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# AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

Meeting:	Chippenham Area Board	
Place:	Neeld Hall - Chippenham Town Council, The Town Hall, High	
	Street, Chippenham, SN15 3ER	
Date:	Monday 19 January 2015	
Time:	<u>7.00 pm</u>	

## The Agenda for the above meeting was published on 9 January 2015. Additional documents are now available and are attached to this Agenda Supplement.

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Vicky Welsh, Community Area Manager for Chippenham

Ref: AWS

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015

Dear Vicky

Please accept my apologies for the Area Board meeting next week. Instead I provide the following update for your Board and the public attending the meeting:

During December the Army Welfare Service delivered its normal weekly activities along with a children's Christmas party and a Festive Family Craft Session for military families. In total the service had 154 attendances at its Hullavington activities in December.

Please find attached a copy of our Winter timetable that details our regular activities, and also our February half term timetable. I would like to say thank you to Malmesbury Children's Centre who we are working in partnership with to deliver the Tuesday half term craft session. Both military and civilian families are welcome to activities (access for activities on base can be arranged via myself).

In terms of new developments I am looking to set up a junior youth club for primary school aged children in the local community. The club will be based on camp at the Community Centre one evening a week. If anyone is interested in volunteering then they can contact me for more information. We provide play training and a DBS check.

I hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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## **Army Welfare Service**

## **February Half Term Activities**

Monday 16th	Tuesday 17th	Wednesday 18th	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>		
1400 – 1600 Tea and Cake	1000-1200 Family Fun	1000-1200 Messy Monkeys at	1000-1200 Coffee	1400-1600 Games		
at Wellington Place Drop In	Craft Session at Buckley	Wellington Place Drop In House	Morning at Buckley	afternoon at Buckley		
House (Hullavington). An	Barracks Community	(Hullavington). Arts and crafts for	Barracks Community	Barracks Community		
opportunity for adults to	Centre (Hullavington). In	0-4yr olds (with primary school	Centre (Hullavington).	Centre (Hullavington).		
meet over a cuppa and for	partnership with	aged siblings welcome during half	With arts and	Including soft play, table		
children to play. Also cake	Malmesbury Children	term). £1 per child	crafts/games.	football competition,		
decorating (and eating!). For	Centre. For Oyrs – 11yrs.		For 0-11yr olds. £1 per	computer games and		
0-18yrs olds. £1 per child	£1 per child		child	more! For 0-18yr olds. £1		
		1830 onwards. Spouses night at		per child		
		Buckley Barracks Community				
	1400-1600 Messy	Centre (Hullavington). With	1400-1600 Noi🙀			
	Tuesday, at Teal House	nibbles and a complimentary	Thursday, at Teal			
	(20 Teal Avenue,	drink. The bar will be open. An	House (Lyneham). P. y			
	Lyneham). Arts and crafts	opportunity to socialise with new	with hand drums, bells	Contraction of the second		
	for 0-11yr olds. £1 per	and old friends, and to meet staff	and make noisy crafts.			
	child	from the Army Welfare Service	For 0-11yr olds. £1 per			
		(including Community Support	child			
		and HIVE), the Unit Welfare Office				
		(UWO) and Army Families				
		Federation (AFF).				
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<u>Everyone welcome!</u>						
Please get in touch if you need assistance with directions or access.						

Please note - Parents need to stay with their children during sessions, and are responsible for them at all times. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

For further information please contact Kath Brownlee, Community Development Worker for the Army Welfare Service on 07810771628 or <u>AWS-43X-Hullavington-CDW@mod.uk</u> Or contact the UWO



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MORNING	HEALTH VISITOR DROP IN CLINIC & MEET AND GREET AT BUCKLEY BARRACKS COMMUNITY CENTRE 1000-1200HRS No charge for HV Clinic, £1 per family if staying for Meet and Greet FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH - 3 <sup>rd</sup> NOV, 1 <sup>st</sup> DEC, 5 <sup>th</sup> JAN, 2 <sup>nd</sup> FEB.		MESSY MONKEYS GROUP FOR PARENTS/CARERS AND UNDER 5'S WEEKLY AT WELLY HOUSE 'DROP IN' (AT THE EDGE OF WELLINGTON PLACE ESTATE) 1000-1200HRS £1 per family	COFFEE MORNING & PLAY SESSION WEEKLY AT BUCKLEY BARRACKS COMMUNITY CENTRE 1000-1200HRS £1 per family	
AFTERNOON			R	OPEN BLUE TODDLER & YOUTH CLUB TERM TIME ONLY & FREE AT WELLY HOUSE 'DROP IN' PRE SCHOOL GROUP 1345- 1500HRS AFTER SCHOOL YOUTH CLUB 1500-1700HRS	BONG
EVENING					

#### HEALTH VISITOR DROP IN CLINIC & MEET AND GREET

Open to all for a chance to socialise, meet new people and access information. Health Visitors provide a baby weighing service and advice. The Children's Centre Worker, Community Development Worker and the Welfare staff are available to provide advice and information on a range of subjects including local events and welfare issues. Lots of toys for children to play with which develop social skills and imagination.

#### MESSY MONEKYS

Open to parents/carers and their under 5's. Primary school aged siblings are welcome during school holidays. This session provides messy play opportunities which encourage self-expression, imagination and develop fine motor skills and coordination. Playing with the toys also develops social skills by practising negotiation skills, turn taking and sharing. Hot drinks available for adults and a squash and healthy snack provided for children.

#### **COFFEE MORNING AND PLAY SESSION**

Open to all for a chance to socialise, meet new people and access information from the Community Development Worker and Welfare staff. Lots of toys for children to play with which develop social skills and imagination.

#### **OPEN BLUE CLUB**

This toddler group and youth club run by Open Blue Charity provides parents with pre-school children the opportunity to play and meet with staff from the local Children's Centre and Open Blue staff. Primary aged children are able to use the computers, take part in arts and crafts and cooking at the after school club.

MORE INFO? MORES??? PASES??? PASES??? QUES??? FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES. FOR HELP WITH DEPENDENTS PASSESS OR DIRECTIONS TO VENUES PLEASE CONTACT KATH BROWNLEE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER ON:

> 07810771628 or AWS-43X-Hullavington-CDW Or

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WE ALSO WARMLY WELCOME CONTACT FROM PEOPLE WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUTNEER WITH US AND WHO HAVE IDEAS FOR FUTURE EVENTS.



## Briefing report for Chippenham; Corsham and Malmesbury Community Area Boards



Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service has grouped together neighbouring fire stations into station hubs, to work more effectively and efficiently, supporting each other to improve the service we provide.

#### **Responding to incidents:**

Your Area Board's / Locality's communities immediate emergency response will be provided by staff at these stations and where necessary additional support from staff and specialist equipment from other stations.

#### **Prevention work:**

Staff from other departments also provide the community with specialist services giving fire safety and road safety advice and interventions such as talks and visits.

#### Protection work:

Specialist staff provide expert knowledge, give advice and undertake enforcement action working very closely with the planning authorities to keep communities safe from fire.

In an **emergency dial 999**, for other non urgent matters you can either visit our website: www.wiltsfire.gov.uk or contact the following people:

	<u> Manager / Department</u>	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>email</u>
Operational matters	Kit WATSON Chippenham, Corsham, Malmesbury Station Hub		kit.watson@wiltsfire.gov.uk
Partnership and community engagement issues	Michael Franklin (Wiltshire Council Area)	07919 306037	mike.franklin@wiltsfire.gov.uk
Home fire safety visits and for talks and visits	Community safety department	0800 389 7849	www.wiltsfire.gov.uk and then complete the on line request

#### Message from Station Manager Kit WATSON

In the Malmesbury, Chippenham and Corsham areas December was a relatively quiet month compared to the previous year. This was a welcome contrast to November which saw an increased number of serious incidents. Crews continued to respond to a variety of incidents ranging from animal rescues to serious road crashes.

After a quiet Christmas Day; New Years Day was busier across the county. In our area crews from Avon FRS and Wiltshire FRS attended a roof fire on the Wiltshire border at Burton and managed to prevent the fire spreading to the rest of the building.

Prevention activities continued with seasonal messages of safety in the home concentrating on heating, candles and electrical standards for Christmas lights and gifts.

An increasing seasonal fire hazard is the popularity of Chinese lanterns.

Protection activities continued. A review of waste sites was carried out following a series of large and small incidents at waste sites across Wiltshire.

Two historic public houses were signed off after rebuilding works due to serious fires. Fire safety work continues in collaboration with council officers and developers on the Royal Arthur development and the Corsham Campus.

Evacuation drills at local care homes were supported by crews and fire safety officers. Schools will be contacted in the Malmesbury, Chippenham and Corsham areas to be offered a similar service in the New Year.

We continue to look for new recruits as On Call firefighters who live or work close to the stations. Malmesbury and Corsham stations will be running recruitment Open Days early in the New Year. In the meantime anyone interested in supporting their community in this way should visit their station on their training night (Monday for Chippenham and Corsham, Wednesday for Malmesbury.

### **On-call firefighters needed in Malmesbury**

If you live or work in Malmesbury, and are interested in becoming an on-call firefighter, then Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service wants to hear from you!

More people are needed to provide fire cover for Malmesbury and the surrounding communities. On-call firefighters respond to a pager when a 999 call is made locally, and cover is needed at all times.

Contracted hours can vary, but on-call personnel usually make themselves available for between 48 and 120 hours per week. Between them, each fire station team will provide cover for weekdays, evenings, nights and weekends.

Malmesbury firefighters drill at the town's fire station in Gloucester Road every Monday evening.

Watch Manager Chris Harvey said: "The team at Malmesbury is really committed to helping the community, but we do need more people to join us, especially offering day cover. This open evening is a chance for anyone interested in being a firefighter to have a chat with us but also try out different things, such as wearing breathing apparatus or using the hydraulic rescue equipment."

He added: "On-call firefighters receive the same training and development as whole time colleagues, and we can be called to all sorts of emergencies, including fires, road traffic collisions, animal rescues and flooding. The pay does vary, depending on how much cover you give, but it is fantastically rewarding to be a part of your community and to be in a position to

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help people."

In order to be on-call, you will need to be able to respond to the fire station in around five minutes once your pager goes off. This can be from home or work, and employers can benefit from a firefighter's training – such as first aid, manual handling, a greater understanding of health & safety in the workplace, and enhanced team spirit.

If you are interested in being a firefighter in Malmesbury and can't attend the event on 14 January, visit <u>www.wiltsfire.gov.uk/workingforus</u>

## Significant step taken on road to combination

The Combination Order to bring together Wiltshire & Swindon Combined Fire Authority and Dorset Fire Authority has been submitted to the Secretary of State, the Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP.

Subject to a period of consultation, and the Secretary of State finding no need for an enquiry into the merits of merger, it is expected that the Combination Order will be made in February 2015. The required legislation will then be passed by the end of March 2015, allowing the new Fire Authority to come into being on 1 April 2016.

At recent meetings of the two existing Fire Authorities , 'Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Authority' was adopted as the name of the new administrative body.

A key concern raised during the public consultation process was that there should be parity in the number of Elected Members representing Wiltshire and Swindon, and those representing Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole, and this has been resolved quite amicably. The new Fire & Rescue Authority will have 30 members, with 15 from each geographical county – although this can be reviewed by the new body in the future.

Shadow governance arrangements for the transition to the new Authority have also been agreed, with defined Terms of Reference adopted by Elected Members in both Wiltshire and Dorset.

At the heart of the new combined Fire & Rescue Authority will be a purpose-built community safety centre, which will also act as a 'virtual headquarters'. The Government has granted  $\pm 5.54$  million from its Fire Transformation Fund to support the construction of this facility, with money also available to align ICT between the existing Services and support other transition costs.

A project team is now scoping potential sites and we are also liaising with partners, including other emergency services and local authorities, to see what additional benefits can be realised through this scheme.

A key element of combination was the equalisation of council tax precepts. There have been many discussions with DCLG and, alongside more favourable finances due to local tax base increases, both Treasurers, Clerks, Chairs, CFOs and Authorities have been assured that the revised financial projections make combination both viable and desirable.

Michael Franklin

Partnerships & Community Engagement Manager(Wiltshire Council area)

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