



28<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Councillor

As you will be aware, Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council has become increasingly concerned about youth provision in our community area.

The Council is supportive of the Area Board's position in funding the work of CMAS (Community Mentoring and Support) and was alarmed to hear this may have to come to a close due to financial constraints.

At a meeting of the Amenities committee on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 it was unanimously resolved that the Council urge our unitary members to continue funding this service at least until the end of the financial year.

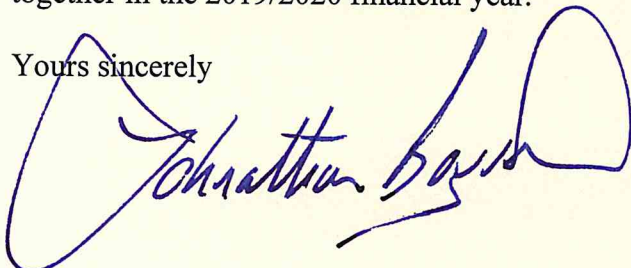
Following the meeting, I was delighted to see the item on next week's Agenda which proposes a continuation of the funding and sets out possible conditions to fund a service in the next financial year.

The young people using this service are amongst the most unfortunate in our community and the work undertaken helping these young people is truly transformational. It is not only their lives that have been improved but also those who do not then suffer the disruptive influences that those people can cause in a community if abandoned.

We notice that there is a budget available to continue the service and hope that you will support this valuable provision and perhaps also support the work of the Local Youth Networks, using the remainder of the budget.

As a Town Council we would like to open a dialogue with you on how we might work together in the 2019/2020 financial year.

Yours sincerely



Johnathan Bourne  
Town Clerk