

AGENDA

Meeting: DEVIZES AREA BOARD
Place: Bromham Social Centre, New Rd, Bromham SN15 2JB
Date: Monday 24 March 2014
Time: 6.30 pm

Including the Parishes of All Cannings, Bishops Cannings, Erlestoke, Bromham, Devizes Town, Easterton, Etchilhampton, Great Cheverell, Little Cheverell, Market Lavington, Marston, Potterne, Roundway, Rowde, Stert, Urchfont, West Lavington and Worton

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 6.00pm.

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or Richard Rogers (Community Area Manager), on 07771 547522 or richard.rogers@wiltshire.gov.uk

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Liz Bryant, (Bromham, Rowde & Potterne)
Cllr Peter Evans, (Devizes East)
Cllr Sue Evans, (Devizes North)
Cllr Richard Gamble, (The Lavingtons and Erlestoke)

Cllr Simon Jacobs, (Devizes and Roundway South) (Chairman)
Cllr Laura Mayes, (Roundway) (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Philip Whitehead, (Urchfont and the Cannings)

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| <p>1 Recognising Local Volunteering</p> <p>To present awards to nominated volunteers in the Devizes Community Area in recognition and celebration of their hard work and achievements.</p> | 6.30pm |
| <p>2 Welcome and Chairman's Announcements (<i>Pages 1 - 2</i>)</p> <p> a) The North Wessex Down and Plain Action LEADER Programmes</p> | 6:55pm |
| <p>3 Apologies for Absence</p> | |
| <p>4 Minutes (<i>Pages 3 - 12</i>)</p> <p>To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2014.</p> | |
| <p>5 Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations.</p> | |
| <p>6 Youth Activities Review</p> <p>Communities across Wiltshire are being consulted on what youth activities they would like in their local communities as part of a wide ranging review. Cllr Laura Mayes, Cabinet Member for Children's Services will present details of the review being undertaken.</p> | 7.00pm |
| <p>7 What matters to you? (<i>Pages 13 - 18</i>)</p> <p>To take forward the output from the Devizes 'What matters to you' event held on 4 March 2014.</p> | 7.15pm |
| <p>8 Special Education Needs and Disability (<i>Pages 19 - 20</i>)</p> <p>Lead Commissioner, Mary Curran and Head of Joint Commissioning, Susan Tanner will lead a discussion on the recent changes in the law relating to individuals with special education needs and disabilities.</p> <p>To consider an initiative to allocate the remaining area board funding to help develop and deliver a mentoring project for SEND in transition.</p> | 7.25pm |
| <p>9 Partner Updates (<i>Pages 21 - 30</i>)</p> <p>To receive updates from the following partners:</p> | 7.55pm |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Wiltshire Police b. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service c. Health Services d. Devizes Community Area Partnership e. Devizes Campus Team f. Young People g. Schools updates h. Town and Parish Councils | |
| 10 | <p>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) (<i>Pages 31 - 40</i>)</p> <p>To consider the update and any recommendations arising from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).</p> | 8:15pm |
| 11 | <p>Area Board Funding (<i>Pages 41 - 46</i>)</p> <p>Councillors will be asked to consider the following applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urchfont Village Hall extension (£5k) • Devizes School Drop in Centre (£4k) • Drews Pond Wood (£500) | 8:25pm |
| 12 | Close | 8:30pm |

Future Meeting Dates

Monday, 19 May 2014

7.00 pm

Devizes Sports Club, London Road, Devizes SN10
2DL

Monday, 28 July 2014

6.30pm

Devizes Sports Club, London Road, Devizes SN10
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Monday, 29 September 2014

6.30pm

Devizes Sports Club, London Road, Devizes SN10
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Chairman's Announcements

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| Subject: | Rural Development Funding – The North Wessex Downs and Plain Action LEADER Programmes - 2014-2020 |
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| Weblink: | http://northwessexleader.org.uk http://plainaction.org.uk |
| Further details available: | Direct from Dawn and Alan and at the meeting. |

Summary of announcement:

Representatives of the North Wessex Downs and Plain Action Local Action Groups (LAGs) will be at the Devizes Area Board meeting on Monday 24th March.

They will be at the meeting to explain to attendees before and after the meeting their plans to bid for Rural Development Programme for England (RDPE) funding to enable them to continue their LEADER programmes during 2015-2020. If the funding is secured the Local Action Groups will be able to continue to award grants to eligible community projects, rural businesses and for farming, forestry and tourism related projects in the Devizes area.

The LAGs are keen to:

- Understand from area and community representatives what they consider to be the key funding priorities for the next 7-8 years.
- Work with area and community representatives to ensure wide business and community input during the bidding stage.
- Once funding is secured, work with area and community representatives to communicate as widely as possible the benefits of the Programmes.

MINUTES

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Finish Time: 8.35 pm

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In Attendance:

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Cllr Liz Bryant, Cllr Peter Evans, Cllr Sue Evans, Cllr Richard Gamble, Cllr Simon Jacobs (Chairman), Cllr Laura Mayes (Vice Chairman) and Cllr Philip Whitehead

Wiltshire Council Officers

Richard Rogers (Community Area Manager) and Eleanor Slack (Democratic Services Officer)

Town and Parish Councillors

Devizes Town – Jeff Ody, Simon Fisher, Andy Johnson, Roger Giraud Saunders, Judy Rose, Nigel Carter

Etchilhampton – R Losod, M Woods

Bishops Cannings – Eric Clark

West Lavington – Steve Coxhead

Erlestoke – Stan Jonile

Roundway – Ian Collis, Andy geddes, Chris Callow

Rowde – Rebekah Jeffries, Jackie Bawden

Urchfont – Nicky Mitchell

Potterne – Tony Molland

Partners

DCAP – Ian Rose, Kate Freeman, Philip Mackie, Doug Roseame, Tony Sedgewick, Chris Butler

YAG – Rosie Mullins, Jasmine Stickly, Andy Robinson, Sara Smith
CCG – Helen Osbourne
Fire and Rescue – Darren Nixon
Police – Matt Armstrong, Ronnie Luneu

Total in attendance: 85

| <u>Agenda Item No.</u> | <u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u> |
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| 15 | <p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</u></p> <p>The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to Devizes Area Board. Each member of the board was asked to provide a brief introduction of themselves.</p> <p>On behalf of the Area Board members, Cllr Mayes presented Tony Sedgwick with a gift and card and thanked him for his hard work as DCAP chairman.</p> |
| 16 | <p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>No apologies for absence were received.</p> |
| 17 | <p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 November 2013 were approved and signed as a correct record.</p> |
| 18 | <p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Sue Evans declared an interest in agenda Item 13. She was a member of Devizes and District Association for the Disabled and would not participate in the vote on this grant application.</p> |
| 19 | <p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to the announcements provided within the agenda.</p> <p>These included:</p> <p>a) <u>Community Infrastructure Levy</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to information provided in the Agenda pack. A consultation on the new CIL charging schedule began on 13 January and would end on 24 February 2014.</p> <p>b) <u>Integrated Performance Management Report</u></p> <p>An update on CCG plans and projects was provided in the agenda pack.</p> <p>c) <u>JSA Event</u></p> <p>The JSA event would take place on 4 March at the Corn Exchange, starting at 6pm. The Area Board were encouraged to contact Richard Rogers if they wished to attend.</p> |

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| | <p>d) <u>Wiltshire Core Strategy</u></p> <p>Attention was drawn to information contained within the agenda pack.</p> <p>e) <u>Litter</u></p> <p>The Chairman recognised that litter was an ongoing problem in Devizes. It was hoped that a short item on the issue would be included on the next agenda.</p> <p>f) <u>CCTV</u></p> <p>The Chairman encouraged local businesses to subscribe to the CCTV system in the area. Only 20 businesses in Devizes were contributing to the scheme at £10 per month.</p> |
| 20 | <p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p><u>Partner Updates:</u></p> <p>a) <u>Wiltshire Police</u></p> <p>Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner gave a presentation on the proposed increase to the precept. He explained that government grants were in decline and by 2017 will have been reduced by 23%. The precept had been frozen for the last 3 years, and this freeze was accepted to ensure that the precept did not rise.</p> <p>Wiltshire had the lowest precept in the South West. The Wiltshire police force was very efficient and its expenditure per head of the population was the third lowest in the UK.</p> <p>It was proposed that the precept should increase by £3.15 per household per annum. Although savings had been made through partnerships with Wiltshire Council and through the regional control of many items such as guns and dogs, an increase in the precept was needed to protect front-line, local policing. The increase would raise £740,000 for 2014-15 which would allow the police force to continue investing in preventing future crime, improve technology and IT infrastructure.</p> <p>Members of the audience were encouraged to make comments at www.wiltshire.pcc.gov.uk.</p> <p>A report was then given by the local police force. Attention was drawn to the report contained within the agenda, in addition to which the following verbal update was given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Area Board were reminded to remove valuables from their vehicles |

following the theft of a handbag from a car.

- Police were collaborating with Earlstow Prison to prevent the entry of drugs into the prison. An individual had been arrested for the possession of 'spice' in connection with this.
- A vehicle's diesel tank had been tampered with in Potterne.
- There had been a decline in burglaries.

b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service

Darren Nixon, Hub Station Manager Devizes introduced himself to the Area Board. He highlighted the new style report contained within the agenda pack.

c) Devizes Community Area Partnership (DCAP)

Chris Butler, the new Chairman of DCAP thanked former Chairman Tony Sedgewick for all his hard work.

DCAP were working on two new initiatives including the Devizes means business website and istreet, which sought to bring together local businesses.

The Devizes Tow Path scheme was ongoing and would be carried out in three stages. The tow path would cover 2.2 miles. DCAP had worked with a number of partners on this scheme including Sustrans and the Kennet and Avon Canal. The related CAIP consultation could be found on the following link
<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/rightsofway/countrysideaccessimprovementplanconsultation.htm>

Anyone interested in getting involved was encouraged to contact Kate Freeman.

d) YAG

The group were working with the Canoe club to clean up the canal. The group were collaborating with local shops to address problems with intimidating security guards and local Sainsburys and Tesco's stores had joined the scheme.

YAG hoped to build connections with elderly residents in the area. They had also collaborated with other groups nationwide with a view to lobbying Parliament. They had also taken the drug education project to local schools.

e) Devizes Town Council

The Devizes skate park had been designed and costed within budget and a planning application had been submitted. The commencement of work had been delayed due to bad weather, and it is unlikely to be finished until after the Easter holidays.

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| 21 | <p><u>Legacy for Wiltshire</u></p> <p>Leader of Wiltshire Council, Cllr Jane Scott OBE gave a presentation reflecting on the achievements made in Wiltshire and Nationwide in 2012 and 2013. She explained that the council hoped to create a lasting legacy from these events.</p> <p>Cllr Scott explained that the events of 2012, including the Queen’s Jubilee and the Olympics and Paralympics had brought money into Wiltshire’s economy. Wiltshire gained around £40 million worth of advertising during this period. Many businesses including hotels and campsites benefitted from the influx of tourists into Wiltshire as a result of this advertising.</p> <p>The council had started to build on this legacy and was hosting and supporting a number of events. These included business EXPOs. The next EXPO was due to take place in Chippenham in June and over 200 businesses had already signed up. Five Wealth of Wiltshire Fayres had taken place across the county, giving small and local businesses an opportunity to sell their goods. Wiltshire Council was one of the main sponsors of Salisbury Christmas market, which had continued to be a success. The council had also hosted a number of business breakfasts.</p> <p>Following the Olympics and Paralympics many people across the county had taken up new sports. The council hoped to build on this legacy and was hosting a sporting and business dinner which would take place in March. This event would match Olympic and Paralympic hopefuls with local businesses.</p> <p>Local schools had also benefitted from the focus on sports and many pupils had recently played sports at Bath Rugby ground and Chelsea Football Club training ground. Health Fairs had also taken place where members of the public could gain advice about their health. The next event would take place on 12 February in the County Hall Atrium. A cycling event was taking place over the may bank holiday weekend in the Salisbury area. A community cycle race would take place on Saturday 3 May with an elite race on Sunday 4 May.</p> <p>Local communities had also come closer together following the events of 2012. The council wanted to build on this legacy through the ‘Big Pledge’ where communities were encouraged to take action and make commitments to improve their collective health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Events would also be taking place to commemorate the World War One Centenary. On 30 July a county wide event was expected to take place on Salisbury Plain.</p> |

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| | <p>Many events had occurred in Devizes specifically, including Cycle Devizes, the upcoming construction of the skate park, the canoe club acquiring new premises and local farmers markets.</p> <p>David Dawson, Director of Wiltshire Museum outlined planned events in the Devizes community area to commemorate World War One. National Lottery grants were available for community commemoration events. An exhibition focusing on recruitment into the army was due to open at the museum in September. The museum hoped to record the stories of local people through family photographs and letters and tell these through a pop-up display in the town centre. The museum was also collaborating with the British legion to arrange the Remembrance Day commemorations.</p> <p>Tom Strickland, History Teacher at Devizes School outlined how the Devizes School taught the subject of the Great War. He engaged students by localising history. He encouraged each student to research a name on the local war memorial, and students searched for local people's memorials on their battlefields school trip.</p> |
| 22 | <p><u>Questions for Cllr Jane Scott</u></p> <p>Following questions, it was confirmed that there were no plans to produce a video to show at all the World War One commemoration events. The Area Board were reminded that Richard Broadhead had produced an App to enable individuals to research names on local war memorials. The lack of funding available for Cycle Devizes was also discussed. Cllr Scott said that if she was contacted, she would see if there were volunteers from another area who could help lead the cycle rides</p> |
| 23 | <p><u>Devizes Campus</u></p> <p>Cllr Jane Scott OBE introduced the campus project and provided a brief overview of the Campus scheme. She explained that when the council became a unitary authority in 2009 it inherited a large number of leisure centres which were in varying states of repair. A leisure review found that an investment of £177 million was needed to maintain these buildings. The council decided to invest in efficient buildings for the future by constructing three main hubs and a campus in each community area. As a result £5 million has already been saved through running costs.</p> <p>The campus programme allows communities to decide what services they want in their local campus. It was confirmed that the campuses will be run through strategic overview by the council and local management.</p> <p>Nigel Carter, chairman of the Campus Operational Board (COB), gave a summary of the consultation which occurred between May and December 2013 and the feedback received. The majority of consultees were in favour of voluntary group space, internet facilities, space for the youth, meeting spaces, leisure facilities as well as culture and arts facilities. Devizes already enjoyed</p> |

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| | <p>many facilities in the Town Centre including Council services and a library. The group were considering the possibility of having more than one Campus site in Devizes.</p> <p>The campus team were in the process of locating a suitable site for the campus and creating building plans. It was expected that the second stage of consultation would take place at the end of 2014.</p> <p>Attendees were invited to write down suggestions of what else they would like to see in the Campus. These were collected and given to the COB.</p> <p>More information on the Devizes Campus could be found at http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/communitycampuses/devizescommunitycampus.htm</p> |
| 24 | <p><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u></p> <p>A presentation was given on the consultation for the Devizes neighbourhood plan. The neighbourhood plan aimed to give local people more power over planning matters. The areas of Potterne and Roundway were not included in the Devizes Neighbourhood plan as they had their own plan. The steering group found that large housing estates did not provide enough adequate housing.</p> <p>The group identified potential housing sites and contacted the owners to discover if there were plans to develop the sites. The sites were graded in order of their suitability. A total of 19 potential housing sites were identified in this manner.</p> <p>A consultation on the plan began on 20 January and would continue for six weeks. Hard copies of the plan were available at the Area Board.</p> |
| 25 | <p><u>Healthwatch Wiltshire</u></p> <p>The Healthwatch Wiltshire item was removed from the agenda.</p> |
| 26 | <p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) and Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group</u></p> <p>Cllr Phillip Whitehead provided a verbal summary of the Air Quality and CATG reports. He explained that CATG had carried out a parking review with Devizes Town Council, which would be combined with the Air Quality report.</p> <p>Work would begin on the cycle path across the green on 17 February and would continue for six weeks. Progress was being made on the Lavington crossings and the first one had been completed. CATG were contacting the Parish Councils regarding the crossing on Cain Hill.</p> <p>Cllr Whitehead announced that Paul Snook had been replaced by Sarah Hanks as the New Community Coordinator.</p> |

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| | <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To agree the terms of reference of the Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group which were as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) The Devizes Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group recommends that £4k of section 106 funding is used to develop travel planning with ASTER.</p> <p>To accept the recommendations provided in the CATG report contained within the agenda pack.</p> <p>To pay 50% of the cost for dropped kerbs relating to Chestnut Close, Rowde.</p> <p>Tony Aldridge gave a briefing on coaches and developing tourism in Devizes. He explained that he sought to increase footfall in Devizes Town Centre by encouraging the use of the existing 22 coach parking bays. Work had been carried out to promote Devizes as a tourist destination including participation in an event at the NEC in Birmingham. As a result of this work, Devizes had been featured in the Coach Monthly magazine for three successive months and hoped to achieve blue badge status. Work to introduce the new drop off places along New Park Street should be completed this financial year.</p> |
| 27 | <p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered applications for community area grant funding.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> To award £495 to Wiltshire Mind towards a new laptop</p> <p>Reason for decision: The application meets grant criteria 2014/15</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> To award £642 to Alzheimers Support towards an awning at Sidmouth Club</p> <p>Reason for decision: The application meets grant criteria 2014/15</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> To award Devizes and District Association for the Disabled £2412.89 towards a new boiler.</p> <p>Reason for decision: The application meets grant criteria 2014/15</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> To award Devizes Outdoor Celebratory Arts £2166 towards outdoor</p> |

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| | <p>activity equipment.</p> <p>Reason for decision: The application meets grant criteria for 2014/15</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> To award All Cannings Handbell Group £500 towards a set of handbells.</p> <p>Reason for decision: The application meets grant criteria for 2014/15</p> <p>Cllr Simon Jacobs introduced a Councillor Initiative to address alleged anti-social behaviour in Sheep Street Car park. Groups of young people had been gathering in the car park at night and had disturbed local residents.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To ring-fence £1,000 to address alleged anti-social behaviour in Sheep Street Car park.</p> |
| 28 | <p><u>Close</u></p> <p>Future meeting dates:</p> <p>Monday 24 March – 6:30pm – Bromham Social Centre Monday 19 May – 6.30pm – Devizes Sports Club Monday 28 July – 6.30pm – Location TBC</p> |

Agenda Item 7

“What Matters to You in the Devizes Community Area?”

March 4th 2014

Record of priorities selected and ideas suggested for local actions

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| Discussion Theme: Children and Young People | |
| <p>Priority 1 Improve the communication network between various services, including the voluntary sector to support children and young people. (37.6%)</p> <p>Priority 2 Essential support for youth work provision to prevent reduction in service and an increase in social costs in the future (35.6%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Improve the communication network between various services, including the voluntary sector to support children and young people (26.7)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project ‘search’ currently operates within the Bath area, which could be adopted within the community area. It does require funding and the involvement of large employees but is extremely successful at providing employment opportunities. • Supported funding to deliver a permanent and long term solution linking schools and employers e.g. Margaret at Devizes School. • Broker a contact with local employers to provide better links between schools. • Stop the planned reduction to the youth service. The long term impacts will hugely outweigh the short term cost savings. • Youth service/ hub can provide the basis for improved communication – Youth workers can provide the link between the sectors. YAG could also provide this link. • Ensure all youth projects are affordable to all – free of charge. |
| Discussion Theme: Community Safety | |
| <p>Priority 1 Ensure that communities and partners work together to inform, protect and support elderly and vulnerable people in the issues of community safety (47%)</p> <p>Priority 2 Pilot the concept of Youth Shelters for young people to congregate (30%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Encourage Neighbourhood Watch in towns and villages (16%)</p> <p>Priority 4 Seasonal littering in public recreation</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community based activities to support young people and communities working together • Eco housing to reduce carbon emissions and help deliver new housing. |

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| areas (7%) | |
| Discussion Theme: Culture and The Arts | |
| <p>Priority 1 Create strong and effective links between arts, culture, tourism and business (46%)</p> <p>Priority 2 To make better use of, develop and promote existing and potential cultural assets (32%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Improving the dialogue and collaboration between formal and informal youth services and cultural organisations (22%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The creation of an innovation fund to support new ideas around culture and tourism, business • Creating a 'Friends of Devizes' scheme to fund cultural activities and events that would support tourism and the economy • Building better relationships between Town Centre Management and cultural providers • Creation of a neutral Arts & Business style networking group. Not where money is asked for outright but where achievements of joint working are shared and promoted to continue the dialogue across sectors in the town. • That DCALP meet with equivalent Community Partnership economy/tourism group to open up discussion about culture and tourism –not sure what they are called/who they are? • Jo from DOCA will be raising the priority at the new 'Devizes Professionals' networking group and also at an event on 27th March at Town Hall (not sure what the event is?) something to do with research about Devizes economy and how to improve • It was put forward by someone at the table that those businesses who give to the arts should have a discount on their business rates. |
| Discussion Theme : Economy | |
| <p>Priority 1 Increase potential for high income, high technology employment (41.2%)</p> <p>Priority 2 Build on success of retail health, encourage greater community participation by larger retailers (35.3%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Sufficient employment land for larger occupiers (20.6%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put in a Business in Development bid • Look at employing a Town Centre Manager |
| Discussion Theme: Environment | |
| <p>Priority 1</p> <p>Urban and rural development: need to relate to local employment and use carbon neutral development in new builds (66%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matching of type of employment and types of housing – insure inclusion of affordable housing • Infrastructure development e.g. schools and broadband required to enable progress • Ensure employment land identified in planning |

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| <p>Priority 2</p> <p>Climate change: need for adaptation and identify vulnerabilities and mitigate (19%)</p> <p>Priority 3</p> <p>Protection of water resources: conservation of resources and awareness of fracking implications required (16%)</p> | <p>and not given back to housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Match employment and housing to minimize commuting • Support for carbon neutral development introduced in new development and exert political pressure to implement • Enforce dog litter collection, providing lots of bins and emptying regularly • Urban and rural development needs to relate to local employment and use carbon neutral development in new builds |
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Discussion Theme: Health and Wellbeing

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| <p>Priority 1</p> <p>Access to medical services is a big issue: the area is disadvantaged because of its remote location and this is compounded if you are disadvantaged or elderly (76.7%)</p> <p>Priority 2</p> <p>Health deprivation: There is a 9.5 year gap in life expectancy between those living in most or least deprived areas (12.6%)</p> <p>Priority 3</p> <p>Child and adult obesity and the impact on people's life expectancy (10.7%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCAP : Survey people to find out what people's experience is of accessing services and where the gaps really are • Minor injuries provision in Devizes – possibly look at the new campus and if it could be aligned to delivery of other services in order to make it viable • Minor injuries – could the doctor surgeries share the responsibility? • Link scheme: need more volunteers. Also could help with fundraising. Need to promote the scheme more. • Need better information on demand for services • Need more volunteers for the health and social care group of the Devizes Community Area Partnership. Would like to have a Health and Social Care forum two times a year. • Need to raise awareness about the meetings which take place – especially to the NHS and Clinical Commissioning Group so that they can send a representative • Health facilities need to be promoted locally (for example the hearing drop in service) • Information and advice needs to be improved and made available in a range of locations (e.g. doctors, dentists, treatment centre) • No one on our table knew when the Devizes Campus would start and what health and social care services would made available • Community services are important to ensure that |
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| | <p>people can live well (the wider determinants of health) so that people can manage their conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health trainers have been appointed and are raising awareness of their services – they will take referrals for individuals/families and will also be able to refer to other services • Build up a directory of local services which is available in hard copy as well as online. Advertise in the local Gazette newspaper. • Mental health services need to be promoted • Need to influence the decision makers |
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Discussion Theme: Housing

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| <p>Priority 1</p> <p>The Core Strategy and Neighbourhood Plan needs to be adopted urgently, as developers are taking advantage of the policy vacuum. (45.5%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pressure needed on the Council re. core strategy • Community participation in neighbourhood plans • Raising awareness within the community of the issue |
| <p>Priority 2</p> <p>Develop brownfield and infill sites rather than green field sites (20.2%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input through neighbourhood plan • Mapping ownership of land • Approach planning consultants to influence • Search online |
| <p>Priority 3</p> <p>Convert former Council offices at Browfort for flats and family housing (17.2%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little interest in site for employment uses – too far from motorway and railways • Need to lobby planners to agree a change of use • Consultation with the community on potential uses |

Discussion Theme: Leisure

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| <p>Priority 1</p> <p>Improved information on what leisure activities are taking place in the area. Signposting / web information / schools / taster days (51%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a go session – information • Develop info on clubs in local area within the Centres / central point's / schools / libraries • Community reporters - blog • Web info - promote all information in one website – Active Wiltshire now in place, |
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| <p>Priority 2 Physical access to facilities for the whole community – barriers due to transport and time (29%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Volunteers – Incentives to become a volunteer, support for volunteers to become qualified in a specific area. (20%)</p> | <p>signposting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport to facilities • Opportunities that a new campus will offer – pinch points – pool ATP / Hall space • Outdoor informal / formal facilities in rural areas – trim trail / running / football / walking routes / canoe trails etc • Volunteers – incentives to become a volunteers, support for volunteers to become qualified in the specific activity. • Leisure credits • Make people aware of Develop services – Volunteering • Local / NGB courses – availability / information about them – central point of information |
| Discussion Theme: Transport | |
| <p>Priority 1 Refocus on public transport as something to be developed area wide and made more accessible in a positive way (49.9%)</p> <p>Priority 2 Promote the cycle network to be a higher priority for the whole area for school journeys and access to villages (20.4%)</p> <p>Priority 3 Incentivise people out of their cars for local journeys to improve air quality and show health benefits of walking and cycling (19.4%)</p> <p>Priority 4 Improve information about buses, cycle and walking routes across the area not all focussed online (13.3%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote a review of the Connect 2 service to a regular service (Call centre costs removed) • Local community transport schemes and better integration and use of Links Schemes/ Dial a Ride • Action on traffic/ Lift Share/ bike project/ DIY Streets/share Clubs/ Cycle Nets • Community mapping/ Transport Hub/ Spider Route Maps/ Safe Routes to School • Air Quality Alliance/Speeding Groups • Step off the tracks/ Home Zone traffic Calming/ Innovation funding/ More secure cycle parking area wide • More effective use of existing community transport and more local information accessible out in the villages via Parish Magazines who use existing methods to deliver house to house. • Look into charging a small fee to concession travellers to support services where affordable to enable lower fares for youth. |
| Discussion Theme: Stronger Communities | |
| <p>Priority 1 Lack of decent public transport is a barrier to people volunteering and</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentoring scheme for voluntary groups and individuals to encourage participation |

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| <p>getting involved, especially the hidden and deprived communities and a reduction and/or restrictions in services will have knock-on consequences (45.1%)</p> <p>Priority 2= Better coordinated two way flow of information about what is going on between town and parish councils, including contact information for services and assistance (27.5%)</p> <p>Priority 2= Provide information to the community to raise awareness of area board and other sources of funding for volunteer groups' activities (27.5%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cub reporters programme to link G&H to schools • Publicise programme of IT education where school children help those in need learn about their computers etc. • 'Oral histories' programme – masses of interesting knowledge in the elder citizens applicable to school curriculum. • Community hub |
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Area Board Project

1. What is the project?

Develop and deliver a mentoring project for young people with Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) in transition. – Cllr Simon Jacobs

Currently the problems can be summarised as:

- *Support through transition* – Too often a cliff edge is reached when the young people reach 16 and leave school and then again once they have finished their additional training.
- *Help with careers* - For those who are able to work there seems to be limited opportunity and a lack of specialist careers advice.
- *Employers* - It is very difficult for employers to take on SEND workers especially due to the complex employment legislation and that they can often require ongoing support and attention.
- *Lack of coordination* - The different processes and support available are not always joined up and there is a lack of awareness of what each other is doing

The situation is changing with the the 'Children and Families Bill' due to be introduced in September will introduce a brand new approach to support. It will mean a focus upon a person-centred streamlined service. There will be a single plan and a one key contact and assessment. The funding that will be made available by central government will be for individual packages. The Council has a supported Employment Team and it is currently in the process of setting up supported internships.

Devizes is ideally situated to work with Wiltshire Council to develop an approach that can be replicated throughout the County. The Cabinet member for children's services and the portfolio holder for schools are both on the Devizes area board. Rowdeford School, Green Lane Hospital and much of the voluntary sector's head quarters are based within the Devizes area.

Devizes area Board is already successfully working with DCAP and Devizes school to develop mentoring for those leaving school, offer careers advice and work with employers. This project will develop this model looking at the specific challenges of SEND.

This was identified as a priority in the recent Devizes 'What Matters To You?' event held on March 4th 2014

2. Where is the project taking place?

Devizes Community Area

3. When will the project take place?

During 2014/15

4. What are the Community benefits?

The key benefit is to provide a better offer for young people with SEND and to increase community cohesion

5. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?

The project will need to be developed further. However a preliminary meeting has identified a number of key stakeholders who are keen to support and help with this initiative. These include Rowdeford School, Wiltshire Council services, individuals and businesses. The area board will be initially responsible for the project but it is envisaged that someone with the required expertise from the community will be found to lead on this work.

6. Funding?

It is proposed that the remainder of the area board's funding is allocated to this project. This will be @£5k

7. Additional information

Once the project has been developed and run, it will be evaluated with a view to rolling it out in other areas

Devizes Community Area Board

March 2014



1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Joanne Spencer

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Chris Mead
PCSO – Paula Yarranton
PCSO – Jemma Butcher
PCSO – Luke Woodward
PCSO – Kelly Watts

Rural North Team

Beat Manager – PC Helen Clarke
PCSO –
PCSO – Fiona Marno

Rural South Team

Beat Manager – PC James Sheate
PCSO – Oliver Nash

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 website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police and Crime Commissioner: Mr Angus Macpherson

PCC website: www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk

4. Local Issues

Sergeant Joanne Spencer has returned following her accident. She is still on the road to recovery but happy to be back.

I am pleased to announce the arrival of PCSO Jemma Butcher to the Devizes Town team. Jemma will replace PCSO Stonestreet who transferred to Salisbury once she has completed her tutorship with one of my experienced PCSO's.

PCSO Gareth Cole has now left to join Derbyshire as a Police Officer. I wish him the very best in his career especially having invested time in his development. I am actively seeking a permanent replacement for Gareth and hope to make that announcement shortly.

Lastly PCSO Nash has been successful in his application to be a Police Officer in Wiltshire Police. He will leave my team at the end of March.

Please be assured I have been planning for such eventualities and there will be no reduction in service provision to the communities.

Devizes North Rural

Bromham

28th Jan a folding electric pedal cycle was stolen from a premises.

8th Feb the lock on a van was attacked but the offender(s) failed to gain entry.

Rowde

4th Feb a garage was broken into and some copper piping and a cutter stolen.

Bishop Cannings

No reportable incidents

Coate & Horton

No reportable incidents

All Cannings

28th Feb a small van had the catalytic converter stolen from the exhaust system.

Stert & Etchilhampton

No reportable incidents

Devizes Town

Our efforts continue in identifying how to make a difference and reduce crime in the Devizes Town Beat. Following a recent meeting with the Town Council and organisers of the Corn Exchange nightclub a trial period has been agreed to restrict last entry to 1am. The purpose of this is to assist in the migration between the late night venues and support licensees to discharge their duties. Southern Housing were successful in their application for eviction of a resident in The Brittox. We have already noticed a reduction of ASB in the area.

My team are now looking to work with Wiltshire Council and introduce Drink banning Orders to the area. You can be given a Drinking Banning Order (DBO) if you break the law or cause problems while drinking alcohol.

Reasons you may get a DBO include:

- vandalism and graffiti
- antisocial behaviour
- violent or threatening behaviour
- urinating in public

You can get a DBO if you are in England and Wales and 16 or older. DBOs are issued by:

- magistrates' courts, if the police or local authority apply for one for you
- county courts, if you are already facing civil legal proceedings there
- criminal courts, when you are convicted of an alcohol-related criminal offence

Every DBO is different and is decided by the magistrates who hear your case and the circumstances of your offence.

Getting a DBO means you may not be allowed to do certain things, such as: drink or possess alcohol in public, buy alcohol, enter certain places that serve alcohol. A DBO can last between 2 months and 2 years.

Devizes South Rural

Urchfont

10th Feb the Lamb PH was broken into and meat stolen from the kitchen.

20th Feb a dwelling was broken into through an open window and jewellery stolen.

Market Lavington and Easterton

26th Feb there was an attempted theft of a bird table.

Worton

2nd Feb there was an attempted theft of a tractor.

Erlstoke

No reportable incidents

CRIME & DETECTIONS (August 2012 – August 2013 compared to previous rolling 12 months)

The top table are the most recent figures and I include the previously reported figures for comparison. Vehicle crime is the headline figure for me. The offences range from theft of parts, damage to vehicles and theft of motor vehicles. The most significant category remains where people leave valuable items on display in their cars. In late January an Offender was arrested for 7 thefts from motor vehicle. This is still a live enquiry. Please spread the word, do not leave valuables in cars.....at all.

| EZ Devizes NPT | Crime | | | | Detections* | |
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| | 12 Months to February 2013 | 12 Months to February 2014 | Volume Change | % Change | 12 Months to February 2013 | 12 Months to February 2014 |
| Victim Based Crime | 1178 | 1163 | -15 | -1.3% | 22% | 20% |
| Domestic Burglary | 44 | 41 | -3 | -6.8% | 27% | 24% |
| Non Domestic Burglary | 152 | 119 | -33 | -21.7% | 4% | 25% |
| Vehicle Crime | 76 | 112 | +36 | +47.4% | 11% | 1% |
| Criminal Damage & Arson | 245 | 229 | -16 | -6.5% | 18% | 13% |
| Violence Against The Person | 269 | 323 | +54 | +20.1% | 39% | 26% |
| ASB Incidents (YTD) | 954 | 821 | -133 | -13.9% | | |

Previous figures

| EZ Devizes NPT | Crime | | | | Detections* | |
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| | 12 Months to December 2012 | 12 Months to December 2013 | Volume Change | % Change | 12 Months to December 2012 | 12 Months to December 2013 |
| Victim Based Crime | 1174 | 1263 | +89 | +7.6% | 22% | 21% |
| Domestic Burglary | 45 | 44 | -1 | -2.2% | 24% | 23% |
| Non Domestic Burglary | 120 | 158 | +38 | +31.7% | 5% | 19% |
| Vehicle Crime | 87 | 100 | +13 | +14.9% | 10% | 0% |
| Criminal Damage & Arson | 258 | 253 | -5 | -1.9% | 19% | 15% |
| Violence Against The Person | 260 | 339 | +79 | +30.4% | 35% | 30% |
| ASB Incidents (YTD) | 832 | 759 | -73 | -8.8% | | |

* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolutions

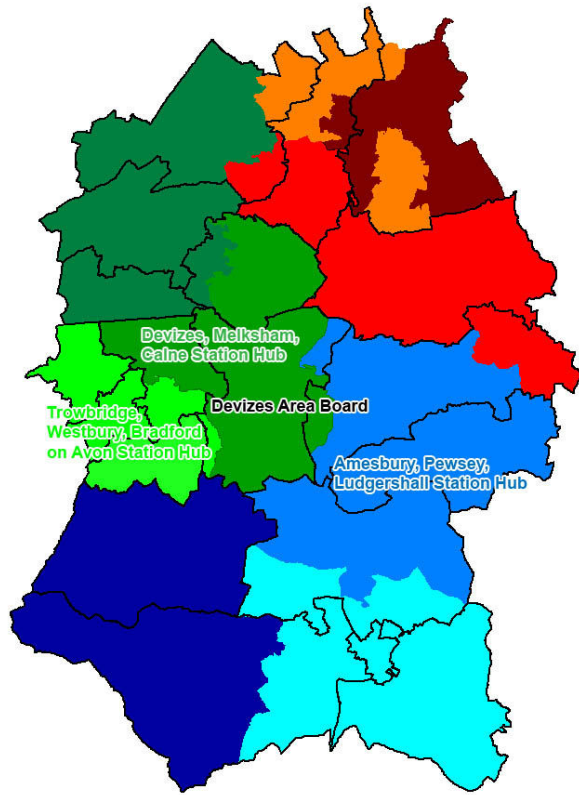
Matthew Armstrong

Sector Inspector, Devizes Melksham Pewsey

15th January 2014



Briefing report for Devizes Area Board



Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service has grouped together neighbouring fire stations into station hubs, to work more effectively and efficiently, supporting each other to improve the service we provide.

Responding to incidents:

Your Area Board's / Locality's communities immediate emergency response will be provided by staff at these stations and where necessary additional support from staff and specialist equipment from other stations.

Prevention work:

Staff from other departments also provide the community with specialist services giving fire safety and road safety advice and interventions such as talks and visits.

Protection work:

Specialist staff provide expert knowledge, give advice and undertake enforcement action working very closely with the planning authorities to keep communities safe from fire.

In an **emergency dial 999**, for other non urgent matters you can either visit our website: www.wiltsfire.gov.uk or contact the following people:

| | <u>Manager / Department</u> | <u>Telephone</u> | <u>email</u> |
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| Operational matters | Station Manager - Darren Nixon, Devizes, Melksham, Calne Station Hub | 07860 345294 | darren.nixon@wiltsfire.gov.uk |
| Operational matters | Station Manager - Jack Nicholson, Trowbridge, Bradford, Westbury Station Hub | 07809 548048 | jack.nicholson@wiltsfire.gov.uk |
| Operational matters | Station Manager - Jason Underwood, Amesbury, Pewsey, Ludgershall Station Hub | 07515 191951 | jason.underwood@wiltsfire.gov.uk |
| Partnership and community engagement issues | Michael Franklin (Wiltshire Council Area) | 07919 306037 | mike.franklin@wiltsfire.gov.uk |
| Home fire safety visits and for talks and visits | Community safety department | 0800 389 7849 | www.wiltsfire.gov.uk and then complete the on line request |

Incident details for your community area

| Incident Type | Detail | January, 2013 | February, 2013 | March, 2013 | April, 2013 | May, 2013 | June, 2013 | July, 2013 | August, 2013 | September, 2013 | October, 2013 | November, 2013 | December, 2013 | January, 2014 | February, 2014 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Chimney Fire | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Emerg Spec Svc Calls | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| | Advice - App/Eq not Specd | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Animal Rescue | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Assist Amb/Social Service | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Co-Responder | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Effecting Entry | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Flooding | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 0 |
| | Lift Release | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| | Making safe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | Person Rescue/Release | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | RTC - Make Safe | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | RTC - Person Trapped | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| | Spills and Leaks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| False Alarm Good Intent | | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| FDR1 Fire | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Secondary Fire | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| | Fence/Lamp | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | Grass/Heath/Railway/Tree | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | Refuse/Container | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

To see more detail on incidents and fire service activity in your area please go to our website and select community area (In development)



Warning about dangers of lit candles

Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service is reminding people of the dangers of leaving lit candles and oil burners unattended.

Two crews from Salisbury were called to a flat recently, where smoke alarms were sounding. An investigation found that there had been a small fire in a cupboard, started by oil burners and candles that had been lit.

We would encourage everyone to follow our simple advice, and to make sure they have working smoke alarms.”

The Service has the following top tips around the use of candles and oil burners:

- Never leave lit candles or oil burners unattended.
- Make sure such items are secured in fire resistant holders and away from furniture and curtains.
- Keep loose clothing and hair away from candles and oil burners when they are lit.
- Always leave at least 10cm (4ins) between lit candles and oil burners, and never place them underneath shelves or other enclosed spaces.
- Put out candles and oil burners when you leave the room and make sure they are fully extinguished before you go to bed or leave the property.
- Never burn a candle right down into the holder.
- Use a snuffer or spoon to extinguish candles – it's safer than blowing them out, as sparks can fly when you do that.
- Don't try and move a lit candle or oil burner, as this just increases the risk of fire.
- If using tea lights, be aware that the foil container can get extremely hot and should therefore not be placed onto a surface that could melt, such as the side of a bath or the top of a television. Always use a proper holder.

All properties should also be fitted with working smoke alarms, which should be tested regularly.

Update for Devizes Area Board

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| Update from | EASTERTON PARISH COUNCIL |
| Date of Area Board Meeting | 24 th March 2014 |

Headlines/Key Issues NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING & CORE STRATEGY

- Existing policies & supplementary planning guidance documents for this small village taken in context with The Core Strategy have, until now, been regarded as possibly sufficient to control development in this small settlement, without resorting to a Neighbourhood Plan (noting that Neighbourhood Plans cannot provide for less development).
 - With the Core Strategy having been rejected by the Planning Inspectorate pending an upgrade of numbers of new homes planned for the county what level of development control can we expect in the interim period before the Core Strategy is found fit for purpose and adopted, and when is this adoption likely to be achieved?
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DEVIZES AREA BOARD
24th March 2014

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11th March 2014

Purpose of the Report

To provide an update and recommendations to Devizes Area Board from the meeting of the Community Area Transport Group meeting held on Monday 11th March 2014.

Notes of Meeting

Present:

- Peter Evans - Devizes Town Council
- Kristian Price – Area Highways Engineer
- Kate Freeman – Chairman of DCAP Transport Sub-Group (From 10:30am)
- Ann Lumb - Great Cheverell Parish Council
- Gareth Rogers - Senior Engineer, Wiltshire Council
- Richard Rogers - Community Area Manager for Devizes, Wiltshire Council
- Steve Valentine – Roundway Parish Council
- Philip Whitehead – Member of Devizes area Board and portfolio holder for Highways Contract
- Rob Edwards – Potterne PC

Apologies

- Kelvin Nash – Devizes Town Council
- Rachel Kent – Environmental Officer, Wiltshire Council
- Tony Cosstick – Cycle Devizes

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| Funding Update | <p>GR presented the funding situation which can be summarised as:</p> <p>Total Budget - £65,847.40</p> <p>Total Committed expenditure - £55,638.40</p> <p>Remaining budget - £16k</p> <p><i>Requests for funding to be considered at this or future meetings include:</i></p> <p>Urchfont Crossing and bus provision - £5k</p> <p>Caen Hill Pedestrian Link - £8k</p> <p>Rowde Dropped Kerb - £1,500</p> <p>Long Street Weight Restriction - £5k</p> |
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| <p>Long Street Weight Limit</p> | <p>Cllr Jacobs has requested that the CATG consider a weight restriction on the London Road. This follows on from requests from local residents to tackle the problem of lorries using this route other than for access.</p> <p>GR informed the CATG that Long Street is on a list of weight restrictions to be considered but it is not near the top. It is therefore unlikely to take place in the near future. If the CATG or Devizes Area Board wishes to take this forward then they would need to finance it.</p> <p>There is an agreed process for weight limits with the first step being to carry out a lorry count and look at journeys</p> <p>Devizes Town Council is in favour of some action being taken along Long Street and has also requested that it be looked at for a potential 20mph speed limit.</p> <p>There was a difference of opinion over the extent of the problem and whether taking them down an already congested road is the best option. However some argued that although the problem is not continuous, it is serious when it occurs and this is often early in the morning.</p> <p>ACTION – GR to get accurate costs for the survey and the CATG to consider it again at their next meeting. A metro count can be carried out at the same time.</p> |
| <p>Caen Hill Crossing</p> | <p>Responses to the proposal were received from Bromham, Potterne and Devizes Parish Councils. The comments and suggestions made were seen as valid but had been considered previously by the</p> |

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| | <p>CATG. The proposal on offer is the only one that is currently achievable and would help the safety situation, brought into focus by the recent serious injury to a cyclist on this stretch of road.</p> <p>PW added that Melksham CATG has indicated that they would consider contributing to the scheme.</p> <p>Major repair works are scheduled for Caen Hill later in 2014. This would mean that if the crossing was carried out at the same time, it would cut costs by about 50% to @£4k</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION – Carry out the scheme in time with the other works if Melksham CATG pays 50% of the costs.</p> <p>ACTION – Inform Melksham CATG and ask them to consider the proposal and funding request. (GR / RR)</p> |
| <p>20 mph speed limit review</p> | <p>Following an approach to Parish Councils for area to be considered for 20mph speed limit reviews, 7 requests have been received. 2 are in Devizes, 3 in Market Lavington, 1 in Bishops Cannings and 1 in Etchilhampton.</p> <p>Potterne Parish Council was also going to request a 20mph area but this has not yet been received.</p> <p>The CATG suggested that the roads around Brickley Lane should also be considered.</p> <p>It was agreed that in future years, greater dissemination of this information would be helpful. However a decision needs to be taken in Apr 2014 as to which schemes to put forward.</p> <p>ACTION - Potterne PC to send RR and GR their request for a 20mph speed limit</p> |

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| | <p>(RE).</p> <p>ACTION – GR will assess all the requests and report back to the next CATG meeting for a decision.</p> |
| <p>Dropped kerb request from Rowde</p> | <p>At the January CATG meeting it was agreed to fund 50% of the costs for dropped kerbs at Chestnut Close. The request for a second set of dropped kerbs at Springfield Road has been made by Rowde PC. It is cheaper to do both at the same time.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION – That 50% of the funding for both sets of dropped kerbs is provided by the CATG and 50% by the PC. This will be approximately an additional £500 from the CATG budget.</p> <p>ACTION - Inform the Parish Council of the decision (RR)</p> |
| <p>Proposal from Great Cheverell Parish Council</p> | <p>Overall aim:</p> <p>To reduce HGV traffic (over- and under-height) through Great Cheverell and villages in the immediate locality, especially on the A360 and B3098.</p> <p><i>Proposed Action:</i></p> <p>1. Elimination of north/south over-height vehicles by means of appropriate signage.</p> <p>a) New sign near Airman’s Cross roundabout due in April, 2014.</p> <p>b) Consideration of further advisory signage between Airman’s Cross and Devizes e.g. white on blue signs: ‘Unsuitable for High Vehicles’, providing this can be achieved within the safety limitations of HGVs turning.</p> <p>c) New sign in Seend to deter</p> |

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| | <p>high vehicles from route through Worton to complete the North/South signing entry points to the A360.</p> <p>2. Measures to reduce the volume of east/west under-height HGVs</p> <p>a) Consideration of new signage for HGVs on B3098 e.g. at Westbury, near Erlestoke Prison or elsewhere to keep under-height vehicles from Great Cheverell.</p> <p>b) Reconsider wording of existing signage on A 360 in West Lavington, north of Chocolate Poodle bridge and on B3098.</p> <p>c) Cheverell Magna Parish Council to provide a list of the main freight companies using the C40 through the village.</p> <p>d) Wiltshire Council to talk to selected local freight companies (including the Grist Group) to reduce their use of the C40 and B3098.</p> <p>3. Investigation of engineering/street design changes in Great Cheverell that could help:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deter repeated HGV use of the narrow, winding High Street • increase the safety of vulnerable road users (pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders, wheelchair users) • protect and preserve the conservation aspects of the village (buildings, banks, verges etc) <p>The first stage in this design process would be to obtain an idea of cost and identify a means of funding the design.</p> |
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| | <p>Ideas for consideration include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicanes or ‘pinch points’ using raised area at one side of road e.g. at south entrance to village; • Pavement extended where possible; • Walkway made using different surface material; • Informal crossing point(s) where walkway has to switch sides; <p style="text-align: center;">Planters, posts etc</p> <p>Such a design would give an integrated approach that could be achieved in stages and over time.</p> <p>CATG Actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To estimate the cost and identify a means of funding the design (GR) II. Parish Council to provide GR with a more detailed ‘wish list’ of improvements they would like to see made. (AL) | | |
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| | undertaken. Residents will now be consulted before being brought back to the CATG for consideration. |
| | ACTION – Consult with residents (PE) |
| IV. Devizes Coach Parking - including an additional request for an advance warning sign for coach drivers for safety reasons | Notices for experimental change have gone out and work should be completed by the end of March and started by 18 th March. Advance warning signs do not exist and the CATG felt they were not required. The coach parking should be seen well enough in advance and there will be sufficient signage and markings |
| V. Cycling Across the Green | This will be completed by the end of March The problem of not providing boards for walking on has now been resolved. |
| VI. West Lavington Crossings | No further correspondence has been received from West Lavington PC |
| VII. Speed Limit Review | The two reviews for 2014 are with consultants to be taken forward |
| VIII. Works at Worton | The pedestrian count will take place in the early summer |
| IX. Whistley Road | The PC had not taken up the offer of the gated entry as they felt it was in the wrong place. However they would like to see gates installed where the speed limit changes to 30mph to mark the start of the village. ACTION – Potterne PC to submit a new request that has support from residents and Parish Council. ACTION – Request from Whistley Road residents to be considered at the next CATG meeting |
| X. Bath Road crossings and metro counts including a resolution from | The issue of crossings along the Bath Road has been raised at many forums and |

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| <p>Devizes Town Council:</p> | <p>the CATG have been taking action.</p> <p>New metro counts have been requested and a crossing count will be done around late spring.</p> <p>ACTION - Devizes Town Council to inform the CATG of their views regarding crossing points (PE / KN)</p> <p>ACTION – Consider the data and the views of the Town Council once this information has been gathered (GR / RR)</p> |
| <p>XI. Roundway PC and Devizes TC to obtain a view from their Parish Council on whether Quakers Walk should be resurfaced with tarmac, particularly from the gates up to the school (KN & SV)</p> | <p>The current surface is not very good and causes problems for users. However this was the one that was requested by residents. The only real solution is to use tarmac but this was originally objected to.</p> <p>The feedback so far is very mixed with strong feelings on both sides.</p> <p>GR mentioned that there are coloured tarmacs that can be used.</p> <p>SV highlighted that 2 drains were blocked in during works and these may not have been unfilled at the end</p> <p>ACTION – To check if all drains are working properly. (KP)</p> <p>ACTION – Write to both Roundway and Devizes TC to ask them to write to the CATG with their views on the way forward. (PW)</p> |

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| <p>AOB</p> | |
| <p>Hills’ revised Planning Application 11/02920/MM is for a permanent very large new MRF/WTS waste facility (with a combined capacity large enough for the whole of the South West Region) in a rural location at Lower Compton.</p> | <p>The group were advised of this planning application and that if permission is granted, it will have a substantial impact upon traffic issues in the North of Wiltshire</p> |
| <p>Potterne Parish Council would like to take some action to help tackle speeding</p> | <p>The advice given was that a metro count</p> |

should be first requested so that the facts could be established rather than relying on perception. Speedwatch is run by the Police and is carried out on a priority basis as a result of the metro counts.

ACTION – Potterne PC to send a map to RR requesting a metro count (RE)

Recommendations to Devizes Area Board

The area board is asked to agree the following recommendations:

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *Caen Hill Pedestrian Crossing* – Carry out the scheme in time with the other works if Melksham CATG agrees to pay 50% of the costs.
2. *Rowde Crossings* - That 50% of the funding for both sets of dropped kerbs (Springfield Road & Chestnut Close) is provided by the CATG and 50% by the Parish Council. This will be approximately an additional £500 from the CATG budget.

Date of next meeting – Monday 28th April, 10am, Wiltshire College, Devizes

Report Author: Richard Rogers, Devizes Community Area Manager

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| Report to | Devizes Area Board |
| Date of Meeting | 24th March 2014 |
| Title of Report | Area Board Grants |

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 3 applications seeking 20013/14 Community Area Grant Funding.

- 1. Urchfont Village Hall** are seeking £5k towards their kitchen extension
Recommended for consideration for approval
- 2. Devizes School** are seeking £4k for furniture and equipment for an extended services drop in centre
Recommended for consideration for approval
- 3. Drews Pond Wood Project** are seeking £500 towards repairs to Drews Pond Wood nature trail
Recommended for consideration for approval

1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Adult Care, Communities and Housing (5th April 2013). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2013/2014.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. The emphasis in the Coalition Government's Localism agenda supports the ethos of volunteering and community involvement and the nurturing of resilient communities. With this in mind Community Area Grants (CAGs) should be encouraged from and awarded to community and voluntary groups.
- 1.4. Devizes Area Board has been allocated a 2013/2014 budget of £83,375 for community grants, digital literacy projects, community partnership core funding, area board operational funding and area board/councillor led initiatives.
- 1.5. Applications of up to and including £500 can be made for a Community Area Grant, which will not require matched funding. Amounts of £501 - £5000 will be required to find matched funding. The area board will rarely award more than £5,000.
- 1.6. Area boards will not consider Community Area Grant (CAG) applications from town and parish councils for purposes that relate to their statutory duties or powers that should be funded from the local town/parish precept. However this does not preclude bids from town/parish councils, encouraging community projects that provide new opportunities for local people or those functions that are not the sole responsibility of the town/parish council.
- 1.7. In addition to CAGs, councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle community identified priorities. Cabinet have emphasised that they do not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls.
- 1.8. Officers are required to provide recommendations in their funding reports (except in the case of Area Board/Councillor led initiatives), although the decision to support applications is made by Wiltshire Councillors on the Area Board.
- 1.9. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting whilst there is money available.
- 1.10. Paper copies of funding applications no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce paper. They are however available on the Wiltshire Council web site with the area board agenda papers and hard copies available upon request.

- 1.11. The 2013/2014 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website
<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/areaboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>
- 1.12. All recipients of area board funding are expected to complete and return an evaluation form as soon as the project or activity has been completed and this should be accompanied by receipts and invoices, as well as photographs if possible. Failure to return the evaluation requested will preclude them from being considered for any future funding from the area board. This applies to all grants made by the area board.

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| <p>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area Board Grant Guidance 2013/14 as presented for delegated decision • Devizes Community Area Plan • Devizes Joint Strategic Needs Document |
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2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2013/14 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. This will be the final round of funding during 2013/2014.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

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

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Devizes Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Devizes Area Board will

have a balance of £6,997

- 4.3. All awards are subject to the condition that no payment will be made until all other match funding has been confirmed.

5. Legal Implications

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

6. HR Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, town and parish council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – Officer Recommendations.

8. Officer recommendations

| Ref | Applicant | Project proposal | Funding requested |
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| 8 | Urchfont Village Hall | Urchfont Village Hall Kitchen Extension | £5k towards a project costing £30k |

- a. It is the officer's recommendation that an award of £5k towards the cost of extending the village hall to provide a new kitchen be considered for approval.
- b. This application meets grant criteria 2013/14 and has been classified as a capital project
- c. The project is to extend the village hall kitchen to give room for a fridge, dishwasher and extra cooking facilities. These facilities are being increasingly requested by their regular users. The management committee are receiving many requests from organisations who want to hold events where people want to cook on the premises rather than just heat up pre-prepared food, which is all that can currently be carried out in the existing kitchen
- d. The cexisting kitchen is too small and is 20 years old. There is no space for facilities

that groups expect to be provided such as a fridge and dishwasher. The extra provision should not only benefit existing organisations that use the hall but attract others to make use of it.

- e. The remaining funding is being found from existing reserves and a Urchfont Scarecrow festival grant

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| 9 | Devizes School | Furniture and equipment for an extended services drop in centre | £4k towards a project costing £48k |

- a. It is the officer’s recommendation that an award of £4k towards the cost of furniture and equipment for an extended services drop in centre should be considered for approval.
- b. This application meets grant criteria 2013/14 and has been classified as a capital project
- c. Within the school catchment area there are three defined pockets of deprivation with vulnerable families where parents have low literacy skills or who abuse alcohol; this is significantly more common than the Wiltshire average. Young people from an area of deprivation are more prone to a higher incidence of smoking, offending and teenage pregnancy. The health profile of Devizes School indicates that 13.6% of children live in poverty (Wiltshire figure 11.6%) and 10.5% of students are eligible for free school meals (Wiltshire average 6.4%). Academically the number of students starting Devizes School in Year 7 who have not achieved Level 4 (expectation for end of Key Stage 2) in English & Maths is increasing; the current Year 7 has 31% of students below Level 4. Students have said, through consultation, that they will benefit because it gives access to services on the school site which are either not available or are difficult for them to access elsewhere in the immediate area. They are less likely to use local services embedded in their rural communities because such services are less likely to be anonymous so confidence in privacy may be reduced. By providing services in school they believe students will be more likely to access them and the level of confidence in such services will increase. This means that the services will be better used and have more impact. External agencies will benefit from this provision because they will have a suitable environment in which to carry out their work and they can be confident that security and confidentiality will be maintained. The agencies will have more ready access to young people and potentially families that may be considered ‘hard to reach’. Finally, pastoral support services within the school will benefit because there will be a bespoke area available to deliver advice and assistance to young people. If young people have help in dealing with problems they are more likely to achieve academically and develop into good citizens, so the whole of the community will benefit.
- d. The grant application is to meet start up costs only. All running costs will be met by the school.

| Ref | Applicant | Project proposal | Funding requested |
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| 10 | Drews Pond Wood Project | Repair to Drews Pond Wood nature trail | £500 |

- a. It is the officer's recommendation that an award of £500 towards the repair of Drews Pond Wood nature trail should be considered for approval
- b. This application meets grant criteria 2013/14 and has been classified as a capital project.
- c. Following recent storms a large number of trees have come down within the wood destroying large parts of the nature trail and making it unsafe for users. Various parts of the trail need total refurbishment.
- d. The total estimated cost is @£4k. The group is seeking funding to complete the work but can undertake different parts as money comes in.
- e. The amount being requested is not more than £500 and therefore does not require any match funding.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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