

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** SOUTH WEST WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Wilton Community Centre, West St, Wilton, Salisbury  
**Date:** 3 February 2016  
**Start Time:** 6.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 9.00 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Tony Deane, Cllr Peter Edge, Cllr Jose Green, Cllr George Jeans and Cllr Bridget Wayman

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Stephen Harris, Community Area Manager  
Lisa Moore, Democratic Services Officer  
Nicola Sage, Community Youth Officer  
Craig Angel, Leisure Operations Health and Wellbeing Manager

### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Bishopstone Parish Council – M Ash & J Thompson  
Burcombe without Parish Council – N Lefroy  
Fovant Parish Council – W Holmes & D Swift  
Hindon Parish Council – D Robertson  
Mere Parish Council – J Jordan  
Quidhampton Parish Council – D Roberts & K Taylor  
Sedgehill and Semley Parish Council – G Purdue  
Wilton Town Council – J Hawkins & P Matthews

### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Sergeant Dave Whitby  
Police and Crime Commissioner – Angus Macpherson

**Total in attendance: 45**

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Councillor Peter Edge, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the South West Wiltshire Area Board, and introduced the Police and Crime Commissioner; Angus Macpherson, who was in attendance.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspector David Minty – Police</li> <li>• Robin Townsend – Associate Director</li> </ul>
3	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were none.</p>
4	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 December 2015, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman; subject to the following amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The correct spelling for Cllr Dick Tonge’s name.</li> </ul>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcement’s:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Public Transport Strategy review consultation was now open, comments needed to be submitted by 4 April 2016.</li> <li>2. Wiltshire Council’s Budget proposals were now online. Two Budget setting meetings had been scheduled, these would be held in County Hall Trowbridge on 4 Feb and the Guildhall, Salisbury on 10 Feb. Both starting at 5.30pm.</li> <li>3. The Cranborne Chase Food Fair would take place on 20 April. This would present an opportunity for local food producers and craft to showcase/sell to local B&amp;Bs/restaurants/retailers in morning and general public in afternoon at the Larmer Tree Gardens. Further information was available from Steve <a href="mailto:Stephen.harris@wiltshire.gov.uk">Stephen.harris@wiltshire.gov.uk</a></li> <li>4. With recent coverage of the mosquito virus abroad, it was noted that an</li> </ol>

issue more likely to impact on us locally was the threat of a flu pandemic. Town and parish councils were urged to complete their emergency plans and feed back to the Community Engagement Manager.

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### Child Poverty

The Board received a presentation from Sarah Heathcote and Amy McNaughton from Public Health aimed at generating discussion on child poverty locally and looking at possible areas of work which could be taken forward in the community. A copy of the slides are attached to these minutes.

Comments and questions were then received, these included:

- It would be useful to get the different departments working more closely together. Answer: At a council level, we have a multi team working group, which meets regularly and works with a joined up approach.
- More employment in rural area would give more opportunity for people to find jobs and ear a wage.
- A bigger scale issue was the lack of rural areas which had access to gas, which provided a cheaper solution to central heating. A long term aim should be to encourage suppliers to make gas more available in our rural communities. Answer: Yes this was a larger problem. Locally, there was the Wiltshire Keep Warm scheme which provided advice and support to disadvantaged and elderly people in the community to help them to stay warm in their homes.
- What was the target temperature for homes? Answer: It was around the 19/20c. It was advised that if someone could not afford to heat their entire home, then they should try to keep the main room which they spent most time in at 20c.
- What pressures were put on private landlords to encourage them to make insulation improvements to their properties? Answer: A response would be fed back to the Board in due course.
- The recent Children's Centre consultation seemed to focus on reduction, which would only disadvantage struggling families with young children. Answer: That consultation was with the Children's Services, but it was focused more on reducing the stock of buildings than a reduction in services.
- One interpretation of rural poverty included a lack of access to transport, in rural areas this was quite prevalent to us. We know that rural bus services are also being cut back, this can only add to the problem.
- Were Health Visitors (HV) proactive enough in the community these days, as when a woman has a child, she is the one who has to instigate a visit form a HV, some less confident or literate parents may not know to do this, and could slip through the net. Answer: The Country was in a positive place with HV at the moment, following a large investment by Central Government to improve the numbers of HV available per area.

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The Chairman thanked Sarah and Amy for coming to present the item and asked those present whether they felt this was a topic which could be taken further in a special meeting.

It was decided that Steve Harris would invite interest for a special meeting on Child Poverty and finding ways to take the work forward with all town and parish councils. He would feedback the outcome to the Board at the next meeting.

#### PCC Precept Consultation

The Police and Crime Commissioner Angus Macpherson was in attendance to consult on the proposals for the increase to the precept for 2016/17. His proposal was an increase of just under 2%, which equated to £3.12 per household for the year.

This increase would enable him to protect Community Policing, which was greatly valued. Local Policing was key, and would continue as before.

#### **Crime and Public Confidence**

- Crime increased by 12% from December 2014 to November 2015  
7<sup>th</sup> lowest crime rate nationally with 50.7 crimes per 1,000 population.
- Public confidence measured by the OPCC Survey in 2015 is 83.7%, and had been consistently high since 2012.
- Victim satisfaction to October 2015 is 84.3% which is around the national average.

#### **A good HMIC Assessment of Wiltshire Police**

- Performance was regularly assessed by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary.
- Overall Wiltshire Police were rated as "good".
- Our constabulary remained one of the best in the country.

Questions and comments were then taken, these included:

- The Fire and Rescue Service (F&RS) came under the Home Office, there had been talk about the PCC taking over the responsibility of the F&RS. Cllr Edge asked Angus whether there had been discussions for this to happen in Wiltshire? Answer: It was a complex subject, the mechanism had been put in place for the PCC to take on the responsibility, if it was desired. There had been discussions with the Chief Fire Officer, however the elections for the next PCC would take place in May, so it was not known who would be taking over after then.
- What proportion of the Neighbourhood Policing budget went on the Police Pension Fund, and what was the impact of the National Insurance contribution? Answer: Angus agreed to find the answer and feedback to

the Board.

- If you say you are £2.6m short, how much would a referendum cost? Answer: approximately £400,000. If we were to have a referendum, it would be better to do so in a year when there was already a Council election, so they could be done at the same day, as this would save unnecessary costs.
- The Police Constable for Tisbury was moved out of the area to cover another, which had left Tisbury feeling the loss. What was the plan for the future with neighbourhood policing in rural areas? Answer: Angus explained that he provided the budget to the Chief Constable and then Operational matters were covered by him. The local Inspector, would be attending the next meeting to provide a full update on operational matters.
- How many band D properties were there in the south west Wiltshire community areas? Answer: This information would be available from the Council, the CEM would find out and feedback.

The consultation ended that day, Angus would be meeting with the Police and crime Panel (PCP) to look at the responses from the consultation. He would feed back the response from the meeting, and asked those present to indicate whether they supported the raise or not. The majority of those at the meeting were in favour of the proposed raise.

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#### Continuing to Deliver a Legacy for 2016

The Community Engagement Manager Stephen Harris, ran through some of the community activities and events which Wiltshire Council was supporting. Following the Olympics four years ago, the Council had formed a Legacy Board. Part of their work had been to support a whole series of events, some of those coming up in 2016 were:

#### Clean for the Queen – 4, 5, 6 March 2016

The SWWAB already had a scheme in place to fund litter picking kits for community organised litter picks. 19 of the 35 parishes had already registered their interest in this funding.

#### The Queen's 90th birthday celebration

A street party for the Queen would take place Sunday 12 June. It was expected that other local towns and parishes would also plan street parties on or around the same date. Steve urged anyone planning an event to contact him so that he could offer support and promotion at a local level.

Cycle Wiltshire event – 7 & 8 May 2016

On Saturday 7 May, the Cycle Wiltshire event would kick off with a range of cycle routes for all abilities, starting from Five Rivers Leisure Centre. On the Sunday the Elite professional cycle race would take place, the route has a processional start in Salisbury, racing start in Wilton with loops around the Chalke Valley before the finish in Salisbury. There would be an event in Wilton market square during this, details would be promoted nearer the time.

The best way to get involved in walking in Wiltshire is to join one of the free Get Wiltshire Walking groups led by trained walk leaders - visit [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/getwiltshirewalking](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/getwiltshirewalking)

A range of guides were available at the meeting and from Steve, which contained helpful information which would be useful for communities planning an event.

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Partner and Community Updates

The Board noted the following written updates attached to the agenda:

- a) Fire & Rescue
- b) Wiltshire Council Items for Information
- c) Wilton Town Team minutes
- d) Clinical Commissioning Group
- e) Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust
- f) Healthwatch

Verbal updates were given by those in attendance, these included:

Neighbourhood Police Team

Sergeant Whitby updated the Board, explaining that there had been no increases to the crime figures which caused concern. Across the rural areas of the county there had been an increase in poaching. In response to this the Police had activated a couple of initiatives which included working with farmers and local peoples in rural locations, to help track the whereabouts of poachers.

Liaison with the Crown Prosecution Service to get an order for one of the men apprehended, which meant that he had to leave the County.

Fire

The Chairman informed the Board that the new Chief Fire Officer, Darran Gunter would be attending the next Area Board meeting to give a presentation.

He also promoted the 'Mind the Gap' initiative which aimed to encourage people to park their vehicles considerably to enable emergency vehicles to gain access to streets during an emergency.

Questions and comments

Cllr Wayman noted that the statistics provided on the written update did not add up. The board asked that this be looked into and a response be brought back to the Board.

**Action: CEM to query Fire stats and feedback.**

Cllr Wayman also asked whether the Board could have the fatality statistics for the A303.

**Action: CEM to find out whether Police or Fire would provide these figures, and feedback.**

Cllr Jeans noted that in the past when a parish had requested statistics from the Police, they had been told that as the request would cost over £400 to achieve, they could not have them.

**Action: Angus agreed to look into this and feedback.**

Phil Matthews, Chairman of Wilton Town Council asked whether the names of the new Chief Officer and Chairman for the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) could be obtained and circulated.

**Action: CEM to request this information from CCG and feedback.**

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Local Youth Network - Youth Funding

The Board noted the written update from the Community Youth Officer; Nicola Sage, as attached to the agenda. The Board also considered the funding recommendations of the LYN as per the report.

Decision

**The South West Wiltshire Area Board approved the youth funding grants as listed below:**

- 1. Tisbury Parish Council was awarded £1,205 of youth funding for 2015/16, for the year one balance from the original application, with the following condition:**
  - that the LYN also supported the application when considered at its meeting on 24 February 2016.**
  
- 2. The LYN was awarded £3,280 of youth funding for 2015/16, to engage the services of 'Anyone Can Cook' to deliver 4 x 6 week courses to be delivered across the South West area, and 2 x**

accredited training courses for Food Safety.

3. Tisbury Cadets was awarded £1,000 of youth funding for 2015/16, to fund purchase of a tent, ten backpacks and a contribution towards the company banner.
4. Tisbury Parish Council was awarded £6,678 of youth funding for 2015/16, for youth work in year 2 2016/17, with the following condition:
  - that the LYN also supported the application when considered at its meeting on 24 February 2016.

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Nadder Health and Wellbeing Centre Update

Craig Angel introduced himself as the new Leisure Operations Health and Wellbeing Manager. He will have operational responsibility for the running of the new Nadder Centre and will work closely with the Community Engagement Manager to ensure the local community are fully engaged.

Cllr Tony Deane updated on progress with the build since the last meeting. There had been a few hold ups with the electricity provider, Scottish and Southern Electric, and the Biomass Boiler, however these had now been overcome.

In addition to the leisure facilities and other services available at the Centre, there would also be a series of business starter units available.

The completion date was not yet available.

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Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Update

The Board received an update from the Chairman of the group; Councillor Tony Deane and considered the recommendations for funding from the last CATG meeting held on Wednesday 20 January 2016, as detailed on the screen and attached to these minutes.

**Decision**

**The South West Wiltshire Area Board approved the CATG recommendations for funding for 2015/16 as follows:**

- **£2,250 towards 20mph implementation on High Street, Fovant**
- **£5,250 towards 20mph implementation on C368 Quidhampton**
- **Prioritisation for the following roads as part of freight management studies:**
  - **B3081 Tollard Royal**
  - **B3089 Dinton**



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### Good Neighbour Scheme

Wiltshire Council entered into a partnership with Community First in 2010. This partnership would come to an end in April 2016 and the decision had been made not to renew the agreement but work differently by facilitating local wellbeing through the Area Boards. Wiltshire Good Neighbours (WGN) had been delivered by Wiltshire Community First since September 2010 funded through a partnership agreement valued at approximately £130,000 per annum. This did not cover the full cost of the service which Community First top up by means of a lottery grant and their reserves. Local Good Neighbours work in rural areas to help people to connect with resources and services that would help them to remain independent within their community. Currently nine part time Local Good Neighbours delivered approximately 150 hours per week across the County. The Care Act had given the Council a new duty to ensure all people benefit from access to information and advice, so a new approach was required to ensure it meets this new duty.

Adult care Commissioners facilitated a series of workshops in each of the County's Area Boards asking older people what kind of services they felt should be available within their community. People wanted better information on what was available in the community and people to help them access support. Based on this feedback and other events with older people and the voluntary sector it was decided that this responsibility should be devolved to the eighteen area boards and that the Good Neighbours service would no longer be provided through the current contracting arrangements. The budget of £130k would be distributed to the individual area boards in a proportionate way similar to other funding streams.

The new approach would build on the success of local youth networks and would establish a Health and Wellbeing Group (HWG) in each area. These groups would include the newly appointed older peoples champion, commissioners, local members and other key representatives from the community. It is proposed the groups would add to the functions relating to social inclusion and wellbeing previously provided by the Good Neighbours by making recommendations to the Community Area Board on how priorities for funding should be determined. It was anticipated that Health Watch would work with each Area Board to help identify local priorities and establish and support the new Groups.

### The Area Board

Steve Harris explained that the Board would receive a full presentation at the next meeting from James Cawley, Associate Director Adult Care Commissioning and Housing.

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The Board had previously asked for feedback from the Older Peoples event held in South West Wiltshire, which had not been provided. Once more information was provided the Board would discuss how best to proceed with the service in the South West Wiltshire community areas.

The Board did not wish to lose all of the good work which had already been done by the Good Neighbours in the area.

#### Area Board Funding

The Board considered the Community Area Grant applications for funding for 2015/16, as detailed in the agenda. Applicants present were invited to speak in support of their projects. Following discussion the Board voted on each in turn.

#### Decision

**The Tisbury Business Association was awarded £900 towards a New Website, with the following condition:**

- a) **The applicant make reference to South West Wiltshire Area Board's support on their website.**

#### *Reason*

*The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2015/16.*

#### Decision

**Quidhampton Village Hall Committee was awarded £1,740 towards the Health & Safety improvements at the hall.**

#### *Reason*

*The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2015/16*

#### Decision

**The application from Our Time Project was withdrawn from consideration at this meeting.**

#### Decision

**Fovant Parish Council was awarded £3,430 towards the project to upgrade the safety surfacing at the recreational play area.**

#### *Reason*

*The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2015/16*

#### Decision

**The application from Dinton Primary School was refused.**

#### *Reason*

*The Board felt that the school should fund this project themselves and did not want to set a precedent for other schools which may wish to start a similar project.*

	<p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Teffont Village Hall was awarded £870 towards the Community Cafe project with the following condition:</b>  a) That the parish council contribute £50 to support the project.</p> <p><b><i>Reason</i></b>  <b><i>The application met the Community Area Grant Criteria for 2015/16</i></b></p> <p>Cllr Dean asked the Board to consider allocating £2,000 - £3,000 of funding to the Tisbury Business Chambers to enable them to employ someone to build up a database, which could be used for future events.</p> <p>The Board noted that as the request was not of an urgent nature, and no papers were available, the request could not be considered. Cllr Deane was invited to bring the application to the next meeting of the Area Board for consideration.</p>
<p><u>Attachment: Presentation Slides</u></p>	
<p>15</p>	<p><b><u>Close</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting of the South west Wiltshire Area Board will be held on Wednesday 23 March 2016, 6.30pm at Hinton Village Hall.</p>

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## 6) Reducing Child Poverty in Wiltshire

Amy McNaughton, Public Health Consultant  
Sarah Heathcote, Head of Child Health Improvement

### Purpose of this presentation

- Provide you with data about child poverty locally
- Support you to identify any priorities for action by the area board by:
  - recognising your local knowledge and intelligence is essential to taking action
  - providing links to services

## What is child poverty?

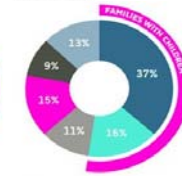
- The proportion of children living in families within the UK that are either in receipt of out-of-work benefits or in receipt of tax credits with a reported income which is less than 60 per cent of national median income. This measure provides a broad proxy for relative low-income child poverty as set out in the Child Poverty Act 2010 and enables analysis at a local level.”
- National median income is **£27,732** (60% is £16,639)
- In the UK 17% of children, 2.3 million, live in poverty, which is one of the highest rates in the industrialised world

HALF THE PEOPLE IN POVERTY LIVE IN A WORKING HOUSEHOLD



- Self-employed
- All in full-time work
- One full-time, one part-time
- Single breadwinner
- Part-time workers only
- Workless

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN ARE THE BIGGEST GROUP IN POVERTY



- Couple with children
- Single with children
- Couple without children
- Single men without children
- Single women without children
- Pensioners

Source: Household Below Average Income (HBAI, 2014)

## Wiltshire picture

- In 2013 **10.6%** of children in Wiltshire in poverty
- Significant **variation** within Wiltshire -pockets of high deprivation found in particular localities and significant deprivation across some vulnerable groups
- *Country Life: Tougher To Make Ends Meet* report found people living in rural communities need to spend 10-20% more than those in urban areas to reach a minimum acceptable living standard while pay levels are frequently lower than urban areas.



## Wiltshire Child Poverty Strategy

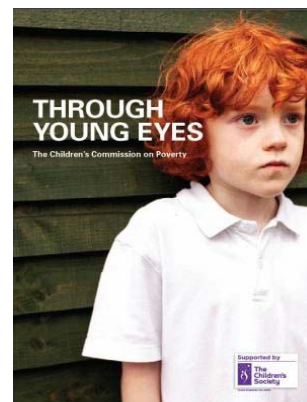
- **Child Poverty Act** commits this and future governments to eradicating child poverty by 2020. Tasks local areas to produce a child poverty needs assessment and strategy.
- New **Life Chances** legislation (incorporated into the Welfare Reform and Work Bill) proposes to remove a number of the legal duties and measures set out in the Child Poverty Act 2010 and to place a new duty on the Secretary of State to report annually on **children in workless households** and the **educational attainment of children**.
- **Wiltshire strategy** has 5 objectives:
  - Objective 1 – Provide effective support to vulnerable families with 0-5 year olds
  - Objective 2 – Narrowing the Educational Attainment Gap
  - Objective 3 – Develop an inclusive economy that will enable equality of economic opportunity for all
  - Objective 4 – Provide locally-focused support based on a thorough understanding of needs
  - Objective 5 – Promote engagement with the Child Poverty Strategy and related implementation plan

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## What it means for children

Children say:

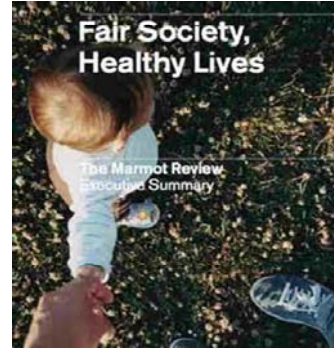
- they worry about whether their family can pay for things they need
- that it affects their sleeping and studying at home and how safe they feel in the area they live
- they also experience bullying due to visible signs of poverty and difference.



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## What it means for their health

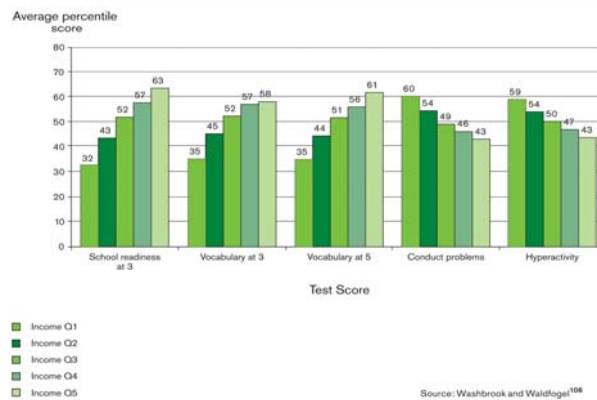
- Children who grow up in poverty face a greater risk of having poor health, being exposed to crime and failing to reach their full potential creating a cycle of poverty for the future
- *A child's physical, social, and cognitive development during the early years strongly influences their school-readiness and educational attainment, economic participation and health.*
- *Development begins before birth when the health of a baby is crucially affected by the health and well-being of their mother.*
- *Low birth weight in particular is associated with poorer long-term health and educational outcomes*
- *One quarter of all deaths under the age of one would potentially be avoided if all births had the same level of risk as those to women with the lowest level of deprivation*
- *If children fall behind in early cognitive development, they are more likely to fall further behind at subsequent educational stages*



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## Child poverty and health inequality

Figure 2.22 Indicators of school readiness by parental income group, 2008

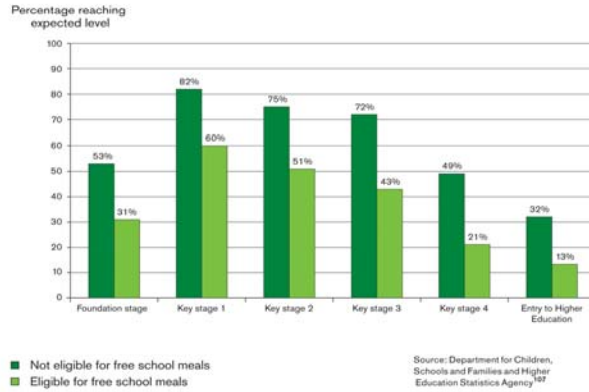


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## Child poverty and health inequality

Figure 2.23 Attainment gap from early years to higher education by eligibility for free school meals, 2009



## Risk factors for child poverty

### Triggers:

Life events and moments of transition - getting sick, bereavement, redundancy or relationship breakdown

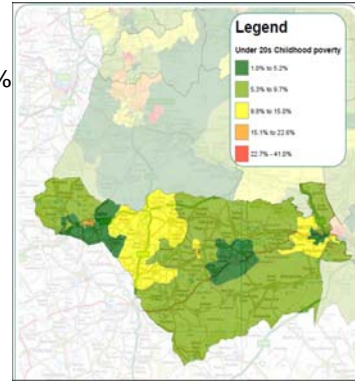
BUT poverty is dynamic - people's needs change throughout their lives and the resources they require to meet their needs change too.

### At greatest risk:

- Lone parents
- Large families
- Children with disabilities and children with disabled parents
- Children who are carers
- Children who have teenage parents
- Children growing up in social housing
- Black and minority ethnic children
- Asylum seekers
- Traveller and gypsy
- Children with a parent in prison
- Children in care
- Children offending or at risk of offending

## Your local picture - SW Wiltshire

- Number of children in poverty 330 (decrease of 70 since 2006)
- Percentage of children in poverty 8.6% (decrease of 2.1% since 2006)



### Lower than Wiltshire average

%Children in poverty in lone parent families 58.3 (69.7)

%Children in poverty aged 0-4 yrs 21.6 (34.5)

### Similar to Wiltshire average

Under-20yrs hospital admissions for injuries rate, per 100 children 1.2 (1.1)

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## Your local picture (cont)

### Significantly higher than Wiltshire average

Children in poverty in employed households 42.2% (24.4%)

Households in fuel poverty 11.3% (7.9%)

Children 10-18 living in socially rented homes 22.8% (18.7%)

Children 10-18 living in privately rented homes 20.1% (14.8%)

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## Your local picture - Mere

- Number of children in poverty – 110 (decrease of 55 since 2006)
- Percentage of children in poverty – 9.7% (decrease of 3.2% since 2006)

**Lower** than Wiltshire average:

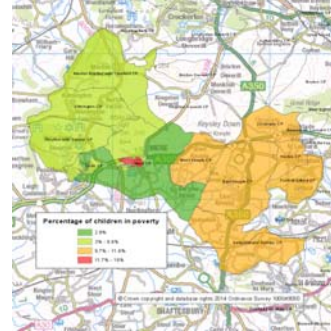
Unemployment rate, lone parents 24.5% (32%)  
Active CAFs per 1000 0-18 yr olds 13.7 (16.4)

**Similar** to Wiltshire average

% children in poverty who are 5-10 years 32% (32.5)

**Significantly higher** than Wiltshire average

% children obese/overweight, Reception year 24.8 (21.2)  
% children obese/overweight, Year 6 36.4 (29.6)



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## Your local picture - Tisbury

- Number of children in poverty – 85 (decrease of 20 since 2006)
- Percentage of children in poverty – 7.7% (decrease of 2.2% since 2006)

**Lower** than Wiltshire average

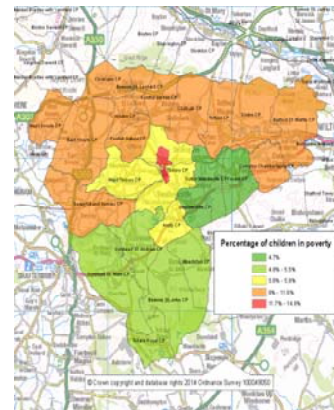
Active CAFs per 1000 0-18yr olds 12.3 (16.4)  
Key Stage 2 FSME attainment gap **-3.7%** (20.7%)  
% children obese/overweight, Year 6 23 (29.6)

**Similar** to Wiltshire average

% children obese/overweight, Reception 20 (21.2)

**Significantly higher** than Wiltshire average

% children living in poverty aged 11-15 years 35.3 (22.9)  
% children living in poverty 16-19 years 17.6 (10.1)



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## Your local picture - Wilton

- Number of children in poverty – 135 (increase of 5 since 2006)
- Percentage of children in poverty – 8.3% (decrease of 0.3% since 2006)

**Lower** than Wiltshire average

%children in poverty aged 16-19years 4 (10.1)

**Similar** to Wiltshire average

% children obese/overweight, Reception year, 20.8 (21.2)

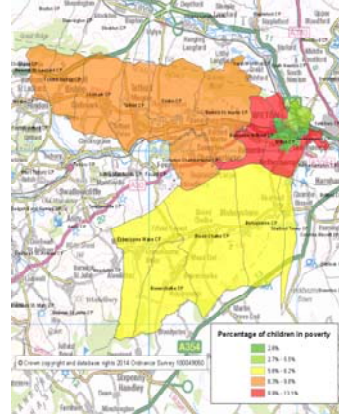
% children obese/overweight, year 6, 30.6 (29.6)

**Significantly higher** than Wiltshire average

% children in poverty aged 5-10 years 40 (32.5)

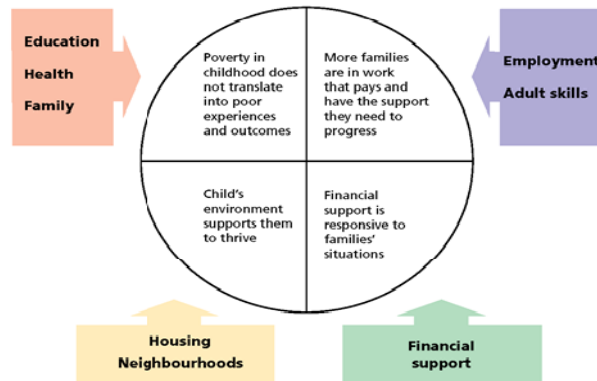
Key stage 4 FSME attainment gap 62.7% (31.1%)

Active CAFs per 1000 0-18 year olds 24.5 (16.4)



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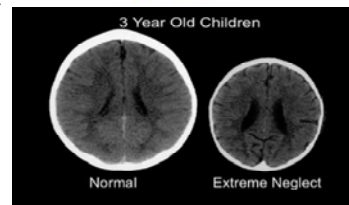
## Building blocks to prevent, reduce & mitigate



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## Early intervention

- Frank Field's *The Foundation Years: Preventing Poor children Becoming Poor Adults* **Key factors:** a healthy pregnancy; good maternal mental health; secure bonding with the child; love and responsiveness of parents along with clear boundaries, as well as opportunities for a child's cognitive, language and social and emotional development.
- **Providing early help can narrow the gap** for children who are at risk of poorer outcomes (Waldman, 2008, Karoly, Kilburn, & Cannon, 2005; Statham and Biehal, 2005).
- Marmot. *Fair Society, Healthy Lives* found: **birth weight, postnatal depression, being read to every day, and having a regular bed time at age 3** – all likely to relate to a child's chance of doing well in school.



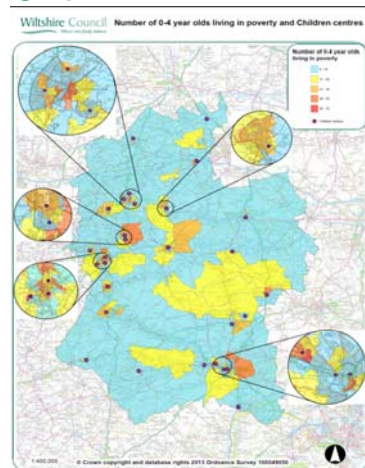
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## Promoting emotional attachment

- Baby Steps – antenatal programme for vulnerable first time parents
- Family Nurse Partnership – home visiting programme for teenage parents having their first child
- Healthy Child Programme 0-5
- Parenting programme
- Health promotion activities through Children's Centres

**Promote take up of activities**

**Influence child minders and playgroups and early years providers**



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## Educational attainment gap

- Parents and carers should be actively engaged by schools to support their child's development and learning.
- Whole school reform: strong and visionary leadership, provided by head teachers and principals with clear programmes and who provide extensive professional development in evidence-based programmes and practices.
- The quality of teaching makes the biggest difference to learning outcomes
- Coaching teachers/teaching assistants in specific teaching strategies significantly raises outcomes for children living in poverty. Evidence-based approaches include cooperative learning (structured groupwork), frequent assessment and 'learning to learn' strategies.
- Classroom interventions that close attainment gaps often adopt proven classroom management strategies, for example a rapid pace of instruction, using all-pupil responses and developing a common language for discipline.
- Importance of rigorous use of data

Effective classroom strategies for closing the gap in educational achievement for children and young people living in poverty, including white working-class boys. The Centre for Excellence and Outcomes in Children and Young People's Services (C4EO) 2010

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## Impact of smoking on children

17.2 per cent of adults in Wiltshire are smokers compared to 25.9% of routine and manual workers and 14% of pregnant women

### Consider rolling out Smoke-free Play Parks locally to:

- support the de-normalisation of smoking
- reduce the risk of exposure to second hand smoke
- reduce smoking-related litter and the threat of cigarette butts, which are non-bio-degradable and toxic to children, wildlife and the environment
- reduce the risk of fire
- offer the potential for increased use of parks and recreation areas



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## Childhood obesity

- Obesity is more common among people from more deprived areas
- 9.1% of Wiltshire Reception pupils measured are obese (England 9.5%)
- 16.3% of Wiltshire Year 6 pupils measured are obese; (England 19.1%)
- When combined with overweight figures 22.1% of Reception and 29.7% of year 6 pupils were either overweight or obese.

**Work together to promote healthy eating and physical activity and local services:**

**SHINE** (Self-Help, Independence, Nutrition and Exercise) Wiltshire is a 10 week healthy lifestyles programme for children above a healthy weight aged 7-11 years and their family to enable them to make changes to lead a healthier lifestyle.

**Healthy Schools Programme**

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## Obesogenic environments




## Fuel poverty

- Fuel poverty in England **is measured** using the Low Income High Costs indicator, which considers a household to be fuel poor if:
  - they have required fuel costs that are above average (the national median level);
  - were they to spend that amount, they would be left with a residual income below the official poverty line.
- Fuel poverty particular **problem in rural areas**
- Although elderly most vulnerable in winter, children are also at high risk.
- Evidence suggests: significant effects on the physical health of the **young** in terms of **infants'** weight gain, hospital admission rates, and caregiver-rated developmental status, as well as self-reported reduction in the severity and frequency of **children's** asthmatic symptoms.
- **Warm and Safe aim** is to improve energy efficiency of homes.  
Referrals from fire, W&SW, carers, care co-ordinators etc, working to identify vulnerable people.





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# Policing and crime element of council tax consultation

*December 2015 - February 2016*

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## How have we done this year?

### Crime and Public Confidence

Crime increased by 12% from December 2014 to November 2015  
7<sup>th</sup> lowest crime rate nationally with 50.7 crimes per 1,000 population

Public confidence measured by the OPCC Survey in 2015 is 83.7%, and had been consistently high since 2012

Victim satisfaction to October 2015 is 84.3% which is around the national average

### A good HMIC Assessment of Wiltshire Police

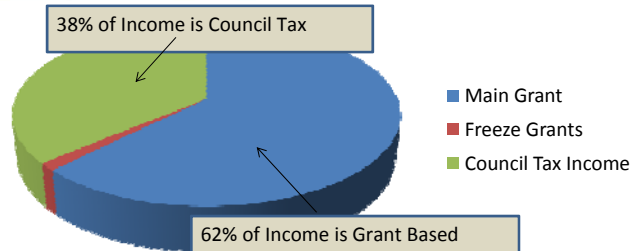
Performance is regularly assessed by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary. Overall Wiltshire Police are rated as "good".

Our constabulary remains one of the best in the country.



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## Our Current funding



2/3rds of the funding comes from grants.

Without an increase in Council Tax, police budgets would reduce in real terms.



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## 2016-17 Funding

### Central Funding Announcement

This years provisional settlement shows central funding reduce from £63.7m to £63.4m, a £0.3m reduction.

This will be the fifth straight year of central funding reductions

Whilst this reduction is lower than previous years the loss of £0.3m with cost pressures (national wage agreement £0.8m, national pensions change impact on national insurance £2.0m) will result in significant savings still being required.



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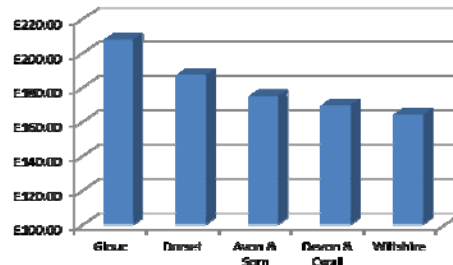
## The impact on the police element of Council Tax

The current Band D council tax for policing of £163.98 per household, this is the lowest in the region

**This consultation is about a proposed increase of £3.12 per year (which is 1.9%)**

£3.12 would provide additional funding of £760,000 in 2016-17.

**Council Tax (per Band D property p.a.)**



£167.10 remains well below the 2015-16 national average of £174.81



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## What impact will the funding choice have?

### What is the budget?

A £3.12 increase in Council Tax will give a budget of £105.695m compared to £103.956m for the current year. This would lead to a funding gap of £2.6m for policing in Wiltshire.

I am committed to investing additional income from council tax in local policing.

### How about the long term?

The Chancellor's Autumn Statement promised a cash neutral position for policing however no detail per force is available. With no council tax increases the funding gap against the national average would grow. With small council tax increases the resources available for local policing are better protected.



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## Give your feedback

- Consultation from Wednesday 16 December – Wednesday 3 February 2016
- Commissioner and members of his team attending Wiltshire Area Boards and Swindon Locality meetings
- Read more about the proposal and give feedback on the Commissioner's website when we have digested the detail of today's announcement – [www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk)



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