

MINUTES

Meeting: WESTBURY AREA BOARD

Place: The Laverton, Bratton Road, Westbury, BA13 3EN

Date: 25 July 2019

Start Time: 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 7.45 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Gordon King (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Russell Hawker and Cllr Carole King

Wiltshire Council Officers

Stuart Figini (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

Town and Parish Councillors

Westbury Town Council – Mike Sutton (Mayor) and Sheila Kimmins (Deputy Mayor)

Partners

Wiltshire Police - Insp Andy Fee

Others

Crosspoint - Len Clift

Total in attendance: 8

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1.	Election of Chairman Resolved: To appoint Cllr Gordon King as Chairman of the Westbury Area Board for the 2018/2019 municipal year.
2.	Election of Vice-Chairman
	Resolved: To appoint Cllr Carole King as Vice-Chairman of the Westbury Area Board for the 2018/2019 municipal year.
3.	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Westbury Area Board.
	In addition, he welcomed Cllr Carole King to her first meeting of the Area Board as the recently elected Wiltshire Councillor for Westbury North.
	On a sad note, the Chairman reported the passing of Cllr Jerry Wickham, who represented Ethandune from May 2013. He paid tribute to Cllr Wickham as a person and a Councillor and said that he would miss him greatly. Inspector Andy Fee also paid tribute to Cllr Wickham. Insp Fee commented on his early days in Wiltshire Police and his experiences of working with Cllr Wickham during his time as a Commander in the force. He was a remarkable man who was well respected and would be greatly missed.
4.	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies for absence were received from: Phil McMullen – representing BA13+ Partnership.
5.	<u>Minutes</u>
	<u>Decision</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
6.	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
7.	Chairman's Announcements
	The Chairman drew attention to the following written announcements included in the agenda pack:

- Winter weather provisions
- Highways improvements and traffic surveys requests
- Proposal to increase Downland School capacity

8. <u>Appointment of Working groups and Outside Bodies</u>

The Area Board considered a report requesting the appointment of representatives to Outside Bodies, and to reconstitute and make appointments to Working Groups for the year 2018/19.

Resolved:

- 1. To appoint Councillor representatives to the outside bodies as set out in Appendix A of these minutes.
- 2. To reconstitute and appoint to the working groups of Westbury Area Board as set out in Appendix B of these minutes.
- 3. To note the Terms of reference for the Working Groups, as set out in Appendix C of the report.
- 4. To appoint Sandie Lewis as Older People's Champion for the Westbury Area Board, in accordance with Appendix D, until such time as a replacement is appointed.

9. Partner and Community Updates

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

- a. Wiltshire Police Inspector Andy Fee presented his verbal report and commented on a meeting due to be held at Trowbridge Police Station to discuss the future priorities of the Police. Insp Fee also responded to a number of questions and issues about the closure of Westbury Police station, the congestion caused by First Bus changeovers in Hawkeridge Road, Westbury, vandalism in Westbury and the upsurge of anti-social behaviour.
- b. Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service There written report was received and noted.
- c. **BA13+ Community Area Partnership** The written report was received and noted.

Carole King (Chairman of the BA13+ Partnership) presented the report and spoke about the recent Restore Together Conference held in Devizes, and attendance at several Neighbourhood Watch meetings.

d. **Healthwatch Wiltshire** The written report was received and noted.

The Chairman reported that the Health and Wellbeing Board, at its

meeting earlier in the day, had considered a report from Healthwatch about dementia and how friendly Wiltshire was towards dementia.

e. Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) The written report was received and noted.

The Chairman highlighted the following points from the CCG's latest report including, a merger of the Wiltshire CCG with BaNES and Swindon CCGs to become one commissioning organisation before April 2021, and the appointment of a new Senior Management team.

- f. **Westbury Town Council** The Mayor, Westbury Town Council, commented on the following issues:
 - Town Council Business Plan
 - Neighbourhood Plan
 - Thermal Treatment Facility, Northacre Trading Estate, Westbury
 - Wiltshire Council's Air Quality Strategy
 - Comments from the new Prime Minister about the possible increase in Police Officers.

10. Community Area Grants

Members considered an application for the Community Area Grants Scheme funding as detailed in the agenda pack. The applicant gave a brief statement about the reasons for their grant request.

Resolved: That the grant application for Crosspoint (Westbury) – for £5,000 towards a young person's counselling project be agreed.

11. Community Area Transport Group

The Area Board received the notes of the Westbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG) meeting held on 5 July 2019.

Resolved:

- 1. Notes the discussions and updates outlined in the minutes of 5 July 2019
- 2. Approves the following:
 - a. An allocation of £1387.50 towards white lining works in Edington.
- 3. To note the concerns of Heywood Village in relation to HGV's along the A350 and B3097.

12.	<u>Urgent items</u>
	There were no urgent items.
13.	Future Meeting Dates, Forward Plan, Evaluation and Close
	The next meeting of the Westbury Area Board will be held on:
	Thursday 10 th October 2019 at a venue to be confirmed.
	Future Meeting Dates:
	 Thursday 5th December 2019 at a venue to be confirmed Thursday 6th February 2020 at The Laverton Hall, Westbury BA13 3EN