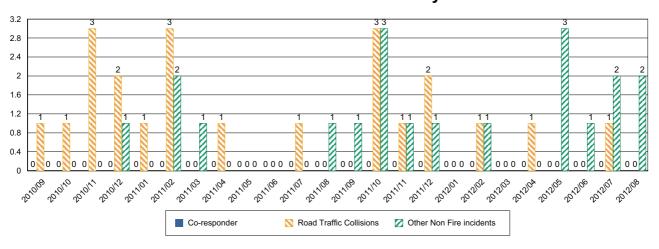
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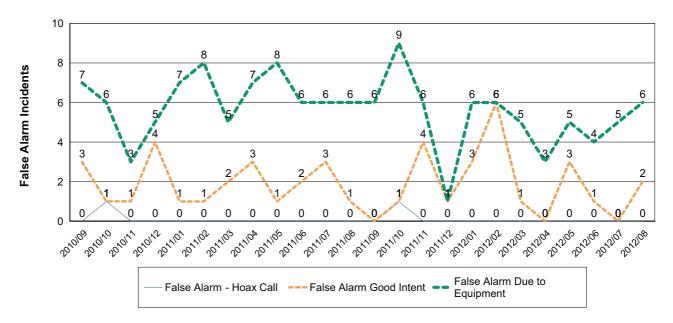
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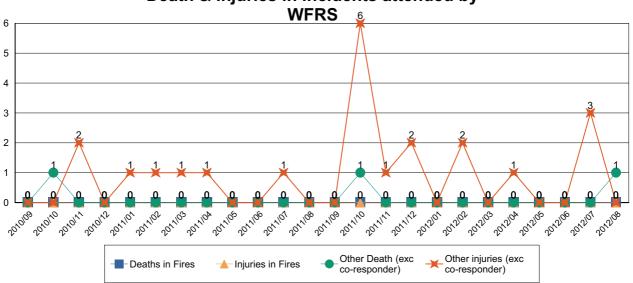
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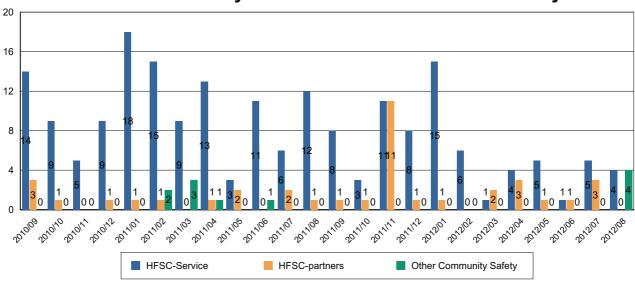
## **Number of False Alarm Incidents**



## Death & Injuries in incidents attended by



## Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf



## August 2012 update

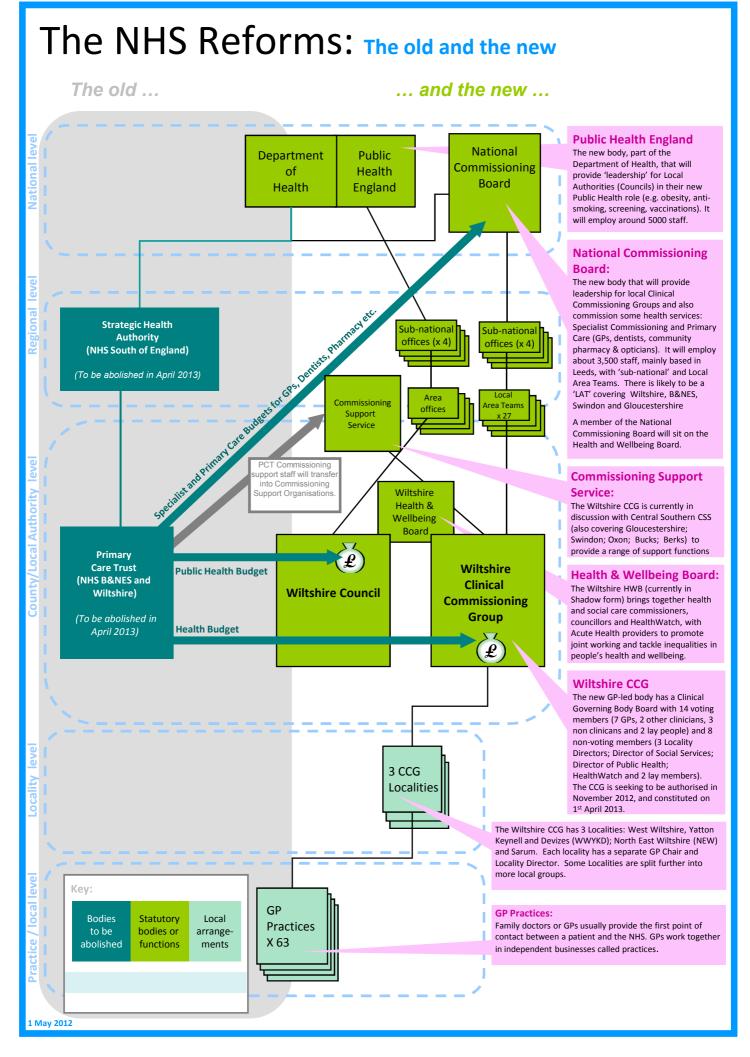
Wiltshire's Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the new GP-led commissioning organisation which will be responsible for buying local health services in Wiltshire, continues to develop its commissioning arrangements before it applies for 'authorisation' status in November 2012.

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.

The page overleaf shows an explanatory diagram of how primary health care will be commissioned from April 2013.



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### SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD (27 September 2012)

### **Your Local Issues**

### **Purpose of the Report**

To update the board on the issues in progress since the last meeting in July 2012.

### Southern Wiltshire Area Board - Issues in progress

### <u>General</u>

ID	Category	Division	Summary of Issue	Update
1471	Waste	Laverstock	Litter problems in Laverstock	PC to update
1879	Communities	Britford	Community Payback - Britford Memorial Hall	Work ongoing
1905	Highways	Laverstock	School traffic in Laverstock	CATG monitoring this issue
1558	Rights of Way	Firsdown	Increasing traffic on BOAT in Firsdown	PC in liaison with RoW officer
2074	Car Parking	West Dean	Parking around Dean railway station	PC to liaise with new yard owner re. potential lease for car park

### **Highways**

ID	Category	Parish	Summary of Issue	September 2012 update
1338	Highways	Grimstead	Pot-holes and road break up in Grimstead	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team. Awaiting update
1836	Highways	Coombe Bissett	Repair white metal railings in Coombe Bissett	PC to investigate painting the railings themselves.
1877	Highways	Redlynch	Curbside hole on Appletree Road	Need to keep monitoring situation
1905	Highways	Laverstock	School traffic in Laverstock	Cllr Ian McLennan(with CATG support) pursuing path between P&R on London Rd and School site
1992	Highways	Landford	HGVs in Landford	Awaiting update from PC on current problems and actions
2182	Highways	Redlynch	Poor road surface in School Road, Nomansland	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team Awaiting update

2193	Highways	Pitton & Farley	Potholes at the junction of Church Road, Pitton	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team. Awaiting update
2259	Highways	Pitton & Farley	road subsidence on narrow bend Church Road, Farley	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team.  Awaiting update
2250	Highways	Downton	Disabled parking bay remarking at Co Op Downton	Awaiting update from officers
2251	Highways	Redlynch	Road condition on Apple Tree Road	Need to keep monitoring this site.
2277	Highways	Laverstock	Queen Manor Road poor surface	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team.  Awaiting update
2379	Highways	Laverstock	Capstone dislodged on Milford Bridge's parapet	Awaiting update from officers
2413	Highways	Redlynch	Hedging obscuring warning School sign on North Lane	Awaiting update from officers that this has been completed. Was going to be done by Parish Steward.
2422	Highways	Southern Wiltshire	SID not operational for 2 week period	CAM in liaison with team reviewing SID deployment
2511	Highways	Redlynch	South Lane, Nomansland, road deteriorated and dangerous	Seeking funding from Major Maintenance Team. Awaiting update
2513	Highways	Redlynch	Clearance of brook, Vicarage Rd, Lover	PC to liaise with landowner over clearance of Brook

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

Full details on the issues are available online here: <a href="https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard</a>

You then click on **issue tracking**. If you would like to be sent hard copies of the issues and updates contact Tom Bray on tom.bray@wiltshire.gov.uk or 01722 434252.

### Reporting an issue:

To report an issue go to <a href="www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard</a> and click on "report an issue in your community now".

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# **Police and Crime Commissioner** Wiltshire



### First Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner due to be elected in November

#### 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.

### 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.

**More information** - you can read more about Police and Crime Commissioner on these websites:

Wiltshire Police Authority PCC section - <a href="www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/pcc">www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/pcc</a> Home Office - <a href="www.homeoffice.gov.uk">www.homeoffice.gov.uk</a> Association of Police and Crime Commissioners - <a href="www.apccs.police.uk">www.apccs.police.uk</a>

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Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Southern Community Area Board 27th September 2012



### 1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: PS Dean Garvin

Alderbury & Laverstock Beat: PC Henry Clissold PCSO Stephanie Dutton PCSO Rachel Gunn

**Downton Beat:** PC Matt Holland PCSO Luke Taylor

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

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

☐ Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

### 3. Performance and Other Local Issues

Work continues on Non Dwelling Burglary where an unusual spike of a dozen offences occurred in Laverstock. PS Dean Garvin and your local team quickly identified possible offenders, routes in & out and likely target premises. With the addition of some officers from Wilton & Salisbury, they put together a policing operation that caught four offenders red handed on the back paths of Laverstock. Property from half a dozen shed/garage burglaries and a car break in nearby was recovered and the individuals concerned remain on bail pending forensic results. The offenders are all local males from Salisbury, three adults and one child in care with links to theft and drug offences. The young person in care has been charged with Burglary at Laverstock Social Club and we have worked with partner agencies to secure his

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relocation to a more suitable care placement in Staffordshire. Your team will be working on the peripheral intelligence arising from this activity in the coming months. I have sought the assistance of our Specialist Crime Directorate at Police HQ in disrupting an organised criminal linked to this local group arrested.

CRIME & DETECTIONS (Sept 2011 - August 2012) compared to previous year

	Crime				
EU Southern Wiltshire	September	September			
20 Southern Witshire	2010 - August	2011 - August	Volume Change	% Change	
	2011	2012			
Victim Based Crime	638	667	29	5%	
Domestic Burglary	40	37	-3	-8%	
Non Domestic Burglary	118	128	10	8%	
Vehicle Crime	77	90	13	17%	
Criminal Damage & Arson	117	139	22	19%	
Violence Against The Person	83	83	0	0%	
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	222	166	-56	-25%	

Detections			
September	September		
2010 - August	2011 - August		
2011	2012		
10%	14%		
18%	22%		
4%	4%		
4%	3%		
3%	10%		
41%	60%		

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

Andrew Noble
Inspector
Salisbury & Southern Wiltshire Community Areas

### **Review of Wiltshire Council's Allocation Policy**

Item 10

### **Area Board Briefing**

The Housing Act 1996 Part VI (as amended by the Homelessness Act 2002 and Localism Act 2012) requires the Council to have a scheme which determines how allocations and nominations will be made. In Wiltshire we operate a Choice Based Lettings policy called Homes4Wiltshire which was adopted shortly before unitary.

The purpose of the Council's Choice Based Lettings Policy is to set out clear guidelines to ensure that affordable housing is allocated fairly and according to applicants' need for housing while at the same time taking into account effective management of the affordable housing stock across Wiltshire.

The Council holds a Housing Register of those wanting to be considered for affordable housing from which nominations are made. There were 17,088 applicants on the Housing Register at 1 April 2012, of which 7,626 had no identified housing need and would be considered as households who have a desire to move, but are currently suitably housed. We also have 5,174 who were identified as having a low need for re-housing, with only 213 households in our highest band. The Housing Register allows households to be considered for properties owned by over 32 housing providers. We would always encourage all housing providers to include all their properties in the Choice Based Lettings scheme whether they are subject to nomination rights or not.

The Council receives around 2,000 nominations a year. The majority of applicants on the Housing Register therefore will not be nominated or referred for a vacancy. It is important therefore that our policy is able to clearly identify those in the greatest housing need and minimises the level of time taken to assess applicants that are not going to receive active consideration for vacancies. This will free up time for the Council to offer a more comprehensive housing advice and options service to help applicants find housing.

Our allocations policy has 5 bands which are Platinum, Gold plus, Gold, Silver and Bronze. Applicants with the highest level of need are placed into Platinum and applicants with no housing need are placed into the bronze band.

Following the introduction of the Localism Act we now have the opportunity to review our allocations policy to consider some of the new freedoms that the act has introduced. Our policy must be framed so as to secure that 'reasonable preference' is given to certain categories of housing need. The reasonable preference categories include:-

- a) People who are homeless (within the meaning of Part 7)
- b) People who are owed a duty under s190(2) (homeless, priority need but intentionally homeless); s193(2) (full homelessness duty); s195(2) (threatened with homelessness and in priority need) or s192(3) (homeless but non priority)
- c) People occupying insanitary or overcrowded housing or otherwise living in unsatisfactory housing conditions

- d) People who need to move on medical or welfare grounds (including any grounds relating to a disability)
- e) People who need to move to a particular locality in the district of the authority, where failure to meet that need would cause hardship (to themselves or to others)

In adopting any new policy we must ensure that the following principles are applied:-

- Allocations should only be made to those who are eligible
- Every local authority must have an allocation scheme for determining priorities with clear procedures in allocating accommodation
- The scheme must include a choice of housing accommodation or the opportunity for the applicant to express preference about their housing accommodation
- The scheme should be framed so as to secure reasonable preference
- We must have regard to our Homeless Strategy and Strategic Tenancy Policy
- Before adopting a new scheme all housing providers should be consulted, allowing a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposals
- We must not allocate housing accommodation except in accordance with our adopted allocation policy.

A full review of our allocations policy is required to discuss how Wiltshire would like to frame its allocation policy based on the new freedoms introduced. We are therefore engaging with area boards across Wiltshire and involving members at the start and during the whole review process.

For further information please contact Nicole Smith, Head of Strategic Housing.

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WILTSHIRE COUNCIL ITEM 11

### SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD (27 September 2012)

### Progress report: Rights of Way project

### Purpose of the Report

To update the Area Board on the progress of this project.

### **Progress Report:**

Following the Area Board's decision at its last meeting to back this project, a cross-parish meeting took place on August 7<sup>th</sup> where the development of this footpath project was discussed. In short, we are focusing on improving access to our footpaths by replacing around 80 old stiles with new kissing gates.

### Number of gates:

Parishes and footpath groups were tasked with getting landowner consent for each of the sites suggested. So far we have written consent for approximately 38 kissing gates across the area. We are awaiting confirmation for another 41 gates.

A local supplier of wooden gates has been identified and they have started to make 5 gates that will be used in the New Forest National Park area. The first gate was installed on 17 September 2012 in Landford.

We have also made an order for the first batch of metal gates. These will be arriving the next few weeks.

### **Funding:**

At the last meeting the Area Board set aside £8,000, Wiltshire Council's PIG scheme has confirmed £5,000, the New Forest National Park Authority has agreed to fund gates which are in, or which lead to, the New Forest and a number of Parish Councils have confirmed their financial contributions towards the project totalling £3175 and we are awaiting further confirmations.

### **Installing the gates – volunteer recruitment:**

Our campaign to recruit volunteers is now underway. We have had about 8 people sign up online so far but we will need parishes to recruit people locally. Volunteers are urged to sign up online. The new website outlines the project in full and can be accessed here:

### www.southernwiltshirewalks.weebly.com

We would like to recruit local tradesmen to help with the installations in return for some advertising in the walks publication. We will be working with the Ramblers who will assist with volunteer training.

### Walks publication

At the cross-parish footpath meeting Susan Barnhurst-Davies from Downton agreed to take a lead role in this project. We will be discussing how to advance this project on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September and will report at the meeting.

As discussed previously, the idea is to produce a series of walks (short and long) in our community area to promote walking and enjoying our countryside. The walks could link up to special places of interest and also local shops and pubs. The publication would also advertise the local businesses who installed kissing gates. It would be made available throughout the community area.

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### WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

**ITEM 12** 

### **SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD** (27 September 2012)

### **Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Report**

### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To approve the recommended funding allocations agreed by the Community Area Transport Group on 21 August 2012.

### Southern Wiltshire Area Board - Prioritised CATG schemes for 2012/13

### The CATG met on 21st August 2012 to

CATG submitted schemes for	Parish	Update	Total cost	CATG	PC	Other
consideration			of project	allocation	allocation	funding
Projects confirmed by CATG & Area Board						
30MPH written on road through Ford Look at GATEWAYS into FORD	Laverstock & Ford	£1750 APPROVED BY AB – Gateway installed	£2,300	£1750	£250	
Milford Mill Road –reduce speed and traffic, improved footway facilities over Milford Mill Bridge	Laverstock & Ford	£1000 APPROVED BY AB	£1,500	£1000	£500 requested from PC	
Projects agreed by CATG to be taken to Area Board for final approval						
Footpath from Whaddon to Grimstead	Alderbury/Grimstead	Agreed by CATG	£10,000	£3,176	£3500	£3,570 PIGS
Red surfacing at entrance to Whitparish on A27	Whiteparish	Agreed by CATG	£3,000	£2,500	£500	
Gateway improvements at entrance to village at A30 end of Firsdown	Firsdown	Agreed by CATG	£3,800	£3,000	£800	
Gateway improvements and treatments to improve safety at junction at Homington (part of larger request to be added to list next year)	Coombe Bissett & Homington PC	Agreed by CATG	£2260	£2,000	£260	
Signage to improve safety on Gunville Hill at Church	Winterslow	Agreed by CATG	£500	£250	£250	
Issues to be kept on the list						
School traffic in Laverstock	Laverstock & Ford	KEEP ON LIST				
Road safety improvements through Homington (part 2 of project listed above)	Coombe Bissett & Homington PC	KEEP ON LIST				
		TOTAL	£23,360	£13,676	£5,310* £500 TBC	£3,570

### Notes:

No further meetings planned unless required

### **Outstanding issues:**

Laverstock & Ford PC are asked to contribute £500 towards the additional works at Milford Mill Road to footway. To be updated at the meeting.

### **Recommendations:**

1. That the above table which sets out the CATG funding allocations be approved.

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WILTSHIRE COUNCIL ITEM 13

### SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD (27 September 2012)

### **Youth Initiative Funding Proposal**

### **Purpose of the Report**

To propose that the Area Board youth money be allocated as part of a participatory budgeting event, where young people submit applications for the funding and decisions are made by young people who get the chance to vote at a special event.

### **How will it work?**

In addition to its central fund the Area Board has a separate fund of £4,109 to spend on projects for young people.

This proposal seeks to involve young people in the development, decisions and implementation of projects in the community in order to encourage participation.

The deadline for applications will be 3 December. We would then hold an event in the Community Area for young people to take part in voting to determine which projects should be funded early in the New Year.

The criteria for funding would be as follows:

- 1. Complete the **online** form here: <u>www.surveymonkey.com/s/TC5SFJH</u>
- 2. The amount available is up to £1000 per bid.
- 3. The project should be linked to volunteering in some way (see **examples** below).
- 4. The applicants should be prepared to present their bid in front of an audience of young people.
- 5. The bid should benefit a number of young people.
- 6. The project should commence before April 2013.

### Here are some possible examples:

- Tools/equipment to enable an club/activity to take place
- Training for young people to undertake activities in the community
- A film project to promote an issue or activity in the area
- Organised trips for disabled young people

### **Recommendation:**

1. That the Area Board allocates its youth budget of £4,109 as outlined above.

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### Item 14

Report to	Southern Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	27 September 2012
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

### 1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider 2 applications seeking 20012/13 Community Area Grant Funding:

Application	Officer Recommendation
Funding the purchase of a new instruments to improve stylistic variations - £2,016  Applicant: Woodfalls Band	Refuse
Loop system for Downton Memorial Hall - £998.40  Applicant: Downton Memorial Hall	Approve

### 2. Key figures so far:

Available funds for 2012/13 - £41,036

- Amount awarded on 5 April 2012 £7,469
- Amount awarded on 7 June 2012 £0
- Amount awarded on 26 July 2012 £5,223 (Grants) & £8,000 (Footpath Theme)

Amount left if all approved - £17,539

#### 3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. 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.
- 3.2. There will be at least 2 more rounds of funding during 2012/13, including this meeting. The deadline for submitting applications to the Community Area Manager is about 4 weeks prior to the meeting. For the actual date see: <a href="https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/southernwiltshireareaboard</a>

### 4. Environmental & Community Implications

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

### 5. Financial Implications

Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. Grant applications totalling £3,014 have been received for this meeting.

### 6. Legal Implications

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

### 7. HR Implications

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

### 8. Equality and Inclusion Implications

8.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

Funding the purchase of a new instruments to improve stylistic variations - £2,016	Refuse
Applicant: Woodfalls Band	

### **Recommendation: Refuse**

This grant was deferred at the previous meeting.

This application meets grant criteria 2012/13.

Application does not demonstrate a direct link to the Community Plan 2010 – 15.

This project is to part fund the costs of two new horns to improve the stylistic variations of the band.

The Area Board recognises the need to support local community arts and music groups however the community benefit from this project seems limited.

Clarification of local community benefit, in terms of potential for local band member development and how often the band plays locally at community functions would strengthen the community benefit of this project.

Loop system for Downton Memorial Hall – £998.40	Approve
Applicant: Downton Memorial Hall	£998.40

### Officer recommendation: Approve £998.40

This application meets the grant criteria 2012/13.

The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan 2010 -15 in that it enhances community facilities and improved access for people with hearing difficulties.

This project is to fund the cost of a hearing loop system for the hall so that more people can enjoy the activities, such as film shows, that take place at the hall.

The Parish Council supports this project and is also funding a new wireless microphone system for the hall.

The Area Board recognises the need to support and enhance local community facilities so that they are available for all.

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# Community Area Grant Application Form 2012/2013

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To fund projects up to £1,000 without the need for matched funding
To fund up to 50% of projects costs of projects over £1,000

Maximum Grant £5,000

For larger projects we strongly advise you to contact Charities Information Bureau three months before you approach the area board. (See Section 2 for contact details)

Please contact your Community Area Manager before completing your application (See Section 3 for contact details)

1. Your organisati	ion or group				
Name of	Woodfalls Band				
organisation					
Contact name					
Contact address					
Contact number			e-mail		
Organisation type	Not for profit or	rganisation 🛚	Parish/	town council 🗌	
	Other, please s	pecify			
2. Your project					
Project Title/Name	Stylistic Enhance	ement			
What is your	To purchase ins	truments to enha	nce the s	tylistic variations and exp	and on the repertoire
project about and	and entertainme	nt options for the	band.		
what does it aim to achieve?					
Important: This					
section is limited to					
600 characters only					
(inclusive of					
spaces).					
In which community		Woodfalls and S	South Wil	tshire	
project take place? (					
name - see section 3					
I/we have discussed our project		Yes □	Doto		No 🗆
with the town/parish		res 🗀	Date		No 🗌
I/we have discussed		V 57	D-1	4.140040	
with our Wiltshire councillor?		Yes ⊠	Date	1 May 2012	No

Where will your project take place?	Woodfalls and surrounding districts.				
When will your project take place?	1 July 2012				
How did you discover there was a need for your project (please provide evidence) and how will your project benefit your local community?	The project will advance the stylistic and development opportunities for the band within the community. Events to benefit would include concerts, religious celebration, "Songs of Praise" and Remembrance. The band is also about to embark on a ground-breaking initiative to organise a Master Class with the renowned conductor Dr. Robert Childs. The Woodfalls Band has been successful in its bid to secure the services of Dr. Childs to train the band and steer its direction to ever higher goals. The Master				
Important: Please do not type/write in paragraphs – This section is limited to 800 characters only (inclusive of spaces)	Class by Dr. Childs is seen as an opportul local bands and musicians. It will be oper particularly the young. This appeal is see band is undertaking within the community	n to all local brass musicians n as key to the work which the			
How many people will benefit from your project?	Countless members of the community.				
How does your project demonstrate a direct link to the local community plan for your area (see <a href="https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards">www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards</a> ) or priorities of your area board?					
Please provide a reference/page no.					
Wiltshire. The band was founded in 187 support of Wiltshire Council for its promothe donation of its facilities. It is most co Council to provide a unique cultural eper for all!	and enjoys a unique reputation within the co 4 and continues to go from strength to stren tion of the annual RBL Poppy Appeal conc enstructive and fullfilling to have the opportu- tience for our community. This project will for	ngth. The band is grateful for the ert in Salisbury City Hall through nity to link-up with Wiltshire urther enhance the experience			
To be completed ONLY where t	own/parish councils are making a	n application			
Is your project one which parish/town taxes to fund?	councils have powers to raise local	Yes No No			
Could your project be funded from yo	Yes No No				
Is your project urgent (having to be co answer YES please provide evidence	Yes No No				

3. Management						
How many people are involved in th Of these, how many are:	e man	agement	of your group/	organisatio	n?	
Over 50 years	Male	2	Female	1		
25 – 50 years	Male	26	Female 3			
Under 25 years	Male	11	Female			
Disabled People	Male	0	Female			
Black and Minority Ethnic people	Male	1	Female			
If your project will continue after the One off purchase	e Wilts	hire Cou	ncil funding ru	ns out, how	will you continue	to fund it?
How will you know whether your procollected to enable you to know that local need?  The stylistic developments will be a tar	t the p	roject ha	is made a posit			
Has Charities Information Bureau (CIB) helped you with this application/to seek funding for this project?	Ye	es 🗌	Date conta	icted CIB		No 🖂
To whom have you applied for funding for this project (other than Wiltshire Council)?	Na	ame of F	under		Amount Applied For	Amount Received
Please <u>list</u> with amount applied for and whether you have been successful						
Have you or do you intend to apply for a grant from another area board within this financial year?  If yes, please state which one(s).	Y	es 🗌	No 🗌			
Are you in receipt or anticipating other funding from other Wiltshire Council departments for this project	1? Y	es 🗌	No ⊠			

4. Information relating to your la	st annual	accounts	(if applicable)		
Year ending: 2011	Month: Dec	<del></del> ;	<b>Year</b> : 2011		
A - Total income:	<b>£</b> 61957.88				
B - Minus total expenditure:	£59253.53				
Surplus/deficit for year: (A minus B)	<b>£</b> 2704.35				
Free reserves currently held (i.e. money not committed to other projects/operating costs)	£2016				
5. Financial information – If you control provide us. If you have to pay the V					
Project Costs A Please provide a <u>full</u> breakdown e.g. eq installation etc.	uipment,	Please lis	ncome B st all sources of fundinal al (P) or confirmed (C	<u> </u>	s project, as
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Two new horns	£4,033	Own fund	draising/reserves	С	£2,016
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Total project income B		<b>£</b> 2,016			
Total project expenditure A		£4,033			
Project shortfall A – B		£2,016			
Grant sought from Wiltshire Council Ar	ea Board	<b>£</b> 2,016			
Bank Details					
Please give the name of the organisations' bank account e.g. Barclays					
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6. Supporting information – Please enclose <u>all</u> the following documentation as failure to do so may lead to a delay in your application being considered			
Enclosed (please tick)			
All written quotes including the one(s) you are going to use			
☐ Latest inspected/audited accounts or annual report or Income/expenditure budget for current financial year			
□ Terms of reference/constitution/group rules			
Evidence of ownership/lease of buildings and/or land			
For new groups, only the group's terms of reference and a projected income and expenditure budget covering a period of 12 months is required.			
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7. Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group) – I confirm that			
☐ This application meets all the funding criteria			
☐ The information on this form is correct, that any award received will be spent on the activities specified, that I will complete a monitoring form (if requested) following completion of the project.			
☑ If a grant is received, I will provide copies of <u>all</u> receipts and invoices associated with the grant and provide information and photographs to demonstrate how the grant was spent.			
☐ That any other form of licence or approval for this project has been received prior to submission of this grant application.			
☐ That the necessary policies and procedures will be in place prior to the commencement of the project outlined in this application.			
☐ Child Protection ☐ Safeguarding Adults			
☐ Public Liability Insurance ☐ Equal opportunities			
☐ Access audit ☐ Environmental impact			
☐ Planning permission applied for (date) or granted (date)			
$oxed{\boxtimes}$ That acknowledgement will be given of Wiltshire Council support in any publicity, printed or website material.			
☑ I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council in relation to this project.			
Name: Date: 29/06/2012			
Position in organisation:			
Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality Team (see section 3)			

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1. Your organisati	on or group			
Name of organisation Contact name	DOWNTON MEMORIAL HALL			
Contact address	* *			
Contact number	e-mail			
Organisation type	Not for profit organisation ✓ Parish/town council ☐  Other, please specify			
2. Your project				
Project Title/Name	HEARING LOOP SYSTEM			
What is your project about and what does it aim to achieve?  Important: This section is limited to 600 characters only (inclusive of spaces).	THE PROJECT AIMS TO GIVE PEOPLE WITH A HEARING DISABILITY THE CHANCE TO HEAR THE COMMENTARY ON FILMS / DISCUSSIONS / MEETINGS THAT ARE HELD IN THE DOWNTON MEMORIAL HALL			
In which community project take place? (I name – see section 3	Please give SOULTERN PIRET DOTT			
I/we have discussed with the town/parish				
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Where will your project take place?	DOWNTON MEMORIAL	HALL		
When will your project take place?	ASAP			
How did you discover there was a need for your project (please provide evidence) and how will your project benefit your local community?	From local DEAF PED THAT THEY COULD NO SHOWS * ATTHE HALL NOT HEAR PROPERLY	AS THEY COULD		
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Is your project urgent (having to be completed in this financial year? If you answer YES please provide evidence elsewhere on the application form				

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Surplus/deficit for year: (A minus B)	£ 3121				
Free reserves currently held (i.e. money not committed to other projects/operating costs)	£ 4900				
5. Financial information – If you c provide us. If you have to pay the V	an claim bad .A.T then ple	ck V.A.T. please <u>exclude</u> VAT from the second of the second v.A.T. in the figure	om the figures you s you provide us.		
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Total project expenditure A			8.40		
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I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council in relat	ion to this project.				
Name:	Date: 20/8/2012				
Position in organisation:					
Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality	y Team (see section 3)				

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# **SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD - Forward Plan 2012/13**

Item No. 15

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

Date	Cabinet Member Attending	Location	Area Board Agenda Main Items and Chairman's Announcements
29 November 2012	Cllr Dick Tonge	Trafalgar School, Downton	<ul> <li>Understanding Autism</li> <li>Asset Management Strategy</li> <li>Victim Support</li> <li>Matters Arising</li> </ul> Items including Partner and / or Parish Council Updates, Local Issues and Community Area Grants.
31 January 2013	Cllr Keith Humphries	Winterslow Village Hall	<ul> <li>Fire Authority – Integrated Risk Management Plan</li> <li>Impact of Welfare Reform</li> <li>Update on the Provision of Informal Adult Education</li> <li>Matters Arising</li> <li>Items including Partner and / or Parish Council Updates, Local Issues and Community Area Grants.</li> </ul>

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