

AGENDA

Meeting: CORSHAM AREA BOARD
Place: Corsham Community Centre, Beechfield Road, Corsham, SN13 9DN
Date: Tuesday 30 March 2010
Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Box, Corsham, Colerne and Lacock

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.

Please direct any enquiries on this Agenda to Julia Densham (Senior Democratic Services Officer), 01249 706610 or julia.densham@wiltshire.gov.uk or Dave Roberts (Corsham Community Area Manager), 07979 318504 or dave.roberts@wiltshire.gov.uk

All the papers connected with this meeting are available on the Council's website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

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Wiltshire Councillors

Peter Davis (Vice Chairman) – Corsham Town

Sheila Parker – Box & Colerne

Alan Macrae – Corsham Pickwick

Dick Tonge (Chairman) – Corsham Without & Box Hill

| Items to be considered | Time |
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| 1. Chairman's Welcome, Introductions and Announcements | 7.00pm |
| 2. Apologies for Absence | |
| 3. Minutes (<i>Pages 1 - 12</i>) To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2010. | |
| 4. Declarations of Interest To declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee. | |
| 5. Chairman's Announcements (<i>Pages 13 - 14</i>) | |
| 6. Health Presentation Maggie Rae, Joint Director of Public Health, will deliver a presentation on the findings of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment which details the current health priorities of Corsham community area residents. | 7.05pm |
| 7. Kandu Arts Presentation Ed Deedigan, Director of Kandu Arts, will give a presentation on the needs of young people who live in Potley and Pockeridge. This evaluation was funded by Corsham Area Board in February 2010. | 7.20pm |
| 8. Wiltshire Police Authority Kieran Killgallen, Chief Executive of the Wiltshire Police Authority, will give a presentation on the work of the Police Authority. There will be an opportunity to discuss how members of the Authority can help improve communications between Wiltshire Police and local communities. | 7.30pm |
| 9. Neighbourhood Policing Update (<i>Pages 15 - 20</i>) Acting Inspector Mark Gale will update the meeting on the latest neighbourhood policing issues in the Corsham community area. | 7.40pm |
| 10. Protective Services Department (<i>Pages 21 - 22</i>) Detective Sergeant Martin McDonagh, Wiltshire Police, will give a presentation on the work of its Protective Services Department, including vulnerable person teams, child protection, major and organised crime as well as Specialist Operations such as public order and critical incidents. Questions will be invited following the presentation. | 7.45pm |

A list of the departments covered is set out in the attached papers.

Note: questions may be submitted in advance – please email to julia.densham@wiltshire.gov.uk by Thursday 26 March 2010.

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| 11. | Corsham Town Centre - Pedestrian Area | 7.55pm |
| | <p>Graeme Hay, Wiltshire Council, will talk about planned maintenance of the pedestrian area in Corsham Town.</p> | |
| 12. | Cabinet Representative | 8.15pm |
| | <p>Councillor Fleur de Rhé-Philippe will provide an overview of her Cabinet responsibilities for Performance, Finance and Risk; this will be followed by the opportunity to ask any questions.</p> | |
| | <p><i>Note: questions may be submitted in advance – please email to julia.densham@wiltshire.gov.uk by Thursday 25 March 2010.</i></p> | |
| 13. | Partner Updates (Pages 23 - 28) | 8.25pm |
| | <p>To receive updates from any the following partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Serviceb) NHS Wiltshirec) Town and Parish Council Nominated Representativesd) Corsham Community Area Networke) Corsham Area Young People's Issues Groupf) Chamber of Commerce. | |
| 14. | Community Issues and Funding (Pages 29 - 30) | 8.40pm |
| | <p>Dave Roberts, Community Area Manager, will update the meeting on the community issues process and progress made. Online updates are available from the Wiltshire Council website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboardsissuestracking.htm.</p> <p>A summary is attached detailing the Community Area Grants awarded to local organisations during 2009-2010.</p> | |
| 15. | Corsham Railway Station | 8.55pm |
| | <p>Councillor Peter Davis will provide an update on the current situation regarding Corsham Railway Station.</p> | |
| 16. | Evaluation and Close (Pages 31 - 34) | 9.00pm |
| | <p>The Chairman will invite any remaining questions from the floor. Arrangements for future meetings are set out in the attached Forward Work Plan.</p> | |

MINUTES

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| Meeting: | CORSHAM AREA BOARD |
| Place | Corsham Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 0EZ |
| Date: | 2 February 2010 |
| Start Time: | 7.00 pm |
| Finish Time: | 8.50 pm |

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

In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Dick Tonge (Corsham Without and Box Hill) (Chairman), Cllr Peter Davis (Corsham Town) (Vice-Chair), Cllr Alan Macrae (Corsham Pickwick) and Cllr Sheila Parker (Box and Colerne)

Service Director:

Siân Walker (Adult Care)

Officers

Dave Roberts (Community Area Manager), Phil Tilley (Head of Transport Development) and Marie Todd (Area Board and Member Support Manager)

Parish and Town Councils

Corsham Town Council - Cllrs Allan Bosley, Nicholas Keyworth, Elaine Marston and Michael Simpkins and David Martin (Clerk)

Box Parish Council – Cllr Jennie Hartless

Colerne Parish Council – Cllrs Tom Hall and Mary Harvey

Partners

MoD – B Hastings, P Ralph and Phil Westwood

Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Mike Franklin

Wiltshire Police Authority – Gill Stafford

Pickwick Residents' Association – Sandra Luke, D McDermott and Mike Prosser

Chamber of Commerce – Ian Storey

Corsham Civic Society – G Knapp

Station Campaign – Anne Lock

Transcoco – Adam Walton

Mansion House Playgroup – Louise Blackburn

Corsham Cricket Club – Jim Carroll
The Pound Arts Trust Ltd – Ian Martin
Kandu Arts – Donna Lee and Ed Deedigan
Corsham Community Centre – Helen Hynes, P Ralph and W Shardlow

Members of the Public in Attendance: 16

Total Number in Attendance: 50

| <u>Agenda Item No.</u> | <u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u> | | | | | <u>Action By</u> |
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| 1. | <u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Corsham Area Board meeting. | | | | | |
| 2. | <u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies for absence were received from: Jo Howes – NHS Wiltshire Peter Anstey – Potley and Pockeridge Community Centre. | | | | | |
| 3. | <u>Minutes</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2009 were confirmed and signed as a correct record. | | | | | |
| 4. | <u>Declarations of Interest</u> | | | | | |
| | Name | Item | Type of Interest | Nature of Interest | Action | |
| | Cllr P Davis | Item No. 7 – Funding – Corsham Town Council application, Corsham Cricket Club application and Corsham Community Centre application. | Prejudicial | Member of Corsham Town Council, Corsham Cricket Club and Corsham Community Centre. | Did not vote. | Speak or |
| | Cllr S Parker | Item No. 7 – Funding – Box Parish Council application. | Prejudicial | Member of Box Parish Council | Did not vote. | Speak or |
| | Cllr R Tonge | Item No. 7 – Funding – Colerne | Prejudicial | Member of Colerne Parish | Did not vote. | Speak or |

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| | Parish Council application. | | Council | | |
| 5. | <p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman informed those present that during the bad weather, as well as gritting the roads, Wiltshire Council had also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported elderly and vulnerable people by providing 4x4 vehicles to enable carers to reach them and to ensure that essential medical supplies such as insulin were delivered. • Provided support to enable elderly and vulnerable people to receive deliveries of bottled gas and other essential items. • Assisted the ambulance service by clearing roads and providing 4x4 vehicles for emergencies. • Cleared roads near schools to enable pupils to sit their exams. • Issued snow ploughs to farmers to assist them to help their local communities. | | | | |
| 6. | <p><u>A4/Basil Hill Developments</u></p> <p>Officers reported that since the last meeting they had undertaken a further review of the requirement for traffic signals on the A4. This had involved a count of vehicle movements and a survey of pedestrians. The outcome of this review had shown that there it was now no longer necessary to provide traffic signals at the junctions. Officers explained that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leafy Lane junction would now have a right turn lane rather than traffic signals. • The Little Fiveways junction would still have traffic signals. • The Hare and Hounds junction would now require a minor change to the mini roundabout. There was the also the possibility of providing two zebra crossings. • At Park Lane the existing roundabout would be extended. • Academy Drive would revert to a priority junction. • Wiltshire Council would need to hold discussions with the MoD and review the agreement for junction improvements. • The relevant reports would be placed on the Council's | | | | |

website and would be available to the public.

The Councillors thanked the Pickwick Residents' Association for their work and input into these proposals and also officers for undertaking the review. The Residents' Association thanked the Area Board for the new proposals and for listening to their objections. The Association requested that it be able to view the detailed proposals at an early stage. Officers stated that the drawings could be brought to a future Area Board meeting or to an exhibition held in the locality. It was also important to avoid unnecessary highway clutter and too much signage.

There was some concern about the amount of traffic travelling through Neston. It was suggested that the provision of a "no right turn" sign at the MoD exit would help. However, officers felt that any revised traffic proposals for the A4 at Corsham would not have a significant effect on Neston traffic.

It was confirmed that the necessary work would not be funded from Section 106 contribution would be funded by the MoD under the provisions of a Section 278 agreement.

7.

Funding

(a) Community Area Grant Funding

The Area Board considered nine applications seeking 2009/10 Community Area Grant funding.

(i) Corsham Town Council

Decision

To award £1,503 to purchase shelters, tables and chairs and to enable community groups free use of the equipment for outside functions and community events.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will benefit a number of community groups in Corsham and the surrounding area.

(ii) Box Parish Council

Decision

To award £5,000 to Box Parish Council to refurbish tennis courts and to create a multi use games area

for use by users of the centre, tennis club and local school pupils.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will increase participation in sport and create a healthier lifestyle for all ages.

- (iii) Corsham Cricket Club

Decision

To award £1,750 to Corsham Cricket Club to install an external staircase leading to the changing rooms on the first floor of the Cricket Club.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will improve the safety of those using the Cricket Club facilities.

- (iv) Kandu Arts

Decision

To award £1,250 to Kandu Arts to facilitate consultation with young people in Potley and Pockeridge about problems, root causes and possible solutions to anti social behaviour.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will involve young people in dialogue to address the root causes of anti-social behaviour.

- (v) Transition Community Corsham

Decision

To award Transition Community Corsham £995 for the development of a website and publicity material to allow the organisation to reach more people in the community area.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will work towards creating a sustainable solution to address climate change.

- (vi) The Pound Arts Centre

Decision

To award £2,721 to purchase a new high definition projector to attract a wider audience to cinema screenings.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will enable the organisation to show presentations more clearly and to extend its provision for young people.

(vii) Potley Young Group

Decision

To award £594 to purchase tools, seeds and plants for a gardening project and a half term activity to promote and recruit new people to the centre.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will provide an opportunity for young people and their parents to engage with the garden project.

(viii) Corsham Community Centre

Decision

To award £903 to Corsham Community Centre to purchase equipment to enhance and develop a snooker room.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will develop and enhance the facilities and environment of the Community Centre.

(ix) Mansion House Playgroup

Decision

To award £975 to the Mansion House Playgroup to purchase a suitable storage shed.

Reason

The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2009/10 and will improve the outdoor facilities available to the children.

(b) Remaining Funding

The Community Area Manager explained that having agreed the above grant funding there was a balance of £4,332. There were three options available to the Area Board:

- To request the Cabinet that the balance be carried into next year. The Corsham Area Board had only had three funding cycles in the year and potentially had two projects of £5,000 each who were not in a position to apply for funding in this round but should be able to in the next financial year.
- To try to publicise again and ask for grants of £1,000 or less and hold an extraordinary meeting specifically for funding bids.
- To do nothing and allow the underspend to be drawn back to central funds.

Decision

To recommend to the Cabinet that the balance of £4,332 be rolled forward to next year.

(Note: The Chairman, Cllr R Tonge declared a prejudicial interest in the following item and Cllr P Davis, Vice Chairman, took the Chair).

(c) **Performance Reward Grant**

The Area Board considered an expression of interest to the Performance Reward Grant Scheme. The application was from Colerne Parish Council to extend the pavement along from Silver Street to the Recreation Ground entrance. This was in order to provide a safe access to the Recreation Ground and the doctors' surgery in The Firs and Colerne Primary School and to allow a direct pedestrian route from the Firs to the Primary School.

Decision

To support the bid for performance reward grant funding from Colerne Parish Council to go forward for consideration.

(Note: Cllr R Tonge resumed the Chair).

8.

Partner Updates

The Area Board received the following partner updates:

(a) Wiltshire Police

Crime in the area had reduced in the last few months. There were now eight volunteers to staff the Police Station in Corsham.

Another five areas had expressed an interest in the Community Speed Watch scheme and surveys had now been carried out. On the A4 at Box Hill the problem appeared to be one of perception rather than actual speeding. The Police and Council were currently working together on a speed limit review. The Police had to prioritise their speed checks and to address known problem areas.

(b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service

Lots of preventative work had recently taken place and in the last two months 48 home safety checks had been carried out. Safety checks were available free of charge to vulnerable people.

The Service was also providing the 'Safe drive, stay alive' training for young people. This programme was being extended to include the military and commercial organisations.

(c) NHS Wiltshire

A written report had been submitted with the agenda papers.

(d) Corsham Town Council

The Town Council gave some feedback on the use of some grant funding which had recently been awarded. Some of the empty shop units in the town had been used to display art by local groups and schools. The project had been very successful.

(e) Colerne Parish Council

Major refurbishment of the old school buildings had been completed. £550k had been raised for the project which included four affordable flats, a refurbished playschool room and two community rooms. In the recent past there had been no additional

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| | <p>affordable housing built in Colerne.</p> <p>A £100 project to refurbish the play area on the recreational ground has been started.</p> <p>(f) <u>Corsham Community Area Network</u></p> <p>The network was continuing successfully and effectively. The clerk had recently resigned and the post would be advertised shortly.</p> <p>An insulation scheme was being run in conjunction with the energy savings trust. Low cost roofing and insulation could be provided and leaflets were available at the meeting.</p> <p>The Network had also undertaken a bus stop audit details of which were circulated with the agenda. This had been produced by volunteers. The Area Board thanked the network for this excellent piece of work and agreed to put Cllr Richard Gamble, Portfolio Holder for Transport in touch with them.</p> <p>(g) <u>Chamber of Commerce</u></p> <p>The state of Corsham's economy was reasonable but there were still un-let premises in the town.</p> | |
| 9. | <p><u>Cabinet Representative</u></p> <p>Councillor Toby Sturgis the Cabinet Member for Waste, Property and Environment attended the meeting. The following issues were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A review of waste and recycling was currently underway as part of Wiltshire Council's harmonisation process. • Landfill tax would be increasing and it was therefore important to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill as far as possible. • To provide a full weekly service including recycling would mean a 4% increase in Council Tax so it was important to find the right balance. • Cllr Sturgis informed the Area Board that meters were available for hire at Wiltshire libraries which people could take home and plug in to see the difference in energy use between low energy light bulbs and the old style light bulbs. • A development plan document was being drawn up to | |

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| | <p>identify locations for gypsy and traveller sites in the area. It was important to move forward with this policy and consultation would take place in May/June 2010.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Council was also reviewing its property portfolio and would consider offering any surplus property for community use. | |
| 10. | <p><u>Katherine Park</u></p> <p>Cllr MacRae explained to the Area Board that roads in Katherine Park could not be adopted until the sewage infiltration issues had been rectified. The manhole inspection had now been completed. A further meeting would take place with the developers on Thursday 4 February and a further update could then be given.</p> | |
| 11. | <p><u>Community Issues</u></p> <p>The Area Board received an update regarding the outstanding issues in the Corsham community area. A total of 34 issues had been reported through the issues process since it was launched.</p> | |
| 12. | <p><u>Corsham Railway Station</u></p> <p>Cllr Richard Gamble, Portfolio Holder for transport, had met with local stakeholders to discuss the possible re-opening of Corsham Station.</p> <p>£252k of Section 106 money was available for a station but this would have to be returned by 2018 if it was unspent. The Town Council had undertaken consultation regarding this funding and it had been agreed that it should continue to be allocated to the station and not diverted to other projects.</p> | |
| 13. | <p><u>Evaluation and Close</u></p> <p>It was noted that the last meeting had been inquorate and therefore unable to make any decisions. The Chairman confirmed that all the recommendations made at the last meeting had now been ratified by all the Area Board members.</p> <p>The Area Board noted the forward plan.</p> | |

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Chairman's Announcements

Consultation on Gypsy and Traveller Sites

Wiltshire Council is preparing a plan that will identify land for gypsy and traveller sites and include a policy for assessing the suitability of other sites the Council is asked to consider through the planning application process.

Wiltshire Council has a responsibility to plan for the housing needs of everyone in the Wiltshire community. This doesn't just mean providing a range of types and sizes of houses available to rent or to buy. There is also a responsibility to plan for the accommodation needs of gypsies, travellers and travelling show people.

The number of gypsies and travellers in Wiltshire has been increasing in recent years.

The consequence of not addressing this growing accommodation need could be increased tension between the settled and travelling community and discrimination towards the gypsy and traveller community.

An 8 week consultation on the issues and general approach to identifying land for new gypsy, traveller and show people sites is to start on Tuesday 6th April until 5pm on Friday 4th June 2010. This is the first stage in the process of preparing a Gypsy & Traveller Site Allocations Development Plan Document.

The purpose of the consultation is to:

- Discuss the ISSUES around providing new sites.
- Develop a METHOD for assessing what is a good location for new sites.
- Invite LAND to be put forward to be considered as possible new sites.

All information relating to the consultation will be available from the end of March on line at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/gypsyandtravellersitesallocationsdpd, in the main Council offices in Chippenham, Devizes, Salisbury and Trowbridge and available at local libraries.

If you would like to discuss the issues involved in this consultation in more detail drop in events are being held at the following locations between 4pm and 8pm:

Neald Hall, Chippenham
Wessex Room, Corn Exchange, Devizes
Meeting Room, City Hall, Salisbury

Wednesday 5 May 2010
Tuesday 11 May 2010
Thursday 13 May 2010

Consultation on the Review of Special Educational Needs Provision

Over recent months Wiltshire Council officers have worked with schools, parent representatives and other people to review Special Educational Needs (SEN) provision in the county.

The review relates to the whole of Wiltshire. It is not a cost cutting exercise; the purpose is to more effectively use available resources. The review considers:

- special school provision
- specialist provision that is part of mainstream primary and secondary schools
- SEN support services for schools

A document has been written that sets out what the review has shown and what the Council would like to do in the future. This will now be shared with a wide range of people who are invited to respond to say what they think about what the Council's proposals. The publication date is late February 2010. Those being contacted include: parents and carers of children with special educational needs, schools, Diocesan authorities, other Local Authorities, and Trade Unions. As soon as the document becomes available it is also being circulated to Parish Councils, through the Area Boards network, and it will also be available on the Wiltshire Council website.

Any questions about the proposals or the consultation process can be sent in the first instance to Tracy Gates, SEN Project Officer, tracygates@wiltshire.gov.uk 01225 756170.

There are opportunities available to meet with officers to discuss the proposals:

- Devizes School, Devizes Monday 29 March 7pm
- Sheldon School, Chippenham Wednesday 21 April 7pm
- Kingdown School, Warminster Thursday 22 April 7pm
- Salisbury City Hall, Salisbury Tuesday 4 May 7pm
- St.John's Parish Church Centre, Trowbridge Friday 7 May 10am.

(The evening meetings are preceded by meetings for school staff and school governors.)

The closing date for the consultation is 12 noon Monday 24 May 2010. The content of the consultation responses will be made available to the Elected Members of Wiltshire Council who will make decisions in relation to the proposals.

Most of the proposals that may be subsequently agreed by Elected Members are designed to come into effect from September 2011. An individual plan will be put in place for any individual child or young person affected by any changes.

Wiltshire Police Corsham



Corsham Police March 2010

Neighbourhood Police Sergeant's message

The Corsham NPT is working hard within the community, tackling reported issues of concern raised through both the local community consultation processes and the Wiltshire Council Area Board issues reporting site.

This sustained effort has produced excellent results and reported crime figures have fallen with an increase in a variety of offences being detected.

We will continue to work with our partner agencies, community groups and the wider population to provide a high quality and locally accountable service to the communities we police.

Reported ASB has reduced across the town and rural areas and high profile patrols continue during the day and evenings to provide a high degree of community reassurance and confidence.

There have been a number of distraction type burglaries and rogue trader offences across the whole Chippenham area, specifically targeted towards the more vulnerable and elderly sections of the community.

I am pleased to report that three local males were arrested last week in respect of a number of these offences and enquiries are continuing into their actions. This was an excellent example of positive action being taken to both prevent and detect this particularly unpleasant type of crime.

The Police Volunteer scheme is moving forward with four individuals being identified to work out of Corsham Police Station covering a variety of hours during the week. This will enable greater access for the public to engage with their local Policing teams and also provide support for the Officers to enable more time is spent out in the community.

Full opening times will be published in the very near future; currently the Station front office is open to the public each Wednesday between 10 am to 2 pm for general enquiries.

Support for Neighbourhood Watch is still being sought across the Corsham area; however two new schemes have been identified for the Hullavington and Stanton area which is positive progress.

Community Speed Watch still requires more support; flyers and newsletters have been distributed with the support of Corsham Town Council, and we will continue to publicise this worthwhile scheme in an effort to address concerns over speeding.

Police Sergeant 85 Alex Reid

Wiltshire Police Corsham



Sector Head's Message

Kate Pain is currently performing the role of Acting Chief Inspector for around eight weeks; as her Deputy, I (Mark Gale) am therefore covering her position as Acting Inspector and Sector Head.

I'm pleased to report that, as we fast approach the end of the financial year, our figures for crime and disorder in the Corsham area are looking good.

Looking firstly at our force priorities, serious violent crime is 22% below target - this is really good news for us as it demonstrates that our aim to be more visible and robust is preventing violence. Serious Acquisitive Crime (i.e Robbery, Theft of and Theft from Motor vehicles) also remains well below target.

Disappointingly, we have recently suffered a few dwelling burglaries, especially in the rural areas. This has had a detrimental impact on our figures for those offences, but to keep this in perspective, there as been only 42 dwelling burglaries throughout the whole year. Our Priority Crime Team, Response Teams and local NPT are well aware that we need to do all we can to catch those people who commit these offences and will continue to do all they can to arrest and charge them.

If any of you would like Crime Prevention advice, please speak with your NPT who can arrange for a Crime Prevention Officer to visit you.

Overall, recorded crime for Corsham is 12.9% below target.

It's not all about figures though - over the past few months we have introduced a new process where the Area Board Manager, Community Safety Manager, Anti Social Behaviour Reduction Officer and Fire Community Engagement Manager meet with our NPT Sergeants to discuss priorities and what we can do together to resolve issues.

A good example of this has been the good partnership work to reduce the Anti Social Behaviour in and around the Martingate Centre - there has been a significant reduction in calls to Police as a result of the measures in place and we will continue to work together to resolve priorities and issues jointly. In general, ASB remains low across the Corsham area.

We are aware that the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes can be a valuable source of information and Sgt Reid is working with our Control Room (at Devizes) to implement measures to improve communication with them, especially after incidents such as a recent burglary, bogus callers, suspicious vehicle, etc.

Mark Gale
Acting Inspector 616

Wiltshire Police Corsham



Priorities & ongoing activity

Corsham Town (covering Easton, Westrop and environs)

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR – Martingate Centre, High Street car park, Springfield Recreation/Skate Park and Recreation park Alexander Terrace.

Reported ASB across the town has been very low in recent weeks. This behaviour can cause a great deal of upset and annoyance and is often committed by individuals and groups with little regard for the impact their actions have. The NPT teams will continue to patrol those areas raised as concerns, such as the town centre and Skate Park and deal positively with any individuals or groups causing a nuisance within the community. Education about the detrimental effects of ASB is promoted locally through partnership work with the local schools, youth and community groups.

DRUGS - Town centre and estates.

A Misuse of Drugs warrant was carried out in mid February; a local male was arrested and interviewed having been found in possession of unlawful substances and a second male was issued with a cannabis street warning.

More proactive warrants are planned across the area following community provided and we will continue to take positive action against those concerned with and involved in the taking and supply of drugs within the community and reinforce the message that drugs misuse will not be tolerated in Corsham.

OTHER ISSUES OF NOTE –

Unfortunately the Bluz and Zuz discos that have been held with previous successes were likely to have been suspended indefinitely due to a lack of available funding.

However, I am very pleased to report that both Corsham Town Council and Westlea Housing Association have both generously pledged sufficient funds to ensure this event can continue and therefore provide a focal part in the community for the youth of Corsham. This is a very worthwhile contribution by our partners and I am extremely grateful for their ongoing support.

Our local colleagues in the Ministry of Defence Police continue to carry out speed checks and traffic stops across the area, supporting both their objectives and local Police efforts to address speeding concerns and further provide additional highly visible Policing within the community.

Community Speed Watch has yet to be implemented anywhere in the Corsham area. Despite being well publicised locally, with the positive support of the Town Council providing flyers and newsletters, there has been a very low response for volunteers to come forward from the community. We will continue to publicise this scheme across the area.

Corsham NPT will also be working with the Town Council and supporting the planned Armed Services day on the 26th June this year. We will have a stand shared alongside the Town Council and this will be an excellent opportunity to engage face to face with the public and offer our support to our colleagues in the Armed Services.

Corsham South (Covering Lacock, Neston, Gastard, Notton)

LACOCK – There has been a recent commercial burglary to a business premises in Lacock where garden ornaments and equipment was stolen. Enquiries continue into this matter.

Wiltshire Police Corsham



Community concerns over the illegal use of the one way system in the village have been addressed and no further reports have been passed to Police. NPT will continue to pay attention to this area as part of their day to day activities.

LACKHAM – The Police Information Point at Lackham College has proved successful with a positive response and attendance and future dates have been published on the NPT website where your local NPT will be in attendance.

GASTARD – There has been a single report of suspicious activity around the area, specifically Monks lane and the old quarry sites. This was believed to be persons entering the location looking for scrap metal which is in demand due to the high price of metal currently.

NESTON – As per the earlier update, successes have been made in respect of tackling the distraction burglary/rogue trader offenders by a number of arrests and patrols stepped up across the area to ensure community confidence.

The Royal Arthur site is undergoing further preventative work by the site managers including the installation of new fencing, additional locks on the main gates, the fitment of anti-cut chains and warning signage to advise the dangers of trespass/injury and the likely risk of prosecution if found on site.

Corsham North (covering Colerne, Box and Rudloe)

COLERNE – A continuing quiet period across Colerne and the surrounding area, and no issues of concern to report.

BOX – There have been further occasional reports of ASB within the playing fields. NPT are continuing patrols and will take positive action with those found disrupting the quality of life of others.

RUDLOE - The former RAF Rudloe site has suffered some instances of damage and theft from the derelict buildings and surrounding open areas. Meetings have taken place with the property developers in an effort to reduce the appeal of this location to opportunist criminals. These have included stripping out any items of worth from the remaining buildings, securing the gates and fencing and the provision of a security guard for part of the site. The Manor House is awaiting a wildlife survey in the summer months, after which additional work to secure the premises can hopefully be made by the site owners.

Chippenham Rural (covering Biddestone, North Wraxall, Castle Combe, Yatton Keynell, Langley Burrell, Stanton St Quintin, Kington St Michael, Kington Langley, Sutton Bengier, Christian Malford, Burton, Grittleton, Hullavington and Seagry).

BIDDESTONE/CASTLE COMBE - There have been further stone thefts in Biddestone and Castle Combe, targeting stone roof tiles which are in demand throughout the area.

A burglary was reported at a commercial premise at the race circuit, at this stage nothing was confirmed as being stolen; however enquiries into this crime continue.

YATTON KEYNELL - There have been a number of dwelling burglaries in Yatton Keynell, primarily where jewellery appears to be the main property stolen. Enquiries are continuing into these offences, patrols have been stepped up and additional resources being brought in. Local businesses, NHW schemes and other partner agencies have been made aware and we will deal with these crimes as a local priority.

KINGTON LANGLEY - An attempted deception offence in Kington Langley was reported where persons entered the garden and cut an elderly victim's hedge without prior permission and then aggressively demanded a sum of money.

This has been linked to the arrests of the three males for the distraction offences across the area.

CHRISTIAN MALFORD - A male from the Wiltshire area was arrested after attempting to sell a large quantity of stolen road manhole covers to a business in the Christian Malford area. This was a very positive arrest given

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the danger open manholes in the road can be to road users and the financial burden to the taxpayer of replacement.

NETTLETON - Another offender has been identified through forensic DNA analysis for a historical crime in Nettleton and enquiries into this are ongoing.

The NPT Team continues to carry out the community engagement and consultation meetings.

Details are published on the Wiltshire Police website and flyers published by the parish councils. Flyers will also be sent out to the NHW.

Contact is also made in the villages that the mobile library visits each month. This is a good local point of contact and allows for minor issues to be reported or discussed that do not require more formal action.

We also attend meetings/clubs or coffee mornings if invited and able to do so. This is another good opportunity to meet a broader cross section of the community.

If you have a group or club you wish us to visit, please use the contact details published below:

Contact details - Telephone 0845 408 7000 ext 733 817

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6041 Val Wagstaff.

PC 1877 Mandie Ball, PCSOs 6201 Charles Campbell &

Chippenham Rural NPT

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6035 Steven Butler

PC 338 Heather Barham, PCSOs 6007 Norman Webster &



WILTSHIRE POLICE PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Please see below for a list of Departments covered by ‘Protective services.’ If you wish to advise us of any specific questions in advance we can make sure we include it in our presentation.

- **Major Crime**
- **Special Branch**
- **Economic crime**
- **Public order**
- **Civil Contingencies**
- **Critical Incidents**
- **Organised Crime**
- **Public Protection**
- **Forensic Department**
- **Operations** (including Roads Policing/Dog section/Firearms Departments)

***Detective Sergeant Rob Findlay
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Report for Corsham Area Board

Fires

We have seen an increase in the number of accidental fires that we have attended during the months of January and February 2010 within the Boards area, there being 13 incidents of this type. These have included 3 dwelling fires, involving curtains, a cooker and a kitchen. We also attended 6 chimney fires. The remaining fires involved a car, grass cuttings, a skip and a store room in a non domestic dwelling.

We have continued to see a decrease in the number of deliberate fires we attended during the same period. The one deliberate fire that we were called to involved garden waste and tree cuttings.

Injuries

No individuals have been injured through any fire related incident that we have attended during January and February 2010.

RTCs

We have not been called to attend any Road Traffic Collisions within the Boards area during January and February 2010.

Community Safety

Due to the number of chimney fires that we have been called to attend in the Boards area over the January and February 2010 we would like to take this opportunity to remind occupiers that Community Fire Safety Activities are continuing to focus on Chimney Fire Safety. People with open fires, wood stoves and flame effect gas fires are encouraged to get their chimneys swept and flues checked regularly. We would also like to highlight kitchen fire safety, particularly in relation to not leaving cooking unattended, and to keep all cooking appliances including ovens, hobs and grills clean and free from a build up of grease and food matter.

For further information please visit www.direct.gov.uk/firekills



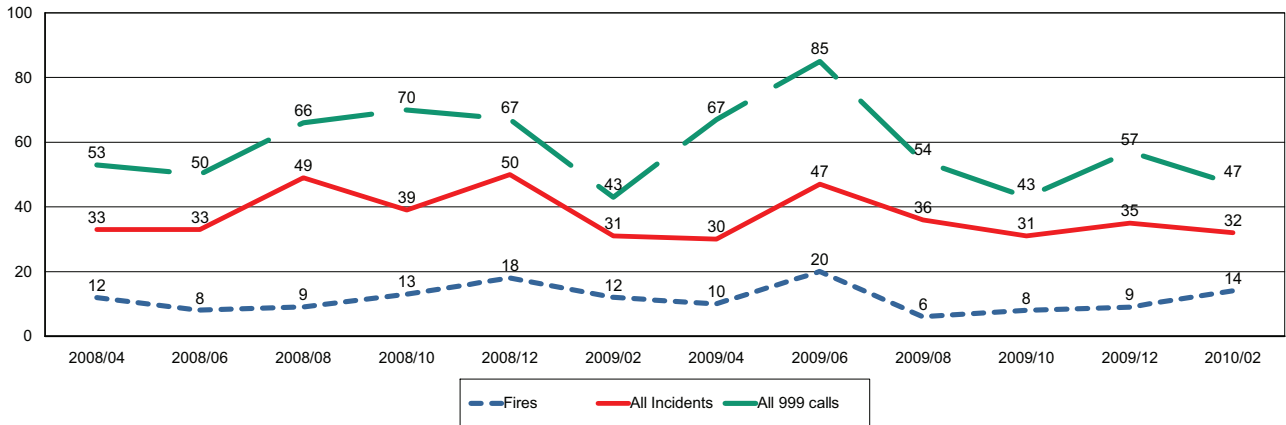
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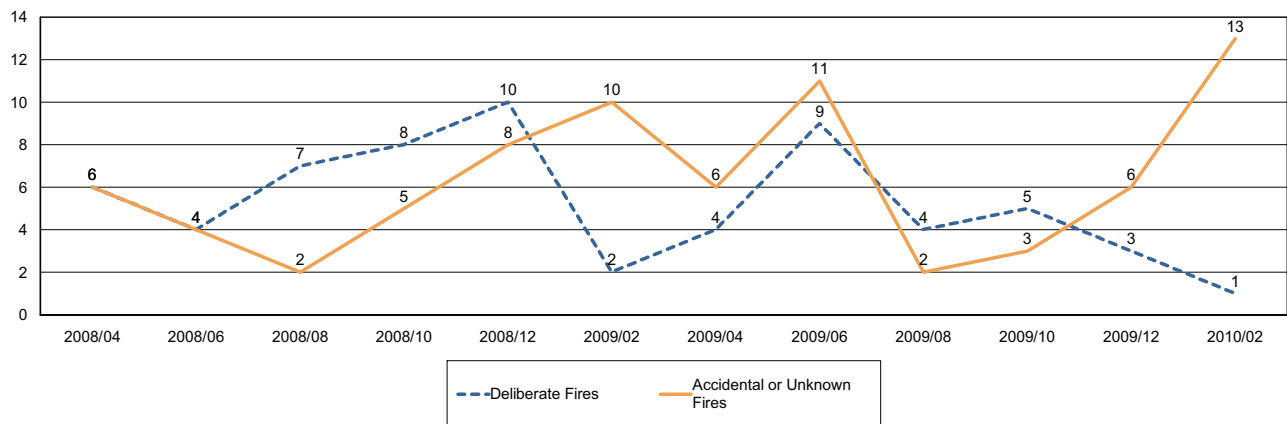
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The following is a bi-monthly update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including February 2010. It has been prepared by the Group Manager for the Board's area.

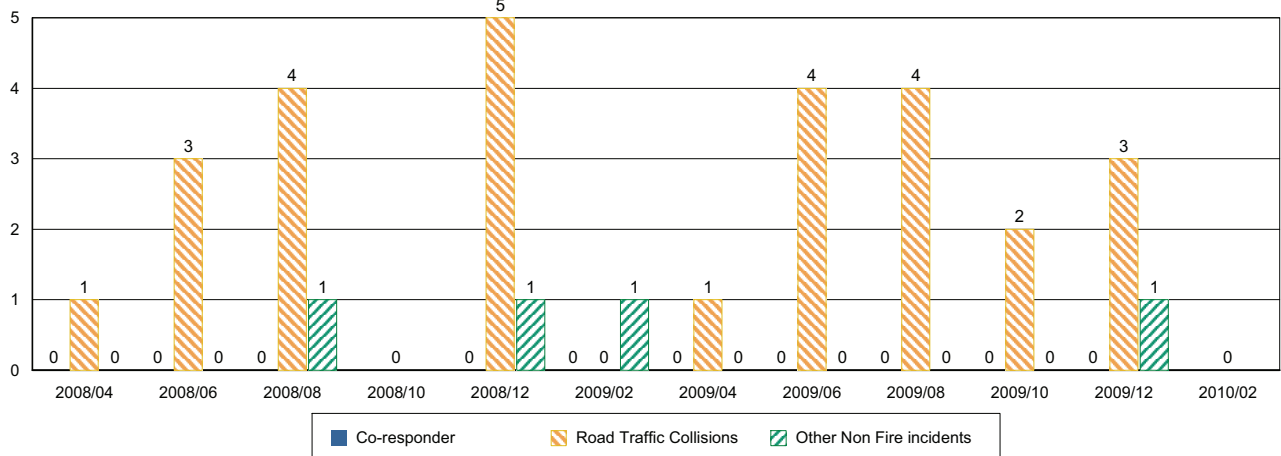
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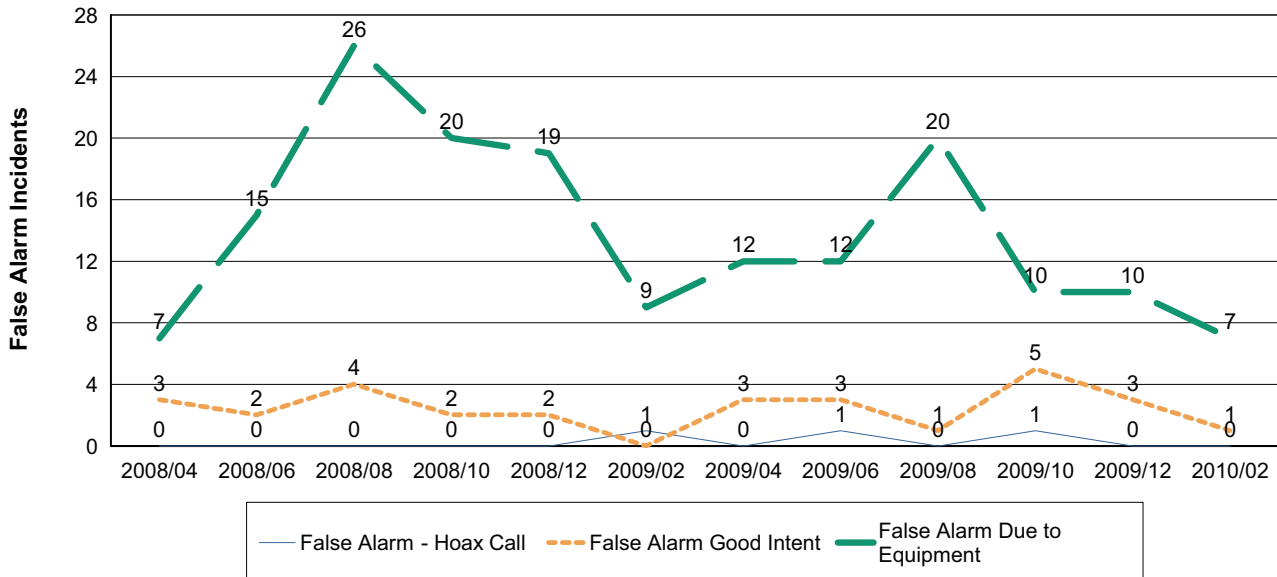
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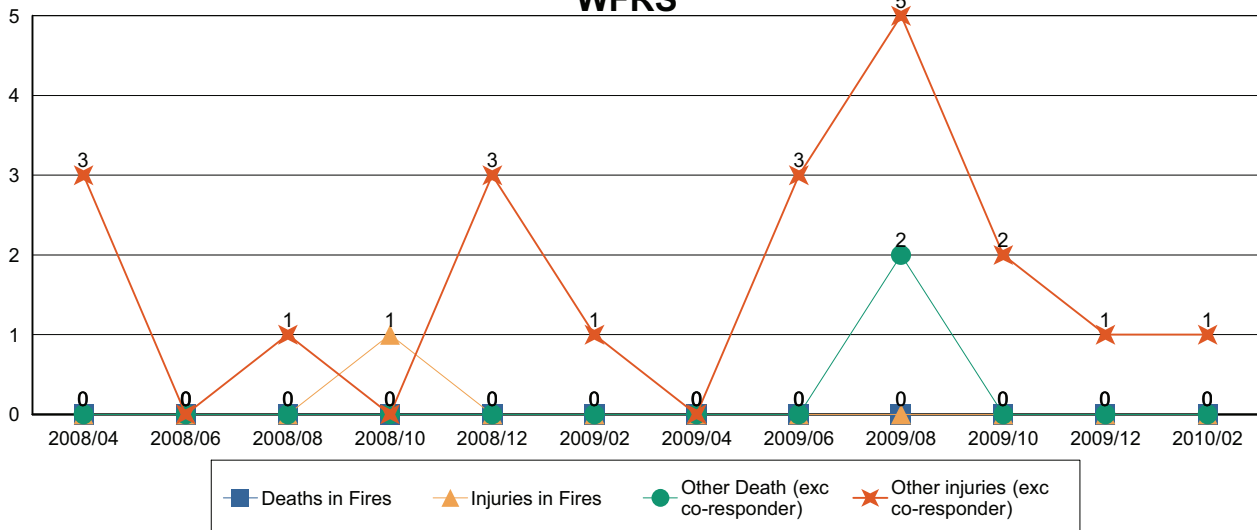
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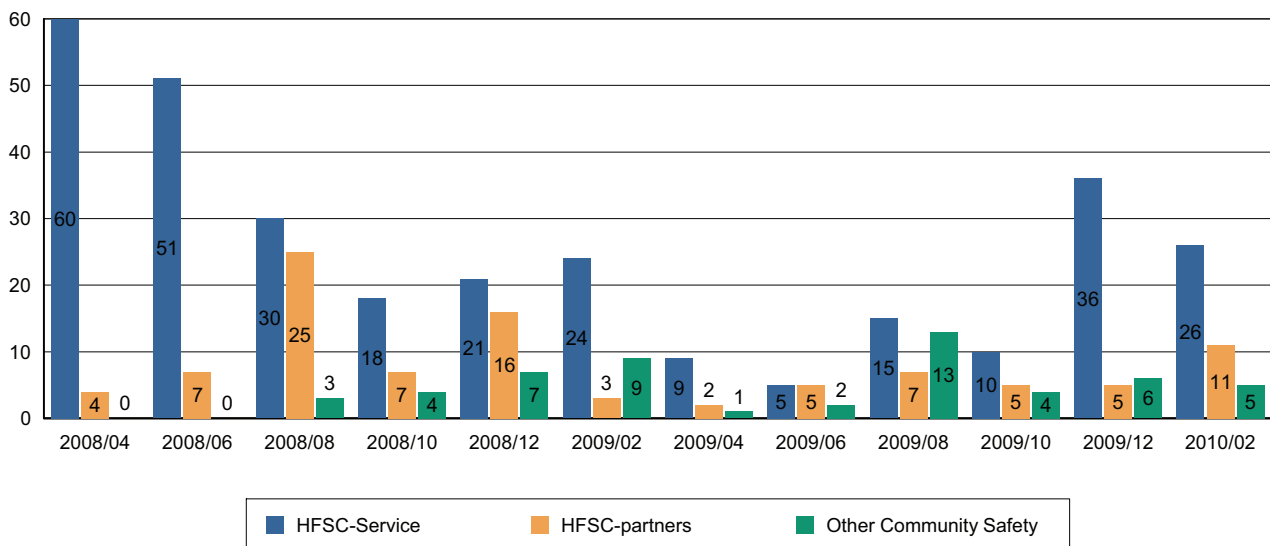
Number of False Alarm Incidents



Death & Injuries in incidents attended by WFRS



Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf



NHS Update - March 2010

NHS continues to encourage vaccination as NPFS stands down

Wiltshire's Director of Public Health, Maggie Rae, is calling for people who have been invited for a vaccination against Swine Flu to take up the offer.

The National Pandemic Flu Service (NPFS) stood down on 11 February 2010, seven months after it was launched at the height of the first wave of the pandemic. From this date the online and phone self-care service stopped. People with suspected swine flu should stay at home and contact their GP who will be able to authorise antivirals as appropriate.

Wiltshire welcomes the Electronic Prescription Service

Every working day in England, 1.5 million paper prescriptions are issued by doctors and health professionals – and of these, about seven out of 10 are repeat prescriptions.

To handle this number more efficiently, the NHS is introducing the Electronic Prescription Service (EPS) nationwide, meaning that having to call into your GP practice and fill out a form every time you need to order a repeat prescription will become a thing of the past. The new service will let your GP practice send your prescription electronically, direct to the place you choose to pick up your medication, without the need for paper. This means there is less need for people with repeat prescriptions to call into their GP practice in order just to collect the prescription form.

With EPS, a person will be able to 'nominate' the pharmacy or dispensing practice of their choice rather than the one which the GP uses. For example, you could choose to nominate a place that is convenient to where you live, work or shop – the prescription will be sent electronically by your GP and you simply show some identification and pick up the medication, without having to collect the paper prescription on the way.

Information leaflets about EPS will begin to be distributed with medicine bags through pharmacies shortly, so that people are ready for the change.

NHS Wiltshire smashes target as NHS dental places soar

NHS Wiltshire has smashed its 10% target for increasing NHS dentistry this year, achieving a 22.9% rise in the number of Units of Dental Activity (UDAs) – a total of 126,730. This means that, by the end of this financial year, around 43,000 extra patients will have been seen by an NHS dentist. The figures appear in statistics just released by the Department of Health.

Wiltshire's pioneering Neighbourhood Teams ahead of the game as Government announces more care at home

Wiltshire patients in the care of the county's 11 Neighbourhood Teams continue to report high levels of satisfaction in the second annual survey carried out by NHS Wiltshire. The results of the survey come as the Health Secretary, Andy Burnham, sets out measures to shape NHS services around individual patients.

The Neighbourhood Teams, which were introduced in Wiltshire in 2007, were among the first in the country to bring nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and others together to provide seamless, high-quality and holistic care for patients in their own homes.

Patients were surveyed in October 2009 and give the teams a ringing endorsement. When asked "how would you rate the quality of care you have been provided with by the team?", 86% of the responses scored "very good" and 13% scored "good" with 1% as "fair". 96% of patients found that the timing and frequency of visits met their needs. Responses were backed up with comments, all of which were positive.

Healthier weight in Wiltshire

Recent figures published in the Health survey for England reveal that Wiltshire children are far more likely to have a healthy weight at the age of 11 compared to children in the South West region and the rest of England, and the numbers of Year 6 children in Wiltshire who are overweight or obese is also lower than the rest of the country.

Health & Wellbeing Fairs

NHS Wiltshire and Wiltshire Council are working together to deliver a series of Health & Wellbeing Fairs across the county, to highlight the particular health issues for each of the community areas. The Fairs will give local people an opportunity to speak to health and wellbeing professionals, take some basic health and fitness tests and learn about healthy lifestyles. This will be followed by a workshop that looks more closely at the health needs of the community in order for Area Boards, Partnerships and other local groups to identify priorities to help improve the health and well being of the community.

Please contact your local Community Area Manager for details of the event in your area.
jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs.uk

The next Board meeting will be held on **24 March 2010, in the Conference Room at Southgate House, Devizes**

Papers are published a week before the meeting on www.wiltshire.nhs.uk or on request from Maggie Goodman, NHS Wiltshire (tel: 01380 733827, email: maggie.goodman@wiltshire.nhs.uk)

For further information or copies of documents referred to above, please contact Jo Howes, Community Engagement Manager, 01380 733929 or jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs.uk

| Name of Applicant | Project | Committee Approval Date | Amount Committed | Total cost of project. Total funds levered in |
|--|---|-------------------------|------------------|---|
| Colerne Community Plan Steering Group | Carry out consultation phase of preparation of a strategic Parish Plan | 13-Oct-09 | £1,000 | £2,700 |
| Amateur Football Club Corsham | Purchase kit to help expand boys' football to include under 17s & to encourage girls to participate | 13-Oct-09 | £995 | £995 |
| One Mile Running Club | Purchase materials to produce certificates | 13-Oct-09 | £200 | £200 |
| Corsham Rugby Club | Scrummage Machine | 8-Dec-09 | £899 | £899 |
| Wiltshire Scrapstore & Resource Centre | Specialised dies to cut recycled material into useable craft material shapes | 8-Dec-09 | £1,000 | £1,000 |
| Corsham Town Council | Shelters, tables and chairs for outside functions and community events | 2-Feb-10 | £1,503 | £3,003 |
| Box Parish Council | Refurbish Tennis Courts to create MUGA | 2-Feb-10 | £5,000 | £16,312 |
| Corsham Cricket Club | Install External Staircase leading to Changing Rooms | 2-Feb-10 | £1,750 | £3,500 |
| Kandu Arts | Consult Young People in Potley and Pockeridge about problems, root causes and possible solutions to anti social behaviour | 2-Feb-10 | £1,250 | £2,500 |
| Transition Community Corsham | Develop Website, publicity material to reach more people in the community | 2-Feb-10 | £995 | £995 |
| The Pound Arts Centre | High Definition Projector | 2-Feb-10 | £2,721 | £5,442 |
| Potley Youth Group | Purchase tools, seeds and plants for a gardening project and a half term activity to promote the centre | 2-Feb-10 | £594 | £594 |
| Corsham Community Centre | Purchase equipment to enhance and develop a snooker room | 2-Feb-10 | £903 | £903 |
| Mansion House Playgroup | Purchase a suitable storage shed | 2-Feb-10 | £975 | £975 |
| | | TOTALS | £19,785 | £40,018 |

CORSHAM AREA BOARD

| Date | Cabinet Member Attending | Location | Area Board Agenda Items (including officer contact details) | Other events happening (provisional) |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---|---|--|
| 8 June 2010 | Cllr Stuart Wheeler | Corsham Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ | Community Items: Partner items: Corporate items: LDF Core Strategy Outcomes Community Area Grants will be considered. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street Trading (Licensing) Harmonisation • Car Parking Charges Harmonisation – Review • Library Review |
| 17 August 2010 | Cllr John Noekin | Corsham Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ | Community Items: Partner items: Corporate items: Community Area Grants will be considered. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Special Education Needs Provision – Outcomes • Review of Children’s Centres – Outcomes • Gypsy and Traveller Review – Outcomes |
| 19 October 2010 | Cllr John Brady | Corsham Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ | Community Items: Partner items: Corporate items: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leisure Facilities Review • Waste Site Consultation |

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