

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** PEWSEY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Rd, Burbage SN8 3AJ  
**Date:** 2 November 2015  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 8.50 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman), Cllr Paul Oatway and Cllr Stuart Wheeler (Vice Chairman) and Cllr John Thomson

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager  
Karen Brown – Community Youth Officer  
Kevin Fielding - Democratic Services Officer  
Surriya Subramaniam – Head of Public Protection

### **Parish Councils**

Burbage Parish Council – Steve Colling  
Easton Royal Parish Council – Margaret Holden  
Great Bedwyn Parish Council – Jenny Clark  
Pewsey Parish Council – Curly Haskall, Alex Carder & Terry Eyles  
Rushall Parish Council – Colin Gale  
Shalbourne Parish Council – Mike Lockhart  
Stanton St Bernard Parish Council – David Line & Wendy Tarver  
Wilcot & Huish (with Oare) Parish Council – Dawn Wilson  
Woodborough Parish Council – John Brewin

### **Partners**

Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) – Susie Brew  
Healthwatch Wiltshire – Paul Lefever

**Total in attendance: 43**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Area Board Members and officers.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Mike Franklin – Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service and Peter Deck – Pewsey Parish Council.</p>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14 September 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with the following amendments:</b></li> </ul> <p><b>In attendance</b></p> <p><b>Margaret Holden – Easton Royal Parish Council.</b></p> <p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p><b>That concerns were raised re the closure of the Everleigh Recycling Centre.</b></p>
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The following Chairman's announcements were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NHS Health Checks</li> <li>• Children's Centre Consultation</li> <li>• Parish Boundary Review Consultation</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget Announcement</li> <li>• Community Area Open Space Profile Consultation</li> <li>• Pewsey Neighbourhood Development Plan – well done to all, the plan was now signed off.</li> </ul>
6	<p><u>Pewsey Campus</u></p> <p>Cllr Jerry Kunkler and Ros Griffiths - Community Engagement Manager gave a short update on the Pewsey Campus.</p> <p>Cllr John Thomson - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards and Broadband, Wiltshire Council was in attendance to answer questions.</p> <p>Cllr Jerry Kunkler thanked the members of the Pewsey COB who had worked tirelessly for the last four years or so, the COB had now been disbanded but members of the group were being invited to stay on as advisers and the Area Board looked forward to their continued involvement in the new Pewsey Health and Wellbeing Centre proposals.</p> <p>Points made by Ros Griffiths included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular progress updates – Area Board, social media, parishes, user groups.</li> <li>• Plans to be presented at Area Board meeting 11 January 2016.</li> </ul> <p>The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater focus on health and wellbeing</li> <li>• Budget approved by Cabinet 2012 in place</li> <li>• Additional investment added to scheme</li> <li>• Replacement and refurbishment <i>“New and improved user experience”</i></li> <li>• Revised working arrangements for campus delivery programme</li> <li>• Community Engagement Manager – communications, sustainability, governance</li> </ul> <p>Accommodation Schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New larger fitness suite</li> <li>• New reception desk and cash office</li> <li>• Reception area and breakout space</li> </ul>

- New 4 lane 25m pool
- New wet village change area
- Retained dry change (refurbished)
- Community kitchenette/café & multi-purpose activity space
- Squash court
- 5 Court Hall refurbished and re-clad
- Wheeled Sports and entrance

Design and Build Programme

<b>Stage</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
Concept design	Winter 2015
Planning	Spring 2016
Tender & Contract	Summer 2016
Construction	Autumn 2016
Opening	Spring 2018

Questions from the floor included:

Is provision for one squash court enough, and would the pool be large enough?  
*a. Yes, based on current and anticipated future levels of demand, there is also squash provision throughout the area. Squash courts provide very little in return of revenue to a centre. The pool would be more economical than its predecessor to run.*

Would Cabinet approval be needed for the new name of the centre?  
*a. No, this could be taken under the delegated decision process by Cllr Thomson.*

Would it be possible to publish the plans as early as possible?  
*a. Yes, Wiltshire Council would ensure that the plans were in the public domain as soon as possible.*

The Chairman thanked Ros Griffiths and Cllr Thomson for the presentation.

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Partner Updates

The following Partner updates were given:

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Nick Mawson  
 The written report was noted.

Points also made by Inspector Mawson included:

- A new Community Policing model which was currently being trialled in the

Trowbridge area. It had been decided that this pilot would be extended to cover Pewsey and surrounding area. Exactly what this would mean had yet to be fully decided and was subject of current planning discussions.

- The new Wiltshire Police Control Strategy, which was based around the cross cutting themes of High risk victims, High risk offender, Domestic abuse and Cyber crime.

Questions from the floor included:

That there were concerns that under the new policing model, local police knowledge could be lost.

*a. Communities would still have local policing, but other officers would be available to help if required. PCSOs would not be lost.*

The new control strategy looks very urban based?

*a. Wiltshire is very much a rural county, some areas would see more of the police, with better response times for local crimes.*

How can a good level of policing be maintained with cuts having to be made?

*a. There are indeed less resources, so Wiltshire Police has to do something different. The pilot in Trowbridge had proved to be very successful.*

Would Wiltshire Police still be supporting Community Speedwatch?

*a. Wiltshire Police would continue to support Community Speedwatch.*

How can officers spend more time in the community and less time in the office attending to admin etc?

*a. New mobile devices were being rolled out, giving officers the freedom to access information and stay in touch whilst remaining on the beat. It was intended that Pewsey would see this new technology within the next six months.*

Cllr Paul Oatway made the point that Wiltshire Police did need to cut its cloth accordingly, but the county was a safe county, as was the Pewsey community area.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Mawson for his update.

Health Watch Wiltshire – Paul Lefever

The written report was noted.

Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) – Susie Brew

The written report was noted.

Wilcot and Huish (with Oare) Parish Council

	<p>The written report was noted.</p> <p>Woodborough Parish Council The written report was noted.</p> <p>Army Rebasing The written report was noted.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.</p>
8	<p><u>Emergency Planning Workshop</u></p> <p>Surriya Subramaniam – Head of Public Protection, Wiltshire Council gave a short presentation that outlined proposals for a workshop for the Pewsey community area giving guidance on how to plan for and respond to emergency situations including flooding, snow and how Wiltshire Council could support emergency planning within the community area.</p> <p>It was agreed that an Emergency Planning event would be held at the Bouverie Hall, Pewsey on Thursday 7 January 2016.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Surriya Subramaniam for his presentation.</p>
9	<p><u>Proposals for the appointment of Community Champions for older people and carers</u></p> <p>Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager advised that Wiltshire Council wished to encourage Area Boards to identify champions in each of the county’s community areas who would have a key role in representing the views of older people and carers at both a local and county wide level. A sum of £1000 had been identified for each community area for this purpose, should Area Boards wish to take up this suggestion.</p> <p>Champions would talk and seek the views of older people or carers in their local communities on matters related to services provided by the Council or NHS and represent these views at area boards.</p> <p>It was agreed that Ros Griffiths would put an advert together for the post, and that nominations would be sought at the January 2016 Area Board meeting.</p> <p>Question from the floor</p> <p>How will the wider older persons champion network link with the carer’s network that currently exists? <i>a.As the role evolves the champions will connect with other organisations and</i></p>

	<p><i>partnerships, this will be explored fully once the positions are appointed.</i></p>
10	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The Councillors were asked to consider three applications seeking 20015/16 Community Area Grant Funding:</p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>North Newnton Parish Council awarded £500 for community defibrillator.</b>  <b>Reason</b>  <b><i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></b></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Pewsey Heritage Centre awarded £950 for Pewsey Heritage Centre computer and IT update.</b>  <b>Reason</b>  <b><i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></b></p> <p><b>Decision</b>  <b>Stanton St Bernard Village Hall awarded £1,425 for Stanton St Bernard Village Hall toilet conversion.</b>  <b>Reason</b>  <b><i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></b></p>
11	<p><u>Local Youth Network (LYN) - Update and Grant Funding</u></p> <p>Karen Brown – Community Youth Officer gave a short update.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the LYN has worked with over 600 young people since its launch.</li> <li>• That lots of good projects were either ongoing or in the pipeline.</li> <li>• That the East Grafton Youth Club was now up and running.</li> <li>• That the recent Ice skating trip to Swindon was well supported.</li> </ul> <p>The following Community Youth Grant applications were agreed by the Pewsey Area Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pewsey Community Area Partnership awarded £2,419 for Adrenaline Alley visit.</b></li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pewsey Vale Youth FC awarded £3,795.76 for pitch project.</b></li> <li>• <b>Wilcot and Huish (with Oare) Parish Council awarded £5,000 (subjects to terms and conditions being met) for BMX Jump Facilities.</b></li> </ul> <p>Youth Funding Procurement of PAYP Providers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Continuation of the dance project in Woodborough Social Club for 12 weeks – awarded £360.</b></li> <li>• <b>Cheerleading 12 week taster sessions at Pewsey Vale School – awarded £400.</b></li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Karen Brown for her update.</p>
12	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) - Update</u></p> <p>Cllr Paul Oatway.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the next CATG meeting would be held on Wednesday 20 January 2016.</li> <li>• That the notes of the 14 October CATG meeting would be circulated when ready, and attached to the web agenda/minutes.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Oatway.</p>
13	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>Concerns were raised over the possible closure of the Everleigh Recycling Centre. Cllr Stuart Wheeler advised that he would feedback to the Wiltshire Council Cabinet the concerns of the community over this issue.</p> <p>It was hoped that a public meeting could be arranged during January 2016.</p> <p>Cllr Stuart made reference to the Public Open Space Profile document referred to under chairman’s announcements and outlined a number of omissions.</p> <p>Ros Griffiths explained that the study identified open space needs and deficiencies and would be an important planning and assessment tool informing the work of the Area Board and future priorities. The purpose of the consultation was to ensure information across the community areas was accurate and up to date and parish councils were encouraged to feedback comments and observations.</p>

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Future Meeting Dates and Close

The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board is scheduled for 7pm on Monday 11 January 2016 at the Woodborough Social Club.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.