

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** AMESBURY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Durrington Village Hall, High St, Durrington SP4 8AD  
**Date:** 26 March 2015  
**Start Time:** 7.05 pm  
**Finish Time:** 8.35 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Mike Hewitt (Vice Chairman), Cllr John Smale (Chairman), Cllr Ian West, Cllr Fred Westmoreland and Cllr Graham Wright

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Jessica Croman (Democratic Services officer)  
Dave Roberts (Community Area Manager)  
Jenny Bowley (Community Youth Officer)  
Gemma Howell (Community Youth Officer)  
Rosie Golding (Community Walk Co-ordinator)  
Andy Cole (Local Highways Engineer)

### **Town and Parish Council Representatives**

Amesbury Town Council – Paddy Allen, Richard Allen, John Swindlehurst  
Durrington Town Council – Dave Healing, John Todd, Mary Towle, David Goodman  
Figheldean Parish Council – John Menzies  
Shrewton Parish Council – Anne Woodman, Ken Lovelock  
Steeple Langford Parish Council – Richard Coward, Jerry Broad  
Winterbourne Parish Council – D Baker  
Wylde Parish Council

### **Partners**

Police – Inspector Christian Lange  
Good Neighbourhood Co-ordinator – Jan Tidd

**Total in attendance: 39**

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
15	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Amesbury Area Board and thanked Durrington Village Hall for hosting the meeting.</p> <p>At the Chairman's invitation, the Councillors introduced themselves.</p>
16	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virginia Neil</li> <li>• Cllr John Noeken</li> </ul>
17	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></p>
18	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
19	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman informed the Area Board that item 8 on the agenda (SIDs) would be deferred to a future meeting because there had been a recent change in Cabinet Members responsibilities. Officers and the new Member with responsibilities for SIDs were considering the options before a decision is made at Cabinet. Once the Area Board is aware of that decision, SIDs would be bought back to the Area Board for discussion.</p> <p>The Chairman apologised for any inconvenience that may have caused.</p> <p><b>Dementia in Durrington</b></p> <p>The Chairman informed the Area Board that a charity 'Forget Me Not' dance would be taking place on Saturday 18 April at 7pm to raise money for Age UK.</p>
20	<p><u>Updates from Partners and Town/Parish Councils</u></p> <p>The Chairman referred to the updates set out in the agenda and invited further</p>

updates from Town/Parish Councils and other Partners, including outside bodies. It was noted that the preferred option was for written updates to minimise time spent during the meeting.

### **Police**

Inspector Lange referred to his handout and noted that two new PSCO's had started, one rural and the other based in town. It was also noted that PSCO Will Todd would be on the BBC news because of his bravery in a recent incident in Shrewton.

The Area Board passed on their congratulations and thanks to Will and to all of the Police force.

It was noted that if anyone wanted to nominate a PSCO as 'PSCO of the year' then they could do that via the PCC website and the deadline would be the 2 April 2015.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Lange for his attendance.

### **Durrington TC**

John Todd of Durrington Town Council gave a presentation on the Durrington village show and vintage vehicle event, which would be held on the 18th and 19 of July 2015 at the Durrington Recreational Ground. It was noted that all of the proceeds would be donated to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance Appeal and to local causes. Events would include the village duck race, the flower and produce show, music in the rec and the vintage vehicle event.

The Chairman thanked Mr Todd for his presentation.

### **Steeple Langford PC**

Steeple Langford Parish Council raised concerns over highways maintenance and the emptying of drains. Andy Cole, Wiltshire Council Local Highways Engineer, made note of the concerns and invited all of the Town and Parish Councils to attend a meeting at Salisbury City Hall at 7pm on the 28th April to discuss highways issues and the way forward.

### **Shrewton PC**

Shrewton Parish Council informed the Area Board that they recently had a well-attended public meeting to discuss traffic and thanked the village and Parish Council for their attendance.

An announcement was made to inform the Area Board of the up and coming Anzac Day Service of Remembrance on the 25th April 2015 at the Durrington Cemetery.

21	<p><u>Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>An update was given on the A303 report, it was noted that the Area Board was still waiting for the report from the A303 survey.</p> <p>It was noted that funding was available for schools to incorporate a 25mph zone.</p> <p>Great Wishford Parish Council informed the Area Board they were disappointed they had not been selected for the 20mph scheme. It was noted that they were on the list for the next round.</p> <p>Stapleford Parish Council informed the Area Board that they had received permission to set up a community speed watch programme and thanked the CATG for their help. Currently the Parish had 9 volunteers who needed training.</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To agree to send a letter from the Area Board asking for a report on the A303 survey.</li> <li>2. To note the update report and the notes of the meeting.</li> <li>3. To confirm support for the requests outlined in paragraphs 4.3 and 4.4 of the report, which were put forward for funding at the 17 February 2015 CATG meeting.</li> </ol>
22	<p><u>Speed Indicator Devices</u></p> <p>This item was deferred.</p>
23	<p><u>Litter</u></p> <p>Andy Cole informed the Area Board that in the monthly town and parish update an announcement went out about community litter picking events, all areas could get involved and Wiltshire Council would provide equipment and a 10 easy steps link was available on the Wiltshire Council website.</p> <p>It was noted that the problem was the A303 and it was the Highways responsibility not Wiltshire Council.</p>
24	<p><u>Wiltshire's Legacy</u></p> <p>Dave Roberts, Community Area Manager, gave a presentation on the Legacy for Wiltshire which highlighted events throughout 2014 and up and coming events in 2015.</p> <p>2014 was a great success throughout Wiltshire which helped build closer links with communities and local businesses. Key event dates for 2015 included:</p> <p>March 26 – Business and sports dinner to support Olympians and Paralympians.</p>

	<p>May to September – The Big Pledge – Communities are encouraged to make a pledge whether it be big or small. The area Board and Communications would be happy to help and promote any events where they can.</p> <p>May 3 – 10 – Cycling festival</p> <p>June 15 – Magna Carta celebrations - Schools and local communities were being encouraged to take part in the Magna Carta celebrations by creating a new modern Magna Carta, school competitions, designing and making community barons to be displayed or carried in the Wiltshire wide festivals and the Magna Carta parade on 15 June in Salisbury.</p> <p>September 6 to 12 – Walking festival</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Dave for the presentation.</p>
25	<p><u>Get Wiltshire Walking</u></p> <p>Rosie Golding, Community Walk Co-ordinator, gave a presentation on Get Wiltshire Walking. The Area Board was informed that her role was to create walking groups and encourage residents throughout Wiltshire to get walking which would reduce health issues across the county. Currently there were over 450 weekly walking groups, 96 volunteers and over 13 thousand people involved county wide.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Rosie for the presentation.</p>
26	<p><u>Community Plan Working Group Updates</u></p> <p>Janet Tidd, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, gave an update on Safe Places, which was an initiative new to the Amesbury area. It involved shops and businesses signing up to become a safe place for vulnerable people whilst out. Orange stickers would be placed in the windows of those businesses signed up as a way to identify them as a safe place.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Jan for the update.</p>
27	<p><u>Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications</u></p> <p>Jenny Bowley, Community Youth Worker, gave an update and introduced the LYN grants outlined in the agenda pack and it was;</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To award Larkhill Youth Club £451 for a trip to London.</li> <li>2. To award Bourne Valley Explorer Scouts £1347 for a trip to the Lake District.</li> </ol>
28	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p>

	<p>At the Chairman's invitation, Councillor Fred Westmoreland, Lead member for Grants, introduced the item and it was;</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>SOS Shrewton was awarded £3157.56 towards purchasing new play equipment.</b>  <b><i>Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2014/15.</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Amesbury Cricket Club was awarded £5000 towards the purchase of a new roller.</b>  <b><i>Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2014/15</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Avon &amp; Bourne Valley Arts Exhibition was awarded £250 to purchase banners.</b>  <b><i>Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2014/15.</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Winterbourne Cricket Club was awarded £4000 towards purchasing new equipment.</b>  <b><i>Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2014/15.</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Edgars Close Wednesday Club was awarded £1032 towards their project.</b>  <b><i>Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2014/15.</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>Area Board Project and Councillor Led Initiative was awarded £1000 towards the Magna Carta Celebrations.</b>  <b><i>Reason - This fits the Area Board's ambitions to support community events.</i></b></p>
29	<p><b><u>Future Meeting Dates, Evaluation and Close</u></b></p> <p>It was noted that the next meeting of the Amesbury Area Board would be held on 28 May 2015 at the Figheldean Village Hall, Pollen Lane, Figheldean SP4 8JR.</p>

	The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.
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