

MINUTES

Meeting: BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD

Place: St Laurence School, Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon, BA15 1DZ

Date: 19 June 2019

Start Time: 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 9.05 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Trevor Carbin, Cllr Sarah Gibson, Cllr Johnny Kidney (Chairman) and Cllr Jim Lynch

Wiltshire Council Officers

Ros Griffiths – Community Engagement Manager Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer

Town and Parish Councillors

Bradford on Avon Town Council – Lydia Booth Holt Parish Council – Andrew Pearce South Wraxall Parish Council – Nigel Gill Westwood Parish Council – Julie Adcock & Dave Adcock

Total in attendance: 36

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
23	Election of Chairman Cllr Johnny Kidney was elected Chairman of the Bradford on Avon Area Board – 2019/20.
24	Election of Vice-Chairman Cllr Sarah Gibson was elected Vice-Chairman of the Bradford on Avon Area Board – 2019/20.
25	 Appointments to Outside Bodies The following appointments were made Outside Bodies and Working Groups Bradford on Avon Community Area Transport Group – Cllr Sarah Gibson with all members invited to attend Bradford on Avon Local Youth Network (or successor organisation) – Cllr Jim Lynch Bradford on Avon Health and Wellbeing Group – Cllr Johnny Kidney Bradford on Avon Older Peoples' and Carers' Champion – Bradford on Avon Seniors Forum to represent Bradford on Avon Dementia Action Alliance – Cllr Johnny Kidney Bradford on Avon Streets Ahead/ Air Quality Alliance – Cllr Sarah Gibson BoA Business – Cllr Sarah Gibson & Cllr Johnny Kidney Bradford on Avon Assets Working Group – Cllr Sarah Gibson
26	Chairman's Welcome, Introduction and Announcements The Chairman welcomed everybody to St Laurence School The Area Board members were introduced. The following Chairman's announcements contained in the agenda pack were noted:

	Community Led Housing Project
	Homelessness Strategy Consultation
	Winter Weather Provisions
	Highways Improvements and Traffic Survey Requests
27	Apologies for Absence
	There were none.
28	Minutes
	Decision
	 The Minutes of the Area Board meeting held on Wednesday 13 March 2019 were signed as the correct record.
29	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.
30	Written Partner Updates
	The following partner updates contained in the agenda pack were noted:
	Wiltshire Police
	Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue
	NHS Wiltshire
	HealthWatch Wiltshire
31	Climate Change and Environmental Themed Projects and Initiatives
	Cllr Sarah Gibson welcomed everybody and thanked the Climate Change and Environmental groups in attendance.
	Points made included:
	The importance of keeping up the pressure on Local Authorities and Central Government re climate issues and the appetite of Wiltshire

Council to make a positive change.

- That food waste was a major issue that needed to be tackled.
- The importance of energy efficient housing.

Matthew Croft - St Laurence School gave a short presentation that highlighted the St Laurence School Sustainable Transport app "Home Run" which gave users active travel information, encouraging students to walk or cycle to and from school.

Points made included:

- The benefits of sustainable and active travel.
- That around 20% of St Laurence School students had signed up to the app.
- That an Eco Group run by year 13 students had been set up to promote climate issues at St Laurence School.
- That St Laurence School was actively looking to highlight climate issues and ways that it could make a positive impact.

Climate Emergency – Cllr Richard Clewer Cabinet Member for Housing, Corporate Services, Arts, Heritage and Tourism

Points made included:

- That Wiltshire Council was committed to making positive environmental changes that were legal and effective.
- That Wiltshire Council planning policy needed to be more eco-friendly.
- The importance of sustainable transport in Wiltshire.
- That Wiltshire Council needed to look at food waste recycling as part of it's recycling offering.

Points made from the floor included:

- That Local Authorities needed to get together to form a strong collective voice to challenge Central Government over Eco issues.
- That Wiltshire Council should be actively requesting funding from Central Government to help tackle the Climate Emergency.

 That Wiltshire Council elected members needed to be more aware of what Climate Emergency was and it's implications to Wiltshire.

Climate Friendly BoA

Points made included:

- That the group was set up in 2006.
- That the group held monthly meetings with guest speakers and a monthly newsletter.
- That the group was working with Bradford on Avon Town Council on climate issues.
- The group was looking for Wiltshire Council to work with other Local Authorities to challenge climate change.
- For Wiltshire Council to be more forward thinking in it's planning matters.
- Better education of the motorist v cyclist debate.

Extinction Rebellion

Points made included:

- That Extinction Rebellion was established in the United Kingdom in May 2018 with about one hundred academics signing a call to action in support in October 2018.
- That Extinction Rebellion was looking to rally support worldwide around a common sense of urgency to tackle climate breakdown.
- That the public needed to understand that change needed to happen

Plastic Free BoA

Points made included:

- That for over a year, the group together with Climate Friendly Bradford had been working to achieve accreditation for Bradford on Avon as a Plastic Free Community.
- The accreditation was awarded by the charity Surfers Against Sewage and required the support of local residents, businesses, community groups, schools and the Town Council.

- That Bradford on Avon Town Council was now plastic free.
- That the group had organised and carried out regular litter picks.
- The importance of spreading the message re single use plastics

Decision

- That the Bradford on Avon Area Board agreed that future Area Board meetings would be paperless, with paper agendas no longer provided.
- That single use drinking cups would no longer be provided at the pre-meeting networking session. Tea and coffee would still be provided but attendees of future meetings would be encouraged to bring their own cup or mug.

The Chairman thanked all the presenters and the attendees for their input on this important issue.

32 <u>Grant Recipient Feedback</u>

That this item would become a standing item on future agendas. Organisations and groups would be given the opportunity to briefly tell their story of how Area Board grant funding had helped them.

Working Group Update

Health & Wellbeing – Cllr Johnny Kidney

- The notes contained in the agenda pack of the Bradford on Avon Health and Wellbeing Group meeting held on the 29 April 2019 at Bradford on Avon Library agreed by the Area Board members.
- That the Dementia Alliance Group had recently met.
- That the Dementia Action Week had been well received and events well attended.

Community Area Transport Group (CATG) – Cllr Sarah Gibson

 That the next CATG Meeting would be on Monday 24 June 2019, County Hall at 4pm.

	Youth – Cllr Jim Lynch • That the Wiltshire Council Youth Transport Group had been formed – an update would be given at the September Area Board meeting.
34	Grant Funding
	Applications for funding
	Decision The Mead Primary School awarded £4,000 for Community Art Studio and Meeting Space with the condition that Wingfield Parish Council would contribute £1,000
	Decision Kids Kitchen Collective CIC awarded £500 for Kids Kitchen Bradford-on- Avon
	Cllr Led Initiative
	Cllr Trevor Carbin awarded £500 for Staverton Butterfly Garden, a project to convert a small area of waste ground into a wildlife garden, with butterfly friendly planting.
35	Date of Next Meeting
	Wednesday 11 September at St Margaret's Hall.
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