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Report

Report subject: Progress report for Salisbury Area Board
Report to: City Area Committee (Community)
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1. **Report Summary:**
The purpose of this report is to update members on the progress of the Salisbury Area Board and seeks to gain the ongoing support of members to the process.
2. **Background**
 - 2.1 Within the Wiltshire County Council's unitary bid was a commitment to bring local government and public services closer to the community. A strong element of achieving this goal was establishing Area Boards.
 - 2.2 Marianna Dodd, Project Manager and Steve Milton, Project Team Manager were invited to the City Area Committee (Community) (CAC) on the 1 July, 2008 to give a presentation about the forthcoming development work proposed for a Salisbury Area Board. At this meeting, committee members were requested to consider volunteering to sit on the Salisbury Area Board.
3. **Development work: Progress to date**
 - 3.1 **Testing a Pilot Area Board**
 - 3.1.1 The Salisbury Area Board has been established and membership is as follows:

Cardy, Kevin	Salisbury District Councillor
Chettleburgh, Bobbie	Salisbury District & Wiltshire County Councillor
Clegg, Paul	Salisbury District Councillor
Dale, Di	Principal, Wiltshire College
Dalton, Brian	Salisbury District & Wiltshire County Councillor
Dodd, Marianna	Project Manager, Wiltshire County Council



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Douglas, Mary	Wiltshire County Councillor
English, John	Salisbury District Councillor
Fear, Steve	Salisbury District Councillor
Franklin, Mike	Relationship Manager, Wiltshire Fire & Rescue
Howes, Jo	Community Engagement Manager, Wiltshire Primary Health Care Trust
Osment, Mike	Salisbury District Councillor
Milton, Steve	Area Board Project Team Leader, Wiltshire County Council
Rogers, Ricky	Wiltshire County Councillor (Salisbury West)
Skelton, Tim	South Wiltshire Strategic Alliance
Tapper, Jon	Chief Inspector, Salisbury District, Wiltshire Police
Thorpe, Tony	Salisbury District Councillor
Tomlinson, Muriel	Salisbury District Councillor

- 3.1.2 Cllr Paul Clegg (Chair) suggested to the Community Leadership & Governance Steering Group for a county-wide Area Board Chairs' Forum was accepted. This will now include Area Partnership chairs too. The aim was to make links and discuss common issues and elements of the Area Boards' development programme.

3.2 Developing a new Community Area Partnership

- 3.2.1 The Salisbury Area Board has an ongoing commitment to work with the South Wiltshire Strategic Alliance team who are developing the emerging Salisbury Partnership. The Project Manager, Marianna Dodd and Chair, Paul Clegg will be giving presentations about Area Board and Partnership working at the Salisbury Community Area Partnership event on the 23 October, 2008, 6 – 8pm at the Studio Theatre, Ashley Road, Salisbury.

3.3 Issue Tracking/Problem Solving

- 3.3.1 The Salisbury Area Board has looked at evidence in the Local Agreement for Wiltshire, Salisbury Community Plan, Local Development Framework and Peoples Voice to identify issues, as Salisbury doesn't have an existing Community Area Partnership. A general consensus on issues that might be tracked include:
- Fuel poverty
 - Climate change
 - Vulnerable young people
 - Carers (looking after someone who is a relative, friend or neighbour)

3.4 Participatory Budgeting (PB)

- 3.4.1 Salisbury is one of two community areas, the other is Calne, testing participatory budgeting in the development phase of the project.
- 3.4.2 A budget for the design and development stage of the project has been identified from Wiltshire County Council. A budget has also been identified from SDC through the small grants process.
- 3.4.3 The Salisbury Area Board has identified the theme for PB as 'children and young people'.
- 3.4.4 The Project Manager, Marianna Dodd and Paul Clegg, Chair have attended a national PB Conference and a meeting with the PB Programme Manager to investigate the potential for a PB event in Salisbury
- 3.4.5 A work programme is currently being designed, with the assistance of the PB Unit which will correspond with the standards, principles and values set out by the nationally recognised PB Unit

- 3.4.6 Salisbury Area Board have agreed that a member of the PB Unit will attend the next meeting on 6 November, 2008 to give a PB presentation which will form part of the learning and instruction to members.

3.5 Equality & Diversity Agenda

- 3.5.1 Salisbury has been chosen as one of the six county-wide pilots working with the Wiltshire Race Equalities Commission (WREC) to engage with 'hard to reach' people in the community. Marianna Dodd, Project Manager has been working closely with Abdel Boutarfas, Race Equality Officer visiting migrant workers employed in Salisbury, talking to them about the work of the Salisbury Area Board and what this might mean for them as individuals, e.g., tracking an issue they may have through the Board or volunteering to take part in community events.

4. Recommendations:

The Committee is asked to note the above progress of Salisbury Area Board.

5. Implications:

5.1	Financial:	None directly relevant to this report
5.2	Legal:	None directly relevant to this report
5.3	Human Rights:	None directly relevant to this report
5.4	Personnel:	None directly relevant to this report
5.5	Climate Change:	None directly relevant to this report
5.7	Wards Affected:	None directly relevant to this report