

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT AND CRICKLADE AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Cricklade Town Hall, High St, Cricklade SN6 6AE  
**Date:** 23 March 2016  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 8.30 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Allison Bucknell (Chairman), Cllr Mollie Groom (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Mary Champion, Cllr Chris Hurst, Cllr Bob Jones MBE and Cllr Jacqui Lay

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Alexa Smith – Community Engagement Manager  
Pete Smith – Community Youth Officer  
Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer

### **Town and Parish Clerks/Councillors**

Broad Town Parish Council – Veronica Stubbings  
Cricklade Town Council – Mark Clarke, John Coole & Ruth Szybiak  
Lydiard Millicent Parish Council – Deborah Bourne  
Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish Council – John Webb, Richard Selby-Boothroyd & Ron Glover  
Marston Meysey Parish Council – Andy Payne & Derek Richards  
Purton Parish Council – Geoff Greenaway  
Tockenham Parish Council – Diana Kirby

### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – PC Dave Canavan & PCSO Nicola Allen  
Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Mick Stead  
Royal Wootton Bassett Arts Festival – John Davies

**Total in attendance: 60**



<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Royal Wootton Bassett &amp; Cricklade Area Board and introduced the councillors and officers present.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Johnathan Bourne – Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council and Andrew Harris – Lydiard Millicent 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 Wednesday 20 January 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></li> </ul>
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Bob Jones - Community Area grant. Dance Common Management Group – Cricklade Bloomers Community Garden.</p> <p>Cllr Bob Jones - Community Area grant. Cricklade Open Door – Cricklade Open Door Lunch Provision.</p>
5	<p><u>Wiltshire - The Wider Picture</u></p> <p>The following Chairman’s Announcements were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Highways Investment Fund 2014-2020.</li> <li>• Health and Wellbeing Groups.</li> </ul>
6	<p><u>Spotlight on Parishes and Partners</u></p> <p>Updates were received from the following Partners, Towns and Parishes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wiltshire Police - the written report was noted.</li> <li>• NHS Wiltshire - the written report was noted.</li> </ul>

- Healthwatch Wiltshire - the written report was noted.
- Cricklade Town Council – the written report was noted.
- Purton Parish Council – the written report was noted.
- Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish Council – the written report was noted.
- Royal Wootton Bassett Sports Association- the written report was noted.

The Chairman thanked all partners for their updates.

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### Strengthening our Communities

#### **Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service**

Mick Stead - Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service gave a presentation on the progress towards their Combination and an update on the future role of the Service in working with partners to address the vulnerable in terms of safety, health and wellbeing.

A film was shown which outlined the combination of the new Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service.

Points made included:

- That both Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Services faced significant funding pressures.
- That both services were not currently well funded.
- That by combining services, Dorset and Wiltshire would save around £6.5m.

Questions raised from the floor included:

Would the new combined service re-introduce the co-responders scheme?

*a. Yes, discussions were already underway with the Ambulance Service, with a view to looking at co-responding in the more rural areas.*

Will you continue to recruit retained firefighters?

*a. Yes, retained firefighters would continue to be recruited.*

Would crews be expected to cover larger areas?

*a. No, crew models would remain in place, at least in the short term.*

The Chairman thanked Mick Stead for his presentation.

### **Men's Shed Association**

Brian Cooke - Chair of Andover Men's Shed gave a presentation that highlighted a community project which looks to help combat social isolation in our older male population etc and would help meet some of the objectives that came out of the older persons workshops.

Points made included:

- Originally an Australian idea.
- Over 400 sheds established in four years.
- Around 20% of shed members are disabled.
- Sheds range from 6-180 per group.
- Each shed has its own constitution.
- Around 90% of equipment used in sheds has been donated.
- That local sheds if set up could approach the Area Board for funding.

The Chairman thanked Brian Cooke for his presentation.

### **Working with our Young People to Provide Positive Leisure Activities**

Youth grant funding applications from Pete Smith – Community Youth Officer, Wiltshire Council.

#### **Decision**

**Be a Bassett Star requesting £260 – application deferred.**

#### **Decision**

**Rural North – proposed youth activities and projects for procurement awarded £11,244**

#### **Decision**

**RWBAF November Concert Project awarded £900**

#### **Decision**

**Lyneham Power Lifting and Weightlifting Club awarded £2,295**

#### **Decision**

**Summer Sports Programme -2016 awarded £1,340 + VAT**

**Decision**  
Royal Wootton Bassett Skate Project requesting £2,956.25 – application deferred.

**Decision**  
Swindon Storm North Wiltshire League Expansion awarded £2,800

**Note**

*That the youth grants were agreed subject to sufficient staffing levels.*

**Supporting Community Projects and Facilities**

Grant funding – Alexa Smith - Community Engagement Manager, Wiltshire Council.

**Decision**  
Cricklade Bloomers awarded £5,000 for Cricklade Bloomers Community Garden Project.

**Reason**

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

**Decision**  
The parish of Marston Meysey awarded £1,000 for Marston Meysey Save a Life Project.

**Reason**

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

**Decision**  
Cricklade Open Door awarded £1,000 for Cricklade Open Door lunch provision.

**Reason**

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

**Decision**  
Oak & Furrows Wildlife Rescue Centre awarded £804.94 for Oak and Furrows Wildlife Rescue Events Marquee.

**Reason**

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

**Decision**  
Royal Wootton Bassett Scouts awarded £2,000 for Camping Project.

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Wootton Bassett Netball Club awarded £944.90 for Netball kit for new WBNC juniors team.**

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC awarded £700 for Wiltshire County Football Pitch Improvement Programme.**

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Old Court Community Preschool awarded £1,000 for Old Court Community Preschool outdoor storage and toys.**

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Wootton Bassett Bowls Club awarded £675 for Wootton Bassett Bowls Club new signage.**

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Busby Bees Baby & Toddler Group. awarded £1,000 for toddler group storage and equipment.**

**Reason**

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

**Decision**

**Thames Pre-School awarded £1,435 for Thames Pre-School sensory garden.**

**Reason**

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

**Wiltshire Police requesting £1,401.43 to fund 3 x pedal cycles for Police to use. One for the Town Centre, one for Rural Bassett and one for Cricklade and Purton – As there were no police present for this item, it was deferred**

8	<p><b><i>until the 18 May Area Board, giving the Police the opportunity to address the Area Board.</i></b></p> <p><u>Task Group Reports and Decisions</u></p> <p>Community Area Transport Group – Cllr Bob Jones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently looking at the top five priorities to take forward.</li> </ul> <p>Neighbourhood Planning Working Group (NEW-V)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the group was still trying to find a way forward.</li> </ul>
9	<p><u>Wrap Up</u></p>