

MINUTES

Meeting: MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD
Place: Kennet Valley Hall, Lockeridge, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 4EL
Date: Monday 13 July 2009
Start Time: 7.00pm
Finish Time: 9.00pm

Please direct any enquiries on these Minutes to:

Julia Densham (Senior Democratic Services Officer), direct line 01249 706610 or e-mail julia.densham@wiltshire.gov.uk

Papers available on the Council's website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Peggy Dow, Chris Humphries (Chairman), Jemima Milton, Toby Sturgis (Cabinet Representative)

Officers

Julia Densham (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Peter Hanson (Divisional Highway Manager), Niki Lewis (Service Director of Community Governance and Leadership), Glenda O'Connor (Community Librarian), Alison Sullivan (Community Area Manager), Laura Young (Head of Homes 4 Wiltshire)

Parish and Town Councils

Jenny Baldrey (Avebury Parish Council), Diann Barnett (Ramsbury and Axford Parish Council), Nic Coome (Chilton Foliat Parish Council), Joan Davies (Savernake Parish Clerk), Andy Devey (Aldbourn Parish Council), Melvyn Lillywhite (Preshute Parish Council), Sheila Glass (Ramsbury & Axford Parish Council), James Keith (Broad Hinton & Winterbourne Bassett Parish Council), Anthony Prior (Baydon Parish Council), Keith Wallace (Ogbourne St George Parish Council)

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Andrew Noble and Sergeant Andy Peach
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service – Rob Wild and Mike Matthews
NHS Wiltshire – Jo Howes
Marlborough and Villages Community Area Partnership – Richard Pitts
St John's School – Karen Davis
Marlborough Leisure Centre – Dan Webb
Marlborough Area Development Trust – Martin Cook

Members of Public in Attendance: 37

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>	<u>Action By</u>
1.	<p><u>Chair's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Marlborough Area Board and explained his hope that decisions of the Board would be reached by consensus and the full co-operation of all. He invited the Wiltshire councillors, officers, cabinet representative, local organisations and members of the public to introduce themselves.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Mr Nick Fogg, Vice-Chairman of the Area Board, and James Cawley, Service Director for Strategy and Commissioning of Community Services.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>DECISION: The minutes of the meeting on 16 June 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>The Chairman explained the item Declarations of Interest that promoted transparency in the dealings of the Council.</p> <p>The Chairman, Mr Chris Humphries, declared a personal interest as a dual-hatted member due to his position as a councillor of Aldbourne Parish Council.</p> <p>Mrs Peggy Dow declared a personal interest as a dual-hatted member due to her position as a councillor of the Marlborough Town Council.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Introducing the Area Boards</u></p> <p>The Area Board received a DVD presentation that described the background to the development of the Area Boards and what it aimed to achieve, primarily local communities tackling local issues. The following questions were raised after the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was the Wiltshire Assembly? The Chairman explained that the Assembly was a new body, that aimed to be the main place where Wiltshire organisations came together to decide what needed 	

	<p>to happen in order for Wiltshire to build a bright future for itself. The Assembly would also keep up-to-date by regularly gathering news about issues, trends and opportunities in the county, and would share this widely to help project planning and decision-making.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did the Wiltshire Assembly include Swindon? While the Assembly did not include Swindon, it was reported that it did liaise at the highest level with the Borough. <p>The Community Area Manager introduced her role, the Community Award Grant Scheme and the Marlborough Area Profile that aimed to work with the key partners to understand the local trends and needs.</p> <p>The Community Area Manager's contact details were as follows: email: alison.sullivan@wiltshire.gov.uk or mobile: 0791 7721371</p>	
6.	<p><u>Your Local Issues</u></p> <p>The Service Director of Community Governance and Leadership introduced the 'Issues' process and described how solutions would be sought for local problems. She also thanked the Young People for their attendance.</p> <p>Issues that were not resolved immediately would be tracked on the Wiltshire Council web-site and it was the responsibility of the Community Area Manager to determine the necessary steps and partnership working arrangements to attempt to resolve the issue. Area Board agendas would be shaped by local issues, partners' issues and consultations, and Wiltshire Council.</p> <p>The time taken to find a solution was dependent on the issue and its complexity but the process aimed to resolve problems between meetings.</p> <p>The Chairman asked that those concerned about the decision to close the Minor Injuries Unit and Day Hospital at Savernake Hospital contact their councillors. Several partners were already working together to resolve this issue and the outcome of the judicial review was awaited.</p> <p>The intention to track via the Wiltshire Council web-site the issues raised would also facilitate the analysis of recurring county-wide issues.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Making it Work for You</u></p> <p>The meeting broke into small groups to discuss local issues which were reported as follows:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The importance of parishes • The speed limits in parishes including Beckhampton • Play parks • Speeding • Play areas in Marlborough Town • North/south HGV traffic • Key worker housing in Ramsbury • Ambulance response times to villages • Youth facilities in and around Marlborough 	
8.	<p><u>Role of Community Area Partnership and Community</u></p> <p>Richard Pitts, Chairman of the Marlborough and Villages Community Area Partnership (MaVCAP), introduced the role of the organisation and their current task updating the Community Area Plan. An invitation was extended to Young People to attend MAVCAP meetings.</p> <p>The meeting wished to know whether the 'better provision of local employment' (Community Area plan 2005) had been achieved.</p> <p>DECISION The Chairman and MaVCAP to report on this question.</p>	Chris Humphries / Richard Pitts
9.	<p><u>Updates from Town and Parish Councils and Other Partners</u></p> <p><u>Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service:</u> Group Manager Rob Wild gave a verbal update on the current role of the service, recent incidents, the Black Dog Safety and the Drive Safe, Stay Alive schemes. The question regarding the number of fatal car accidents in Wiltshire was raised. This information is appended at Appendix 1.</p> <p><u>NHS Wiltshire:</u> The written updated circulated with the agenda was noted. The Community Engagement Officer, Jo Howes, answered questions on the local community profile and the facilities at Savernake Hospital (which can be found in more detail at www.friendsofsavernake.org)</p> <p>DECISION A presentation be prepared for the next Area Board meeting on the facilities at Savernake Hospital</p> <p><u>Wiltshire Police:</u> Inspector Andrew Noble described how neighbourhood police teams had reorganised to become coterminous with electoral divisions and encouraged the public to make use of the police web-site to access contact details of the local NPT officers. He also updated the meeting on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speeding issues in Marlborough Rural West • Anti-social behaviour in Ramsbury 	Jo Howes

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Police and Community Together (PATCH) consultations • Parishes to use the Area Boards to highlight common issues so that officer deployment was appropriate <p>DECISION A report to be presented to each Area Board highlighting current police activity</p> <p><u>Highways Department</u></p> <p>The Divisional Highways Manager spoke of routine maintenance east of Marlborough and advised the use of the CLARENCE reporting system on 0800 232323 for highway defects.</p> <p><u>Baydon Parish Council</u></p> <p>Wished to know the ways in which Parish Representatives could contribute to future meetings.</p> <p><u>Beckhampton Parish Council</u></p> <p>Wished to know how the local issues would be weighted for prioritisation. The Community Area Manager explained that similar themes would indicate local priorities.</p> <p><u>Marlborough Area Development Trust</u></p> <p>Wished to know how the Community Area Profile was compiled. It was explained that Public Service Organisations were required to collect data from a variety of sources and that this would be broken down by community area and made available on the Wiltshire Council website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk.) The purpose of this being to allow service providers to work together on different aspects of the similar issues. The hope was that savings made as a result of the unitary process would be committed to the supply of better services.</p>	Inspector Noble
10.	<p><u>Election of Representatives</u></p> <p>The following appointments to outside bodies were made:</p> <p>Avebury Solstice Operational Planning Meeting Mrs Jemima Milton</p> <p>Avebury World Heritage Site Steering Committee Mrs Jemima Milton</p> <p>Avebury World Heritage Site Traffic & Visitor Management Group Mrs Jemima Milton</p>	

	Community Area Youth Issues Group (CAYPIG) Mrs Peggy Dow	
11.	<u>Future Meeting Dates</u> The dates listed on the agenda were noted. If an extra meeting was considered necessary it could be called.	
12.	<u>Evaluation and Close</u> The Chairman thanked all those who had attended, especially the Young People, and added that this inaugural meeting mapped the way forward with full co-operation and commitment of the Marlborough area community.	

ROAD CASUALTIES WILTSHIRE BETWEEN 01/01/2009 AND 31/12/2009

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
D - SWINDON	Fatal	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Serious	5	12	7	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
	Slight	40	32	41	40	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	179
	Total:	45	44	48	45	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	212
E	Fatal	3	2	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
	Serious	21	11	11	11	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74
	Slight	109	84	91	55	104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	443
	Total:	133	97	103	68	129	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	530
MOTORWAY	Fatal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Serious	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Slight	8	5	8	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
	Total:	8	5	9	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29

ROAD COLLISIONS WILTSHIRE BETWEEN 01/01/2009 AND 31/12/2009

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
D - SWINDON	Fatal	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Serious	5	10	7	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
	Slight	31	24	31	32	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140
	Total:	36	34	38	37	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	171
E	Fatal	3	2	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
	Serious	16	10	11	10	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63
	Slight	73	54	62	41	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	292
	Total:	92	66	74	53	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	368
MOTORWAY	Fatal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Serious	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Slight	5	4	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
	Total:	5	4	5	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Force Fatal		3	2	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Force Serious		21	20	19	14	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94
Force Slight		109	82	97	76	87	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	451
Force Total:		133	104	117	93	112	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	559