

MINUTES

Meeting: PEWSEY AREA BOARD
Place: Bouverie Hall, North St, Pewsey SN9 5EQ
Date: 7 March 2016
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 9.00 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman) and Cllr Stuart Wheeler (Vice Chairman) and Cllr Charles Howard

Wiltshire Council Officers

Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager
Karen Brown – Community Youth Officer
Kevin Fielding - Democratic Services Officer
Ian Gibbons – Associate Director Legal and Governance

Parish Councils

Alton Parish Council – Steve Hepworth
Burbage Parish Council – Steve Colling
Chirton & Conock Parish Council – Cecil Withers
Easton Royal Parish Council – Margaret Holden
Grafton Parish Council – H.A.Whitcher
Patney Parish Council – Andrew Pye
Pewsey Parish Council – Peter Deck, Curly Haskell, Alex Carder & Terry Eyles
Rushall Parish Council – Colin Gale
Shalbourne Parish Council – Mike Lockhart
Wilcot & Huish (with Oare) Parish Council – Dawn Wilson
Woodborough Parish Council – John Brewin

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Nick Mawson

Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) – Susie Brew & Dawn Wilson

Healthwatch Wiltshire – Paul Lefever

Total in attendance: 66

<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> <p>It was noted that Cllr Charles Howard - The Collingbournes and Netheravon was standing in for Cllr Paul Oatway who unable to attend the meeting.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Paul Oatway – Wiltshire Council.</p>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Decision</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11 January 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. • It was noted that Margaret Holden was in attendance at the meeting as a representative of Easton Royal Parish Council.
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"> • Public Transport Review • Your Care Your Support • 2016/17 Area Board Budget
6	<p><u>Housing - Meeting Local Need & Adult Care</u></p> <p>Rhonda Ward - Head of Adult Care Operations, Wiltshire Council gave a presentation that outlined Wiltshire Council’s housing offer for Affordable Housing in the Pewsey community area.</p>

Points made included:

National Policy Context

- Increase owner-occupation including low cost options.
- Make best use of existing social housing stock.
- Reduce burden on public sector (housing benefit bill).
- Increase supply of new homes.
- Promote independent living in the community.

Wiltshire priorities

- Ensuring there are a range of housing options available to meet needs.
- Promoting home ownership housing.
- Enabling provision of homes for the most vulnerable.
- To help people to achieve independence and choice enabling them to live at home for longer.
- To improve the quality and make best use of existing stock.

Next steps

- Commissioning research at community area level.
- Developing housing strategy & agreeing priorities.
- Work with local communities & partners to understand local need and deliver new homes.
- Consider options to increase choices for those not able to meet needs in open market.
- Respond to national policy changes

Questions raised from the floor included:

Why if there is a surplus housing stock in Wiltshire are local people not being offered these properties, it appears that refugees are being offered them.

Many tenants living in Pewsey would like to move to smaller properties but cannot because suitable smaller properties are being offered to people living outside of the community area.

It was agreed that Rhonda Ward would refer the questions that had been raised to Wiltshire Council officers who could give a full answer and these would be feedback to the Area Board.

The Chairman thanked Rhonda Ward for her presentation.

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The Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre

Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager and Graeme Scott – Pewsey Leisure Centre Manager gave a presentation on the plans for the Vale Health and Wellbeing Centre.

Several slides were shown which outlined the plans for the new facility,. The designs would be on display at Pewsey Library and Leisure centre from Friday 5 March.

Points made included:

- A communications plan is being developed to promote the facility and encourage take up across the community (schools / businesses / parishes / community groups)
- Pre-build planning – keeping staff and customers informed during the build process.
- The need to maintain the existing customer base during the build process and communicate the interim leisure offer at the earliest opportunity
- Appetite for a locally led catering offer to be tested with the community
- The importance of community engagement – working with local clubs and organisations to re-energise interest in the centre
- Wheeled sports design consultation meeting with leading skate park provider planned for the summer

Questions raised from the floor included:

8	<p>Would the new centre use solar energy? <i>a. Yes it would, the programme is aiming for a BREAM (environmental assessment method) rating of Very Good and will include a bank of solar panels, the number is still to be determined.</i></p> <p>To be a success the centre needed to have good transport links with a bus stop and a decent size car park. <i>a. Yes, these points were being taken into consideration and the Area Board might also like to explore local/community transport scheme to help people access the facility.</i></p> <p>The need to get boots on the ground and get the project started. <i>a. The design is on target to meet the projected completion date Spring 2018</i></p> <p>The Chairman thanked Ros Griffiths and Graeme Scott (Pewsey Leisure Centre Manager) for their presentation.</p> <p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The following Partner updates were given:</p> <p>Wiltshire Police – Inspector Nick Mawson The written report was noted.</p> <p>Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) The written report was noted.</p> <p>Health Watch Wiltshire – Paul Lefever The written report was noted.</p> <p>Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) The written report was noted. A short film was also shown of the Youth project trip to Adrenaline Alley which PCAP had helped to organise.</p> <p>Rushall Parish Council The written report was noted.</p> <p>Army Rebasing</p>
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9	<p>The written report was noted.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.</p> <p><u>Local Youth Network (LYN) - update</u></p> <p>Karen Brown – Community Youth Officer gave a short update.</p> <p>Points made included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A big thanks to Dawn Wilson for helping with the Adrenaline Alley trip, which had been very well received by the youth people. • Some photos were shown of the ongoing work on the Pewsey BMX track, a good deal of hard work had been spent on this project. • Up and coming projects included cooking and trampolining. • That volunteers were sought to help with the youth projects. <p>The Chairman thanked Karen Brown for her update.</p>
10	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The Councillors were asked to consider seventeen applications seeking 20015/16 Community Area Grant Funding:</p> <p>Decision Burbage Village Hall Trust awarded £500 for Burbage Village Hall - Internet and Wi-Fi project. Reason <i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></p> <p>Decision Wootton Rivers Village Hall awarded £835.20 for Wootton Rivers Village Hall New Large Tables. Reason <i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></p> <p>Decision Pewsey Parish Council - Pewsey Area Youth Council awarded £5,000 for Pewsey Inclusive Roundabout. Reason <i>This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.</i></p>

Decision

Pewsey Heritage Centre awarded £459.90 for Pewsey Heritage Centre Purchase of New Chairs.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Devizes Pre-School awarded £993.50 for Woodborough Social Club - New Chairs.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Devizes Pre-School awarded £534 for promoting of Woodborough Club and its facilities.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Devizes Pre-School awarded £488 for Woodborough Club Wi-Fi.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Chairman, Wilsford Village Hall Committee awarded £1,000 for Wilsford Village Hall essential maintenance works.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Marden Village Hall awarded £4,250 for Marden Village Hall Replacement Windows.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Marden Village Hall awarded £650 for Marden Village Hall kitchen appliances replacement.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a

capital project.

Decision

The Coronation Hall, Alton Barnes, Alton Priors and Honeystreet awarded £991.54 for Stage Lighting for Coronation Hall Village Hall Alton Barnes.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Pewsey Vale FC awarded £700 for 5.Wiltshire County Football Pitch Improvement Programme.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Bedwyn Memorial Hall awarded £925 for Ridge Works to the Village Hall Roof.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Bedwyn Memorial Hall awarded £2,375 for Replacement doors in the Village Hall.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Bedwyn Memorial Hall awarded £488 for Footpaths Maintenance signage repair and awareness raising.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Pewsey Community Area Partnership awarded £921.98 for Equipment for Pewsey Memory Café.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

Decision

Coronation Hall awarded £992 for Coronation Hall Gazebo.

Reason

This application meets the grants criteria and has been classified as a capital project.

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Community Area Transport Group (CATG) - update and recommendations from last meeting held

Cllr Jerry Kunkler gave the CATG update:

- The Finance Update - Current balance excluding commitments for 2016/17 = £32,547.17 – noted.
- Issue 72 - Access to Pewsey Rail Station – noted.
- Issue 2874 - Footway and lighting improvements at Great Bedwyn bridges – noted.
- Issue 535 – Traffic management measures C52 Manningford – noted.
- Issue 91 – Footpath improvements at Rushall, Elm Row – Agreed that Highways complete a feasibility study to include a topographic survey at a cost of no more than £1,500.
- C38 Hillcott – noted.
- Issue 3676 – North Newton Footway Improvements – noted.
- Issue 3723 – C261 Woodborough Footway improvements/20 mph Zone.
- Issue 3731 – Great Bedwyn, The Knap dropped kerb – noted.
- Issue 3354 – The Street, Easton Royal to be considered for 20 mph speed limit – noted.
- Issue 3547 – Request for 30 mph limit at Durley Burbage – noted.
- Issue 3744 – Request 40 mph in Marten – noted.
- Issue 4399 – Warning Signs on bend A345 in Prospect – noted.
- Issue 4383 – Install Village Gates outside Oare Nr Pewsey – noted.
- Issue 3944 – Replacement bollards in Farm Lane, Great Bedwyn – noted.
- Issue 3943 – New Bus Shelter, The Knap, Great Bedwyn – Noted.
- Issue 3858 – Speeding – Devizes Road, Upavon – noted.

- Issue 3489 – Request for Horse Warning Signs. C8 Alton Barnes – Could now be closed.

Freight Management Requests – noted.

- A342 Chirton to Rushall
- A345 Manningford
- C351 Rushall
- C38 Lochridge to Alton

The top two routes to be assessed for Freight Management measures in 2016/17.

Future Business Support for CATG – noted.

AOB - A late issue - slippery roads at Hillcott, no further action at this time, but discussed gritting and use of temporary warning signs – noted.

It was also agreed to transfer £2,500 from the Area Board budget to the CATG budget.

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Any Other Business

Colin Gale - Rushall Parish Council requested that the Area Board provided regular updates on any developments at the Everleigh Household Recycling Centre.

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Future Meeting Dates and Close

The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board was scheduled for Monday 9 May 2016 at the Woodborough Social Club.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.