

Notes/Action List
Chippenham and Villages Pilot Area Board meeting held on 12 January 2009

(The meeting was held at Grittleton Village Hall starting at 7pm and concluding at 8.05pm)

Present:

District Council Members

Councillor Desna Allen - Chairman

Councillors Chris Caswill, John Doubell, Sylvia Doubell, Peter Hutton, Ron MacGregor, Andy Phillips, Nina Phillips, Jane Scott, John Scragg, Martin Singlehurst and Jules Whincup

Wiltshire County Council Members

Councillor Ross Henning

Parish Representatives

Councillors Alison Butler (Biddestone and Slaughterford Parish Council), Rachel de Fossard (Biddestone and Slaughterford Parish Council), Graeme Pattinson (Stanton St Quinton Parish Council), Jane Clark (Seagry Parish Council/CHAP), A Bishop (Castle Combe Parish Council), Andrew Noblet (Chippenham Town Council), Harry Purdon (Chippenham Town Council), Lesley Palmer (Grittleton Parish Council), Ray Stockall (Christian Malford Parish Council), Doris London (Chippenham Without Parish Council), Alex McCracken (Chippenham Without Parish Council), Ian Myles (Grittleton Parish Council), Christopher Dash (Yatton Keynell Parish Council) and F Winup (Castle Combe Parish Council)

Community Representatives

Bryony Brown (Wiltshire NHS) Mike Franklin (Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service), Richard Williams (Wiltshire County Council Youth Service), Z Olnor (CAYPIG) and A Hill (CAYPIG)

Officers Present

Pete Barnett (Head of ICT, NWDC), Marie Todd (Senior Democratic Services Officer, NWDC), Carolynn Symes (Democratic Services Assistant, NWDC), Victoria Welsh (Area Board Project Manager, WCC) and Julia Stacey (WCC)

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CH13	Agenda Item 1 – Welcome, Apologies and introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Pilot Area Board wished Councillor T. Bate a speedy recovery from his recent operation 			
CH14	Agenda Item 2 – Notes & Actions from last meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback was requested regarding the new style of newsletter “Just a Minute” minutes There was some concern regarding the cost of producing the minutes newsletter and whether printing in colour was necessary 	Agreed the notes and actions from the last meeting were a correct record	To consider whether the newsletter should be produced in colour	Victoria Welsh
CH15	Agenda Item 3 – Update from Pilot Area Board Task Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Task Group had met on the 10th December 2008 and had agreed that many of the Parish Councils would have the same concerns and issues. Two more Parish Cluster meetings were scheduled for later this month to discuss these issues. 20th January at 7.30pm at Christian Malford Village Hall or 28th January at 7.30pm at North Wraxall Village Hall. All Parishes have been invited. Grittleton Parish Council had written to Wiltshire County Council Highways regarding the numerous accident blackspots in Grittleton. The Parish was advised that County have a list of serious accidents that 		All Parishes encouraged to attend	All Parishes

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		<p>had occurred and that they had 110 to look at in one year. Unfortunately at this time Grittleton would not qualify to be looked at.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting regarding the review of B roads was to be scheduled in April but it was felt that County Council Highways should be invited to a future meeting of the Area Board • Young People's issues had been discussed and it had been suggested that small hubs would be more suitable rather than a large youth centre and that the opening times would vary to include a Friday evening and Saturday afternoon session to discourage under-age drinking. • District Council members were advised that an Area Boards handbook had been issued and comments were needed before the 19th January 		<p>Wiltshire County Council Highways to be invited to a future Area Board meeting</p> <p>Comments from Councillors to Victoria Welsh and Desna Allen by 19th January 2009</p>	<p>Victoria Welsh</p> <p>Victoria Welsh / Desna Allen</p>
CH16	<p>Agenda Item 4 – Updates from Town & Parish Councils and ChAP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Chippenham Town Council</u> Work had started on the Bus Station Toilets; <p>Concerns had been raised regarding developers looking at Bird's Marsh and the proposed increase in housing in Chippenham;</p> <p>There would be a presentation by developers at Langley Park on Friday 16th January 2009;</p>			

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		<p>contact Wiltshire Police to ask someone to attend the next parish council meeting;</p> <p>Concerns had been raised over a planning application for Grittleton Stables that had been referred to the Secretary of State due to the Listed Building status. The scheme was seen as the only viable solution and the Parish Council had given its support at the last Development Control Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="539 635 1016 663">• <u>Christian Malford Parish Council</u> <p>It was noted that the Parish were concerned over works being carried out by Network Rail which had been causing severe local flooding due to the altered drainage. The problem had been raised at the Flood Working Group as one house had been cut off for 36 hours. The same concerns had been raised in Langley Burrell and Bremhill.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="539 1010 1182 1038">• <u>Biddestone and Slaughterford Parish Council</u> <p>The Parish had been happy with meetings held with Wiltshire County Council regarding HGV's using Slaughterford as a cut through and lanes collapsing as a result. Work with Highways needed to continue as the local community had been digging out roads and pot holes themselves but cars were still being damaged;</p>			

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		<p>There were concerns over flooding due to the drains in the local area not being cleared;</p> <p>It was noted that there were concerns that the Police telephone number was taking a long time to be answered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>CHAP</u> <p>CHAP would be reviewing the community plan and there would be Parish Cluster meetings on the 20th and 28th January, in Christian Malford and North Wraxall respectively;</p> <p>These meetings would focus on the priorities of the public and what policies and needs they have;</p> <p>CHAP also had concerns regarding the Grittleton Stables application having to go forward to the Secretary of State;</p> <p>CHAP was interested in talking with the Parish Councils as to their difficulties during the credit crunch and what green tourism the Parishes have to offer to attract tourism to the area.</p>		To liaise with Parish Councils	CHAP
CH17	Agenda Item 5 – Evaluation of “Opportunity Knocks” events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the 31st October 2008 there was an opportunity for the general public to come to a shop in the Emery Gate shopping centre to have their say in local issues and to voice any 			

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	31/10/08 Emery Gate shop and 17/11/08	<p>opinions in a video diary room. 70 people had given their views, many of which would not normally attend a Council meeting. The day was a great success;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the 17th November 2008 an Opportunity Knocks event was held at the Olympiad Leisure Centre and it was attended by 130 people. Feedback from the meeting was varied but most comments were positive; • It had been suggested at the meeting that the surrounding villages needed to be included more and that suggestion had been taken up leading to this meeting being held at Grittleton Village hall; • Venues and publicity needed to be looked at and this was in hand for future meetings. 		To consider venues and publicity for Area Board meetings	Victoria Welsh and Pilot Area Board Project Team
CH18	Agenda Item 6 – Sticky Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members felt it was important for target dates to be included in future reports to give an idea of when work would be undertaken; • Members felt that the Webbington Road proposals were unsuitable and the road should be blocked off where it had been originally. It was felt by members that the public who live on Webbington Road and surrounding areas should be consulted on the two options and members were disappointed with the report as no specific programme of works had been 		To send a letter to the County Council regarding consultation with residents	Marie Todd

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		<p>provided;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Andrew Noblet informed the meeting that there would be a Town Council meeting on the 14th January and he would be moving a motion proposing a new BMX track in Chippenham. The siting of the track had been suggested for Stanley Park but if the young people who would use the track felt that this was unsuitable a new site would be found. Assistance would be needed in maintaining the new track. Councillor Noblet hoped the motion would go through at the meeting and this would move the plans forward. 		To consider the proposal for a BMX track in Chippenham	Chippenham Town Council
CH19	Agenda Item 7 – Presentation by Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fire Service gave an overview of their Road Safety presentation offered through all school and colleges in Wiltshire; • The presentation is backed up through the schools' curriculum; • The members felt that there should be some type of lobbying by the Fire Service to get the adverts for safe driving shown on UK television as these were hard hitting and did not glamorise driving at high speeds. 		To lobby for the adverts to be shown on UK Television	Michael Franklin Wiltshire Fire Service