

# **AGENDA**

Meeting: CHIPPENHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Council Chamber - Council Offices, Monkton Park, Chippenham, SN15

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Date: Monday 9 May 2016

**Time**: 3.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Biddestone, Castle Combe, Chippenham Without, Chippenham, Christian Malford, Grittleton, Hullavington, Kington Langley, Kington St Michael, Langley Burrell, Nettleton, North Wraxall, Seagry, Stanton St Quintin, Sutton Benger and Yatton Keynell

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#### Wiltshire Councillors

Desna Allen – Queens & Sheldon	Mark Packard - Pewsham
Chris Caswill – Monkton	Linda Packard – Lowden & Rowden
Bill Douglas – Hardens & England	Nina Phillips – Cepen Park & Redlands
Howard Greenman - Kington	Jane Scott OBE – By Brook
Peter Hutton – Cepen Park & Derriards	Melody Thompson - Hardenhuish

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	Items to be considered	Time
1	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions	3:00pm
2	Apologies	
3	Minutes (Pages 1 - 8)	
	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 29 February 2016.	
4	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
5	Chairman's Announcements (Pages 9 - 14)	
	To include:	
	<ul><li>a) Health &amp; Wellbeing Groups</li><li>b) Wiltshire Carers Consultation</li></ul>	
6	Local Youth Network (LYN) (Pages 15 - 20)	3.10pm
	<ul><li>a) Local Youth Network Update</li><li>b) Youth Festival - Proposal</li></ul>	
7	Local Highways Investment Fund 2014-2020 (Pages 21 - 38)	3:30pm
	To advise the Area Board regarding progress on Wiltshire Council's Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020, and to review the local highway maintenance priorities for 2016/17.	
8	Community Area Transport Group (CATG)	3:45pm
	To consider the report arising from the last CATG meeting and any recommendations therein.	
9	Town, Parish and Partner Updates (Pages 39 - 54)	3:55pm
	To note the written updates provided and answer any questions	
	<ul> <li>i. Parish and Town Councils</li> <li>ii. Parish Forum</li> <li>iii. Wiltshire Police</li> <li>iv. Dorset &amp; Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</li> <li>v. Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)</li> <li>vi. Wiltshire Healthwatch</li> <li>vii. Chippenham and Villages Area Partnership (ChAP)</li> </ul>	

viii. Chippenham Partnership of Schools

ix. Skatepark

# 10 **Urgent items**

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

#### 11 Evaluation and Close

4:00pm

The Chairman will invite any remaining questions from the floor and will welcome the submission of new Community Issues.

The meeting is asked to note the future meeting dates below.

# **Future Meeting Dates**

27th June 2016 Seagry, Nr Chippenham, Wiltshire



# **DRAFT MINUTES**

Meeting: CHIPPENHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Abbeyfield School, Chippenham

Date: 29 February 2016

**Start Time:** 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 8.30 pm

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#### In Attendance:

#### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Linda Packard (Chairman), Cllr Chris Caswill, Cllr Peter Hutton, Cllr Mark Packard, Cllr Nina Phillips, Cllr Baroness Scott of Bybrook OBE and Cllr Melody Thompson

#### **Town and Parish Councillors**

Chippenham Town Council – Cllr Andy Phillips and Sue Wilthew Bremhill Parish Council – Cllr Ian James

#### **Partners**

Chippenham and Villages Area Partnership – Julia Stacey and Alison Butler

Total in attendance: 46

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
19	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman, Councillor Linda Packard, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the councillors and officers present.
20	<u>Apologies</u>
	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Desna Allen and Bill Douglas.
21	<u>Minutes</u>
	Resolved
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2016 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
22	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
23	Chairman's Announcements
	The Chairman reminded those assembled that consultation on the Bus Service Review was open until the 4 April 2016.
	She encourage people to submit their views online and, alternatively, how they could access paper copies via the Town Council and Wiltshire Council officers.
	http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal/ltp/wiltshire_local_transport_plan - public_transport_strategy_review
	With regard to the Campus Project Development Group, the Chairman stated that she would have an update following a meeting with the Cabinet Member Cllr John Thomson tomorrow.
24	Chippenham DPD Update
	Alistair Cunningham, Associate Director, gave a verbal update on the Chippenham Development Plan Document (DPD), highlighting issues since the update given to the Area Board at their last meeting.
	Issues highlighted in the course of the presentation and discussion included: that the Inspectors had held a public meeting with the Council on 21st Jan; that the Inspector had acknowledged that it was in everyone's best interest to see the plan completed; that the Inspector had not found the plan unsound but had

wanted some information; that the council had, at the meeting with the Inspector, outlined their schedule of work, and would be providing a further update to the Inspector in March; that it was the intention to report back to Inspector after consultation in June, the Inspector had indicated that Hearings could then be resumed in September; that some large applications had been submitted and would be considered through the normal development control processes; and that the Inspector would be kept informed of major applications;

In response to a question from Mr Ian James of Bremhill, Alistair Cunningham stated that he would follow up outside the meeting about access to paper copies of information.

In response to a question from Cllr Chris Caswill, Alistair Cunningham stated that applicants would have to show how their proposal would be sustainable.

In response to a question from Mr Toogood, Alistair Cunningham stated that he would follow up outside the meeting about air quality information, but that the Council was undertaking an air quality assessment as part of transport analysis; the previous work had stated that there would be less congestion and queuing thereby not adversely affecting air quality.

In response to a further question, Alistair Cunningham stated that the Council had a favourable success rate in defending appeals and applied for costs in some cases. He was satisfied that planning committees were suitably supported by officers to agree robust reasons where refusal was appropriate.

The Chair thanked Mr Cunningham for his attendance and hoped to see him at a future meeting.

#### 25 LYN Update and Funding

Cllr Peter Hutton, Chair of the Local Youth Network (LYN), presented the report which provide an update on the activities of the LYN and recommended projects for funding. In giving his presentation, Cllr Hutton thanked Richard Williams (Community Youth Officer) for his recent hard work.

Issues highlighted in the course of the presentation and discussion included: that the LYN had been operational for 15 months; that recent activities included the ropes event in Monkton Park that attracted 80 children, and that it was hoped to repeat the event later in the year; that it was planned for a young person to co-chair the LYN meetings in the future; and that the LYN had been engaging with rural communities. Christmas.

#### Resolved

- 1. To note the update on the work of the LYN; and
- 2. To agree funding applications and procurement of services as follows:

- a. Wiltshire Music Centre £1000
- b. Chippenham Youth Festival Events £9000 in principle subject to the submission of more information to the next meeting.
- c. Wiltshire Youth Arts Partnership £3320

#### 26 Community Asset Transfer

The Area Board considered an application submitted by the Trustees of Englands Social Centre for the transfer of the Englands Social Centre. Following a query raised by Cllr Chris Caswill, it was decided that in future reports should make the status of the ownership of the freehold land more clear.

#### Resolved

- 1. To authorise the Solicitor of the Council to execute all documentation needed to implement the transfer subject to the following conditions:
- 2. The building is maintained for the benefit of the community and residents will be encouraged to enjoy the amenity, subject to Wiltshire Council retaining the freehold.
- 3. To request that, in the future reports clearly state the implications for decisions on the status of any leasehold and freeholds on the site.

#### 27 Community Area Grants

The Area Board considered the applications to the Community Area Grant Scheme 2015/16, as outlined in the report. Representations were received from applicants, and the meeting considered reasons for making exceptional awards above the normal £5,000 limit.

#### Resolved

1. Ref. 1626 - Christian Malford Sports and Recreation Association - Community Cricket Training Nets - £6,000

#### Reason for Exception:

The Area Board are of the opinion that this project will help to deliver Chippenham Area Boards top priority to make "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and deliver wide community benefit; it would therefore be appropriate to make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000

2. Ref. 1597 - Sutton Benger Rugby Football Club - New rugby

#### goalposts -£900

3. Ref. 1670 - Yatton Keynell Recreation Association - Yatton Keynell Hall Revamp -£10,000

#### Reason for Exception:

The Area Board are of the opinion that enhancing the existing well-used and popular facilities at Yatton Keynell Village Hall will be of wide community benefit and it would therefore be appropriate to make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000

4. Ref. 1727 - Wilts & Berks Canal Trust - Restoration of Top Lock Pewsham - £19,873

#### Reason for Exception:

The Area Board are of the opinion that this project will help to deliver Chippenham Area Boards top priority to make "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and deliver wide community benefit. Officers are also of the opinion that the restoration of the historic top lock will provide an attractive destination and enhance the applicant's efforts to promote the restored canal as a visitor attraction for the area; it would therefore be appropriate to make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000.

- 5. Ref. 1730 Ivy Wildlife Garden Ivy Wildlife Garden cameras and tools £1.000
- 6. Ref. 1549 Yatton Keynell Under 5s PreSchool Project: Bybrook Pre-school IT learning opportunities £746
- 7. Ref. 1739 Rag and Bone Arts CIC Filming equipment -£739

The meeting then considered the Area Board projects submitted as Councillor Led Initiatives. Councillors Mark Packard and Peter Hutton spoke to their respective

#### Resolved

To support the following awards:

- 1. Councillor Led Initiative Councillor Mark Packard Chippenham Games £1,565
- 2. Councillor Led Initiative Councillor Peter Hutton Street Survival Kits £1,200\*

\*Note – Application was submitted as a supplementary item on the 22 February

2016.

#### 28 <u>Delegated Authority for CEM & CYO</u>

The Area Board considered passing the following resolutions, to enable urgent requests for expenditure to be considered.

#### Resolved

- 1. That in respect of urgent matters that may arise, the Community Engagement Manager, following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support community projects from the delegated budget of up to £1,000 in total between meetings of an Area Board. The decision and reasons why it was considered urgent will be reported to the next meeting of the Area.
- 2. That in respect of urgent matters that may arise, the Community Youth Officer, following consultation with the Chairman of the Local Youth Network and Chairman of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support youth projects from the youth budget of up to£1,000 in total between meetings of an Area Board. The decision and reasons why it was considered urgent will be reported to the next meeting of the Area Board.

#### 29 Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

The meeting considered the report arising from the last meeting of the CATG and the recommendations therein.

#### Resolved

- A. To note the details of the reprogrammed2016/17Highways Major Maintenance schemes
- B. To Approve the following list of priority schemes for Major Maintenance 2016/17:
- 1. Road from Ford to Slaughterford (C151)
- 2. U/C to Leigh Delamere south to North End UC897801/2
- 3. Ladyfield Road Chippenham UC907301/1
- 4. Tugela Road (Bar of T) Chippenham UC927412/2
- 5. Foghamshire UC917324/1
- 6. Ridings Mead/Long Ridings U/C 917423/1
- 7. C173 Nettleton Green up to Shire Hill
- 8. Derby Close U/C 927209
- 9. Wedmore Avenue
- 10. Dead Hill near Grittleton\*

- 11. Ham Lane Biddestone to Slaughterford
- 12. Cuttle Lane to Giddea Hall
- 13. Ashes Lane Union Chapel from village pond to Newlands Green 300m approx
- 14. Days Lane A350 to Newlands Green
- 15. Brook Street
- 16. Audley Road near junction with Marshfield Road

#### Nominations to the Chippenham Borough Lands Charity

The meeting considered making a nomination, as requested, for the position of trustee to the Chippenham Borough Lands Charity. <a href="http://www.cblc.org.uk/">http://www.cblc.org.uk/</a>

Chair outlined the purpose of the charity, and that the nominee must be a Wiltshire Councillor representing the town of Chippenham. It was noted that Councillor Desna Allen had recently a term. Councillor Peter Hutton asked, in the light of the elections in May 2017, if it could be confirmed that a Councillor's term with the charity would end if they were no longer a Councillor.

There being no nominations, the meet;

#### Resolved

#### That consideration of the item be deferred.

#### 31 Town, Parish and Partner Updates

Updates from partners were received as follows:

- i. Parish and Town Councils
- ii. Wiltshire Police to follow
- iii. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service
- iv. Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
- v. Wiltshire Healthwatch
- vi. Chippenham and Villages Area Partnership (ChAP)
- vii. Skatepark to follow

Councillor Howard Greenman made reference to a number of transport issue raised in the Allington area. He had liaised with senior officers at the Council to seek some assurances.

#### 32 Appointment of Older People's and Carers' Champion

The meeting considered the issue of appointing to the Older People's Champion. It was noted that there were two nominations for the position. There had been no nominations for the Carers' Champion.

#### Resolved

That Julia Stacey be appointed as the Older People's Champion for the Chippenham Community Area, and that the Older Persons Forum be asked to send a substitute as required.

Urgent items
There were no urgent items.

Evaluation and Close
The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting, and reminded those assembled that the next meeting of the Chippenham Area Board would take place on Monday 25 April 2016, 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm, History Centre, Cocklebury Road, Chippenham.

Subject:	Health and Wellbeing Groups
Officer Contact Details:	Sue Geary (Head of Community Commissioning) <a href="mailto:sue.geary@wiltshire.gov.uk">sue.geary@wiltshire.gov.uk</a> 01225 713922

#### **Health and Wellbeing Group?**

The Council is proposing that each Area Board establishes a Health and Well Being Group. Health and Wellbeing Groups are intended to provide a community led local forum to facilitate the coordination of joined up services for older people living within a community area. They are intended to gather the views of local older people and ensure these views are represented at the local Area Board. The groups will focus on working with community commissioners to identify the needs of a local population and support the development of services that will meet these needs.

#### What will they be expected to do?

It is anticipated the groups will identify how best to co-ordinate support for vulnerable people in their area in a way that that is more inclusive than the current good neighbour service and makes best use of the existing community capacity.

Each Health and Wellbeing Group will reflect the needs of its local community and different area boards plans will reflect this however the intention is that the Health and Wellbeing Group will ensure wellbeing and community resilience is a key priority for Area Boards and the Group will support community initiatives.

It is anticipated that Health and Wellbeing Groups will draw on local resources and assets in order to generate support for local initiatives. Funding previously used to commission the Good Neighbours Service will be devolved (ring fenced) to the Area Boards to support local initiatives identified by the Health and Wellbeing Groups.

Health and Wellbeing groups can respond to local challenges and make the best use of local assets including local knowledge, resources and voluntary organisations.

The Council Adult Care Community Commissioners can work closely with members, customers and key stakeholders to respond effectively to local needs while coordinating county wide solutions where required.

The groups will promote links between universal services (including leisure and libraries) and services that support specific customer groups including older adults or those with a disability.

## Who would be part of a Health and Wellbeing Group?

This would be decided by each Area Board. It is suggested that the Community Engagement Manager, the Older Peoples' Champion, Unitary and Parish Councillors, CCG Care Coordinators, Healthwatch, Representatives from the Voluntary Sector should be included.

# When can an Area Board commence work on Health and Wellbeing Groups?

Anytime. A number of Area Boards have already planned meetings to start their Health Well Being Groups. In approximately 6 /9 months' time there will be a review of progress being made to establish these groups and a report highlighting good examples of the work being undertaken

#### **Further Information**

Please contact Sue Geary Head of Community Commissioning at the Council for further information and support to establish your Health and Well Being Group.

Subject:	Carers in Wiltshire: Joint Strategy 2016 - 2020
Officer Contact Details:	Karen Walters, Community Commissioner (Carers)
Weblink:	http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal

Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group, in consultation with their other strategic partners (especially Carer Support Wiltshire, Wiltshire Parent Carer Council and Spurgeons) and over 50 carers have developed a new strategy for carers. The draft document is now available for the public to view and comment on before being finalised. It can be viewed in full on the council's consultations webpage: <a href="http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal">http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal</a>

Information postcards and leaflets are also available at this meeting.

Publicity materials can be provided from Karen Walters, Wiltshire Council, for any partners who would be willing to support spreading the message or if you would like to invite her to attend any local carer groups or meetings during the consultation period.

Please feedback comments by **13 July 2016** to: Karen Walters, Community Commissioner (Carers) at:

Address: County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN

Email: Karen.walters@wiltshire.gov.uk

Mobile: 07876 393890

#### Who do we mean when we talk about carers?

Anyone can become a carer. A carer is someone of any age, including a child (young carer), who provides unpaid support to a family member or friend who could not always manage without this help. This could be caring for a relative (a parent, grandparent, sibling, child, spouse, partner) or friend who is ill, frail, disabled or who has mental health or substance misuse problems. They should not be confused with paid or volunteer support workers.

Most people are likely to be undertaking a caring role at some point in their lives, with many of us needing to access some form of information, advice and support during this difficult time.

#### Have we got things right in the new strategy?

We believe we have a strategy that is truly representative of the needs of Wiltshire carers. However, now is the time for you to have your say and influence the way services are commissioned over the next 4 years.

We invite members of the public, especially carers, to comment on this document to influence the future commissioning of support for carers in Wiltshire. We need you to tell us if we have got things right. We also want to

know if you, as a carer, feel represented within this strategy and if not, what is it you would like to see added or changed. What services do you currently access (if any) that you value and why they are important to you? We invite organisations and business in Wiltshire to comment on the document and to inform us of any contributions they are already making or could make, in order to support the delivery of this strategy.

A detailed action plan will be developed once the strategy is finalised to support its delivery.

#### Why is this strategy needed?

A Carers UK press release on 12 November 2015 stated "Unpaid carers save the UK £132 billion a year – the cost of a second NHS." <sup>1</sup>

70% of the 47,608 <sup>2</sup>carers living in Wiltshire continue to remain hidden and it is believed that many of these people will not be aware of their carer status. Accessible information and advice is therefore vital to ensure that these people know where to get help and support when they need it.

The Care Act places additional duties on social care services in assessing and addressing the needs of carers. Carers now have parity of esteem with those people they care for. We need to ensure that carers' of people with mental health issues are able to access appropriate services to meet their needs. There is a requirement for all health, social care and educational professionals to identify young carers and ensure their needs are being met and that they are not carrying out inappropriate caring roles.

The 2015 Healthwatch report "Unpaid Carers in Wiltshire: help in a crisis" highlights the need to review how we support carers in a crisis. Whilst early intervention and prevention measures is expected to reduce the likelihood of this point being reached, there will be unavoidable circumstances when a carer reaches crisis point and it is vital targeted support is available to help them when they reach this point.

#### Our shared vision for carers in Wiltshire:

Wiltshire cares for carers by ensuring that carers living in Wiltshire are identified and accepted as expert partners in care; are well informed; and maintain a good quality of life and healthy lifestyle outside of their caring responsibility.

To find out more please read the full strategy and / or contact Karen Walters direct.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Valuing Carers 2015 – the rising value of carers' support Lisa Buckner (University of Leeds), Sue Yeandle (University of Sheffield)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Census 2011

## Chippenham Local Youth Network Youth Festival – Proposal

The Chippenham Area Board agreed principle funding of £9000 for a youth festival event at the Area Board meeting on the 29.2.16. Further clarification was required. Some 'snapshot' follow up consultation was done with a sample group of young people, and this formed the basis for discussion and further consideration by the Chippenham Local Youth Network Management Group on the 22.3.16.

A snap shot survey of young people stated an Open Air Cinema, Gaming event, and a band and music event as the top three choices to be included in a festival event for young people.

## **Outline Proposal**

**Dates:** 17/18 and 24/25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 tbc

Location: John Cole Park, Neald Hall, Wiltshire College

Age range: 11-17years Total cost; £9000

# Celebratory 'Youth World' event, £2500 plus An open air cinema – John Cole Park £2000

Local existing youth activity providers will be invited to offer 'display/taster' stands or activities over the course of an afternoon in John Cole Park. The aim of this will be to help promote what is currently on offer to young people in the Chippenham Area.

An open air cinema will be hired in to show a universally appealing and appropriate film for 11-17 olds; subject to further consultation with young people, and advice from the film operator. So far a snapshot survey of young people has identified Disney's 'Cars' or 'Up' as a top choice. Access to the film will via booking and consent.

#### Bands and music gig - £1000

A celebratory music show/gig will be ran at the Neald Hall.

#### Photography competition - £500

A photography competition for local young people will be housed in the Neald Hall with three competition themes 'Engaging Young People', 'Saying Something', and 'The best of Chippenham Community' will be housed at the Neald Hall.

#### Gaming Event - £1000

An event aimed at harnessing the social aspect of gaming, both present and historical will be ran via Wiltshire College (tbc), and in partnership with local gaming businesses (subject to agreement).

#### **Event Co-ordination and management - £2000**

Local existing organisations or individuals will be sourced to oversee the events management.

The LYN will assist in the development, and marketing of the event, and ensure all health and safety aspects are adhered too.

# **Key stakeholders**

Wiltshire Council Chippenham Town Council Chippenham BID Riverbank Studios Chipfest Skylight Cinema

NB Further discussions are too had with stakeholders to agree partner support.

Richard Williams - Community Youth Officer Chippenham Community Area March 2016

Report to	Chippenham Area Board	
Date of Meeting	25.4.16	
Title of Report	Local Youth Network	

# **Purpose of Report** To update the Area Board on the work and progress of the Chippenham Local Youth Network Management group.

#### 1. Background

- 1.1. In 2015/16 Area Boards is allocated a discretionary budgets to involve them in the assessment and selection of positive activities for young people in their community areas. Chippenham Area Board was allocated £83,975.
- 1.2. The remaining balance for Chippenham Area Board Youth Funding for 2014/15 is £1220. (This includes £7000 possible carry over funds to 2016/17, for x2 ropes courses as agreed at the Area Board meeting on the 9.11.15, and £9000 youth festival event agreed in principle at the Area Board meeting on the 29.2.16).
- 1.3. This funding allocation is for Chippenham Area Board and the LYN to secure and enter into agreements with suitable and safe providers to deliver services and activities. When securing the positive activities offer Chippenham Area Board is encouraged to consider deploying their resources in a way which invests in young people. This might mean funding projects, activities and programmes for more than one year (subject to Youth Funding).
- 1.4. Chippenham Area Board agreed to the establishment of a Local Youth Network (LYN) to consider projects that support positive activities for young people and with the support of Community Youth Officer (CYO) make recommendations to the Area Board.

#### 2. Progress

- 2.1 The LYN management group has established a wider LYN, contacting and working with 28 different of partners, including five young people representing different experiences and cultural groups.
- 2.2 Riverbank Studios continues to run four sessions a week, and has extended its reach to the wider community and links with schools..
- 2.2 The Zanshin Self Defence group runs Tuesday evenings at Riverbank.
- 2.3 Following the approval of grants a youth café, parkour, street surfing, archery, and Zorbball ran over the summer holiday weeks in Riverbank, the Olympiad, Monkton Park, and Westmead.
- 2.5 Rural outreach and the needs of young people in rural areas continues as a focus for further work and development and links are being established with the Parish Forum.
- 2.6 A high ropes course event was run in February half term holiday as was a big success. Two more events are planned for the summer.
- 2.7 The provision of the Youth Café at Riverbank on Friday evenings runs by the Rise Trust.
- 2.8 A girls group delivered by Kandu Arts is currently running once a week for vulnerable young women.
- 2.9 Support and advice has been given to Chippenham Sea Cadets.
- 2.10 The Nature of It aim to run three distinct outdoor based activity provisions for young people over the course of the next year.

- 2.11 Wiltshire Youth Arts Partnership has been commissioned to run a 'Street Dance' project April to July 2016.
- 2.12 Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team have been commissioned to help develop mountain biking in and around the area on a needs led basis.
- 2.13 Wiltshire Music Centre has supported to run a number of world music workshops.
- 2.14 Support for the skate park developments continues as needed.
- 2.15 A wider LYN networking event ran at Wiltshire College on the 22.3.16.
- 2.16 A 'Youth Festival' event is planned for September 2016; please see attached proposal outline for consideration.
- 2.17 The Community led Model/ Community Youth Officers are currently under review...

#### 3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LYN during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

#### 4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. All decisions must fall within the Youth Funding allocated to Chippenham Area Board
- 4.2. There are no funding applications for the Area Board to consider.

#### 5. Legal Implications

5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

#### 6. HR Implications

6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

#### 7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

7.1. Youth Funding gives all local community and voluntary groups an equal opportunity to apply for funding to support positive activities for young people

	Appendices
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#### Wiltshire Council

#### **Chippenham Area Board**

9 May 2016

Subject: Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020

Report Author: Parvis Khansari, Associate Director Highways and

**Transport** 

#### **Executive Summary**

Wiltshire Council is undertaking a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years, which is delivering a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

The flooding in 2013/14 had an adverse effect on road conditions, but the additional investment through the Council's 'Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020' has arrested this deterioration, and the county's road conditions continue to improve.

The investment has been targeted at those roads in worst condition, and includes minor roads as well as the main roads. The programme is just reaching the end of its second year, and has already seen a substantial amount of work completed (see **Appendix 1**).

In 2016/17 it is proposed to increase expenditure on treating the smaller sites, many of which have been outstanding for some time, and to reduce the number of larger surfacing sites.

A list of potential sites for next year has been prepared for each community area (see **Appendix 2**). The site list is based on the existing condition of the roads and the anticipated deterioration in the future, and the area boards are invited to consider the proposals.

It should be noted that the list will probably need to be reviewed during the year as the rate of deterioration of individual roads does vary because of weather and local conditions.

There has been an extensive programme of integrated transport, traffic management and safety schemes carried out in recent years. (See **Appendix 3**). The Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs) have had a vital role in helping prioritise schemes.

The Council is in the process of identifying a 'Resilient Road Network' (See **Appendix 4**), which will form the core network where specific measures would be considered in order to ensure the continuing availability of this route in extreme weather conditions.

# **Proposals**

Area Boards are asked to note the work completed so far in connection with the 'Local highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020', and consider the list of proposals for highway maintenance in their areas for 2016/17.

The Area Board are requested to note the proposed 'Wiltshire Resilient Road Network', and are invited to comment on the proposed network and any sections of the route of particular concern in their area.

#### **Reason for Proposal**

Wiltshire Council has a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years, which is already delivering a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

The views of the Area Board are important in helping identify local priorities for road maintenance, and future programmes of work.

#### Wiltshire Council

# **Chippenham Area Board**

#### Date of meeting

Subject: Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020

Report Author: Parvis Khansari, Associate Director Highways and

**Transport** 

#### **Purpose of Report**

1. To advise the Area Board regarding progress on Wiltshire Council's Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 – 2020, and to review the local highway maintenance priorities for 2016/17.

#### Relevance to the Council's Business Plan

2. The Council's Business Plan sets out the vision to create stronger and more resilient communities. It includes three key priorities and twelve actions that the Council will deliver over the next four years. One of the twelve actions is to 'invest additional money between 2014 -17 to reduce the historic backlog in highways maintenance'.

#### **Background**

- 3. Expenditure on highways maintenance declined substantially during the 1990's, and there was underinvestment in roads maintenance nationally for many years. There was an increase in spending from 2000/1, with the introduction of Local Transport Plan funding, but there was still a large backlog of maintenance required on the network.
- 4. In 2014 Wiltshire Council started a major programme of investment in highway maintenance over six years to bring about a significant improvement in the condition of the county's highway network.

#### Main Considerations for the Council

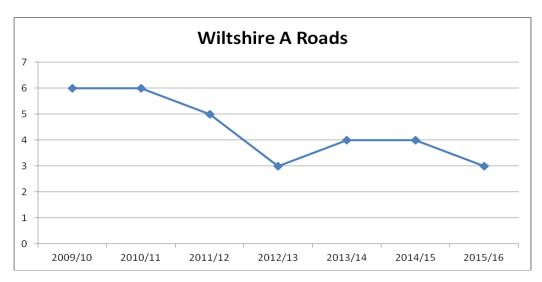
Local Highways Investment Fund 2014 - 2020

5. The investment is being targeted at those roads in worst condition, and includes minor roads as well as the main roads. Assessments based on road safety information and road condition data has been used to prepare annual lists of priority sites for treatment which are presented to the Area Boards for consideration.

- 6. Some roads need to be treated as priorities in order to address skid resistance and safety problems. As well as addressing the roads in worst condition, improvements are being made to the drainage and footways to bring them up to standard.
- 7. In addition to the larger sites, the Council has also been repairing smaller localised sites which are suffering from deterioration, or which need repairs. This programme of pothole and defect repairs will continue across the county in response to local damage identified through the Council's regular inspections or reports from the public and road users.

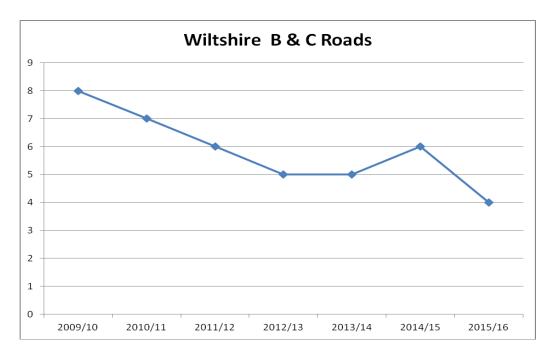
#### Condition of Roads in Wiltshire

- 8. The condition of classified roads is measured by technical surveys carried out using vehicle mounted laser scanners to a methodology established by the Department for Transport (DfT). These reflect the overall road condition and have been reported as National Indicators for a number of years.
- 9. The condition of the classified roads in Wiltshire has improved considerably since 2009/10. The flooding in 2013/14 clearly had an adverse effect on the road network, but the additional investment through the Council's Local Highways Investment Fund has helped stem this deterioration.
- 10. The investment made by the Council over the years has seen a reduction in the length of A Class road where treatment should be considered:



Percentage of A Class Roads in Wiltshire in poor condition

11. The B and C class roads have also improved. There has been a reduction in the percentage of road where treatment should be considered in recent years:



Percentage of B and C Class roads in Wiltshire in poor condition

- 12. The condition data on the unclassified roads is not as robust as for the classified roads, but indications are that these roads are also starting to improve. Data is being collected on the unclassified road network using the same methodology as for the classified roads, but this will take a few years to achieve the same level of detail. Initial analysis of this data indicates that approximately 6% of the surveyed unclassified network is in poor condition.
- 13. The road conditions in Wiltshire have been compared to other south-west counties. Conditions of the A class roads in Wiltshire, based on the 2013/14 figures published by DfT, are broadly similar to those in Dorset and Somerset, but not as good as those in Devon and Cornwall. The B and C Class roads, which are an important part of the network in Wiltshire, have been better than those of the adjoining counties for a number of years.

#### Highways Maintenance Programme

- 14. There has been considerable maintenance work carried out on the highway network in Wiltshire in the last two years as part of the Council's Local Highways Investment Fund. The list of local sites completed is included as **Appendix 1**.
- 15. During 2015/16 there were a number of sites which it was not possible to complete. These were primarily surface dressing sites, sometimes referred to as 'tar and chip', which is a cheap cost effective way of treating rural roads. However, it does need the underlying road structure to be in good condition as it provides a thin surface to improve skid resistance and seal the road construction, but does not add significantly to the strength to the road.

- 16. In the event the extent of structural repairs required on some of the minor roads proved larger than anticipated, and some surface dressing sites had to be deferred. The process has to be carried out during a short period in the summer, and it was not possible to complete the full programme of works last year.
- 17. There were a few sites which had to be postponed because of public utilities work. This was to avoid the road being dug up soon after being laid. The intention is that that any public utility mains and cables should be laid completed before the road is resurfaced.
- 18. A list of potential sites for next year has been prepared for each community area (see **Appendix 2**). The site list is based on the existing condition of the roads and the anticipated deterioration in the future, and the area boards are invited to consider the proposals.
- 19. In view of the general improvement in road conditions, and the current financial restrictions, it is proposed to defer some of next year's investment until following years. This will reduce the number of larger surfacing sites being undertaken next year, but those where road safety is a serious consideration will still be prioritised.
- 20. The new contractual arrangements following the end of the current highways contract has enabled the Council to establish a direct contract with the surfacing sub-contractor. This has seen an improvement in service with more certainty of delivery with a good quality of work.
- 21. An area where delivery has improved significantly in recent months is with regard to the smaller sites where there is localised damage and potholes. These can be particularly difficult because they often need road closures and diversions to enable the works to be carried out safely. Programming these works, and integrating them with works by other on the network, is a challenge, but good progress is now being made.
- 22. It is proposed to increase the budget for this type of work substantially in 2016/17 in order to address some of the smaller sites which it has not been possible to progress in recent years. It is intended that the local Highways staff will have greater input in identifying priorities, potentially with the CATGs also being involved. The procedures will be developed in more details over the next few months.
- 23. The Council has been carrying out footway and drainage works in conjunction with many of the surfacing sites, but there is a requirement to develop a programme of footway works. Condition data has been collected for the urban footways over a number of years, and is expected to be substantially completed this year. This will enable a programme of footway major maintenance to be identified for consultation and potential implementation in 2017/18.

<u>Integrated Transport Schemes</u>

- 24. The CATGs have proved particularly successful at identifying and prioritising local transport issues, and a number of schemes have been delivered in recent years, with many more being developed for future implementation. See **Appendix 3**.
- 25. It is proposed that this process should continue with the budgets for this type of work continuing for next year. The Area Boards are encouraged to use the CATG process to deal with local concerns.
- 26. The Council analyses the injury accident records in order to identify sites with particular accident problems. These sites are reviewed and where appropriate improvements are proposed. These will continue to be developed, with the CATG kept informed of progress.

#### Resilient Road Network

- 27. The major maintenance work is improving the condition of the highway network and making it more resilient to extremes of weather. The flooding during 2014 affected a number of key routes in the county, and there is a need to identify a core network where specific measures should be considered in order to ensure the continuing availability of the route.
- 28. The Council already has an identified network of main roads which is the priority to keep open in the event of an extreme snow event. This comprises the busiest main roads, and is about 10% of the network. Once these have been cleared other roads are then treated in accordance with local priorities and conditions. There is a much more substantial network of roads which is subject to precautionary salting when ice is forecast.
- 29. It is proposed that the core network (See **Appendix 4**) should be designated the 'Wiltshire Resilient Road Network', and should be reviewed to determine whether specific measures are necessary to ensure its continued availability in adverse weather conditions of all types.
- 30. Any comments on the proposed resilient network, or areas of concern, would be appreciated, especially with regard to any sections of the route which may be considered particularly vulnerable. The Area Board may wish the CATG to consider the proposed network.
- 31. Extending the length of roads to be included in the core network would not be feasible because of resource limitation with regard to snow ploughing or specific works to improve resilience. If the proposed resilient network is too large it could divert funding away from other roads on the network.

#### **Safeguarding Implications**

32. Does not apply.

## **Public Health Implications**

- 33. Increased investment in road maintenance has benefits for public health. The improved road surfaces, better skid resistance and associated safety improvements help reduce the numbers killed and injured on the road network. These improvements complement the other measures to improve road safety, such as traffic calming and speed limits, being introduced through the Local Transport Plan funding and the Community Area Traffic Groups.
- 34. The improved road surfaces, particularly on the minor urban roads, will be of benefit to cyclists and pedestrians. At present the condition of some of the urban roads may discourage cycling as cyclists are adversely affected by poor road conditions and uneven or damaged surfaces. The proposed investment would support the strategy to encourage cycling as set out in the Local Transport Plan.
- 35. Roads in poor condition in urban areas can result in disturbance and noise for residents, especially on busier routes carrying heavy goods vehicles at night. Better road surfaces should result in reduced background noise in residential areas, with potential mental and physical health benefits.
- 36. The Council monitors road collision data in order to focus safety improvements at those sites with the worst accident records. With the additional funding this process will continue, and where appropriate other alterations to signing, drainage, street lighting or road markings could be incorporated into resurfacing work and schemes to improve safety.

#### **Environmental and Climate Change Considerations**

- 37. The road network is particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change. In recent years we have seen the effects of a series of severe winters which have resulted in damage to the roads and an increase in the number of potholes. In 2014 flooding damaged a number of roads in Wiltshire, and increased deterioration.
- 38. In the longer term a more robust highway network, with roads in better condition, would require less reactive maintenance and reduced travelling to respond to potholes and localised defects. A planned maintenance regime would enable the traffic disruption to be kept to a minimum. With unplanned maintenance the delays to traffic and associated fuel consumption could be considerable.
- 39. The identification of a Resilient Road Network for the county will help identify the key areas where measures may be required to ensure the continuing availability of main routes in extreme weather conditions.

#### **Equalities Impact of the Proposal**

40. The improvements in road safety anticipated with increased investment in road maintenance would be expected to benefit all road users, but

- especially the more vulnerable, including pedestrians, cyclists and other non vehicle users.
- 41. The highway network is important to local businesses, and to public transport operators. The delays due to un-programmed maintenance and road repairs have been identified as concerns by local businesses. The high profile programme of works to address road conditions will help send the message that transport is important in Wiltshire and could help to promote inward investment and job creation.

#### **Risk Assessment**

- 42. There are serious risks in connection with road maintenance. These include the safety and reputational aspects of those killed and seriously injured on the highway network. In order to reduce these risks the Council has approved highway inspection and skid resistance procedures in place, but in order to keep the network in safe condition it is important that the highway network has adequate investment, and the safety issues are prioritised.
- 43. The road condition data collected thorough the technical surveys is used to focus investment on those sites where there is most need and greatest risk. As well as the safety benefits this approach also ensures that best use is made of the limited available funding in order to keep the asset in optimum condition.

#### Risks that may arise if the proposed decision and related work is not taken

- 44. The risks to the Council from lack of road maintenance are in terms of claims against the Council as the result of accidents, or in extreme cases prosecution as a result of particular incidents. As well as the safety and cost aspects, there are also significant reputational implications of such events.
- 45. Not carrying out highway maintenance would lead to declining public satisfaction in the future as road conditions remain the same and no progress is made on improving them.

## Risks that may arise if the proposed decision is taken and actions that will be taken to manage these risks

- 46. There is a risk that the proposals will not deliver the improvements in road condition anticipated. This risk will be managed by using the technical data to focus the necessary investment on those sections of road where work is required to meet safety requirements, and on those places where it would improve road conditions the most. Effective asset management will reduce this risk and make sure the investment is effective.
- 47. There is a risk that the investment will not increase public satisfaction with the service. In view of the initial results from those authorities which have made a substantial investment it would appear that satisfaction levels will

improve with the investment. However, a programme of publicity, branding and public involvement through the Area Boards will help raise awareness of the project, and will help to reduce this risk.

#### **Financial Implications**

48. The Council's approved budget has included increased investment to deliver the Council's Business Plan with regard to road maintenance. This has been £24 million for the past two years. It is proposed that £3 million of next year's expenditure will be moved in to future years in view of the improving road conditions and current budget pressures.

#### **Legal Implications**

49. The Council has a duty under the Highways Act to maintain the county's roads. The highway inspection procedures, policies and improvement plans ensure that this duty is fulfilled. The increased investment and improved road conditions is helping the Council meet its responsibilities with regard to road maintenance.

#### **Options Considered**

50. The Council reviews its proposed road maintenance programme annually in order to make best use of the latest information and take into account deterioration of the road conditions because of weather or other factors.

#### Conclusions

- 51. The conditions of the road network are important to the public, and this is reflected through the People's Voice and NHT surveys. There has been expenditure above anticipated LTP funding levels in Wiltshire which is improving the condition of Wiltshire's highway network.
- 52. The Highways Investment Fund 2014 2020 over the six years will provide a significant improvement to the condition of the network, including improving the condition of the unclassified roads, and improving safety on the classified roads. The involvement of the Area Boards to help identify local priorities for treatment is important.

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12<sup>th</sup> February 2016

# **Background Papers**

The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this report: None

# **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Highways Major Maintenance sites 2014 – 16

Appendix 2 – Potential Future Highways Maintenance Sites

Appendix 3 – Recent local CATG Schemes

Appendix 4 – Resilient Road Network

## Completed Highways Major Maintenance 2014 to 2016 - Chippenham Area Board

Road	Location	Treatment
U/C	St Margaret's Gardens, Chippenham	Surfacing
U/C	St Peters Close, Chippenham	Surfacing
U/C	Ivy Road, Chippenham	Surfacing
A420	A420 Bristol Road Chippenham Folly Cross Roundabout to Bumpers Farm Roundabout	Surfacing
B4069	Kington Langley	Surfacing
U/C	Biddestone, Weavern Lane	Surfacing
B4528	Hungerdown Road, Chippenham	Surfacing
C86	C86 bend near Beckhill Wood	Skid resistance improvements
A420	A420 Mercombe Wood	Skid Resistance Improvements
B4069	B4069 near Mauds Heath Causeway	Skid resistance improvements
B4069	B4069 near Swallows Gate	Skid resistance improvements

Road	Location	Treatment
A350	Bumpers Farm roundabout approach	Skid resistance improvements
A350	A350 Cepen Park roundabout approach	Skid resistance improvements
B4122	B4122 near Westbrook Farm	Surfacing
B4122	B4122 near Westbrook Farm	Skid resistance improvements
B4122	B4122 between Westbrook farm and B4069	Skid resistance improvements
UC	Parklands, Hullavington	Resurfacing and footway reconstruction
U/C	Nettleton Loop.	Resurfacing
U/C	Ford to Biddestone.	Patching and Surface dressing
U/C	Chippenham A350 Dual Off slip to Plough Pub.	Resurfacing
U/C	Biddestone, Weavern Lane	Patching and Surface dressing
U/C	Chippenham Lords Mead.	Resurfacing
C181	Jacksoms Lane	Resurfacing
C367	Station Hill / Cocklebury	Resurfacing
C367	Station Hill / Cocklebury	Resurfacing
B4122	B4122 Heading southeast from Junction 17 M4	Resurfacing

Road	Location	Treatment
B4122	B4122 Heading south from Junction 17 M4	Resurfacing
A420	A420 Bristol Road, Bumpers Farm Rbt, Chippenham	Resurfacing
C86	C86, Yatton Road, Biddestone	Resurfacing
C86	C86 Biddestone Road, Biddestone	Resurfacing
B4039	B4039 Horsedown, near Littleton Drew	Resurfacing
C86	Yatton Keynell to Grittleton, Chippenham	Surfacing
U/C	The Ridings, Kingston St Michael, Chippenham	Surfacing

## Proposed Highways Major Maintenance 2016/17– Chippenham Area Board

Road	Location	Recommended Treatment	Estimated Length (m)
U/C	Hill Hayes Lane	Surface Dressing	2,755
C132	Friday Street - B4069 south to Foxham	Surface Dressing	2,609
U/C	Lye Common (junction with Station Road to junction with Thornend)	Surface Dressing	782
B4039	B4039 junction with Fosse Way/The Gibb to junction with A420 Bristol Road	Surface Dressing	6,978
C182	Hill Corner, Chippenham. Postponed due to other works in the vicinity	Surfacing	TBC

# CHIPPENHAM COMMUNITY AREA PARISH FORUM

#### **Chippenham Community Area Board Update April 2016**

The Parish Forum has met on two occasions this year, their January meeting in the Goss Croft Hall, Upper Seagry and March meeting in Grittleton Village Hall. Both have been well attended and have covered a number areas of concern, particularly relating to highways and streetscene and they were pleased to welcome Mr Bill Parks, Wiltshire Council Head of Service - Local Highways (North) and Mr Chris Clark Wiltshire Council Local Highways Area Manager (West) as their Guest Speakers to the January meeting. They updated the Forum on the restructuring of Highway services in the County and advised that the Parish Steward Scheme was to be re-introduced in April 2016 and all Parishes should appoint a local contact for the Steward. This news was well received by Forum members who also heard that Mr Richard Dobson had returned as the point of contact for the Chippenham Community Area. The Forum congratulated Mr Parks on the "Bill and Adrian Newsletter", which was written in a helpful manner, and it was hoped that this would continue and it was noted that in the January edition an article advised that it was possible for local Agreements to be made direct with The Landscape Group for additional services to be funded by each Parish. A major part of the discussion evolved around the MyWiltshireApp reporting system, which all considered to be a failure to date. All agreed that the whole system needed a re-think. The Forum was advised that a Wiltshire Council Task Group was considering options. Many felt that the MyWiltshireApp system should be closed down until problems were resolved.

Forum members raised issues relating to consultations being carried out on possible changes to the Freedom of Information Act, where the view was taken that the status quo should be maintained and proposed changes to National Planning Policy, which could impact on Affordable Housing, Section 106 and the CIL. Another area of concern was the issue of the Chippenham Site Allocations Plan and recent correspondence with the Examiner. Members who had attended the Examination, which had been suspended, shared the Examiners criticism of Wiltshire Council and which could now lead to a lengthy time delay creating the opportunity for developers to take advantage of the situation, as it was now likely that any draft/final report might not be available until December 2016

Other discussions at the January meeting related to issues raised and information received by Parish Councils from Wiltshire Council since the previous Forum meeting and included Briefing Notes 268, 270, 274, 276 relating to the Chippenham Site Allocations Plan Examination update, to Surface Development Restrictions for Hydraulic Fracturing, the f40 group – fair funding campaign and the Wiltshire Online Programme – Broadband Update. Of particular concern was the Bus Service Consultation closing on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

A Consultation was also being carried out by the Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner on the cost of policing in 2016-2017 and with this in mind the Guest Speaker at the Forum's March meeting was Mr Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon. who updated the Forum on his role and duties as Commissioner. His responsibility for producing the Police and Crime Plan, to monitor the performance of the Police Authority and to hold the Chief Constable to account and for financing policing through raising a Precept, following public consultation, which at the present time is the lowest in the South West of England Region. With financial challenges ahead there is a need to seek efficiencies through better communications and restructuring to meet a requirement of £2.5 million in savings. He advised that he had no role in operational matters, which fall entirely with the Chief Constable. He stressed that Neighbourhood Policing is a high priority. Angus highlighted the introduction of ICE Cards, a Wiltshire initiative that could be used Nationally.

Members raised issues relating to the Local Youth Network (LYN), having heard from Mr Richard Williams (Community Youth Officer) at the Forum's November 2015 meeting, and noted that the LYN Questionnaire circulated to Parish Councils had been intended to target children living in the rural areas but there was a need to reconsider some of the questions as they referred more to town children who could access town facilities more easily. An issue raised by Chippenham Without Parish Council was of particular interest and concern to all members as the Council wished to discuss Highway/Verge/Ditch reinstatement in Chippenham Without Parish and adjacent Parishes. All Parishes had similar concerns and there could be an opportunity to raise the issues at the

Wiltshire Council Parish and Town Council Involvement Evening in April. Another topic raised concerned SIDS and whether any Parish Councils had considered taking on SIDS since the change in Wiltshire Policy in October 2015. It was clear that few had considered taking this forward because of the practicalities and costs involved.

Other discussions at the March meeting related to issues raised and information received by Parish Councils from Wiltshire Council since the previous Forum meeting and included the invitation by Community First to a Wiltshire Neighbourhood Planning Roadshow, a reminder on the Wiltshire Council Bus Service Consultation, the Local Youth Network (LYN) Young People's Questionnaire, Bill and Adrian's Local Highways Newsletter (Feb 2016) and the Wiltshire Council Parish and Town Council Involvement Evening invitation.

The Community Area Parish Forum meets again on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 in the Union Chapel, Kington Langley.

Update from	Chippenham Neighbourhood Policing Team
Date of Area Board Meeting	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2016

## Headlines

- Drugs dealing
- Prolific Offender
- Operation Rogue Trader
- Licencing

#### **Projects**

- Patrol Strategy is now in place in a well know drugs dealing area (Charter Road) due to the increase in intelligence from the local people and the complaints about drug use and dealing in the area. The NPT have increased the uniform patrols along with the response teams, this has had a massive impact on the illegal activities going on in the area, the CCTV van was also used for gathering information on the vehicles coming and going. The feedback from the residence has been very positive. While working closely with two different housing associations three local premises are being targeted for eviction if they do not stick to the warnings that have been issued to them about allowing certain people use their homes.
- A prolific Offender for crimes such as, shoplifting, driving while disqualified, fraud (selling items on email he does not have), possession of an offensive weapon, TWOC sexual grooming and rape was arrested in January 2016, the male was already under a Wiltshire Council Injunction which he had breached on a number of occasions, but because of the close working relationship between the council and the police at the 5<sup>th</sup> time of going to court he was sentenced to 9 months in prison for the breaches alone with enquires still continuing for the other offences. This was an example of very good partnership working
- Operation Rouge Trader was carried out in three locations across Wiltshire yesterday 13th April. Salisbury, Swindon and Chippenham. The Chippenham location was at Sainsbury's in Chippenham, Along with Wiltshire police other agencies were present these were, Trading Standards, Department of Work and Pensions (DWP), Environment Agency, DVSA (Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency)

This was operation was conducted from 0830 to 1700 the results are that 15 vehicles were prohibited and had to stay in location until defects had been rectified(two overnight) 6 tickets were issued 3 of which were endorsable, 6 people are being investigated DWP, 1 business is being investigated for not having the correct paperwork, 2 drivers were reported for driving other than in accordance with their licence, 5 illegal waste tips have been identified and will be investigated

• The NPT have been conducting licencing checks in the town along with the new licencing officer on Saturday night this week, no offences where identified but advice was given to one or two premises, the CCTV van has been parked up in the town on occasion to discourage any disorder occurring, helping to maintain the purple flag standard

Signed: Les Fletcher

Date:14 April 2016

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## Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service briefing for Community Area Boards January /February 2016

## Responsibility for fire and rescue policy has moved from the Department for Communities and Local Government to the Home Office.

The Government has a manifesto commitment to deliver greater joint working between the police and fire service, and it recently consulted on proposals to enable Police and Crime Commissioners to take on greater responsibility for fire services at local level.

Mike Penning has assumed responsibility for the portfolio, becoming Minister for Policing, Fire, Criminal Justice and Victims. He said: "As a former firefighter and now Minister for Policing, I know from first-hand experience how well the police and fire service can work together. We believe that better joint working can strengthen the emergency services and deliver significant savings and benefits for the public. This is about smarter working, reducing the cost of back office functions and freeing up the time of front-line staff."

"This move will have benefits for both services. Fire authorities can learn from the journey that police forces have undertaken on reform over the last five years. Equally, the success of fire and rescue services in prevention holds important lessons for the police."

#### Fire Service asks drivers to 'mind the gap'

Would a fire engine be able to get to your house in an emergency? That's the question Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service is asking local people.

A fire engine needs clearance of 10ft (three metres) to pass safely. Streets congested with parked cars can delay fire engines and other emergency service vehicles attending an incident.

With more and more households having more than one car, the Service is becoming increasingly concerned that fire crews could be seriously delayed getting to an emergency incident because of inconsiderate parking.

Anyone parking on the roadside is asked to:

- · Park tightly to the kerb
- Leave enough space for a fire engine or an ambulance to pass
- Leave extra room near tight corners and never park right on a junction
- Observe double yellow lines they are often there to ensure turning space for larger vehicles
- Fold in your wing mirrors

The Service is now running 'Mind The Gap', an awareness campaign into the dangers of inappropriate parking, with fire crews carrying out leaflet drops in areas where problems are frequently reported.

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#### Road Safety news

The Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership comprises of Wiltshire Council, Wiltshire Police, Swindon Borough Council and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service.

They are working towards the following locally agreed targets.

\*KSI – Killed or Serious Injuries

40% reduction in all KSI's\*

50% reduction in Child KSI's\*

10% reduction in Slight Injuries

These are to be achieved by 2020 and are based against the base averages between 2004-2009.

For the last full year of published statistics in 2014 there were 1574 recorded collisions which resulted in 2157 casualties of which 31 were fatal. The overall cost of these casualties to the community is estimated to be £125 million (*Department for Transport*)

**2015 statistics** Published statistics for 2015 currently up until the end of July show 18 fatalities and a total of 884 casualties

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apl	May	Jun	Jul	Totals
Fatal	2	1	1	2	2	3	7	18
Serious	18	20	15	21	30	23	24	151
Slight	188	128	94	129	128	150	185	1002
Total:	208	149	110	152	160	176	216	884

#### Killed and seriously injured stats for vulnerable road users

	Fatal	Serious	Slight
Motorcycle	6	36	81
Pedestrian	1	26	91
Pedal Cycle	2	21	73
Horse Riders	0	0	1
Children <15	1	8	74

#### Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership Activities

The Partnership uses the police statistics above to set their campaigns and education priorities over the following 12 months. They also follow and support the national campaigns.

The Partnership receives no direct funding and works because of the commitment of each agency to reduce casualties through prevention work.

Michael FRANKLIN

Partnerships & Community Engagement Manager (Wiltshire Council area)
January 2016

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#### **April 2016**

## Change is coming to the NHS: Local health organisations and communities forge blueprint for improved health and wellbeing

Over the next few months, leaders from health and care organisations from Wiltshire, Bath and North East Somerset (BANES) and Swindon will be working together to develop a 'Sustainability and Transformation Plan' (STP) so that the aims of the <a href="NHS Five Year Forward View">NHS Five Year Forward View</a> – improved health and wellbeing, transformed quality of care delivery, and sustainable finances – can become reality. The collaboration gives the opportunity to make big changes to the way we address the needs of local people at a time when quality, services and finances are all under immense pressure.

The BANES, Swindon and Wiltshire (BSW) plan is being led by James Scott, the Chief Executive of Royal United Hospital in Bath. James has been Chief Executive at RUH since 2007, and will oversee and coordinate a team drawn from the leaders of each of the health and social care organisations included in our STP 'footprint' area.

This means that BSW plan brings together our three hospitals (Royal United Hospital, Great Western Hospital and Salisbury Foundation Trust), the three Clinical Commissioning Groups; BANES, Swindon and Wiltshire Councils, South West Ambulance Service and Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership Trust. The providers of our community services – Wiltshire Health and Care, Seqol and Sirona – and the Wessex Local Medical Committee (representing GPs from across the BSW area) complete our organisational grouping. Working together to cover a combined population size of approximately one million people, the BSW grouping will bid for and receive a transformation fund from 2017/18 onwards, which will be used to pay for health and social care services for people living in our area.

You can read more about Sustainability and Transformation Plans, how they will work across the country and what they mean for the NHS here: <a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/2016/03/footprint-areas/">www.england.nhs.uk/2016/03/footprint-areas/</a>

Details of how you can hear more information through public meetings and other engagement opportunities will be posted on <u>Wiltshire CCGs website</u>, so please keep checking for details.

#### Living healthily in middle life can double you chances of being healthy at 70 and beyond

Public Health England has launched **One You**, a ground breaking campaign, aimed to encourage adults to take control of their lives and become healthier.

Our lifestyles can be unhealthier than we think and around 40% of all deaths in England are related to behavior. Modern day life makes it hard for people to live healthily and many of us will have dramatically increased our chances of becoming ill later in life.

The environment in which we live, work and play can make it really tough to choose healthy options – with many of us sitting at a desk for eight hours a day, technology making it easier to shop, being entertained and keep in touch with friends and family all from the sofa.

Whether we are eating the wrong things, drinking more than we should, continuing to smoke, or just not being active enough, all of these small things can add up to an unhealthy you.

**One You** gives you the chance to change your lifestyle choices by providing you with all the tools, support and encouragement you need to help improve your health right away.

Take the **One You** health quiz 'How Are You?' to see how you score and start the fight back to a healthier you

Giving you the support to make better choices today can have a huge influence on your health, and could help prevent diseases such as type 2 diabetes, cancer and heart disease and will also reduce your risk of suffering a stroke or living with dementia, disability and frailty in later life.

It's up to all of us to make a change and shape our further health - Take the quiz now – it's never too late to get your health back on track





#### Area Board Update - April 2016

#### Consultation on proposed changes to the Wiltshire Council charging policy

Wiltshire Council is consulting on a number of proposed changes to its policies relating to charging for certain care services. The Consultation started on Tuesday 1st March and closes on Monday 30th May. Healthwatch Wiltshire wants to hear from local people about the changes which include changes to its charging policy for adult social care. We are holding a number of public meetings around the county where you can hear from the Council about the proposed changes and have your say. There is also a survey which can be completed online. If you cannot get to a meeting or complete the online survey, we still want to hear your views. Please get in touch with us! We will be writing a report based on what we hear from local people for the Council which it will consider when it makes its final decision. More information can be found here: <a href="http://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/news/take-part-consultation-process-proposed-changes-wiltshire-council-charging-policy">http://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/news/take-part-consultation-process-proposed-changes-wiltshire-council-charging-policy</a>.

Make sure your views are heard!

## Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection of Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust

The CQC is the independent regulator of all health and adult social care in England. On 23rd May 2016 the CQC will be inspecting the services provided by the Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust. It wants to hear from local people about their experiences of services to help them to understand what is good and bad about the care provided.

If you would like to provide any feedback on your experiences of services, please contact the CQC: telephone 0300 0616161; email <a href="mailto:enquires@cqc.org.uk">enquires@cqc.org.uk</a>; website <a href="http://www.cqc.org.uk/share-your-experience-finder">http://www.cqc.org.uk/share-your-experience-finder</a>. Alternatively you can contact Healthwatch Wiltshire as we work closely with the CQC to support its inspections.

#### Your Care Your Support Wiltshire

We are working with Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning group, on the new health and care information website called Your Care Your Support Wiltshire: <a href="https://www.yourcareyoursupportwiltshire.org.uk">www.yourcareyoursupportwiltshire.org.uk</a>. The aim is that the website becomes the 'go to place' for information about health and care.





Would you like to get involved? We are looking for people to provide feedback on the website or to get involved in a focus group or reader's panels. This is your chance to help build a really useful health and social care website fit for Wiltshire people.

Update from	Chippenham Partnership of Schools
Date of Area Board Meeting	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2016

#### **Headlines**

- Chippenham Children's and Young Peoples visit to Parliament awaiting confirmation for potential visit to the Houses of Parliament on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Parliament's theme this year has been'Understanding our Democracy'.
- MAF development of a commission conversation around behaviour, more details to follow.
- Safeguarding: The Partnership continues to work very closely with all agencies to make sure our children and young people are safe. Areas include Child Sexual Exploitation, Radicalisation and Drugs awareness.
- Five to Thrive Training to support and enhance transition to Primary School

- Continued support on the Local Youth Network (LYN) steering group
- <u>'Wow this is Maths'</u> day Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016: Organised by the Maths Leads in the cluster and supported by Chippenham Borough Lands, this day targeted years 2 & 4 and 6 & 7 pupils who were struggling to be enthused by Maths. The aims were to build confidence by engaging and exploring the magic of Maths with stimulating practical hands on activities to inspire a love of maths. The day was supported by Steve Lomax and Martin Adsett who are part of the GLOW maths hub. Approximately 150 pupils and 20 staff, who learnt new techniques to engage learners, benefited from this day.
- **Governor Training** Monitoring Funding Streams\_Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016: 19 governors from our schools in Chippenham benefitted from this bespoke training package.
- <u>Commonwealth Day</u> Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016: 14 schools took part in the commonwealth day celebrations learning about the cultures and customs of the service personal at Buckley Barracks. The pupils and students particularly liked the World War 1 workshop, the food and the dancing. Thank you to all involved.

#### **Future Events/Dates for the diary**

• Chippenham games and Para Games 2016 at Stanley Park

Games: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 Paragames: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> 2016 at Hardenhuish (please note new date

Governor Training

*'Accounting and Budgeting Support'* Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at Langley Fitzurze School, Kington Langley

- MAF (Multi Agency Forum) Thursday 28th April 2016 at Stanley Park
- <u>Chippenham Children's and Young People's Parliament</u> Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016
- Next Partnership meeting Wednesday 6th July 2016
- PCAMHS Mental Health Forums

Thursday May 19th 3.30pm Monday June 27th 3.30pm

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Signed: Stephanie Davis

Date: 14th April 2016

Update from	Vincent Albano, Asset Portfolio Manager Strategic Asset Management		
Date of Area Board Meeting	9 <sup>th</sup> May 2016		
Subject	Chippenham Skate park – update		

#### **Update**

Following the submission of the skate park planning application in February, the Local Planning Authority (LPA) requested further information. While the additional plans and sections have been provided, additional information regarding drainage and flood risk is still being compiled.

The main contractor, Wheelscape, have commissioned consultants to undertake further negotiations with the Environment Agency and the council's drainage engineers around discharge routes and rates for surface water. Essentially this relates to how and where rainwater falling on the skate park drains away. Given that the site chosen by the Area Board is located in the flood plain, the drainage solution needs to be able to cope when the river is in flood. The LPA requested additional information to support the application and this has required further consultation with the Environment Agency and Wheelscape are awaiting their response. Once this has been received, the scheme can be modified (if necessary) and the information can be submitted to the LPA. The current timescale for this is June 2016.