

MINUTES

Meeting: PEWSEY AREA BOARD
Place: Burbage Village Hall
Date: 21 May 2018
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 8.30 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Stuart Wheeler, Cllr Paul Oatway QPM and Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman)

Wiltshire Councillors – Also in Attendance

Cllr Richard Clewer

Wiltshire Council Officers

Marc Read – Community Engagement Manager
Stuart Figini – Democratic Services Officer
Maggie Mulhall – Electoral Review Project team

Parish Councils

Burbage Parish Council – Glenda Pearce
Easton Royal Parish Council – Margaret Holden
Manningford Parish Council – Lillian Barry
Pewsey Parish Council – Alex Carder, Curly Haskell, Peter Deck, Terry Eyles
Rushall Parish Council – Colin Gale
Shalbourne Parish Council – Mike Lockhart, Nigel Baldock

Partners

Wiltshire Police - Inspector Chris Williams and Emily Grigor, Community Coordinator
Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) - Dawn Wilson, Susie Brew and Colin Gale

Others

Campaign to Protect Rural England – Charmian Spickernell

Resident – Hew Helps

Devizes PHAB – Linda Keeper, P King

Total in attendance: 30

| <u>Agenda Item No.</u> | <u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u> |
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| 96 | <p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Area Board Members, the officers and the visiting cabinet representative, Councillor Clewer.</p> |
| 97 | <p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There were no apologies for absence received.</p> |
| 98 | <p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Decision</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 5th March 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the following amendments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To include Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling and Cllr Tom Rounds to the attendance list. 2. Page 6, Future of Everleigh Household Recycling Centre, to amend all references to meeting in the Resolved part of the minute to working group. The revised minute to read as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ‘Resolved: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That a working group be arrange between the Director of Waste and Environment and Area Board attendees, to discuss concerns surrounding the Everleigh HRC. 2. That Pewsey Area Board Town and Parish Councils and partners be invited to nominate a representative to attend the working group. 3. That representatives from Tidworth and Amesbury Area Boards be invited to attend the working group about Everleigh HRC. <p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>Minute 86/2018 – General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)</p> <p>Steve Colling – Burbage parish Council, raised a concern about the introduction of GDPR and the action required by parish councils to comply with the new regulations which came into effect on 25th May 2018.</p> <p>Cllr Clewer, Cabinet member for Corporate Services, Heritage, Arts & Tourism & Housing advised that each parish council was</p> |

responsible for the implementation of the new regulations. It was understood that Parish Council Clerks had recently had an opportunity to attend an information session about GDPR run by Wiltshire Council. A copy of the guidance received is attached to these minutes.

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Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

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Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman drew attention to the following announcements available in the agenda pack:

- Becoming a foster carer – video shown
- Salisbury situation

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Electoral Review

The Area Board received a presentation from Cllr Clewer, Cabinet member for Corporate Services, Heritage, Arts & Tourism & Housing about the Electoral Review being undertaken by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, (LGBCE) to determine both the overall number of councillors on the Council, and the pattern of divisions within the Council.

Cllr Clewer explained that the Review was required because 25 Divisions had a variance from the average in the size of their electorate of more than 10%, and 2 Divisions had a variance from the average of over 30%. In particular Cllr Clewer referred to the current electorate for Pewsey and the projected electorate for 2024 along with the projected numbers for 2024 in each Parish.

The Area Board noted that the LGBCE draft recommendations for the number of Councillors for Wiltshire Council had been delayed. Once the draft recommendations had been released there would be a period of public consultation, prior to final recommendations from the LGBCE and Parliamentary approval. The review's outcome, if implemented, would apply from the next elections in May 2021.

Cllr Clewer responded to the following questions received from the Area Board:

- Support for the current number of councilors for Pewsey
- Comparisons between the number of issues encountered by parishes within the Pewsey area and larger settlements like Salisbury
- Community area and cohesion
- The minimum number of councilors required for an area to be effective
- The potential changes for the Pewsey area dependent on the number of overall councilors recommended by the LGBCE
- The impact of the military on the LGBCE recommendations

- New housing on the edge of a parish and how it impacts boundaries with adjoining parishes

The Chairman thanked Cllr Clewer for his presentation, and he encouraged residents and parish councils to submit any comments or views to Wiltshire council at committee@wiltshire.gov.uk.

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The Big Pledge 2018

The Area Board were informed that the 'Big Pledge 2018' would be launching on Monday 16th April 2018, with a start date of 14th May and goes on until 18th July 2018. This year's event differed from previous events in as much as it is linked to the Commonwealth Games on the Goldcoast, Australia and those taking part would be logging the amount of time they were exercising rather than the distance covered.

The Chairman encouraged residents, schools and organisations in the Pewsey area to take part in this year's event.

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Partner Updates

The Area Board received and noted the following updates from key partners:

- (a) **Healthwatch Wiltshire** The written report was received and noted.
- (b) **Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)** The written report was received and noted.
- (c) **Wiltshire Police** Inspector Chris Williams introduced Emily Grigor, Community Coordinator to the Area Board and highlighted the following issues raised in his written report:
 - Increasing number of thefts from motor vehicles, especially at beauty spots
 - Increasing number of domestic burglaries

The Chairman congratulated Wiltshire Police on the successful conclusion to a recent car chase in the Pewsey area.

- (d) **Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service** There was no update for this meeting.
- (e) **Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP)** Dawn Wilson, Susie Brew and Colin Gale, presented the PCAP update. In particular the following matters were raised:
 - Cheer Dance team at Pewsey Vale School
 - Volunteer Voice

- Historic online maps project
- Film of Pewsey Vale available to purchase from the Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership.
- Cycling and walking project
- Transport timetables
- Pewsey Cycle User group
- Additional trains to London and hourly stops at Pewsey
- Pewsey Vale Rail User group potential funding
- Status of Everleigh HRC – statement attached at Appendix A to these minutes

(f) **Shalbourne Parish Council**

The Area Board received an update from Mike Lockhart, representing the Parish Council, about the proposed closure of Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre. It was noted that Shalbourne Parish Council would be submitting a request to Wiltshire Council about the Centre transferring to the Parish Council as an asset of Community value. This had received support from a number of neighbouring parish councils.

Cllr Clewer confirmed that a decision had been made to close the Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre, along with the Braeside Residential Centre, and reported that Wiltshire Council had now received some expressions of interest, which would be considered by the council in due course.

The Area Board indicated that they also supported the continual existence of Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre and Peter Deck, representing Pewsey Parish Council, 2nd by Mike Lockhart, representing Shalbourne Parish Council, moved the following:

‘That the Pewsey Area Board supports the continual existence of the Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre, with appropriate investment from an economically viable applicant.’

The proposal was unanimously supported by the Area Board.

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Update on Working Groups

a. Local Youth Network;

There were no requests for youth grant funding.

b. Health and Wellbeing Projects (Community Café (Rushall)) for £450:

Dawn Wilson and Susie Brew, representing PCAP, introduced the application to fund a monthly community café in Rushall, welcoming

those that are isolated, elderly or lonely and promoting inter-generational interaction.

Cllr Stuart Wheeler proposed the award, seconded by Cllr Paul Oatway QPM.

Resolved:

The Board agreed unanimously to award the funds of £450.00.

c. Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

Cllr Kunkler presented the minutes of the CATG meeting held on 28th March 2018 which contained a number of recommendations for the Area Board to consider.

Resolved:

1. To close the following issues:

- a. 4305
- b. 4587
- c. 5347
- d. 5407
- e. 5482
- f. 5547
- g. 5669
- h. 5707
- i. 5721
- j. 5772
- k. Bridge repairs at Wood Bridge

2. To add the following Issues onto the Priority List and to approve funding:

- a. 5640 Sharcott Drove Warning Signs – CATG £800.00, Parish contribution £200.00.
- b. 6168 Upavon Warning Signs – CATG £450.00, Parish contribution £50.00

3. To promote the following Issue to the Top 5 Priority List and to approve funding:

- a. 4312 Shalbourne 20 mph limit – CATG £7,500.00, Parish contribution £1,500.00

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Community Area Grants

The Area Board considered four applications for Community Area Grant funding. The Chairman invited the local Councillor to introduce each application, following which a representative of the applicant was given an opportunity to give a brief overview of their project to the Area Board.

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| | <p>Resolved:</p> <p>1. That the following grant applications be agreed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a) Easton Royal Village Hall (new windows) for £2,750</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">b) Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership (online historic maps project) for £1,000.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">c) Shalbourne Village Hall Management (maintenance and improvement work at the village hall) for £5,000.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">d) Patney Parish Council (defibrillator for Patney Village) for £500.</p> |
| 106 | <p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p> |
| 107 | <p><u>Future Meeting Dates and Close</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board was scheduled for 9th July 2018, 7pm at Woodborough Social Club, Smithy Lane, Woodborough, SN9 5PL</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p> |

20th May 2018

Statement to Pewsey Area Board, 21st May 2018, on the status of Everleigh HRC

- Following on from the PAB on 5th March 2018 there has still not been any formal response to the question submitted prior to the meeting.
- PCAP/CPRE/PPC submitted further questions to the WC Cabinet meeting held on 27th March. It was agreed by Cabinet and the direction of Jane Scott that the continuous to-ing and fro-ing was not progressing the situation and not satisfying either parties. It was agreed that a meeting would be held with the Cabinet Member to resolve the status. Questions would be submitted prior to this meeting to aid the discussions. The area WC Councillors requested that they also attend.
- The meeting with PCAP and CPRE was held on 2nd May. A history of events covering the period since September 2015 was provided in advance along with a set of questions. This information was also provided to all the area WC Councillors. The questions and draft responses were discussed. The following is a snapshot of some of the status advised:
 - The drainage system that was installed at Everleigh in 1996 was not installed in accordance with the original design.
 - There has been no maintenance carried out at Everleigh and as a consequence the shortfall in drainage was not discovered until the recent surveys were conducted as part of the changeover of contractors.
 - The original Environmental Agency permit covered a much reduced set of recyclable items. As a consequence the installed drainage system

would have been adequate. The level of recycling has grown which at the time of contract transfer has highlighted the potential risk.

- The original contract with Hills was written at a much higher level than contracts now issued by WC. However, under the Hills contract they may be some liability for Hills to pay for some of the recovery of the site but the majority of the liability would fall to WC.
- PCAP/CPRE/PPC have still not received a formal response to the questions submitted for this meeting.
- The area WC Councillors have held a separate meeting with the Cabinet Member on 10th May. No feedback on this meeting has been provided.

Colin Gale
PCAP Member