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Meeting: CALNE AREA BOARD
Place: Calne Town Hall, Bank House, The Strand, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11
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Date: 28 June 2011
Start Time: 7.00 pm
Finish Time: 9.45 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Chris Caswill (Wiltshire Police Authority), Cllr Christine Crisp (Vice Chairman),
Cllr Howard Marshall and Cllr Anthony Trotman

Cllr Toby Sturgis (Cabinet Member for Waste, Property, Environment and
Development Control Services)

Wiltshire Council Officers

Andy Conn (Head of Waste Management), Brad Fleet (Service Director), Damian
Haasjes (Voluntary Sector Youth Development Co-Ordinator), Alexa Smith
(Democratic Services Officer), Jane Vaughan (Community Area Manager) and Roger
Witt (Senior Development Control Officer)

Town and Parish Councillors

Calne Town Council – Glenis Ansell, Charles Boase, Roy Golding*, Emma Holton,
Caroline Ramsey, Colin Viner and Greg Widger
Calne Without Parish Council – Richard Ayles and Ed Jones*
Hilmarton Parish Council – Jeff Files

* = nominated representative

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Sergeant Alex Reid

Wiltshire Fire and Rescue – Mike Franklin

Calne Area Transport – Anne Henshaw

Calne Community Area Partnership – David Evans*

Calne Community Area Safety Forum – Ross Henning

Friends of Abberd Brook – Frank Rumble

Gazette and Herald – Tom Mooney

Hills Waste Solutions – Andrea Pellegram

Total in attendance: 36

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1.	<p><u>Appointment of Area Board Chairman</u></p> <p>Councillor Howard Marshall sought nominations for the position of Chairman of the Calne Area Board for the 2011/12 forthcoming year.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Councillor Christine Crisp was elected Chairman of the Calne Area Board for the 2011/12 forthcoming year.</p> <p><u>Councillor Crisp in the Chair.</u></p>
2.	<p><u>Appointment of Area Board Vice Chairman</u></p> <p>Councillor Crisp sought nominations for the position of Vice Chairman of the Calne Area Board for the 2011/12 forthcoming year.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Councillor Tony Trotman was elected Vice Chairman of the Calne Area Board for the 2011/12 forthcoming year.</p>
3.	<p><u>Appointments to Outside Bodies</u></p> <p>The appointments to outside bodies which were made by the Board last year would continue for 2011/12.</p> <p>Calne Heritage Centre Trust – Councillor Berry Calne Leisure Centre – Councillor Berry Calne Youth Issues Group – Councillor Marshall Calne Community Area Partnership – Councillor Crisp Marden House – Councillor Trotman Fairtrade – Councillor Marshall Coleman’s Farm Learning and Community Association – Councillor Marshall.</p>
4.	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to Calne Area Board and introduced the Councillors and Officers present. This included a welcome to Councillor Toby, Sturgis, Cabinet Member for Waste, Property, Environment and Development Control Services. Councillor Hill was thanked for all his hard work in developing Calne Area Board during his time as Chairman.</p>
5.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor Berry and Councillor Hill.</p>
6.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p>

	<p>The minutes of the meetings held on 19 April and 3 May 2011 were approved and signed as a correct record, subject to the amendment that on 3 May 2011 Emma Hatton is amended to Emma Holton from Calne Town Council.</p>
7.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
8.	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman drew attention to the written announcements included in the agenda pack. This included information about Lyneham, the Community Services Contract, Wiltshire and Swindon Aggregate Minerals Site Allocations, the Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge, the Older People's Accommodation Strategy and the Core Strategy consultation.</p> <p>The Chairman highlighted there would be a public exhibition staffed by Wiltshire Council officers about the Core Strategy consultation between 2.00 and 8.00 pm on 15 July at Calne Town Hall.</p> <p>On 1 July 2011, the last of RAF Lyneham's Hercules fleet of aircraft would say a final farewell to the county of Wiltshire before their official handover to the Station Commander of RAF Brize Norton. The intention was to have the last of the aircraft transferring to RAF Brize Norton flown at low level in stream formation to say a final goodbye to the people of Wiltshire.</p>
9.	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Sergeant Alex Reid drew attention to the written update included in the agenda pack. Councillor Caswill then provided an update on budget reductions linked to the Wiltshire Police Authority. Budget reductions were on target and great progress had been made on tightly managing overtime and sharing services with neighbouring authorities. He assured the meeting that the number of PCSOs would remain a priority and new technology was helping police officers to spend more time on the street. b. The written update from Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service was noted. c. The written update from NHS Wiltshire was noted. d. The written update from Calne Community Area Partnership was noted. David Evans highlighted a successful Calne community cycle had taken place on June 18 and involved a cycle ride to Heddington village hall from Calne Leisure Centre. Calne Area Transport were holding a public meeting "Don't miss the bus" on 30 June at 6.30 pm in Calne Town Hall to discuss the future of public transport provision in the area. The agenda pack included a progress report on the Calne Community Area hub pilot project.

	<p><u>Decision</u> The Area Board noted the progress being made to establish the Calne community hub.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Area Board noted the good progress being made in respect of the pilot project's aims.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> The Area Board would ask the relevant Wiltshire Council officers to start discussion with the community hub regarding the continued lease of the building.</p> <p>e. Please see agenda item 11 regarding an update on young people in the Community Area.</p> <p>f. Hilmarton and HAGGIS (Hilmarton and Goatacre Group Improving Safety) were conducting a survey and speed watch in Goatacre. Speed signs for Hilmarton had been ordered and would be implemented.</p>
10.	<p><u>Changes to Wiltshire's Waste Contract</u></p> <p>Andy Conn, Head of Waste Management, provided information about Wiltshire Council's waste strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the formation of a unitary council, Wiltshire's waste would soon be harmonising the collection of all of the waste across the county. This waste would then need to be managed. • Hills were one of the two main contractors used by Wiltshire Council. • Services carried out by Hills for Wiltshire included kerbside collection of recyclates, operation of household recycling centres, collection from local recycling sites, delivery of recycled materials, delivery of waste to energy plant and landfill. • The duties of Wiltshire Council were to collect and deliver waste safely, avoiding contamination of the environment and ensuring the health and safety of the public and workforce. • The strategy of Wiltshire Council was to reduce the amount of waste that ends up at landfill sites. This would reduce the negative impact it had on the local environment as well as the global concerns and making better use of resources. • Landfill tax was currently £56/ton and this would rise to £80/ton in a few years. If Wiltshire Council continued to send the amount of waste to landfill that it did a few years ago, the landfill tax bill would be £16 million per year by 2013. • Wiltshire Council currently diverted non recycled waste to Slough to be processed. • Ten years ago Wiltshire Council was sending 80% of its waste to landfill, last year this had been reduced to 37%.

- Wiltshire Council had to provide sites to enable the work to be carried out in a safe location.

Andrea Pellegram from Hills Waste Solutions then delivered information to the meeting about:

- Proposed temporary change of use of an existing warehousing building on the Porte Marsh Industrial Estate for a waste transfer station and recycling centre – an application had been submitted to aid the new collection of plastic and cardboard from October. Lorry movements were intended to use ring roads. The head teacher of the local school had been contacted and did not object to the plans. Consultation had also taken place with local people since May in order to address local concerns.
- Materials recovery facilities for domestic and commercial/industrial waste, transport and redesigned access at the Lower Compton waste site.

This was followed by a question and answer session, which included the following main points:

- A 4.5% increase in light vehicle traffic and an 8% increase in heavy vehicle traffic were predicted overall.
- Lorry routing, timings, driver codes of conduct, speed limits, pedestrian crossings and a new access route for lorries between the Viridor and Hills sites were under consideration.
- While new planning applications had the potential for applying conditions, little could be done regarding past planning applications.
- Proposed opening times for the Porte Marsh Industrial Estate were 7.00 am until 6.00 pm on weekdays and 7.00 am until 1.00 pm on Saturday. Lorries leave around 7.00 am and return between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm.
- The county's first mechanical and biological treatment (MBT) plant in Westbury will process approximately 60,000 tons of residual waste once complete in 2013. This should lead to a large reduction in residual waste coming into the site at Lower Compton.
- Concern was raised regarding the strategic vision for the site at Lower Compton, given the MBT plant.
- Concern was raised over air quality with increased lorry movements - Councillor Sturgis assured the meeting the vehicles procured by Wiltshire Council were of the highest quality for emissions.
- The consultation process was criticised for being unclear.
- Disappointment was expressed at the lack of plans to extend the materials that could be recycled at the Honeyball site.
- Hills Waste Solutions had assessed a large number of sites. Building at Stanton St Quinton, closer to the motorway, would not be suitable because the site was too small and not central for collection or convenient for sending material to Westbury.

Please get in touch with Hills Waste Solutions if you have any suggestions for suitable alternative waste sites.

	<p>(Due to the number of questions, this item overran by 30 minutes. As Andrea Pellegram was unable to stay longer, the Chairman thanked her for attending the meeting and deferred further discussion until the end of the meeting.)</p>
11.	<p><u>13-19 Commissioning Strategy</u></p> <p>Damian Haasjes, Voluntary Sector Youth Development Co-Ordinator, provided a presentation to inform the meeting of a new strategy that would affect youth services in the area.</p> <p>Wiltshire Children’s Trust draft commissioning strategy for services for young people aged 13 to 19 had been issued for consultation. This was an important strategy which outlined plans for improving services for the 13 to 19 age range. The draft had sections on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose and scope of the strategy. • The national and local context for work with 13 to 19 year olds. • Local needs and services. • Analysis of the current position from the points of view of young people and staff and managers who work with the 13 to 19 age range. • Commissioning priorities including suggestions for the future delivery of youth work services in Wiltshire. <p>If you would like a copy of the draft please email Pathways@wiltshire.gov.uk. The draft strategy is also available at www.wiltshirepathways.org.</p> <p>Young people and representatives from a range of agencies working with 13 to 19 year olds have been involved from the start with developing the strategy and their views have informed the draft including the commissioning priorities and youth work suggestions.</p> <p>Consultation was taking place for 12 weeks from 13 May to 5 August 2011. The final strategy would be presented to Wiltshire Council’s Cabinet in September 2011 along with a report making specific proposals on future plans for youth work. Written responses to the consultation should be sent to Pathways@wiltshire.gov.uk.</p>
12.	<p><u>Use of Developer Contributions from Sandpit Road Development</u></p> <p>Roger Witt, Senior Development Control Officer, provided an update on the use of developer contributions from the Sandpit Road residential development. In conjunction with the development, the developer had undertaken to provide funding for certain transport matters.</p> <p>The funding available was as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £100,000 for works on Oxford Road to improve facilities for pedestrians and cyclists and to discourage through traffic • £150,000 for pedestrian and cycle links between the site and the town

	<p>centre, schools and employment sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £2,500 for signing for pedestrian and cycle links. <p>It was explained that other contributions were bus revenue support payment of £50,000 per year for 6 years, £32,000 for improvements to bus stops and £263,000 for the funding of a Travel Plan.</p> <p>The monies would become available 12 months after construction of the first dwelling commenced. The Area Board would then be able to have input into the identification of suitable schemes.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Calne Area Board would set up a working group to include local people, Councillors and the Senior Development Control Officer to ensure the community was involved in the identification of schemes.</p> <p>Interested persons should let the Community Area Manager know if they wished to participate in the working group.</p>
13.	<p><u>Your Local Issues</u></p> <p>Councillors provided an update on community issues and progress on Calne Area Board working groups.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Councillor Marshall explained the skate board park working group had planned a fundraising event. Further information about this would be provided at the next Area Board meeting. The cycle network working group had held a highly successful community cycle event, as noted under agenda item 9d. Councillor Crisp provided an update from the highways working group. The priority issues in the Community Area were discussed. <p><u>Decision</u> Calne Area Board approved to go ahead with work on the lighting scheme at refuges for the A4 at Studley Crossroads, on condition that the cost of the scheme fell within the Area Board Community Area Transport Group (CATG) budget and that the Parish Council and local people were consulted on the proposed scheme.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Calne Area Board would delegate the decision on assessment of which, if any, of the identified Calne Area priorities would be applicable for submission to the Area Board Highways Project funding scheme to the Community Area Manager, in consultation with the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Area Board, with this decision reported back to the next Area Board meeting.</p> <p>It was explained that proposals to the funding scheme would need to be put</p>

	<p>forward to the highways department by the end of July and that the above decision could potentially be relevant to Derry Hill, Hilmarton, Goatacre and Lake View.</p> <p>d. Jane Vaughan explained the initial sites proposed for the turn off the lights project on the A3102 and the A4 at Quemerford/Cherhill had been successfully implemented. The switch off for lights in Yatesbury had been requested and would be undertaken in the next few weeks.</p> <p>e. Calne campus working group had met on two occasions and were drafting a marketing strategy for consultation. A split site was considered the best option in Calne, with a facility in the town centre and another close to John Bentley School. A scheme to devise a logo for the new campus was running in local schools.</p>
14.	<p><u>Area Board Funding</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the two applications made to the Community Area Grants Scheme.</p> <p><u>Decision</u> Summer Fun in Calne Playscheme were awarded £1,354 towards a four week programme of inclusive activities for young people and children during the summer holidays.</p> <p><u>Reason</u> <i>The application meets the 2011/12 grant criteria and it addresses issues in the Calne Community Area Plan.</i></p> <p><u>Decision</u> Calne Food and Drink Festival were awarded £733 towards the promotion of a new community festival celebrating local produce and producers.</p> <p><u>Reason</u> <i>The application meets the 2011/12 grant criteria and it addresses issues in the Calne Community Area Plan.</i></p>
15.	<p><u>Cabinet Representative</u></p> <p>Andy Conn and Councillor Toby Sturgis continued to answer questions about the waste strategy for a further 45 minutes until no further questions remained on the table.</p> <p>In light of the time, Councillor Sturgis did not give an overview of his role as Cabinet Member for Waste, Property, Environment and Development Control Services, above the information already provided in agenda item 10.</p> <p>Councillor Sturgis underlined that in his role he attended many similar meetings and Wiltshire Council were continuing to look for suitable waste sites across the county.</p>

16.	<p><u>Close</u></p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.45 pm. The next Area Board meeting would be held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 23 August at Cherhill Village Hall, with refreshments available from 6.30 pm.</p>
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