

## Update for Melksham Area Board

<b>Name of Parish/Town Council</b>	<b>Melksham Without Parish Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	Wednesday 24 February 2016
<b>Headlines/Key successes</b>	

- Attending the official opening of the new Forest & Sandridge School on Tues 9<sup>th</sup> February with HRH Duchess of Cornwall



- Flooding to properties prevented despite heavy storms at beginning of February, due to proactive, preventative work undertaken by Flood Wardens, Parish Council and Wiltshire Council. Unfortunately BRAG (Bowerhill Residents Action Group) picnic area submerged twice, with Canal & River Trust attending to clear blocked culvert.
- Multiple large planning applications in the Parish currently being considered 450 houses approved, new applications for 100, 150 and 235 homes to be decided.

### Projects

- Taking devolved service of all Wiltshire Council owned play areas in the Parish (Hornchurch Road and Kestrel Court in Bowerhill, and also Berryfield play area)
- Developing robust Community Emergency Response plan and volunteer recruitment, working closely with Melksham Town Council
- Developing operational delivery of SIDs (Speed Indicator Device) – taken on from Wiltshire Council in conjunction with Melksham Town Council, Atworth Parish Council and Broughton Gifford Parish Council.

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### **Forthcoming events/Diary dates**

- Sat 5<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March “Clean for the Queen” events across the Parish organised by Action Groups (CAWS, BRAG & BASRAG)
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm at Bowerhill Village Hall  
Emergency Response Volunteer Meeting for Bowerhill residents

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- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 7.00pm at Forest & Sandridge School  
Annual Parish Meeting including Grants Presentation & Dementia Awareness presentation

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- AGMs:  
CAWS (Community Action: Whitley & Shaw) – Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Feb, 7.30pm, Whitley Methodist Church

Shaw Village Hall – Mon 7<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm

Whitley Reading Rooms – Tues 12<sup>th</sup> April

Connect (Shaw & Whitley Village Publication – Mon 18<sup>th</sup> April

Signed: Teresa Strange, Clerk

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016