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# **MINUTES**

Meeting: CORSHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Springfield Campus, Corsham, Wilts

Date: 14 November 2018

**Start Time:** 7.40 pm **Finish Time:** 8.45 pm

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# In Attendance:

#### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Ben Anderson, Cllr Ruth Hopkinson (Chairman), Cllr Brian Mathew and Cllr Philip Whalley

#### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Community Engagement Manager – Richard Rogers Democratic Services Officer – Kev Fielding

## **Town & Parish Council Representatives**

Box Parish Council – Marilyn Tye & Alan Clench Lacock Parish Council – Peter Shaw & Jane Durrant

#### **Partners**

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – Jerry Herbert Wiltshire Police – Insp Mark Luffman Healthwatch Wiltshire – Anne Keat Corsham Institute – Catherine Knivett Corsham Health & Wellbeing Group – Kevin Gaskin

**Total in attendance: 25** 

111	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions				
	The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting and introduced the Area Board members and officers.				
112	Apologies for Absence				
	There were none.				
113	<u>Minutes</u>				
	Decision				
	That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20 September 2018 were agreed as the correct record.				
114	Declarations of Interest				
	There were no declarations of interest.				
115	Chairman's Announcements				
	The following chairman's announcements contained in the agenda pack were noted:				
	Banning of Sky Lanterns and Balloon releases on Wilshire Council land				
	Wiltshire Council: Focusing on the Future				
	(The announcements are attached to these minutes)				
116	Police Update				
	The written report was noted.				
	Jerry Herbert introduced himself as the new Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner.				
	Points made included:				
	The importance of good community engagement from the OPPC.				
	Understanding the key issues that matter to Wiltshire residents.				

	The growing importance of good community policing and the role of the PCSO.					
	The Chairman thanked Jerry Herbert for his update.					
117	Maternity Services transformation					
	It was agreed that this item would be taken at the January meeting.					
118	Boundary Review Update					
	It was agreed that this item would be taken at the January meeting when more information would be available.					
119	Partner Updates					
	The following partner updates contained in the agenda pack were noted:					
	Health Services					
	Corsham Town Council Corsham Institute					
	That the Institute continued to work with local communities.					
	Currently looking at the future of the world of work.					
	Developing learning strategies for young people.					
	Ongoing Cyber Security training.					
	Community Engagement Manager update – Richard Rogers					
	<ul> <li>A big thank you to everybody who took part in the litter picks. More litter picking equipment would be ordered.</li> </ul>					
	That the Corsham Area Board grants £300 for the Communit Engagement Manager to purchase more litter picking equipment for community litter picks.					
	That there was to be a Heritage Walk around Corsham.					

	<ul> <li>That the Summer of Walking event would include the Wiltshire Walking Relay around Corsham.         <i>Note: Reallocation of £2,374 funding from Digital solutions to the Wiltshire Walking Project.</i> </li> <li>That a National Armed Forces celebration event would be held in Salisbury during June 2019 – more information on this event would be available at the January 2019 Area Board meeting.</li> <li>The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.</li> </ul>					
120	Community Area Grants  The Wiltshire Councillors considered two applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme:					
	Decision Colerne Rugby Football Club awarded £5,000 for Colerne RFC clubhous refurbishment.					
	Decision corsham football club awarded £2,460 for Corsham town F.C shower roo upgrade.					
	Decision Reallocation of £2,374 funding from Digital solutions to the Wiltshire Walking Project.					
121	Youth Grants The LYN update report was noted.					
122	Close					

# Chairman's Announcements

Subject: Banning of Sky Lanterns and Balloon Releases on Wiltshire Council Land.

Large scale balloon and sky lantern releases are familiar sights and are often carried out at events to remember lost loved ones or mark other special events. Wiltshire Council is the latest to pass the ban on the release of balloons and sky lanterns on its land, following a report on the environmental and wildlife impact. The ban includes biodegradable balloons, as balloons cannot degrade quickly enough to not prove a hazard for wildlife.

The council understands that there are different reasons that people may wish to take part in organised balloon / sky lantern release events, however there are other activities that can be undertaken. We hope this move by Wiltshire Council will help to raise awareness of the issue and will encourage other Town and Parish Councils to take a similar approach.



# Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Wiltshire Council: Focusing on the Future
Web contact:	<u>Events@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>

# Public meetings: all welcome

Hear about the county's aims for the coming year.

- Decision making choosing where to invest and how to save
- Diligence spending wisely, balancing the budget
- Difference how we're changing
- Digital making it easier to ask, book and pay online
- Devolution parish and town councils and communities providing more services
- Delivery doing what we say we'll do

## Dates and places:

Date	Venue	Time
15 November	Cotswold Room County Hall Trowbridge	6pm
22 November	Council Chamber Monkton Park Chippenham	5:30pm
26 November	Community Hub and Library- Devizes	5:30pm
29 November	Banqueting Room Salisbury Guildhall	5:30pm

Email events@wiltshire.gov.uk if you'd like to attend. Refreshments are available.

