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**CRICKLADE &
WOOTTON BASSETT
AREA (2) COMMITTEE**

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

Minutes of the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Area (2) Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 8th February 2006 at 7.00 p.m. at Cricklade Town Hall

Present:

Councillor A.M. Bucknell Chair

Councillors H.M. Dixon, K.A. Dixon, G.R. Greenaway, M.E.M. Groom, M.P. Hatton, J.M. Read, P.S. Roberts, S.R. Walls and C. Wannell.

County, Town and Parish Council Representatives:

Cllr C.A. Ames	Ashton Keynes Parish Council
Cllr R. Thomas	Ashton Keynes Parish Council
Cllr V. Stubbings	Broad Town Parish Council
Cllr B. Atfield	Cricklade Town Council
Cllr T.H. Pepperall	Lydiard Millicent Parish Council

Officers Present: A. Davies (Strategic Manager Planning Services), W. Oulton (Policy & Democratic Services Officer), S. Parker (Community Partnerships Officer)

CR36. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors A.R. Baines, N.T. Maidment and O.J. Thomas and from Cricklade Town Council.

CR37. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions

Councillor Atfield asked what the composition of the Joint Study group and who set it up.

The Lead Member for Spatial Planning Councillor H. Dixon responded that the group had been set up by Swindon Borough Council and North Wiltshire District Council. Five members of North Wiltshire District Council had been appointed by the NWDC Executive; namely, Councillors H. M. Dixon, A. J. Trotman, T. A. P. Briggs, P. Allnatt



and M. E. M. Groom. In addition, Councillor T.R Sturgis has been appointed as the County Council non-voting participant in the Steering Group.

CR38. Minutes

Consideration was given to the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December 2005 (circulated with the agenda).

Resolved that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 7th December be confirmed as a correct record with the amendment that Julian Kashdan-Brown's name be corrected.

CR39. Chairman's Announcements (if any)

The Chairman made the following announcements were made:

“(A) The Spatial Planning Team is starting consultation on the Core Strategy Issues and Options Document.

Chairman and Vice Chairman have been invited to a forum session following the Local Plans Panel on the 28th February to discuss the development of this document.

Consultation period runs from the 8th Feb to 5th April. Please contact the Spatial Planning Team if you require any further information.

Admin Note: If Chairman or Vice - Chairman is unable to attend they can send a substitute of their own choosing.

(B) Wiltshire Community Partnerships

This FREE community web facility is to be launched at the beginning of April and will provide:

A facility for community organisations to build websites, which is easy to use and maintain. A facility which can provide links to web sites already created by community groups, parishes and town councils, local interest groups etc
A website which is:

- About Wiltshire and for Wiltshire, owned by Wiltshire's communities and contributing to the community
- Trusted, sustainable, easy to find and use
- A website which it is hoped will become over time the primary site for Wiltshire community, voluntary and public sector information and services

Who can use the facility?

Community organisations- sports, hobbies, faiths, environmental, special interest
Voluntary & charitable sector
Local councils - town & parish
Local businesses
Leisure & tourism

Wiltshire Community Web will give you the chance to create and maintain your very own website for FREE

If you are a member of a local community organization and you would like to build your own page as a development example prior to it's launch please contact by the end of March, Vicky Welsh at North Wiltshire District Council

(C) Committee Papers Online – Committee Papers, including agendas, reports and minutes are available from the Council's website."

CR40. Declarations of Interest

The following declaration of interest was made:

Name	Application /item	Type of Interest	Nature of Interest	Action
Cllr P.S. Roberts	Item 6 - Funding Application from Wootton Bassett Town Council	Personal	Wootton Bassett Town Councillor	Remained in the Chamber
Cllr K.A. Dixon	Item 6 - Funding Application from Wootton Bassett Town Council	Personal	Wootton Bassett Town Councillor	Remained in the Chamber
Cllr C. Wannell	Item 6 - Funding Application from Wootton Bassett Town Council	Personal	Wootton Bassett Town Councillor	Remained in the Chamber
Cllr S. Walls	Item 6 - Funding Application from Wootton Bassett Town Council	Personal	Wootton Bassett Town Councillor	Remained in the Chamber
Cllr M.E.M. Groom	Item 6 – Funding Application from Lydiard Millicent Parish Council	Personal	Lydiard Millicent Parish Councillor	Remained in the Chamber

CR41. Community Area Funding Distribution 2005/2006

Consideration was given to Report No. 6, circulated with the agenda, asking Members to consider nine applications seeking 2005/2006 Community Area Award funding.

Resolved that

- (1) To agree funding distribution of the Area 2 Community Area Awards budget based on the agreed criteria for 2005/2006 for the following organisations;
- (2) 1st Wootton Bassett Scout Group – Award £1,930 from the capital budget towards the provision of disability access at entrances and toilet at the Scout Headquarters, conditional on the balance of funding being in place;
- (3) Ashton Keynes Parish Council – Award £5,000 from the capital budget towards the purchase and installation of a new roundabout and climbing frame on the village playing fields, conditional on the balance of funding being in place;

- (4) Bradenstoke Village Hall and Recreational Centre – Award £879 from the capital budget towards repairs to the Village Hall's floor, conditional on the balance of funding being in place;
- (5) Breach Lane Disabled Riding Group – Award £1,615 from the revenue budget towards the purchase of a suitable horse for disabled adults and children to ride together with associated tack, conditional on the balance of funding being in place;
- (6) Lydiard Millicent Parish Council – Award £1,000 from the capital budget towards building alterations and the purchase of equipment for the re-instatement of a post office in the village, conditional upon match funding from Lydiard Millicent Parish Council and the remaining funding being in place;
- (7) St Michael's Church Hall, Lyneham – Award £495 from the revenue budget towards the building of cupboards and redecoration of the hall;
- (8) Family Mediation (North Wiltshire) – Award £500 from the revenue budget towards a training programme for local Community Mediators;
 - (i) That due to this being a new service, officers undertake an evaluation of the service prior to the consideration of any further funding applications, to the Area (2) Committee.
- (9) Wootton Bassett Town Council – Award £4,308 from the capital budget and an 'in principle' award of £15,692 from the 2006/7 capital budget towards the refurbishment of Jubilee Lake, conditional upon:
 - i) the 2006/7 capital budget being approved by full Council on 21st February;
 - ii) the balance of funding being in place;
 - iii) that authority be delegated to the Team Leader, Community Partnerships to release the grant;
 - iv) the application be referred to the Executive for match funding from the Executive Capital Partnership Fund;
 - v) that the money be released from this years budget be towards tree planting and is not contingent on the success of the remainder of the project; and
 - vi) that it be communicated to Wootton Bassett Town Council that owing to the large amount allocated that further applications would not be expected, in the financial year 2006/07.
- (10) Beaufort Vision – An 'in principle' award of £3,000 from the 2006/7 revenue budget towards the funding of a project manager for 6 months, conditional on:
 - i) the 2006/7 revenue budget being approved by full Council on 21st February;
 - ii) the balance of funding being in place by 30th September 2006; and

- iii) that authority be delegated to the Team Leader, Community Partnerships to release the grant.

CR42. Community Plan Update

The Chairman of the Northern Community Area Partnership gave a verbal update on issues relating to the Northern Community Area Plan as follows:

“Next Partnership Event

There will be a Partnership event on Monday, 10th April at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall in Wootton Bassett. This aims to recruit more into the Partnership and its emerging Working Groups and will be backed up by a publicity campaign. NCAP looks forward to Members attending this event.

Funding

NCAP has received £1,000 from the District Council. It is awaiting a decision on its funding bid to the Wiltshire Market Towns Partnership. If successful, this bid will allow the Partnership to take on a part time administrator, buy IT equipment and improve its overall capacity to take forward projects linked to the Community Plan.

Weblog

NCAP now has its own weblog. This is at www.ncap-northwilts.org. Partnership members can now access details of meetings, minutes, forthcoming events, presentations, etc. This will also soon be linked to the new Wiltshire Community website to be launched at the beginning of April.”

Resolved

- 1) that the officer investigate how parishes are kept informed of the meetings and business of the partnership;
- 2) that Members and local parishes promote new projects to the community partnership;
- 3) that Wiltshire County Council be asked why, when North Wiltshire District Council has grant aided the partnership, that no monies have been forthcoming.

CR43. Spatial Planning Update

Lead Member for Local Planning gave a verbal update on Spatial Planning issues.

Issues discussed included:

- That the Lead Member had recently attended the meeting of the Regional Assembly where the Regional Spatial Strategy was discussed;
- That the Rural Buffer would not be recognised in the Regional Spatial Strategy; and
- The progress for the adoption of Local Development Framework Documents.

Resolved that Lead member clarify the implications for Spatial Planning of the water utilities decision not to develop facilities further till 2024.

CR44. Outside Bodies

Consideration was given to Report No. 9, circulated with the agenda, enabling members appointed to outside bodies to update the Committee on any topical issues and asking that appointments to the outside bodies be made.

- That Leisure centre staff continued to provide a good service to the public;
- That there was some concern regarding the standards of some facilities in leisure centres
- That the Great Western Community Forest group had not met since the last meeting;
- That a further report was expected to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee regarding the Parking, Access & Transportation Strategy.

Resolved

- 1) that the Committee request an update on the situation with regard to Leisure in the District;
- 2) That the question of safety regarding shower facilities be directed to the appropriate officer.
- 3) That the complaint made by Wootton Bassett Scouts to Cricklade Leisure centre be followed up by the Committee's representative.

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm

There were 16 members of the public present