

MINUTES

Meeting: SOUTHERN WILTSHIRE AREA BOARD
Place: Trafalgar School, Downton
Date: Tuesday 15 September 2009
Start Time: 7.00pm
Finish Time: 9:30pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Richard Britton (Chairman), Chris Devine, Julian Johnson, Ian McLennan, Leo Randall (Vice Chairman).

Parish Councillors

D Rattue and J Ashenden – Coombe Bissett, S Barnhurst Davis, C Hall, J Launchbury, B Cornish, S Lacey, A Ross and R Yeates – Downton, B Edgely and M Bishop – Firsdawn, J Martin – Landford, V McLennan, S Hannath and R Champion – Laverstock, Ford & Old Sarum - R Poynting - Odstock, A Shaw – Pitton & Farley, W Dunn and D Trick and L Pallas – Redlynch, H Francis and T King – Whiteparish

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector David McMullin
Wiltshire Fire and Rescue – Ian Rennie and Mark Gaskarth
Community Librarian – Hilary Glyde

Members of Public in Attendance: 53

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>	<u>Action By</u>
	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</u></p> <p>The Chairman, Richard Britton, thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and explained that the meeting would be delivered in two parts. The first would be the presentation on the Core Strategy, delivered by the Spatial Planning Team, after which the Board would reconvene to consider a Community Grant application.</p>	
	<p><u>Planning for the Future – South Wiltshire Core Strategy</u></p> <p>It was explained that the board's role regarding the South Wiltshire Core Strategy is to help the public and partners in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area, gain greater awareness and a better understanding of what the strategy is about and how it will influence housing and infrastructure for the area over the next 20 years.</p> <p>Sarah Hughes the Senior Planning Officer and Alistair Cunningham Service Director for Economy and Enterprise were introduced. They explained that the meeting was a chance for the board and the public to understand the core strategy and make any representations to the Inspector based on soundness of the document. The Board then received a presentation on the Core Strategy. Some of the points covered were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the strategy has been developed; • What the Strategy actually is; • How members of the public can make formal representations to the inspector for the next stage; • The deadline for making representation is 30 September 09; • The strategy will be submitted to the Secretary of State, and examined by an inspector for its legal standing and "soundness"; • If the strategy is found to be sound, it will be taken to the Full Council meeting in spring 2010. <p>The Chairman thanked the Planning Officers and invited questions and comments from those present, some of these were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why have the housing figures planned for the Laverstock and Ford area been included in with the figures for the Salisbury City Area. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There appears to be no firm plans in the document for the provision of new secondary schools. • The area surrounding the Old Sarum Air Field is largely conservation land, and cannot be considered for development, but still remains in the document. This should be removed before the document is submitted. • There are 1500 new houses planned for Old Sarum, split into two settlements, by a strip of land. Why is this allowed at Old Sarum but 2000 houses planned for Winterslow not allowed. • Could the green space in front of Cocky Down be preserved so that no building work is carried out at that site. • A lot of the strategic strategy hangs on the prediction of there being 13,800 new jobs. What happened if that figure doesn't materialise. • As it has been established that out of the 700 new affordable homes required annually, only 40% can be delivered, could the provision of temporary housing be looked at. <p>Members of the public were advised that officers from the Spatial Planning Team would be available to assist those wanting to make formal representations to the Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.</p> <p>In order to ensure that the views of the board and the members of the public present are fed back to the council, a report recording a summary of the views expressed will be submitted to the Full Council meeting on 10 November 2009.</p> <p>The Members of the Board then convened to consider the agenda items</p>	
1.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from:</p> <p>Tony Nye - Wiltshire Council, Youth Development Coordinator Bryony Brown – NHS Wiltshire</p>	
2.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Mr Chris Hall, of Downton Parish Council, declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 3 (the Brian Whitehead Sports Centre Association) and left the room for this agenda item.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Community Grants</u></p> <p>Councillor Johnson briefed the Board on the Grant application from The Brian Whitehead Sports Centre Association (BWSCA).</p> <p>After some discussion the Board decided to award the applicant £5,000</p>	

	Resolved: That Brian Whitehead Sports Centre Association be awarded £5,000	
4.	<u>Future Meeting Dates and Evaluation</u> <u>Meeting schedule for 2009/10</u> Thursday 15 October 2009 – Pitton Village Hall (Area Grant deadline = 2 September) Thursday 17 December 2009 – venue tbc (Area Grant deadline = 5 November) Thursday 4 February 2010 – venue tbc (Area Grant deadline = 24 December)	