

MINUTES

Meeting: CALNE AREA BOARD
Place: Calne Library, The Strand, Calne, SN11 0JU
Date: 6 December 2016
Start Time: 6:30 pm
Finish Time: 9.30 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Christine Crisp (Chairman), Cllr Alan Hill (Vice Chairman), Cllr Howard Marshall,
Cllr Tony Trotman and Cllr Glenis Ansell

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
37	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to Calne Area Board and introduced the Councillors and Officers present.</p>
38	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There were no apologies.</p>
39	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th October 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record.</p>
40	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
41	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to the written announcements included in the agenda pack.</p> <p>They also advised those considering applying for grants to apply before the next area board meeting, as it was the last opportunity under the present funding year.</p>
42	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>Town and Parish Councillors</p> <p>There was an update from Local Parish Councillors. In particular, there was an update from Calne Town Council. Mayor Tom Rounds gave an overview of the Neighbourhood plan which was being prepared for a consultation process in January 2017. He appealed to the Area Board to view the plan, either online or by collecting hard copies at certain locations. He explained that they were in the final stages of the plan and that a consultation period would run up until 11th January 2017. The plan would then be submitted to Wiltshire Council for review and the final version would come back to Calne for a local referendum.</p> <p>Mayor Tom Rounds also reported that Tesco Supermarkets were going to start development in the area. A member of Calne Parish Council asked what the planning processes would be. To this Cllr Alan Hill said that Tesco would be paying for a Community Hub and Bus Service. Members discussed potential benefits to the area and they expressed optimism about the development.</p>

	<p>The John Bentley School</p> <p>There was also an input from representatives of The John Bentley School. Hugh Pilcher– Clayton and Peter Grant explained that the school were seeking to build a Performing Arts Centre. Peter Grant gave a passionate talk on the benefits of creative arts to young people, describing it as life changing and being inclusive to all children of all abilities. He also suggested possible benefits to the town through creating industry and employment.</p> <p>Cllr Hill gave his support to the initiative of The John Bentley School and proposed that the Area Board support them in their endeavours. Cllr Trotman seconded that proposal and was also keen to support the school. However, he questioned what was actually being asked from the Council and said that they would struggle getting funds from the Council. This was discussed by the members and additional sources of revenue were suggested such as Central Government Grants and other European Union Grants.</p> <p>Members voted unanimously to support the initiative of John Bentley School, in principle, but said that they could not guarantee them any financial support at this time.</p> <p>South Western Ambulance Service Foundation Trust</p> <p>A representative from South Western Ambulance Service Foundation Trust attended the Area Board to give a demonstration of a defibrillator as part of a national campaign to increase their availability and usage. The model being presented was a Cardiac Science G5. Some of the technical and practical functions of the device were explained, along their utility and efficiency in saving lives.</p> <p>The example of the Netherlands was given where there is an 86% out of hospital survival rate compared to 2% in the UK. In the Netherlands, it is compulsory to have a defibrillator in every public shop. Members of the Area Board noted their value and a member of Calne Parish Council said he would try and double the numbers of available defibrillators in the Calne area.</p>
43	<p><u>Our Community Matters</u></p> <p>Councillors provided an update on community issues and progress on Calne Area Board working groups.</p> <p>S.106 Working Group Update</p> <p>Cllr Trotman gave an update on the progress of the working group stating that they were focussing on cycle paths and new maps. He said that they would also be looking at the Tesco Developments.</p>

Calne's Dementia Friends Working Group Update

There was an input from Chairman Cllr Crisp who informed the Area Board that she Chairs the Dementia Action Alliance Steering Group and looked at recruiting organisations to the cause. Cllr Crisp proposed to keep supporting Dementia Friends through the Area Board. This was seconded by Cllr Marshall and all members voted to support the group.

The actions agreed were:

- To support the Dementia Action Alliance Steering Group (through the involvement of the CEM and one member)
- To have a standing item on each Area Board agenda to promote and report on progress (the existing dementia Friendly working group update should be renamed 'Calne Community Dementia Friends' Update)
- To arrange 4 Dementia Friends Sessions in 2017 – including 1 for young people.

Community Area Transport Group Update

The group discussed the updates from the reports and noted the most significant of those to be the proposed traffic lights at the Silver Street junction with the A4 and also the resurfacing of the Mile Elm road. Cllr Trotman said that the resurfacing had made the road a faster road and that some more chevrons and signage would be beneficial.

Calne's Air Quality Report Group Update

Cllr Ansell said the working group had been getting complaints about school parking and that the group would be trying to encourage families to walk to school. She also confirmed that the Tree Planting Project would continue in Spring 2017. Talks then turned to the appeal of Hills Recycling Centre and the news that Wiltshire Council would not be defending the appeal. Cllr Hill explained that the case would be defended by a private alliance of Wiltshire Waste Alliance. He said that there would be a 3 week consultation period in February once the appeal is addressed.

Older Persons and Carers Champions Update

There was an update from the working group stating they were looking for new volunteers and premises for the "Men's Shed Scheme". This was described as a social activity for older men to promote health and wellbeing and to address social isolation, whereby men would get together, adopt projects and work together for fun. The next meeting was also identified as 31st January 2017.

Health and Wellbeing Centres Update

There was an update from Cllr Hill reporting that the Leisure Centre was being used well and that there were refurbishment plans. He said that there was a budget of 5 million which would include heating and insulation of the building.

Joint Strategic Assessment Update

Jane Vaughan, The Community Engagement Manager, provided an update on priorities coming out of the Joint Strategic Assessment Meeting. She said that there had been 78 people at the meeting and they voted on priorities of the JSA. The Area Board were asked to consider 6 items. The Board agreed to the following:

- That the Area Board adopts the priorities identified by the 'Our Community Matters' event and works to facilitate local action to tackle those priorities.
- That the Area Board requests the Local Youth Network, the Health and Wellbeing Group and the Community Area Transport Group (and other local task groups established by the Board) to adopt and take forward the priorities identified in the relevant theme areas.
- That the Area Board requests the Community Engagement Manager to work with key partners, agencies and community groups to coordinate action around the priorities identified.
- That reports are submitted to the Board on progress made to address the priorities to ensure that positive outcomes are delivered and that this be made a regular item on future Board meetings.
- The Area Board expresses its thanks to the people who gave their time to participate in the event.

However, it deferred the following recommendations, on advice of Cllr Hill, so that it may have longer to consider and discuss them at the next ABC meeting:

- That the Board considers whether it wishes to champion a particular theme or priority and to earmark funding to promote, initiate and support community-led action around the selected priorities.
- That the Board considers appointing a lead member to champion any priorities adopted.

44	<p><u>Locality Youth Network</u></p> <p>Youth Grants Funding Scheme</p> <p>Community Youth Officer Helen Bradley introduced the Youth Grant Funding Scheme applications.</p> <p>The Young Futures sought £4999 for a continuation and expansion of the project which provides assistance to children in need but also sponsors young person's enterprise projects. A video was shown demonstrating some of the work that the organisation had done on cyber bullying, which was funded by the Youth Grant funding scheme. Cllr Marshall gave his support to the project and proposed awarding the grant. This was seconded by Cllr Hill. Cllr Ansell asked what the money would be going towards and it was explained that the cyber bullying project would be expanded. They would also be extending help to young people in need of employment or education and the money would also be used for the establishment of a virtual network to help vulnerable young people. Members voted on the grant and it was approved unanimously.</p> <p>An application from Bromham Youth Club for £1200 was also considered. It was said that whilst the club was part of the Devizes area, the majority of young people who attended the club live in Calne and go to the John Bentley School. It was clarified that the club were also asking Devizes for some money. Members voted and gave unanimous support for awarding the grant.</p> <p>Calne Skate Park</p> <p>Two young people, representing the skate park explained some of the work they had been doing to improve the image of young people in the area. They spoke of some fundraising activities they had been doing and reported on the Wiltshire skate series which they had co-hosted. They also raised the issue of the stage two development of the skate park which is expected to cost £150,000. The Board gave their support to the work of the group but said that they were unable to offer financial support at this time.</p>
45	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>Community grants</p> <p>The Chairman introduced the Community Grant Schemes and after noting the details and benefits of each, Cllr Hill proposed awarding all 4 grant applications, This was seconded by Cllr Marshall. Members also were asked to note the delegated grant of £380 to Calne Community Hub and Library.</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>All Community Grant applications awarded.</p>

46	<p><u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>The Chairman relayed the two questions asked prior to the meeting by Mr Boaler and Mr Morris. She then directed the Board to the cabinet responses which had been written in response to those questions.</p> <p>Mr Boaler asked a further question in regards to cuts to the bus service and its impact on Calne but he was advised to put the question in writing so that it could be addressed by the relevant cabinet member.</p>
47	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>