

MINUTES

Meeting: BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD
Place: St Laurence School, Ashley Rd, Bradford on Avon BA15 1DZ
Date: 8 January 2014
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 9.50 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Rosemary Brown, Cllr Trevor Carbin, Cllr Magnus Macdonald and Cllr Ian Thorn

Wiltshire Council Officers

Peter Dunford – Community Area Manager
Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer
Allan Creedy - Head of Sustainable Transport
Laurie Bell - Associate Director (Communications and Communities)

Town and Parish Councillor

Bradford on Avon Town Council – Janet Repton & Jonathan Brown
Holt Parish Council – Andrew Pearce
South Wraxall Parish Council – Gilly Strawford

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Lisette Harvey
Wiltshire PCC – Angus Macpherson - Police & Crime Commissioner
Wiltshire CCG – Jo Cullen
Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service – Mike Franklin & Jack Nicholson
Bradford on Avon Community Area Partnership – Tony Haffenden and John Hutchinson

Total in attendance: 67

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everybody to the St Laurence School.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There apologies for absence.</p>
3	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
4	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the Bradford on Avon Area Board meeting held on 20 November 2013 were signed as a correct record. • The minutes of the Bradford on Avon Community Area Transport Group meeting held on 2 December 2013 were signed as a correct record.
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements and Updates</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements which were covered in the agenda pack or tabled at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NHS 111. • What Matters To You in Bradford on Avon? JSA event on 5 February 2014. • Reporting Community Issues online. <p>Partner Updates</p> <p>Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Mike Franklin</p> <p>The written report was noted.</p>

	<p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Wiltshire and Dorset Fire & Rescues services were in talks re a possible merger. • That the Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service were keen to attend all Local Flood Resilience Forums. <p>A question was raised as to whether the flood gates on the river Avon at Chippenham and Melksham had been opened during the recent period of flooding, exacerbating the flooding issues in the centre of Bradford on Avon. It was agreed that this would be followed up.</p> <p>Wiltshire Police Inspector Lisette Harvey</p> <p>The written report was noted.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the individual responsible for the recent narrow boat thefts on the Kennet & Avon canal had now been apprehended. • That Wiltshire Police thanked the many residents of Wiltshire for their patience during the recent bad weather. • That Wiltshire Police were seeking to engage with councillors and residents re the night time economy. <p>The Area Board formally thanked all the emergency services for their hard work during the recent bad weather.</p>
6	<p><u>Wiltshire Police Precept for 2014/15</u></p> <p>Angus Macpherson – Wiltshire Police & Crime Commissioner gave a presentation that highlighted the Police and Crime precept.</p> <p>Funding for the police had reduced and main government grants had also reduced. Following the precept freeze in 2010-2011 the commissioner was now considering lifting the freeze and raising council tax payments by £3.15 per household in order for the police to continue to be funded adequately.</p> <p>Angus Macpherson presented statistics explaining that funding for Wiltshire compared to the rest of the South West was the 3rd lowest. Since 2010-2011 there had been reductions in the police force which has been offset with partnerships and collaborations.</p>

	<p>It was noted that there would be a consultation running from 6 January until the 3 February and any comments would be welcomed.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Angus Macpherson for his presentation.</p>
7	<p><u>A lasting legacy for Wiltshire: looking forward to 2014</u></p> <p>Laurie Bell - Associate Director (Communications and Communities), Wiltshire Council outlined Wiltshire Council's "Legacy for Wiltshire", which highlighted events which had been supported since 2012 and what events were planned for 2014 in Wiltshire to bring communities together including the big pledge, cycle Wiltshire and WW1 commemorations.</p> <p>In 2013 the Council had supported business events, health fairs and checks, school Olympic Games and more.</p> <p>The Big Pledge – to be launched on 2 April. What will you do as an individual, a group or team, or a community to make a difference to improve your health and wellbeing?</p> <p>WW1 commemorations will include local events and remembrance; a briefing for communities will be held on 1 May; a countywide event with the military will be held on 30 July; a programme of education, local stories and history will also feature.</p> <p>Cycle Wiltshire will be a major event as part of British Cycling event calendar; a 2 day event in south of county including a family day and elite cyclists day; it will have a major impact on the local economy; will give a huge opportunity for participation and spectating; will provide a huge opportunity for communities en route; and will attract large numbers of visitors and media to area.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Laurie Bell for her presentation.</p>
8	<p><u>Delivery of Health Services</u></p> <p>Jo Cullen – Executive Team, Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Dr James Heffer gave a presentation to increase awareness and understanding of the role of the Clinical Commissioning Group and changes to local health services.</p> <p>Points made by Jo Cullen included:</p> <p>Who are we, and what do we do</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission services for the people of Wiltshire. • Clinically led. • 7 GPs sit on Governing body.

- Our membership comprises 57 practices.
- 3 locality groups.

Aims

- Clinically led.
- Strategic plans to accommodate best needs.
- Address changing health requirements.
- Improving health and wellbeing.
- Sustainability.
- Communicate effectively.

Key Priorities

- Staying healthy and preventing ill health.
- Planned care.
- Unplanned care and caring for frail elderly people.
- Mental health.
- Long term conditions (incl. dementia).
- End of life care.
- Community services and integrated care.

Points made by Dr James Heffer included:

- A time of very real transformation of healthcare.
- Dementia – that waiting times for this condition had been dramatically reduced.

Patrick Wintour - Director, Healthwatch Wiltshire gave a presentation that aimed to raise awareness of the work of Healthwatch Wiltshire.

Points made included:

What is Healthwatch Wiltshire?

- Established under the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- Is a Social Enterprise (Community Interest Company).
- Is independent.
- Has a Chair and four Directors.
- Has an office with a COO and a small staff.
- Is recruiting Volunteers.

	<p>Our role is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote the voice of the consumer in the development of health and social care strategies (children and adults); • To be a 'Critical Friend' to the commissioners and providers of Health and Social Care; • To provide and promote effective signposting and information systems; • To promote, monitor and inspect the quality of services commissioned by the NHS to meet health and social care needs (Enter and View). • To tell the Wiltshire story. <p>How will we fulfil our role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through our Volunteer Network Specialist Volunteers Generalist Volunteers • Associates. • Through Using Information. • Listening and Collecting. • Analysing and Researching. • Informing and Signposting. • Through Dialogue and Influence. • With the Community. • Commissioners and Providers. <p>The meeting was asked to think of any healthcare related issues that impacted on them:</p> <p>Issues included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The difficulties of non-car users getting to hospitals. • Hospitals and GPs taking weeks to send patient details to each other. • Lack of dialogue between University GPs and home town GPs. • Lack of aftercare for elderly people coming out of hospital. <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for their presentations.</p>
9	<p><u>Traffic Study of Bradford on Avon and Holt</u></p> <p>It had been planned that representatives of Atkins Consultants would be attending the Area Board meeting to outline the findings of the Bradford on Avon and Holt traffic study carried out during Summer 2013.</p>

Atkins were unable to attend the meeting and Allan Creedy - Head of Sustainable Transport at Wiltshire Council - was able at short notice to present a small slide presentation of some of the study findings. Allan Creedy was keen to stress that the presentation was not the full report.

Emerging conclusions from the study:

Key Points

- 10% of vehicles seen on a weekday were making a through journey (11% on Saturday).
- 66% of observed vehicles were matched at more than one site (weekday), suggesting a local interest of some kind.
- HGVs represent c.1.5%-2% of traffic (1.5% of through weekday movements).
- Cars account for c.75% of vehicles during the week, and c.80%-85% on Saturday. The proportion of different vehicle types is fairly consistent throughout the day.
- The key through movement is northbound, between the A363/B3109 to the south, and A363 to the north.
- 1/3 of matched vehicles originated from within 5 miles of BoA. 81% are from within 25 miles.
- 1/3 of through movements originated 2 to 5 miles from BOA, another 1/3 between 5 and 25 miles away.
- 42% of HGVs making through movements originated over 50 miles away (note: could be due to being registered at a central office rather than local depot).
- 43% of cars making through movements originated between 5 and 25 miles away. 38% were from within 5 miles.

It was agreed that Peter Dunford – Community Area Manager would circulate the full study report as soon the report was published.

The Chairman thanked Allan Creedy for attending and outlining the presentation that he had received from Atkins Consultants late that afternoon.

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Community Area Grants

The Wiltshire Councillors were asked to consider five applications seeking 2013/14 Community Area Grant funding and one application for Councillor Led funding:

Decision

Made in Bradford on Avon Community Interest Company awarded £5,000 towards the costs of expansion into the Vaults at Lamb Yard.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for the local economy and community and cultural development.

Decision

Bradford on Avon Preservation Trust awarded £5,000 towards the enhancement of facilities at Barton Farm with the proviso that funding is successfully obtained from other funding streams.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for the local ownership of assets and to the cultural life of the town.

Decision

West Wiltshire Model Railway Circle awarded £346 towards the installation of a new roof in new clubroom and exhibition area at Holt Tannery.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for the cultural life of the community area.

Decision

Bradford on Avon Cricket Club awarded £480 towards a Mini Cricket Start Up project.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its support for active leisure opportunities for young people.

Decision

Staverton Parish Council awarded £1,500 towards a replacement bus shelter in the village.

Reason

The application demonstrates a link to the Bradford on Avon Community

	<p><i>Plan and Wiltshire Local Area Agreement through its contribution to village services and safer communities.</i></p> <p>Councillor-led Grant Councillor Carbin awarded £1,896 towards the employment costs of an Assistant Youth Worker to run the Holt Youth Club.</p>
11	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 12 March, Monkton Farleigh Village Hall. • Wednesday 14 May, St Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon.
12	<p><u>Close</u></p>