1) Welcome and Introductions

Councillor Kelvin Nash – Chairman





1) Election of Chairman

• To elect a Chairman for the year 2022/23



2) Election of Vice-Chairman

• To elect a Vice-Chairman for the year 2022/23



Devizes Area Board

- Cllr Kelvin Nash, Chairman, Devizes East
- Cllr Iain Wallis, Vice-Chair, Devizes North
- Cllr Simon Jacobs, Devizes South
- Cllr Laura Mayes, Bromham, Rowde and Roundway
- Cllr Dominic Muns, The Lavingtons
- Cllr Tamara Reay, Devizes Rural West
- Cllr Philip Whitehead, Urchfont and Bishops Cannings



4) Apologies for Absence



5) Minutes (pages 3 – 12)

• To confirm the minutes of the meeting on 7 March 2022



6) Declarations of Interest

• To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee



7) Chairman's Announcements (pages 13-18 and supplement 1)

- Solar Together Wiltshire Collective Buying scheme for solar PV panel (pages 13-14)
- Recruitment of hackney carriage and private hire drivers (pages 15 17)
- FUEL details on the free holiday and activity food programme, community grants for partners that can apply for in order to support the programme and how to apply (agenda supplement 1)
- Positive Conduct equals Positive Democracy Webinar being held on 7 July at 5pm, local town and parish Councillors may wish to attend, contact <u>committee@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> for info (agenda supplement 1)



8) Updates from Partners (pages 19 - 32)

- Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service (pages 19 24) David Geddes
- Wiltshire Police sent apologies
- Healthwatch Wiltshire (page 25)
- BANES, Swindon & Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (pages 27 29), plus an update on the new Devizes Health Centre at page 31
- Schools Updates
- Town and Parish Councils
- Devizes Indies
- Sustainable Devizes
- Devizes Opendoors





Saturday 11th June 2022 • 10am - 2pm Market Place + The Shambles, Devizes

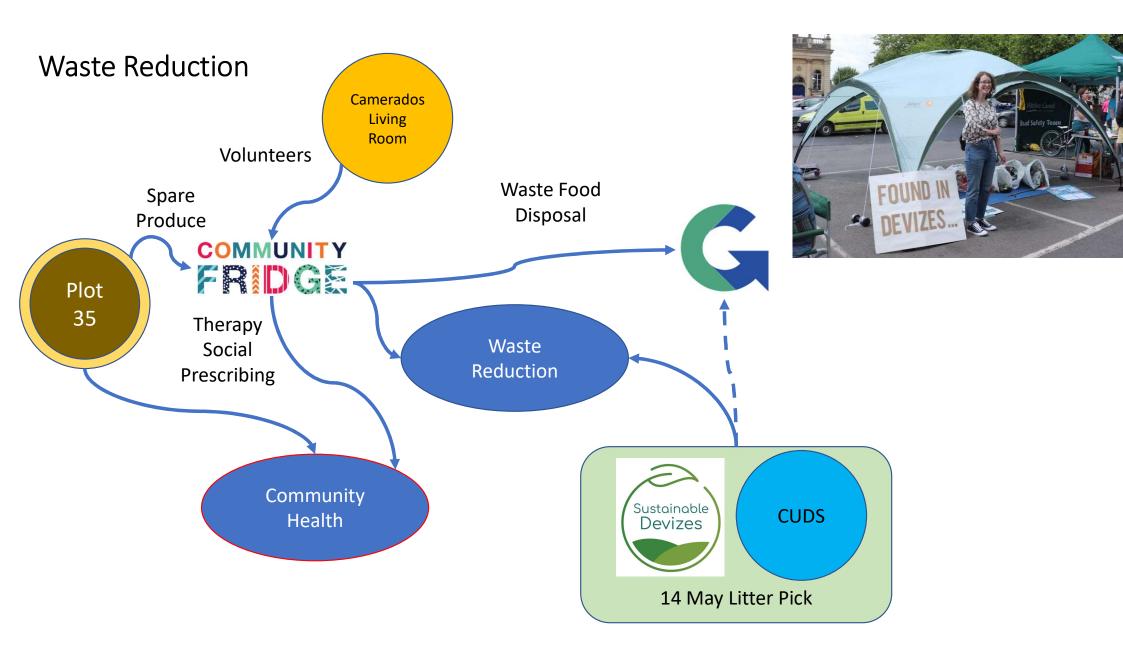
> Guided Bike Rides • Book & Toy Swap Vaughan's Kitchen • Greening Devizes Waste Reduction • Smoothie Bike and much more...

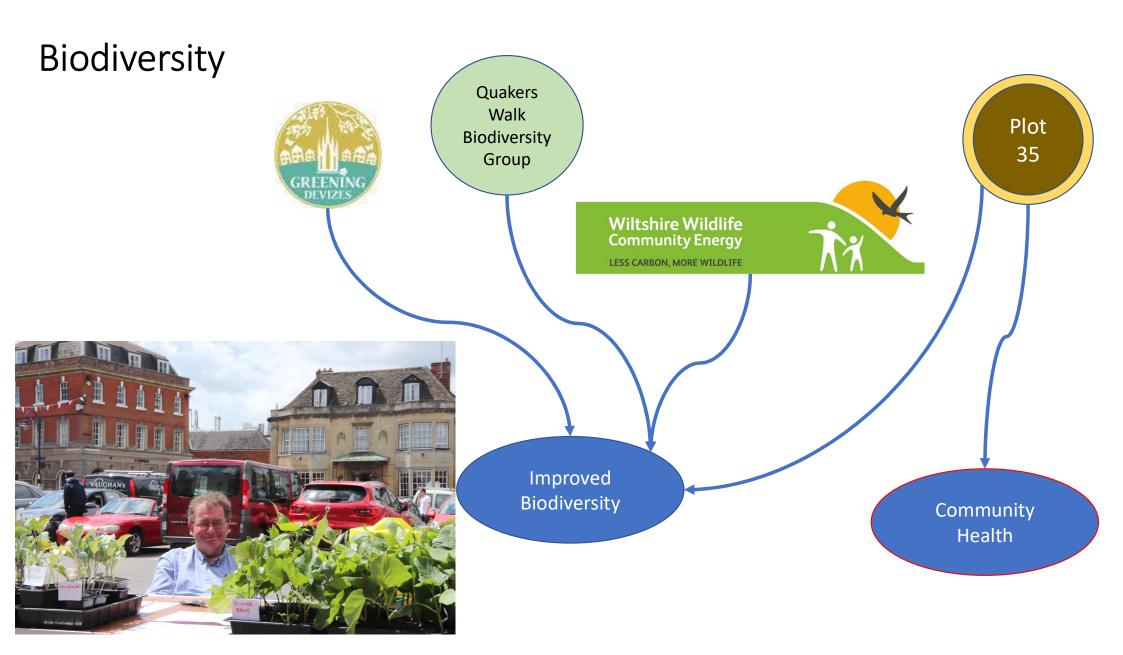




- Town Sustainability Priorities
 - Active travel to reduce traffic
 - Waste reduction
 - Biodiversity
 - Supported by local businesses

Active Travel Cyclometer ROAD SAFETY WILTSHIRE Sufficient cycle routes? 92% NO Promoting Devize Promoting Is it safe to cycle in Devizes? 68% NO **Bikeability Training** LCWIP **Bike Rides** Consultation **Reduce Car** Dependency Promote Active Travel Reduced traffic LCWIP Community Health Improved Air Quality

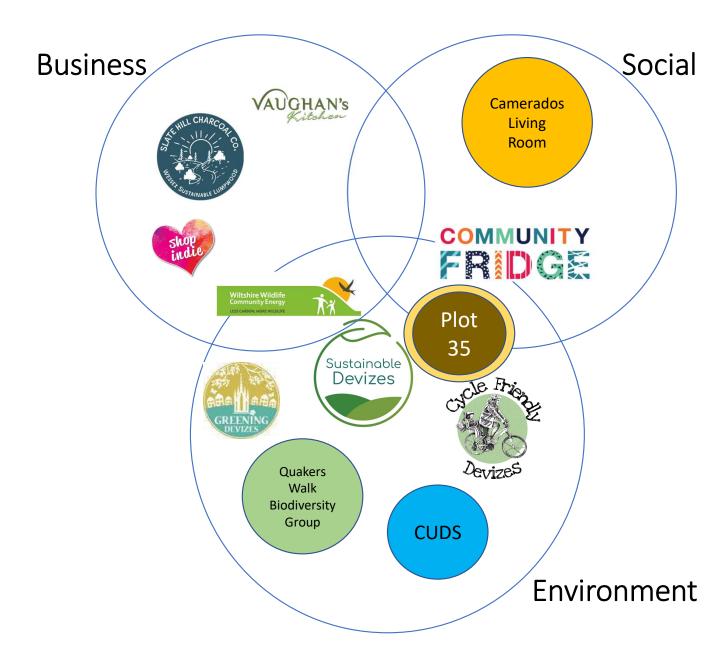






Community Sustainability













January to March

- Meals 521
- Food Parcels 269
- Laundry vouchers 10
- Showers 19
- Phone 24
- Clothing 128

49

- Toiletries
- Bedding/Tent 28

Weekly averages

- Rough sleepers 4.1
- Sofa surfers 1.3
- Hotel sleepers 2.2
- Mobile sleepers 3.3
- Home sleepers

12.8

Average number 23.6 each week





9) Area Board Update

To receive an update from Andrew Jack, Community Engagement Manager (CEM) on the area board review which has taken place and changes to area boards which are being implemented as a result, for example new grant funding criteria.





Wiltshire Area Boards June 2022

Wiltshire Council

Why review the Area Boards?

- 1. The Area Board model was introduced in 2009 and has delivered significant progress to develop stronger, more resilient and connected communities since its inception.
- 2. The overall objectives of the Area Boards remain consistent today however, in an operating model more than 12 years old it is natural that certain elements are subject of review and refresh to ensure they are meeting the current needs of local communities.
- 3. The aspiration of the review was to build on the excellent practice and evident success of the Area Boards and to address areas where there was inconsistency in practice and approach.
- 4. The number of boards, overall format, structure and local autonomy were not part of the review.
- 5. Two workstreams were agreed;
 - Updating relevant Area Board documentation and policies;
 - Area Boards working to local priorities, operating working groups and investment of grant funding



Process overview

- Period of research, analysis and review of data between Cabinet Member, Portfolio Holder and key Officers.
- An Overview and Scrutiny process followed between January – March 2022, which resulted in 24 recommendations.
- These were adopted into a single member decision paper on Area Board arrangements which was ratified on 6th May 2022.

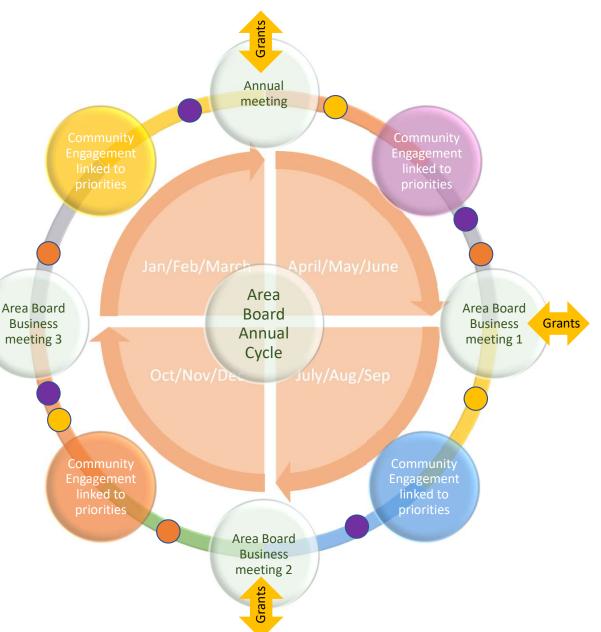




Setting and Working to Local Priorities

- 1. May/ June/ July Local Priorities report submitted to board. Review of the previous 12 months action and overview of any updated data/ evidence.
- 2. Up to 5 priorities are agreed by the board at the first business meeting after full council.
- 3. Priorities can be amended by the board at any business meeting throughout the year.
- 4. At least one Councillor requested to be lead for each priority.
- 5. Working groups, engagements and funding streams to be used to actively advance priorities through projects, initiatives and collaborative working.

Indicate different working groups



Area Board Working Groups

- 1. New generic terms of reference for each working group
- 2. Area Boards are asked to evaluate each priority, in respect of the actions required and the existing arrangements in place, prior to setting up a new working group.
- 3. Where there is an existing community or partner led group addressing this priority, the Area Board should work in partnership with such community or group and not create a working group of its own.
- 4. Area Boards must consider and complete the terms of reference table for each working group.





Area Board Grant Funding Criteria - main updates

- Funding is available to voluntary and community sector organisations that can show a need for financial support up to a total of £5,000. Town and Parish councils are eligible to apply for revenue funding, in respect of Youth Grants or Older and Vulnerable Adult Grants, where they can show a need for financial support.
- Matched funding requirement has reduced from £1,000 to £500.
- Applications must be received at least 4 weeks before an Area Board
- Applications must highlight how they are meeting two aims of WC Business Plan and an Area Board local priority – grant system will reflect this
- An organisation can apply for a maximum of 2 projects/ bids per annum across all 18 boards. Each project/ bid can request funding from up to 3 boards.



Grant applications deadlines:

- 8th August towards area board on 5th September
- 7th November towards area board on 5th December
- 6th February towards area board on 6th March

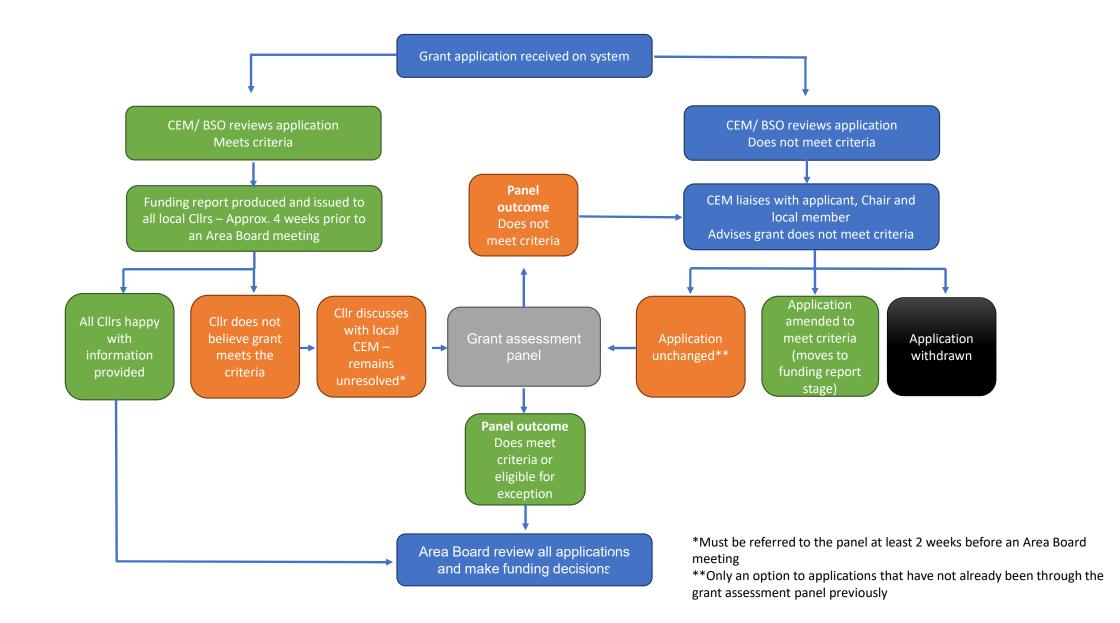
	Capital		Revenue	
	Discretionary	CATG funding	Older and Vulnerable People	Youth
Area Board	Capital	Capital	Revenue	Revenue
DEVIZES	£25,869	£31,968	£7,700	£22,320



Grant Assessment Panel

- Cabinet Member for Area Boards and Assistant Director for Leisure, Culture and Communities make up the 'panel'.
- The panel will review grant applications sent from Community Engagement Managers when meeting all criteria, however are:
 - Requesting over £5,000
 - Not from a voluntary or community sector organisation
 - Applying to multiple boards (more than 3)
- The above is known as an 'exception request'.
- The panel will also review grants referred by a Councillor if they believe it is not meeting the criteria. This is known as a 'Councillor request for review'.





Delegated authority

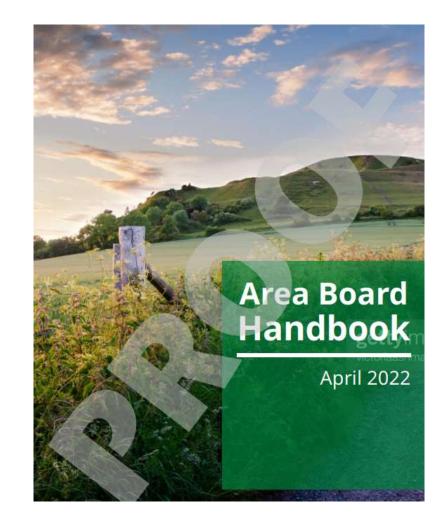
- In order to deal with urgent matters that may arise between meetings of the Area Board, the Community Engagement Manager (CEM) has the authority to approve expenditure from the delegated grants budget when the following conditions are met:
 - a. The item is deemed **urgent** (definition below) by the CEM, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Area Board
 - b. The item follows due process, enabling all Area Board Members 5 working days to review and consider the award.
 - c. The award does not exceed £1,000
 - d. The award has a majority support from all Area Board members
- In order to be an urgent matter, it would have to be the case that a delay in approval until the next scheduled meeting of the Area Board would have a critical impact on the project for which the grant is requested. If the CEM should deem the application urgent, they are to liaise with the Chair and Vice Chair of the board. If there is unanimous agreement that it is urgent then it moves to the next stage.



Area Board Handbook

The Area Board Handbook 2022 has recently been published. This provides an excellent overview of the updated Area Board arrangements and is available on the WC website.

A briefing note is also available with a further recorded presentation that sets this out in more detail.



Any questions?



Community Engagement Report – Devizes Community Area

Devizes Area Board – Agreeing Priorities for 2022/23



This report has been provided to:

- consider progress of the Community Area Action Plan in 2021/22;
- set Area Board priorities for 2022/23.



How are we doing so far?

1. Climate Change and the Environment

- i. Promoted the draft Climate Change Strategy and Blue Infrastructure Strategy and encouraged local involvement and feedback
- ii. Helped to feed into the Local Nature Recovery Plan process
- iii. Working with Devizes Town Council and Cycle Friendly Devizes, new cycle parking has been established at the marketplace.
- iv. A new Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan is being developed for Devizes and surrounding parishes. This will create ideas for new routes and develop the active travel offer in the area.
- v. Financial support has gone into business plans for Devizes Gateway rail station. A decision on the next stage is due very soon.
- vi. A new hard standing and bus shelter has been created to serve Horton Road, residents of Lay Wood and the nearby businesses
- vii. Grant support to Drews Pond Wood for new accessible trails and conservation work



2. Local Economy

- i. Worked alongside Devizes Indie to support events in town
- ii. Helped to promote Devizes as tourist and shoppers' destination
- iii. Supported Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race as a way to promote the town and what goes on there.

3. Children and young people

- i. Funded local youth clubs to re-open following pandemic closures and for the pop-up youth club to be on The Green in Devizes for a week during the summer holidays.
- ii. Supported vulnerable young people from the area to take part in Youth Adventure Trust's outward bounds course to build their resilience and support them through hard times.
- iii. Worked with Devizes TC, Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner and other partners to develop solutions to current spate of teenage ASB seen within town.
- iv. These ideas overlap with services on offer to all young people from the town and can be a way to support all young people.
- v. Work underway to create new LYN for area
- vi. Wiltshire Youth Survey promoted resulting in approximately 85 responses and providing useful information on what support young people require.



4. Older and Vulnerable People

- i. Put on the 3rd annual Showcase event to highlight activities and services for older people in our area.
- ii. Hosted the Be Active Tea Dance at the Bear Hotel in September '21 as a way for people to socialise after pandemic restrictions eased.
- iii. Wiltshire Museum supported to train volunteers to use their "reminiscence boxes" based on the museum's collections and run sessions with older people.
- iv. Helped Devizes' Men's Shed to re-open safely following pandemic closure.
- v. Funded a new defibrillator for Needham House available to residents and all those living on Victoria Road.

5. Community Safety

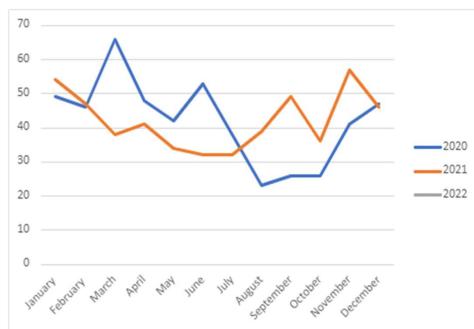
- i. Assessments for new 20mph speed limits carried out throughout Devizes. Lower limit is appropriate and can be implemented within town. Now developing funding with partners.
- ii. Working with town council and Police & Crime Commissioner to put strategies in place to combat current spate of teenage ASB within town
- iii. Developing a "suite" of possible solutions for traffic and speeding issues for local councils to call on that fits their own situation.



What's new?

New evidence or information to help inform the Area Board in selecting priorities for 2022/23

- Challenge to consider local actions to achieve Wiltshire Council's commitment to become carbon neutral by 2030.
- Inflation is very high, fuel prices doubling or more in cost, this affects poorer and families and the elderly/vulnerable most.
- Sustainable Devizes about to set up new Community Fridge to provide fresh food to families as well as reduce waste.
- Devizes & District Foodbank reports rise in demand during the pandemic, which has not returned to previous levels.





- Wiltshire Council has released its new business plan, outlining its strategy for 2022-2032. It focusses upon the 4 themes of "Empowering People", "a Resilient Society", "a Thriving Economy" and "a Sustainable Environment".
- Demand upon health services continues to be high and impact of long Covid not clear.
- Some people, especially the older and more vulnerable have lost confidence and are reluctant to socialise.
- Change to the way people communicate, especially with the shift to more home and remote working
- Some people left out of the change to greater digital connectivity, through lack of device or skills.
- Increase in poor mental health and depression, especially amongst young people in all settings.



Priority Lead Councillors for 2022/23

- Climate Change and the Environment Cllr Tamara Reay
- Children and Young People Cllr Dominic Muns
- Older or Vulnerable People Cllr Simon Jacobs
- Local Economy Cllr Iain Wallis
- Community Safety Cllr Kelvin Nash



Potential Priorities for 2022/23

Potential Priority	Key objectives	Possible councillor lead and delivery working group
Support the provision of positive activities for young people	 Re-establish LYN for community area Continue to support youth groups and sports clubs to provide activities Work with current partners increase range of activities within Devizes as diversion from ASB 	Cllr Dominic Muns, Devizes TC, OPCC, Wiltshire Council, Wiltshire Youth for Christ
Investigate new car- share club for Devizes	 To attract a new car club to Devizes To cut down on number of cars on our streets, and thus cut congestion, air pollution, etc. 	 Cllr Tamara Reay, Community Engagement Manager, Air Quality & Sustainable Transport Group, Devizes TC
Build on Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan	 Develop new ideas for walking and cycling routes within area Look for significant funding to deliver these Encourage green or active travel throughout the area 	Cllr Tamara Reay, Community Engagement Manager, Air Quality & Sustainable Transport Group, Wiltshire Council
Health and wellbeing	 To help address loneliness and isolation To address some of the causes of poor mental health in the area To encourage people, especially those older & more vulnerable, to be physically & mentally active To develop Showcase and "Trolley Olympics" into annual events 	Cllr Simon Jacobs, Health & Wellbeing group
Use new LHFIG to engage with parish councils	 To give local councils a range of solutions to their traffic issues To support local councils put in place these solutions 	Cllr Dominic Muns, LHFIG





- a) The Area Board is asked to acknowledge the progress update from the 2021/22 local priorities work.
- b) The Area Board is asked to consider this report along with its appendices and decide upon the priorities it wishes to focus on in the coming year.
- c) The Area Board is asked to appoint a councillor lead for each of the selected priorities.
- d) The Area Board is asked to appoint any required working groups in relation to each priority. Note: any existing externally operated groups may already be in place and should be acknowledged and noted.



Possible Recommendation

1. To note the progress update from the 2021/22 local priorities, work as outlined in Appendix A.

2. To adopt the suggested priorities for the forthcoming year as shown in Appendix B and appoint lead members to the following areas:

- Climate Change and the Environment Cllr Tamara Reay
- Children and Young People Cllr Dominic Muns
- Older or Vulnerable People Cllr Simon Jacobs
- Local Economy Cllr Iain Wallis
- Community Safety Cllr Kelvin Nash

To appoint lead councillors to priority working groups as outlined in Appendix C of the report. Namely:

- Cllr Dominic Muns: LHFIG
- Cllr Simon Jacobs: Health and Wellbeing Group
- Cllr Tamara Reay: Air Quality & Sustainable Transport Group



11) Appointments to Outside Bodies and Working Groups (pages 45 - 54)

 To consider the Area Board representatives to Outside Bodies and Memberships of Working Groups as detailed in the agenda reports.

The Area Board is requested to:

- a) Appoint Members as Lead representatives to Outside Bodies as set out at Appendix A;
 - Devizes Leisure Centre Cllr Tamara Reay and Cllr Philip Whitehead
 - Devizes & District association of the Disabled Executive Committee (Nursteed Centre) Cllr Kelvin Nash
 - Devizes Development Partnership Cllr lain Wallis
- b) To appoint Cllr Dominic Muns as lead Councillor on the LHFIG
- c) To note the Terms of Reference for the LHFIG as set out in Appendix B (pages 51-54)



12) Queen's Baton Relay is coming to Devizes!

- Tuesday 5th July
- 8.00am from Devizes Market Place
- Leaving town via the canal and Caen Hill





- During its time in Devizes, the Queen's Baton Relay will begin the first leg of the day:
- Starting in the Market Place at 8am, and taking a journey through the town on a horse drawn dray towards the canal
- Then it will travel by canal boat to the town lock (lock 50) then along the tow path to just past the cafe at the Caen Hill Locks.

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Update: Eric Ravilious exhibition and Devizes Assize Court

David Dawson, Director





Eric Ravilious: Downland Man

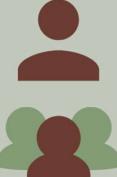
The Final Figures

NUMBER OF DAYS OPEN: 120 DAYS

AVERAGE VISITORS PER DAY: 102 VISITORS

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS: 12211 VISITORS





Where people came from!



Your catchment area¹¹ is 34 km. 50% of the visitors who completed surveys in the last twelve months lived within 34 km of your venue.



Tourism Impact

The methodology for measuring the Tourism impact is based on identifying the proportion of adult local, day and overnight visitors and using the spend per head figures from VisitBritain to identify the value of the visitor spend in the local area, which includes meals, entertainment, parking, shop purchases and accommodation. We analysed the postcode data of the 3,300 purchasers of online tickets to estimate these proportions.

Number of Visit	ors		% Local	% Day	% Overnight
Total	12,500		29	48	23
Child	400				
Adult	12,100		3,509	5,808	2,783
Spend		Wilts	£15.18	£30.36	£57.61
Impact			£53,267	£176,331	£160,329
Overall total			£389,926		

Full Year Impact of the Museum

The AIM Economic Impact model identifies the full effect of staff employment and spending on Goods and Services by the Museum. Given that the Museum was either closed during lockdown, or with significantly reduced numbers of visitors, combining the Tourism Impact of the Ravilious exhibition and the full year measures for Employment and Spend on Goods and Services gives a reasonable picture of the impact of the Museum over the full Financial Year from April 2021 to March 2022.

Level I	Tourism Impact	£389,926	
Level 2	Employment Impacts		
	Direct FTE	9	
	Leakage ratio	0	
	Displacement ratio	0.25	
	Indirect and Induced Employment (AIM formula)	6.1	
	Total direct, indirect and induced employment	15.1	jobs
	Value of each job (ONS Average for SW is £33,000)	£25,000	
	Total Value of Employment	£376,875	
Level 3	Impacts of Spend on Goods and Services		
	Direct spend on Goods and Services	£175,000	
	Leakage	0.5	
	Displacement	0.375	
	Indirect and induced spend (AIM formula)	£49,219	
	Total direct, indirect and induced spend	£224,219	
	Total Economic Impact FY		
	2021-2022	£991,020	

Wiltshire and Devizes Town Councils: Return on Investment

- Devizes Town Council Annual Grant £4,000. Return on Investment: £247.75 for each £1 in grant
- Wiltshire Council Annual Grant £12,850. Return on Investment: £77.12 for each £1 in grant

Exhibition across four museums

HARDY'S WESSEX

DORS

28 MAY -30 Oct 2022

The largest collection of Thomas Hardy objects ever displayed at one time

Wessex Museums



Wessex tambatanın Hərdy's desişn fər his beləved doğ's tambatanın.

THE SAMOUS BOG WESSEX MESSEX International In the neart of Dorset, explore the rural world of Hardy's novels. Find out how Hardy felt about the social tensions and inequalities of the time, how he campaigned against animal cruelty, and how his cats and dogs were allowed to rule the howeahold!

POOLE MUSEUM

Experience the excitement of the coastline which inspired Hardy's writing.

Discover how he first met his wife Emma on the wild cliffs of Cornwall, and his conflict with the romance and realities of love. Learn about his fascination with the Napoleonic wars.

Find out about the strong women that shaped the

THE SALISBURY MUSEUM

Delve into the urban

world of Hardy's novels.

young Hardy, how he went on to campaign for women's rights, and his conflicting thoughts on religion.

Grandmother's kettle Imagine her making tea while telling stories to the young Hardy.



Collect a discount voucher to visit the Hardy exhibition at another of our museums.

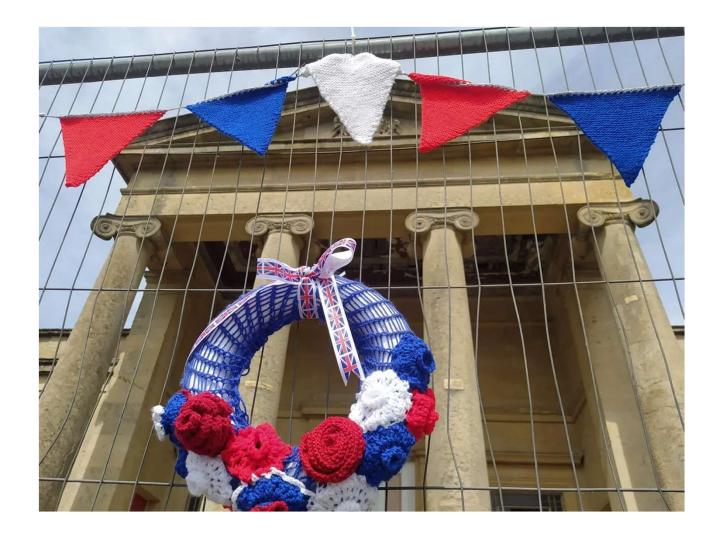
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WILTSHIRE MUSEUM

Venture into the ancient landscapes of Wessex to see how folklore seeped into Hardy's writing. Despite the advances in science, old beliefs died hard, and Hardy's plots are set against a backdrop of superstition.

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Devizes Assize Court



Two organisations working together



- Devizes Assize Court Trust
 - Charity
 - Chair Peter Troughton
 - Consultant architect Colin Johns
 - Owns the building
 - Purcell as architects
 - Niall Phillips



- Wiltshire Museum
 - Charity
 - Chair Martin Nye
 - Director David Dawson
 - Will occupy and run the building
 - Lead on applying for grants



3. Draft design proposals – Atrium installation

We propose to create a large-scale hanging installation that enhances the architectural space and provides an iconic, photogenic and memorable introduction to the museum.

We envisage hanging white wooden staves that describe a chalk horse, but visitors need to move around to figure out exactly what they are looking at. There will be a moment of 'alignment' where the horse will reveal itself – organic, sculptural and inspired by the landscape (NB to be progressed as an arts project).







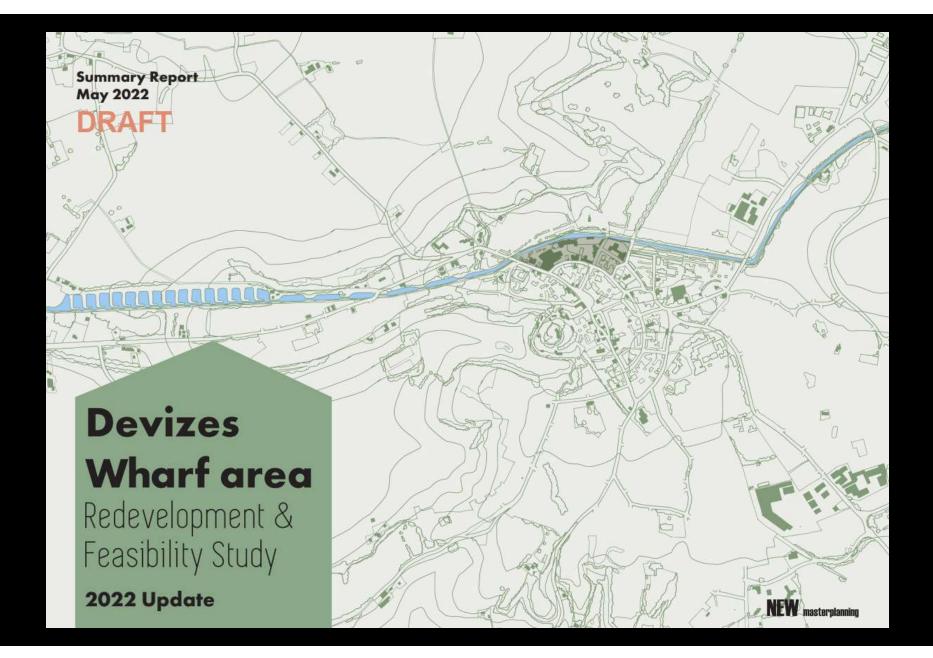
3. Draft design proposals – Devizes Gallery

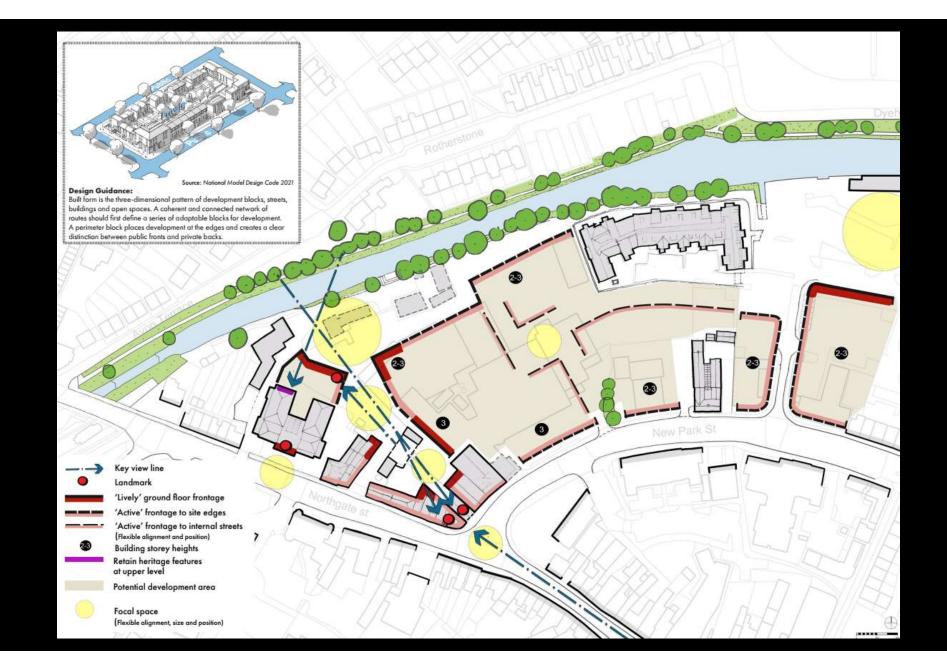




What do you think of the proposals?







Devizes Assize Court: a new home for the Wiltshire Museum

Expression of Interest •Submit – March 2022 •Result May 2022	Development Phase Bid (Stage 1) submitted •January 2023	Development Architects prepare planning application / LBC Activity Plan 	Development Phase result •Spring 2023 •2 years to submit Stage 2 bid	Delivery Phase Bid (Stage 2) submitted •Spring 2025	Delivery Phase result •Autumn 2025	Construction begins •Summer 2026 •18 month build •Fitting out & installation	Opening •2029
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Funding					TOTAL
Heritage Fund Grant	£314k		£4.7m		£5m
Match funding requirement	£313k		£7.4m		£7.7m
TOTAL	£627k		£12.1 m		£12.7m

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14) Open Floor – Any Questions?





15) Local Highways & Footpaths Improvement Group (pages 57 – 82)

- Cllr Dominic Muns, Chair of Devizes LHFIG:
- To note the discussions held at the meeting of 28th April 2022.



Changes from CATG to LHFIG:

- Budget doubles for 22/23 and can be used for:
 - Pedestrian improvements: including dropped kerbs, new footways, substantive improvements to existing footways, pedestrian crossings
 - Cycle improvements: new cycle paths, cycle parking / storage.
 - Bus infrastructure: new and replacement Shelters, bus border kerbs, bus stop road markings.
 - Traffic signing: new and replacement signs, street name plates, village gateways.
 - New road markings: new and replacement of existing markings.
 - Speed limits: assessment and implementation.
 - Waiting restrictions: assessments and implementation.
 - Footpath improvements: styles, gates, surface improvements to rights of ways
 - Drainage: minor improvements, new gullies.
 - **Street lighting**: new installations.
 - Traffic management measures: including Sockets and posts for SID equipment.
- **No rollover** funding must be spent within same financial year: need to focus on *achievable* work



- All nine high priority schemes are progressing well with Highways Engineer:
 - a) Speed limit review, A342 Lydeway: *Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) has been consulted on and no objections received.*
 - b) New footway linking Tanis, Conscience Lane, Rowde: *Bid for Substantive Funding was unsuccessful. New bid in summer '22 to be submitted*
 - c) Speed limit review, A342, Bromham: Recommendations of new 40mph south of Sandy Lane then 50mph to St Edith's Marsh. Cost £9-10,000. Further negotiations needed with Bromham PC
 - d) New 20mph limits, various roads, Devizes: *All locations suitable to new 20mph limits. Funding being agreed with LHFIG and Devizes TC*
 - e) New warning signage for pedestrians in road, Bromham village: *Work gangs reallocated but due for completion be end of May '22.*
 - f) Seend High St; visibility of pedestrians: high-friction surface to be install by end of summer '22
 - g) Horton Road; speed limit review: *consultants now commissioned to carry out review; results by* September '22
 - h) New SID sockets & posts, Worton: Locations agreed. Resources to be found to carry out work.
 - i) Bus clearway, Eastleigh, Devizes: *survey of local residents undertaken; results to feed into design.*

Further progress

- Parking issues at Duck St, West Lavington: To investigate solutions to parking problems and obstruction near care home; now at High Priority – designs to begin.
- Request for additional street lighting, Roundway Park, Devizes: now at High Priority slot designs to begin.
- Speed limit review, Marston: moved up to High Priority
- New directional signs, Opendoors, Devizes: moved up to High Priority
- Request for 30mph repeater signs, New Road, Bromham: moved up to High Priority but awaiting confirmation from PC

New Projects

- Request for new footway, Townsend, Poulshot: Construction length is approx. 75m; awaiting High Priority slot
- Give Way signs, Green Ln, Devizes: to improve safety at junction: awaiting High Priority slot
- Signing alterations, A361 / Bollands Hill, Seend: to improve safety at junction: awaiting High Priority slot



Recommendation:

- Devizes Area Board to note the discussions from the LHFIG meeting of 28th April
- To confirm the nine high priority schemes agreed by LHFIG
- To confirm LHFIG's contribution to new parking restrictions, Duck Street, West Lavington: 75% of £5,000
- To confirm LHFIG's contribution to additional street lights, Roundway Park, Devizes: 75% of £5,000
- To confirm LHFIG's contribution to new direction signage for Devizes Opendoors: 75% of £2,000

Date of next meeting: 5th July 2022, via MS Teams.



16) Air Quality and Sustainable Transport Group (pages 83 – 88)

- Cllr Tamara Reay, Chair of AQ&ST:
- To note the discussions held at the meeting of 9th May 2022.



- Air Quality within Devizes:
 - Levels in Devizes throughout '20 all below threshold of $40 \mu g/m^3$
 - 2021 data shows slight increases at Shane's Castle, Wadworth's and The Nursery but all remain under the threshold.
 - Sources of air pollution were looked at:
 - 12% is regional background (nothing that can be done about that)
 - 14% is local background
 - 74% is a road contribution (50% of which is from diesel cars & 25% from HGVs)
 - Air Quality Action Plan for Wiltshire about to be launched & will include countywide and local plans, e.g. around Wadworth's Brewery
 - Contract for current <u>Wiltshire air quality</u> website coming to an end. Site will change from its current style & function. To be replaced it with more practical tools & advice. Investment in monitoring equipment for Sidmouth St for more accurate recording of PM_{2.5}.
 - Devizes TC has invested in new road sweeper vehicle. Research suggests regular sweeping can reduce particulates & improve air quality



- Cycling and Walking:
 - Work towards new Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) going well.
 - Consultation events for stakeholders arranged for 22nd June and for wider public on 28th June.
 - LCWIP has also been promoted by Sustainable Devizes at their Sustainability Day (11th June)
 - Will look at surrounding parishes as well as Devizes.
 - Canal & Rivers Trust plan to invest approx. £33,000 into improving access to Lock 44 at the head of Caen Hill. May need further financial support from AQ&ST group to implement.
- Car Clubs
 - Discussion around bringing Co Cars to Devizes to run a club.
 - AQ&ST group agreed to approach Co Cars about establishing a new club in Devizes.



- Rail:
 - Strategic Outline Case (SOC) for Devizes Gateway is now with government and being assessed – feedback has been positive
 - See next slide for further update:
- EV Charging Strategy:
 - Includes proposals to replace all of Wiltshire Council's current EV chargers with current technology.
 - Devizes' sustainability working group is currently looking at opportunities for new EV chargers elsewhere within town. Grants available to potentially help with this work.
- Buses:
 - Increase in bus passengers, but network still at only 75% of pre-pandemic levels.
 - Lack of bus drivers is impacting on ability to provide services, including Wiltshire Council's school transport.
 - £1.2m of Rural Mobility Funding to provide new demand-responsive service for Pewsey Vale, which will benefit the east of the Devizes community area.
 - Passenger Transport Unit keen to resume services to rail stations and to look at services to new health centre at Marshall Road.



Devizes Gateway investment

- DfT has asked NR to lead on further development
- In collaboration with Wiltshire, local partners, and industry stakeholders

Opportunity

- Significant funding to crystalise the problem and identify the best solution
- Recognition of need to consider wider area changes to support station
- Unique opportunity to develop station scheme and simultaneously support other key outcomes

Proposal

- Two strands of interconnected work proposed Devizes Gateway station and Westbury hub
- Proposed work programmes scoped and resourced ready to go
- Outputs will include recommended investment options for Devizes Gateway and for Westbury hub
- Further opportunities to dovetail with wider Wiltshire strategic rail planning to develop investment strategy





Recommendations:

• Devizes Area Board to note the discussions from the AQ&ST meeting of 9th May

Date of next AQ&ST meeting: 18th August, 2022 2.00pm at St James' Centre, Devizes.



17) Youth Updates

Cllr Dominic Muns



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Youth Grants (pages 91 - 96)

To consider the following youth grant application:

• **Devizes Budo Club,** £2,500 towards re-booting the club, up-skilling coaches and training younger members.

To note the following youth grant already awarded under delegated authority of the CEM:

• **Bishops Cannings Jubilee Committee**, £500 towards The Bishops Cannings Jubilee Celebration.



18) Health & Wellbeing Group / Older People (pages 89-90)



- Update from Cliff Evans on the Devizes Health and Wellbeing Group
- Update from Albert Wooldridge on the Devizes Men's Shed



Older and Vulnerable Adults Grants (pages 91 - 96)

To consider the following older and vulnerable adults grant application:

• **Carer Support Wiltshire,** £2,457.50 towards the creation of a new Bereavement Help Point in Devizes.

To note the following older and vulnerable adults grants already awarded under delegated authority of the CEM:

- **Bromham Parish Council,** £500, towards the Platinum Jubilee Bromham Senior Citizens lunch.
- Devizes Rotary, £500, towards the Devizes Trolley Olympics 2022.



19) Grants for Local Groups (Pages 91 - 96)

Applications for Community Area Grants



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14) Community Area Grants (pages 67 – 72)

- Seend Lye Recreation Field, £5,000 towards their Carbon Challenge 2023.
- **Devizes Bowmen Archery Club**, £4,000 towards provision of hard standing in waterlogged ground at Green Lane for Devizes Bowmen Archery Club.
- Kennet and Avon Canal Trust Enterprise Limited, £5,000 towards MV Kenavon Ventrue full boat superstructure exterior repairs.
- Worton and Cheverell Youth Football Club, £1,449.50 towards Worton and Cheverell Youth FC additional goals for football training.
- **Devizes Opendoors**, £1,197 towards new secure front doors.

New grant deadlines:

- Monday 8th August 2022
- Monday 7th November 2022
- Monday 6th February 2023



Next Meeting Monday 5 September 2022



