

Calne Area Board 27 April 2010

Chairman's Announcements

Proposed Road Closure for Summer Festival

Calne Town Council have applied for part closure of the A4 on Saturday 19 June 2010 for the summer festival incorporating a carnival procession through the town centre. The proposed closure is from the A4 junction with the Curzon Street Roundabout (from 4.00 until 6.00pm) and Church Street from its junction with The Strand to the Free Church (from 12.00 until 8.00pm).

Signage would be supplied by Calne Town Council and placed on site by their ground staff. Confirmation of insurance renewal for 1 June 2010 with specific inclusion of the event had been received. Comments on the proposal should be sent to reach Lianne Humphries, Technical Administrative Assistant – Traffic Order Team, by 5 May 2010, 01225 713737 or lianne.humphries@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Air Quality Strategy for Wiltshire

The Environment Act 1995 places a duty on local authorities to monitor air quality within their areas having regard to national and European air quality objectives.

Wiltshire is a high quality environment, however we have a number of locations where air quality objectives are not being met. These failures are in general associated with vehicle emissions and congestion and have health implications.

We would welcome your views on the Air Quality Strategy, which has been developed as an over arching document detailing our approach to air quality. Consultation on the document remains open until 18th June 2010.

If you would like to contribute your views, please contact Gary Tomsett, Environmental Protection Specialist Team Manager, on 01722 434340 or gary.tomsett@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Consultation on the Review of Special Educational Needs Provision

Over recent months Wiltshire Council officers have worked with schools, parent representatives and other people to review Special Educational Needs (SEN) provision in the county.

The review relates to the whole of Wiltshire. It is not a cost cutting exercise, the purpose is to more effectively use available resources. The review considers:

- special school provision
- specialist provision that is part of mainstream primary and secondary schools
- SEN support services for schools

A document has been written that sets out what the review has shown and what the Council would like to do in the future. This will now be shared with a wide range of people who are invited to respond to say what they think about the Council's proposals. The publication date is late February 2010. Those being contacted include: parents and carers of children with special educational needs, schools, Diocesan authorities, other Local Authorities, and Trade Unions. As soon as the document becomes available it is also being circulated to Parish Councils, through the Area Boards network, and it will also be available on the Wiltshire Council website.

Any questions about the proposals or the consultation process can be sent in the first instance to Tracy Gates, SEN Project Officer, tracy.gates@wiltshire.gov.uk 01225 756170.

There are opportunities available to meet with officers to discuss the proposals:

- Sheldon School, Chippenham Wednesday 21 April 7pm
- Kingdown School, Warminster Thursday 22 April 7pm
- Salisbury City Hall, Salisbury Tuesday 4 May 7pm
- St.John's Parish Church Centre, Trowbridge Friday 7 May 10am.

(The evening meetings are preceded by meetings for school staff and school governors.)

The closing date for the consultation is 12 noon Monday 24 May 2010. The content of the consultation responses will be made available to the Elected Members of Wiltshire Council who will make decisions in relation to the proposals.

Most of the proposals that may be subsequently agreed by Elected Members are designed to come into effect from September 2011. An individual plan will be put in place for any individual child or young person affected by any changes.