

# Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board

Update From	Cricklade Town Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	16 <sup>th</sup> June 2021

## The New Council

We are delighted to welcome Kate Grainger and Polly Whinfrey as new councillors and we look forwards to working with them. We say a big “thank you” to Chris Hodgson and Clive Smith for their valuable contribution over the last eight years.

The following appointments have been made:

	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Vice-Chair</b>
Full Council	Mark Clarke	Angela Jensen
Planning, Conservation & Transport Committee	John Coole	Jonathan Hill
Community & Leisure Committee	Bob Jones	Russell Osman

## Community Litter Pick

This took place a little later this year because of previous social distancing requirements. The weather was better than usual though!



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## 2020 Community Awards

Announced at the Annual Town Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### **Young Person of the Year (Joint Award): Poppy Blazier**

Nomination Statement: For 7 years Poppy has helped her dad to bring up 2 younger brothers and tend to her quadriplegic mum. In essence Poppy has been a surrogate mum for her brothers and a pillar of strength for her dad. She cleans, shops, cooks and does domestic chores way beyond what most persons of her age do. She never complains about her workload or responsibilities. Since Poppy's nomination was received her mum has sadly passed away. We know how proud her mum would be that Poppy has been given for this award. Well done Poppy.

### **Young Person of the Year (Joint Award): Jacob Frusher**

Nomination Statement: During the first lockdown of 2020 Jacob stepped forward and volunteered at Londis Cricklade to help with their new home delivery service. Over the course of 20 weeks he used his bike with a trailer attached and made over 500 deliveries of food and other essential items, equating to over 2 tonnes of deliveries. Jacob worked tirelessly and faced many challenging weather conditions and also a strain on his bike and trailer, which resulted in a broken rear spindle on his bike, but as soon it was repaired by himself, he was back out on the road. Well done Jacob.

### **Community Group of the Year: Cricklade Band**

Residents wrote: We are nominating Cricklade Band as we really enjoyed hearing the band play on the lead up to Christmas around the town. We found their determination to perform in the really difficult circumstances due to covid restrictions uplifting. It was such a good way of lifting the spirits of the whole town.

### **The Cricklade Community Award: The People of Cricklade**

Nomination Statement: Like all towns and villages in the country, 2020 was a difficult year in the recent history of Cricklade. However, there have been acts of generosity and community spirit far too numerous to mention, and by a whole range of people. Therefore, it would not be appropriate to give the award to just a single individual. We feel the award should be made to the residents of Cricklade. A special award for these difficult times. If you have helped a friend or neighbour by giving them a lift to the hospital for an appointment, collected some shopping or prescription, gave a donation to the food bank, phoned someone living on their own for a cheery chat, or exchanged greetings with other residents when out for your daily walk, then this award is for you. Thank you for your contribution to making Cricklade such a delightful place.