

Trowbridge Area Board 9 September 2010

Chairman's Announcements

Community Payback – Call for Grot Spots

Wiltshire Probation Services is launching a new scheme, 'Community Payback, Involving Local Communities'. The scheme works with offenders to offer free labour to local communities to enhance the local environment. This includes clearing undergrowth, removal of graffiti or litter, repairing and redecorating community facilities and other environmental projects.

The Community Payback initiative has been supported by our Area Boards to receive Performance Reward Grant funding to provide mobile facilities which will enable the work to be carried out more efficiently and to broaden the reach of the project to include more rural parts of the county.

Area Boards are asked to call for 'Grot Spots', local areas which need clearing or community facilities which need decorating, litter picking or graffiti removal. These can be referred to the Community Payback Scheme, either directly using the referral form on the Community Payback leaflet or via their Community Area Manager.

Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026

The Council has a statutory duty to review and publish a new Local Transport Plan (LTP) by the end of March 2011. In essence, Local Transport Plans steer the implementation of national transport policies at the local level.

The Wiltshire Local Transport Plan is made up of:

- A long-term transport strategy that seeks to:
 - support economic growth
 - reduce carbon emissions
 - contribute to better safety, security and health
 - promote equality of opportunity
 - improve quality of life and promote a healthy natural environment
- A shorter-term implementation plan based on a realistic assessment of available funding, and
- A number of supporting strategies and technical documents.

In addition, the Local Transport Plan provides the framework for all other organisations with a direct or indirect involvement in transport in Wiltshire.

Consultation on the draft Local Transport Plan will run from **4 October to 26 November 2010**.

The preferred method of communication is for comments to be submitted online at: <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>, where electronic copies of all the documents will

be available. Paper copies of the summary document, questionnaire and a reference copy of the Local Transport Plan will also be available from all libraries and main Council offices.

The Council's Cabinet and full Council will consider the results of the consultation in February 2011 prior to the publication of the final Local Transport Plan in March 2011.

Consultation Portal Link: <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>