AGENDA

Meeting: Salisbury Area Board

Place: The Guildhall, Market Place, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 1JH

Date: Wednesday 10 November 2021

Time: 6.00 pm

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	Items to be considered	Time
1	Welcome and Introductions	6.00pm
2	Apologies for Absence	
3	Minutes (Pages 7 - 26)	
	To confirm the minutes of two previous online meetings held on Monday 12 July and Thursday 30 September 2021.	
4	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
5	Chairman's Updates	
	The Chairman will give an update on outcomes and actions arising from previous meetings of the Area Board.	
6	Information items (Pages 27 - 42)	
	 a. Healthwatch Wiltshire update b. CCG Update c. WC info item: Changes to Wiltshire's Taxi Tariffs Update on Leisure Centres transferring to Wiltshire Council Youth Council Updates 	
7	Partner and Community Updates	6.20pm
	To note any updates either attached to the agenda from representatives present.	
	 a) An Introduction from newly appointed Community Engagement Manager – Karlene Jammeh b) Salisbury City Council (SCC) c) Police d) Fire 	
	Note: Speakers are reminded that they each have a 3 minutes slot, unless they have previously discussed alternative arrangements	

8	Police and Crime Plan Consultation and Precept questions survey	6.35pm
	The Board is asked to note and urge people to take part in the Police & Crime Plan consultation which is running from 18 October – 14 November 2021. Further information is available via the PCC press release <u>here</u> .	
	To take part in the survey, click on the link here.	
	<u>Video link</u>	
9	Underpass Working Group - Update	6.40pm
	At the last meeting on 30 th September, the Area Board agreed to form an Underpass working group, which would be led by Councillor Paul Sample and Councillor Sven Hocking.	
	The Board will receive an update on the progress of setting up the working group.	
	Cllr Paul Sample	
10	Community Area Transport Group (CATG)	6.50pm
	To note the minutes and actions of the last CATG meeting held on 9 November 2021 and to consider any funding recommendations as detailed in the report which is to follow, due to the meeting taking place one day prior to the Area Board.	
	Cllr Sven Hocking	
	Note: For further info on CATG or to access the form to submit an item, view the Area Board webpage <u>here.</u> And scroll down the page to the CATG section.	

11 **Community Funding** (Pages 43 - 48)

7.00pm

To consider applications for funding, as detailed in the attached report and summarised below:

Туре	Applicant	Project	Request
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CAG	Milford Preservation Group	Milford Hollow rewilding project	£800
CAG	Underground Studios	The Underground Studios Music	£5000
CAG	Parochial Church Council of Harnham St George and All Saints	Green Heating for Harnham Hub	£5000
HWG	Harnham Day Centre	Keep fit at Harnham Day Centre	£720
Youth	Wessex Archaeology Ltd	Well City Salisbury Youth courses	£4994
HWG	Safer & Supportive Salisbury The Board is asked to note the following project which received funding under CEM delegated Powers, due to urgency, in consultation with the Chairman and a unanimous vote in support by Board Members.	Community Conference on Women's Safety	£640 Agreed under CEM delegate d Powers (14/10/2 1)

Officer: Jacqui Abbott, Community Engagament Manager

12 **Close**

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 10 March 2022, at 6.00pm.

8.00pm

MINUTES

Meeting: Salisbury Area Board Place: Online

Date: 12 July 2021

Start Time: 4.00 pm

Finish Time: 5.18 pm

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Wiltshire Council Officers

Lisa Alexander, Senior Democratic Services Officer Marc Read, Community Engagement Manager

<u>Minute</u> <u>No</u>	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
19	Welcome
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Salisbury Area Board and invited the members of the Board to introduce themselves.
20	Apologies for Absence
	There were none.
21	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.
22	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Request - Grosvenor and Riverside House, Salisbury
	The Chairman noted the report and supporting documents attached to the agenda and set out the running order of the meeting.
23	Applicant Summary
	Applicant, Peter Rushforth, Director - Rise Resound Rebuild (RRR) CIC, noted the summary of amendments detailed in the revised Business Plan uploaded to the agenda online as supplement 1.
	The proposal was to re-open the Youth Centre and make it self-sufficient. A lack of youth provision had been identified and the need for a cultural hub that benefitted existing youth outreach in the city was present.
	If the property was sold to a developer at £1m, that was half the market value. The site would be used to build 25 flats.
	Alternatively, the buildings could be leased to RRR for 125 years, that would unlock the funding needed to renovate the property and carry out the repairs needed.
	If the project failed, the building would revert back to the ownership of the council at a profit.
24	Members Questions
	Board Members then had the opportunity to ask questions, these included:

•	Could you clarify the funding source for the proposals and whether any of the applications to funding bodies mentioned had yet been submitted? <u>Answer:</u> Yes we have spoken to 5 of the 10 big funding providers which were set up to support groups like ours, they have confirmed that our project is something that they would like to fund, they gave £3.3m to a similar project in Lambeth last week. We had one funder that was committed to supporting us. If the council let us lease the property that would unlock the funding.
•	Grosvenor House was vacated in 2017 as it was considered unsafe structurally, due to its poor state. Have you seen a condition survey or structural survey? Nothing in the papers suggest that it is viable to be brought back to life. <u>Answer</u> : We had inspected the garden from the building and had sent a drone in to the building. It seemed the roof was in fine condition and generally not in as bad a condition as was previously thought.
•	So, there was no actual report or survey from a structural engineer? <u>Answer:</u> No we had completed a pre-app, but there were issues in gaining access due to covid, so that was one of the first things we would be doing if supported by you.
•	It would be essential to get a professional survey if the CAT went ahead.
•	You have 6 Executives and 7 Managing Directors, given that this is about youth services, I don't see that represented under the headings. <u>Answer</u> : The structure was designed around a PHD design. 34 hr week of working in those business areas with 6hrs aside for mentoring in the youth centre. They will be within the property, in the basement we were looking to have a music studio, and the youth area. We were trying to provide the safe space and the people to mentor them. Details could be found towards the end of part 2 of the Business Plan.
•	In a personal capacity, your vision and the documents provided were admirable. We had to weigh up the CAT bid alongside the option of a private purchase.
•	Could you set out what experience you have in securing funding and what attracted you to this specific property and were alternatives considered?
	<u>Answer</u> : I personally have £1.2m in investment and research in my day Job. The two major projects I have managed over the last 2 years had cost £2m between them. My colleague Mark had been managing the largest air heat source pump in Europe with a £0.5m turnover for his employer a year. We have people with the experience to see this through. If you don't support us we won't be able to find out.

	Yes other properties were considered, but this was the former youth centre and we had huge support through our petition for this site. It would also tie in well with the Salisbury Future High Street fund projects around the train station and the Fisherton street developments. This could only add value to Salisbury.
	We also had a desire to extend the river walk which would lead through the garden to the train station. Almost a tourist draw, if we put a public walk through a market garden that would be the only one in the country.
	There was one youth facility near the Gala Bingo which was not successful, it did not have enough space. If we don't provide for the young people of Salisbury, they will leave.
	• We did need to do more for young people in Salisbury and tying it in to do more for hospitality, but you referred to the catchment area as including Amesbury, Tidworth & Ludgershall, however, they don't have transport links and were quite far away from Salisbury, how did you see that working? Had you spoken to Salisbury Reds to see if they could serve that area?
	Answer: We have picked that area because Salisbury is a geographical hub and the youth use buses, all of the routes end up in Salisbury. It would be in the Reds interest to provide another bus stop on Churchfields. But no, I have not spoken to them. It would not be practically difficult for them to walk from the Market square if Salisbury Reds did not invest in another bus stop or change the route.
	 Was R3 CIC already in existence? <u>Answer</u>: It was registered but had not yet set up a bank account.
25	Public Q & A
	Local Resident - James Stares We suffered quite far ranging anti-social behaviour when Grosvenor House was operating as a youth centre. We are not anti-youth but we have to live in the location. There is talk of methane bio generation and garden events. This is a poor location for any kind of drop off for large number attendance.
	I applaud the efforts of Pete and his team in trying to provide some provision for young people. If the project were to last 3-4 years and be unsuccessful it would remain an eyesore.
	Buses don't pass along Churchfields Road. Where would the heavy transport go during the development phase?
	As neighbouring residents, we want something done to those properties which had secure backing and could be concluded in a reasonable time.

	Local resident - Sally Wilmot As a local resident I think it's a shame that Pete and colleagues had not engaged with local residents as I could have provided input. I admire the ambition, but this was the wrong location.
	The Business plan was vague in terms of youth service provision. The location was on a busy route used by heavy traffic and many school children. Adding a bus route along this road would be dangerous, and there would be a lot of additional car users visiting to drop off.
	Local resident - James Wilmot I am confused about the age group they were aiming for. The papers mention 16 – 24 year olds, but were they youth groups? Which age group are going off to Bristol?
	<u>Answer</u> : Yes, they are youths and young people. Data shows a large dip in the age brackets $16 - 24y$ and particular $20 - 24y$. We have over 1300 in that age group that are classed as NEET (Not in Education, Employment, or Training). Council data show that 3% of young people are NEET and more specifically, that 14% of 18-24y were NEET.
26	Area Board recommendation
	Local Member Cllr Paul Sample thanked the applicant for the level of detail provided within the plan.
	He noted his concern regarding the level of deterioration of both Grosvenor House and Riverside House since being occupied by Youth and children's Services.
	The absence of any inspections by builders' surveys was also noted as a concern, as was the lack of confirmed funding which would be required to back a project of this size, noting that the costs of running a professional fundraising organisation costs in itself hundreds of thousands of pounds. There was also no bank account in place, which combined, all suggested that you were not ready to go.
	Cllr Sample had been to speak to those affected by the proposals and drew attention to the low numbers of letters and Facebook posts received in support for the project. He suggested that it would be easy to raise a petition of 200 people on an online platform and felt that it did not represent a large number of people given the draw available through social media.
	Those who had spoken to Cllr Sample were all neighbours living close to the proposed site. They were all against the proposals and instead supported the property being sold to developers because they wanted the works to be done by professional who would assess the levels of work by structural engineers.

The Business Plan did not include a provision for any unexpected health and safety costs or needs.
Cllr Sample praised the Applicant for their presentation, noting that it was clear they had a vision, however, the issue was how to put that into effect and how they would get the buildings up and running from day one, which he felt the applicant was not in a position to do currently, as he would expect to see a percentage of costs in a functioning bank account before such a project could be supported to go ahead. He would like to see 50% of intents offered.
Cllr Sample moved the motion not to support the CAT at this time, as the project would require someone that could step in and do the work, putting the building safe and managing the security, all from day one.
Members supported the buildings being sold, as did the residents living in close proximity to the site. In these times when there was so little public money available, by allowing this we would be tying our hands behind our back and would result in the lost opportunity to bring millions back into use.
The motion to not support the CAT was seconded by Cllr Sven Hocking.
Cllr Rogers had been the former Chairman of the Management Committee at Grosvenor House for over a decade noted that when looking in detail at the scale of the development and the money that would be required from various organisations, he queried whether the project would ever happen due to the number of uncertainties. He would like to support however, could not and felt it was not feasible.
Other more suitable buildings and locations were suggested, including the Gala Bingo or Blue Boar Row, which were both sites which were more central and felt to be a better option by some.
The general consensus was that the applicants were not yet ready to start and make the project work.
It was also raised that another reason young people left Salisbury was due to the lack of suitable accommodation and the need for more affordable housing for young people.
Cllr Sample gave summary, noting that if the Board did not approve to support the CAT, then it would not go forward to Cabinet. Time was of the essence, as there was a building that was crumbling by the day. The sooner planning permissions were in place for housing development, to enable it to move to the next stage the better.
The Board then voted on the motion not to support:

	<u>Decision</u> : Salisbury Area Board agreed not to support the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Request - Grosvenor and Riverside House, Salisbury.
27	Close
	The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and noted that the next meeting of the Salisbury Area Board would be held online, on Thursday 30 September 2021.

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Meeting:	Salisbury Area Board
Place:	Online meeting
Date:	30 September 2021
Start Time:	6.00 pm
Finish Time:	9.10 pm

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Wiltshire Council Officers

Jacqui Abbot (Community Engagement Manager), Dominic Argar (Assistant Multimedia Officer), David Redfern (Head of Service, Communities), Tara Shannon (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Richard Walters (Head of Service Major Projects), Richard Williams (Land Drainage Engineer)

Town and Parish Councillors

Salisbury City Council

Partners Wiltshire Police PCC

Total in attendance: 30

<u>Minute</u> <u>No</u>	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
28	Welcome and Introductions
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29	Apologies for Absence
	No apologies for absence were received.
30	Minutes
	<u>Decision</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
31	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
32	Chairman's Updates
	The Chairman made the following announcements:
	Leader Delegated Decision The legislation which allowed local authorities to take public meetings and decisions online during the pandemic, was not extended past 6 May 2021, therefore all Area Boards held online were required to pass any recommendations for a decision through the Leader Delegated Decision process.
	Sale of Grosvenor House and Riverside Grosvenor House and Riverside would be offered for sale on the open market the week following the meeting through the Council's selling agent Myddelton & Major.
	Any individual, organisation, community group, or company would be able to submit an offer for its acquisition through Myddelton & Major. The deadline for submitting an offer was midday 24th January 2022.
33	Information items
	The Board noted the written information items attached to the online agenda, they included:
	Healthwatch Wiltshire

	 Clinical Commissioning Group Wiltshire Council – Ash Dieback – link to video within written paper Climate Strategy & Natural Environment Plan consultations Future High Street Fund Salisbury Junction Improvements Air Quality Group
34	 <u>Partner and Community Updates</u> The Board noted the following written updates and papers from Partners and Community Groups which were included in the agenda pack: Salisbury Neighbourhood Police Team Dorset & Wilts Fire Update
	Partner's present were then invited to present updates, these included:
	Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) - Philip Wilkinson The new PCC gave an update to the meeting following his recent election. The PCC highlighted issues for the police regarding the police station at Bourne Hill and his hopes that it may be possible for there to be a new Salisbury police station which would be more suited to the needs of the police. It was hoped that it may even be possible for this to have a custody suite, as there were currently no facilities for that in Salisbury and anyone arrested and detained had to be taken to Melksham. It was not felt that this was the best use of officers' time. The PCC was working on outreach to the community ensuring that the wishes, concerns and aspirations of the people of Swindon and Wiltshire were considered.
	Police – Inspector Tina Osbourn The Inspector stated that it had been a busy period, especially with the relaxing of lockdown which had caused an expected spike in crime. It was noted that there had been a series of catapult offences in Salisbury city centre and Bemerton Heath, fortunately these seemed to be reducing and work was ongoing to try and prevent these offences in the future. There had been a series of burglaries in Harnham, for which a man had been convicted and received a 4- year sentence. Community Speedwatch (CSW) work was still ongoing, and the police were supporting CSW volunteers as much as possible. There had been a slight increase in Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), drug dealing and fly tipping, particularly in the Friary, mainly repeat offenders had been responsible and partnership working was underway to deal with matters. Work was also underway to build trust between police and the community in the Friary and the crime had reduced as a result. There had been some issues regarding E- Scooters which had led to some being seized. 4 new PCSO's were joining the team in the coming weeks which was great news.
	In response to questions, it was stated that there was proactive action planned

	against drugs issues on Bemerton Heath as well as in the Friary. Regarding 'boy-racers' at park and ride sites it was explained that this was a known issue that was policed regularly with targeted patrols.
	Older People's Champion – Irene Kohler Irene Kohler gave details regarding the development of Silver Salisbury which gave older people the chance to contribute to and enjoy various activities and grants received which had helped to support the programme. Details were given of the effect of the pandemic and events and activities which had been held. Positive feedback was received helping to reduce isolation during COVID and beyond. The programme now also covered Amesbury, Wilton and Downton and separate strands of Silver Salisbury could be developed work with these areas in conjunction with the Salisbury programme. The programme aimed to inclusive and to reach all demographics of older people within the community. The group hoped to reach marginalised groups and increase capacity.
	Comments received included that Salisbury Pride would be happy to support LGBTQ Silver events.
35	Highways Major Works 5 Year Plan
	Diane Ware, Principal Technical Officer for Highways introduced the draft 5 year major maintenance plan. The final plan would be amended on the basis of feedback received would come back to the Board in March/April 2022 for approval, prior to final sign off by Cabinet. Once the plan was finalised it could be viewed online at <u>https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/highways-asset-management</u> .
	A continuous programme of surveying was underway throughout the whole county, utilising land rovers with specialist equipment to take measurements on the conditions of the roads. Last year all roads in the county were surveyed. The data generated enabled officers to determine if the road had structural faults or surface faults.
	The officer explained that the funding model for roads had changed. Previously funds were allocated to each community area based on the kilometres of road in that community area. This had now changed so that funds were proportioned based on how much maintenance was needed in each area, which was fairer and ensured that the roads in the poorest condition would be worked on.
	Slides were shown to the meeting detailing the condition of roads by Area Board, some community areas were in worse than others and it was hoped that this would level out over the next 5 years ensuring that all areas roads were in a better condition. Changes to the Area Board boundaries had affected the plans and there were still some updates required to ensure that all roads and works required were recorded under the correct area board. The condition of the roads in Salisbury had improved in comparison with Wiltshire as a whole.
	It was explained than unfortunately highways works were not carbon neutral due

	the nature of the products used and where they came from. However, by intervening early and keeping roads in good condition for as long as possible, usually by treating them in order to preserve the top layer, would help to ensure they were not structurally damaged and required rebuilding, which would help to reduce carbon costs.
	The quality of roads in Salisbury was generally quite good, however there were localised areas where the conditions were bad, and these were included in the plan.
	The officer explained that all the condition data was used to rank roads and gave them a scoring which was used to determine the order they should be worked on and the best type of scheme to use on certain roads. For example, surface dressing (tar and chips), a new surface course, or dig it up and completely resurface. The officer would propose a program order to the area highway engineer for feedback and the order may change slightly. At this point for anything from $2023 - 2027$ community input could make a difference to what was in the plan, so feedback was welcomed.
	The officer encouraged anyone who felt a road had been missed out of the plan, or the works should be re-ordered to contact her on diane.ware@wiltshire.gov.uk. Although it was highlighted that to bring certain works forward, others would need to be pushed back.
	In response to questions details were given regarding contractors were working with Wiltshire Council on reducing carbon emissions. It was also confirmed that some of the smaller C roads or unclassified roads were in the plan. It was explained that there had been a significant reduction in budget this year. As a result, officers had to think outside of the box and possible cost saving solutions were to use different materials or possibly to extend times that roads could be worked on, with the agreement of the local community.
	The officer was leaving Wiltshire Council, so Councillors gave the officer their best wishes and thanked her for her hard work.
36	River Park Project - Update
	Andy Wallis, Salisbury River Park Project Lead for the Environment Agency presented the item. It was explained that this was a partnership project between Wiltshire Council, the Environment Agency and Salisbury City Council. The river frontages would be vastly improved within Salisbury. The project incorporated flood resilience, improved amenity, enhanced green infrastructure and improved ecology along with many other benefits.
	Plans were shown for the north section of the river near Ashley Road/Fisherton Wreck detailing increased wetlands, woodlands, footpaths, cycleways and play areas. Further up towards the Maltings/Central Car Park was the main area of works where a 40/50 wide metre green corridor was to be created, helping to

	mitigate flood risk and also create a wildlife and amenity corridor. The scheme included a new footbridge from the coach park across the river to where the pedestrian paths would be.
	Design work and surveys were currently underway, mobilisation on site was due around January 2022 and it was hoped phase 1 construction would be complete around December 2023. The project had current estimated of total costs £20-23 million and funding of £19 million had been secured.
	Members were pleased that this project was underway and thought it would be really good for Salisbury. In response to a question regarding river flow and whether flow could be kept higher in the summer to help with fish stocks, it was stated that habitats would be maintained in the channels so the fish could thrive, and obstacles in the way of fish transiting the river would be removed. Low flows were hard to manage but the project would undertake to manage this and results would be monitored to ensure a healthy habitat was maintained. The Chairman thanked Mr Wallis for his update.
37	The Maltings - Update
	Richard Walters, Head of Service, Major Projects, gave an update to the meeting on the Maltings. The main reason for the update was the proposed acquisition of the shopping centre.
	As background the officer explained that the Council had existing land holdings in the Maltings such as central car park and the coach park. The aim was to regenerate the area. In 2019 a Master Plan was developed for the whole site. In 2020 the Central Area Framework was endorsed and this year the Salisbury River Park Master Plan had been endorsed.
	The Council had previously sought to deliver regeneration in central car park and the Maltings site with a development partner. However due to adverse market conditions the development partner was unable to progress, even with government funding which had been secured. Other opportunities were explored with the current owners of the shopping centre, these were in turn impacted by Novichok and recent market headwinds, so the grant funding was repurposed towards the river park scheme. The Council owned the shopping centre free hold however it was felt that it would be beneficial to the regeneration for the shopping centre to be in single ownership which would give the Council more control over the regeneration. When it became apparent that the current owners were willing in principle to sell their interest, Cabinet and Full Council approval was gained to support land assembly in order to simplify ownership and allow flexible phased regeneration. Negations had been underway since that time and were complicated by the pandemic and the volatility of the market. A recent offer had been made for the site which encompassed the Maltings shopping centre including the Sainsburys site, Market Walk and the former British Heart Foundation site. The offer had not been accepted and the owners were talking to other parties. As a Council we could only support offers that were supported

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	by commercial advice on the value. If a deal could be agreed this would be put to Cabinet for its approval.					
	A separate project was being taken forward to deliver the River Park project using the grant funding secured. Work was being undertaken on City Hall and the Cultural Quarter. A plan to bring forward regeneration on the Maltings and Central Car Park needed to be updated to take account of the land assembly position and market conditions. Any scheme developed would need to be based on policy and consulted on with stakeholders and the community.					
	In response to questions raised regarding the old British Heart Foundation site, it was explained that that land was still owned by the current owners of the shopping centre. It was understood that there was still an obligation between them and the hotel operator they had been working with and there was still an intention to pursue a hotel on the site. It was understood that the hotel operator had gone into a Company Voluntary Arrangement which may be affecting matters. Full contractual details were not known as that was between the hotel operator and the site owner. Wiltshire Councils influence was limited to the planning process. It was hoped that if a suitable deal could be brokered with the site owners so that site would be brought under Wiltshire Councils control.					
	Questions were asked regarding the unsightliness of the hoardings around the site and whether this could be made to look better. It was explained that this would be under control of the managing agents and it was suspected that these were in place to ensure site safety.					
	In response to further questions on the value offered for the site the officer stated that he could not go into details but felt we were putting forward a positive position. It was also explained that what happened next would be dependent on whether we could conclude a deal with the current site owners as this would make things much more certain to possible new development partners. However, we could also use the phased approach that had been originally planned with a development partner.					
	The Chairman thanked the officer for the update.					
38	Salisbury City Hall					
	David Redfern, Head of Service, Communities gave an update on Salisbury City Hall. The officer explained that he headed the Councils community services, including in house leisure, libraries, the community engagement team and Salisbury City Hall.					
	As a recap the officer stated that City Hall was closed in March 2020 and the majority of the team were placed on furlough. In October 2020 a cabinet decision was taken to wind down services offered at City Hall and by February 2021 the City Hall delivery team left the council. Colleagues in Estates had worked with the NHS to ensure there was a positive use of City Hall which was					

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	currently being used as a vaccination centre. It had been agreed that this would be an NHS vaccination site until at least March 2022.
	Future plans were that City Hall would continue as an integral part of Salisbury's Cultural Quarter. The decision Cabinet made included that City Hall be reopened when it was safe to do so and when it was financially sustainable to do so.
	The officer looked on a weekly basis at opportunities for City Hall. Phil Smith who had previously worked at City Hall for Wiltshire Council was now involved with the Chapel Live and Salisbury Playhouse was now up and running again which was positive.
	The financially sustainable caveat imposed by Cabinet was difficult and officers were currently scoping options as part of the Cultural Strategy for Salisbury. Mr Redfern welcomed ideas from Members and the public present on what should happen with City Hall.
	The Chairman stated that personally he had been quite shocked by the Cabinet decision. Some good officers had been lost and his opinion was that City Hall should reopen as an entertainment centre. He felt that there would be a knock-on effect on local businesses such as pubs and restaurants if City Hall did not reopen as an entertainment centre.
	Members of the Board stated that City Hall was dear to them and the people of Salisbury and hoped that consultations on the future use of City Hall could be led by Salisbury Area Board. The Board Members wanted the venue to be upgraded and stay as an entertainment venue, with acts appropriate for all ages and tastes. It was also noted that consultations may require information for the public in different languages. Members also suggested looking into the possibility of acquiring funding from elsewhere. The Chairman highlighted that City Hall provided a service to residents which it was very important should continue.
	Cllr Hocking stated that City Hall may just be too small, compared to other venues, to draw in the big headline acts that people hoped to see there, he also highlighted the budgetary constraints Wiltshire Council was facing, so one had to be pragmatic when looking at this.
	A member of the audience suggested a headline sponsor to help raise funds to support City Hall, which was welcomed as a good idea.
	The Chairman thanked David Redfern for the update.
39	Condition and safety of the A36's underpasses.
	At the Chairman's invitation Cllr Paul Sample led an item on the condition and safety of the A36's underpasses.

Slides were shown detailing the condition of the A36 underpasses. Many of these were covered in graffiti tags and many were dark and vulnerable people often felt unsafe in the underpasses, particularly at night. Some of the underpasses were also prone to flooding.

Some underpasses had positive aspects such as the mosaics within the Greencroft underpass which had been installed previously by local residents, the street art mural on Milford Street and some of the new street art at New Bridge.

It was highlighted that pedestrians, particularly women and older people had an aversion to underpasses and people often went out of their way to avoid using them.

Cllr Sample posed a number of questions which he hoped could be answered now or in another forum, these were:

- Was there a problem?
- What do we need to do?
- Could we make underpasses feel safer?
- Could we improve cleaning and maintenance?
- How could we improve lighting, especially at night?
- Could CCTV be installed to make them safer?
- What did vulnerable groups want to happen?
- Could we turn underpasses into something we could be proud of?
- How could tagging be discouraged?
- Was there such a thing as "acceptable graffiti" or "street art"?
- Could we encourage community art projects or invite talented street artists to undertake specific projects?

There was a consensus amongst Members that helping to improve the underpasses was a good idea, in particular involving community groups to help develop projects. Although it was acknowledged that this could be difficult as often the underpasses were not owned by Wiltshire Council and there were several stakeholders involved, such as National Highways, Wiltshire Council and Salisbury City Council. It was hoped a multi-agency approach could help to resolve the issues. Cllr McClelland stated that a new pump unit was being manufactured for Exeter Street. Members floated the idea of setting up a working group involving the Area Board and stakeholders to discuss all the issues and try to find solutions.

Liz Batten, who was working in partnership with others to make a safer Salisbury in particular for women and girls, which in turn would make Salisbury safer for all, spoke and gave some details regarding work already undertaken on this matter. An action plan was being developed and having safer underpasses was a key part of the project. The Chairman hoped that Ms Batten could be part of the working group if set up.

	Margaret Wilmott highlighted issues that cyclists who also used the underpasses encountered and stated that cyclists would also like to be represented on the working group.
	Cllr Sample hoped that a holistic multi-agency approach could be taken to resolve issues and involving user groups was key as well. At the conclusion of the debate, it was,
	Resolved:
	That Salisbury Area Board would set up an underpasses working group to work on the issues raised regarding the condition and safety of the A36's underpasses.
40	Drain Repairs George Street South
	Cllr Paul Sample explained that the road drains in George Street South were not working, he stated that these needed replacing and highlighted issues he had encountered when trying to resolve the issue. Cllr Sample felt that there were other properties in Salisbury with similar issues and wanted to ensure that Wilshire Council had the budget to replace the drains.
	Richard Williams, Land Drainage Engineer, Wiltshire Council, explained that the Council was aware of the problems and the issue at George Street South was on the list of works to undertake and the risks were being managed. The list was prioritised according to risk and need, and this site was further down the list. Occasionally issues lower down the list would need to wait until the following financial year due to budgetary constraints. The officer stated that undermining of the house had not been reported to Wiltshire Council and if the resident reported it, the site could be reassessed. It was acknowledged that the system was slow draining. The carrier was Wessex Water and they had been spoken to about getting the system jetted.
	Cllr Sample suggested cross department working to ensure that the Council use traffic orders to prevent cars parking on drains when gully cleaning teams came out. He felt that it was his role as a councillor to report issues his residents faced and that the Council needed to ensure that funds were available for basic issues such as blocked drains.
	Cllr Sample proposed a motion that the Board note that the road drains in George Street South were not working and needed replacing. He also requested that the Board support a recommendation that Council notes the potential danger to public health in the area and the damage to private properties in George Street South and calls on Wiltshire Council to allocate the budget next year to replace the drains as a matter of priority.
	Cllr Mark McClelland as Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste, Street Scene

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	and Flooding, highlighted that there was a process in place and professional officers of the Council assessed all requests that came in across the County and prioritised those according to risk and within a limited budget, so the budget had to go to the most acute issues. Cllr McClelland stated that as he understood it there was no immediate public health risk at present and that the issue in George Street South was more complicated than simply unblocking a drain. His advice was that this issue should go through the normal process to be resolved, rather than circumventing established processes, although he understood Cllr Samples desire to push this issue up the agenda. The proposed motion was discussed.
	Cllr Sample amended the motion on the basis of Cllr McClelland's comments and proposed the Board to note that the road drains in George Street South were not working and needed replacing and to support a recommendation to raise awareness of this with the Cabinet Member. This was seconded by Cllr Ricky Rogers.
	A debate followed whereby there was discussion highlighting that there were drainage issues across Salisbury and that there were processes in place to deal with problems and that this particular issue had been raised with the Cabinet Member during the meeting. There were worries that all Board Members in future would bring forward motions to the Area Board regarding issues in their ward. Therefore, some Members felt unable to support the motion. There was general support for Cllr Sample's motives, however it was felt that perhaps this was not the correct tool or format to raise the issue. Others felt there no issues with Members bringing motions to the Area Board or even Full Council and were fully supportive.
	At the conclusion of the debate, it was,
	Resolved:
	 To note that the road drains in George Street South were not working and needed replacing To support a recommendation that Council raise awareness of this with the Cabinet Member
41	Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Resolved:
	 To note the minutes from the CATG meeting held on 13 July To approve the funding recommendation for CATG item 4a - Request for the introduction of measures to stop fly tipping from occurring in Gradidge Lane, £1,600.00.
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42	Area Board Funding
	The Board considered funding applications as set out in the report attached to the agenda. Any applicants present were invited to briefly set out their projects. It was,
	Resolved:
	Youth Grants
	 To note that the Wessex Archaeology Ltd application for £4,994.00 towards Well City Salisbury Youth courses had been deferred by the applicant to a future meeting
	Health and Wellbeing Grants
	 To grant Wiltshire Music Centre, £1,500.00 towards Celebrating Age Wiltshire
	Community Area Grants:
	 To grant Sarum Rotary Club, £600.00 towards a Gazebo To grant Sarum Rotary Club, £600.00 towards hybrid meeting equipment To grant Alzheimers Support, £5,000.00 towards Salisbury Dementia Centre fixtures and fittings To note the Wiltshire Creative grant for £5,000.00 towards Window Wanderland which had already been awarded under the delegated
	 authority of the CEM To note the Area Board initiative grant for £208.00 towards Chat Benches, which had already been awarded under the delegated authority of the CEM
43	Close
	The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and noted that the next meeting of the Salisbury Area Board would be held on 2 December 2021.

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Share your views of Equipment Service



Healthwatch Wiltshire is looking for people to share their experiences of the county's Community Equipment Service.

We're working with Medequip, which provides equipment such as walking frames, wheelchairs and hoists, to find out what people think of the service, what they like about it and what they think could be improved.

Stacey Sims, Healthwatch Wiltshire Manager, said: "Our survey looks at all aspects of the Community Equipment Service, from the information you're given about your equipment to how it's delivered and installed in your home, serviced and collected.

"Everything we hear will be shared with Medequip and anyone who gives their feedback is welcome to join an online forum which will help shape the way the equipment service is developed in the future."

Michaela Harris, Medequip's General Manager for the South West and Suffolk, said: "We're delighted to be working with Healthwatch Wiltshire on this project and I would urge anyone who has used our service to give their feedback so we can understand what's working well and where we need to make improvements."

Jessica Mitchell, Senior Commissioner for Adult Services at Wiltshire Council and Hannah Massey, Commissioning Manager for Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group, said: "The survey will play an important part in making sure that the community voice is central to the continued development of the service.

"This is a great opportunity for people to have their say and help ensure that the people of Wiltshire have continued support from a quality service. We would therefore like to take the opportunity to thank people in advance of completing the survey and thank Medequip and Healthwatch Wiltshire for all their support."

<u>Share your experience online</u> or call us on 01225 434218 to complete the survey over the phone or to ask for a paper copy to be sent to you. All feedback is anonymous.

01225 434218

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Update for Wiltshire Area Boards

October 2021

Devizes Health Centre build reaches highest point

Local healthcare leaders and construction officials attended a topping out ceremony on the Devizes Health Centre site on Marshall Road on Monday 11 October 2021 marking the building reaching its highest point.

The new Devizes Health Centre will be one of the region's first integrated care centres and with services being delivered on the site by the Devizes Primary Care Network made up of the four local GP practices, the Royal United Hospitals Bath, Wiltshire Health and Care and the Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership.

The project remains on track with the building scheduled to open next summer.

You can find out more about the Devizes Health Centre and watch a time lapse stream of the building work on the <u>CCG website</u>.

GPs address current pressure in open letter to patients

On Friday 8 October, leading GPs from across our region, including Dr Edd Rendell, Locality Clinical Lead for Wiltshire, issued an open letter to local people explaining the pressures currently affecting primary care services and saying what people can do to help.

Available to read in full on <u>the CCG website</u>, the open letter explained how staff absences, rising coronavirus cases and an increase in demand for urgent and emergency care had generated pressure not usually seen outside of winter.

The letter was also accompanied by a <u>factsheet that explained how GP practices are</u> <u>working differently</u>.

Covid-19 vaccinations

Covid-19 vaccinations for children aged between 12 and 15-years-old

Since the end of September, coronavirus vaccinations for children aged between 12 and 15-years-old have been taking place in schools across Wiltshire, as well as in other areas of Bath and North East Somerset and Swindon.

More than 45,000 local children are eligible for the Covid-19 vaccine, which is being delivered in school-based clinics by Virgin Care's immunisation service team.

Home-schooled children, as well as those in private education, are also included in the vaccine rollout.

Due to the complex logistics associated with a vaccination programme of this size, there may be times when planned clinics have to be rearranged due to factors outside any organisation's control, such as staff sickness and classroom isolations following a positive covid test result. In these cases, sessions will be rearranged as quickly as possible.

In October, and ahead of the half-term break, parents are now able to also use the online national booking system to arrange their child's vaccination appointment at a local vaccination centre, such as Salisbury City Hall.

This supplementary offer will be available alongside the school-based programme, and parents now have the option to book their child's appointment using the online system or wait for their child's school to be visited by Virgin Care.

The vaccination programme for 12 to 15-year-olds is expected to be completed by the of November 2021.

Covid-19 booster vaccinations

GP practices started inviting people for their third, top-up dose of the Covid-19 vaccine at the end of September.

Those eligible for the booster vaccine, which can only be given six months after a person's previous dose, include all those aged over 50, health and social care workers and people with weakened immune systems.

All people eligible for a booster vaccine should receive their third dose before the end of December, and those who have yet to be invited to book their appointment are encouraged to wait to be contacted.

A dedicated vaccination programme for people who cannot travel to a vaccination clinic, such as care home residents, homeless people, travellers and those who belong to a boating community, is also currently underway.

Information about the vaccination programme, including frequently asked questions, can be found by visiting the <u>CCG's website</u>.

Integrated Care System

Recruitment process for BSW Integrated Care Board chief executive role

The Health and Care Bill currently going through Parliament sets out plans to put Integrated Care Systems on a statutory footing, empowering them to better join up health and care, improve population health and reduce health inequalities.

The current proposals mean that each ICS would be led by an NHS Integrated Care Board (ICB), an organisation with responsibility NHS functions and budgets, and an Integrated Care Partnership (ICP), a statutory committee bringing together all system partners to produce a health and care strategy.

As the current Integrated Care System executive lead roles are different to the future ICB CEO roles, all 42 systems across England have had to carry out a recruitment process for the position of ICB CEO.

In BSW, shortlisted candidates took part in a rigorous interview process for the role in mid-October. The successful applicant is expected to be announced in November.

The recruitment of a designate CEO follows the appointment of Stephanie Elsy as Chair-designate in July 2021.

Shaping a Healthier Future

From November onwards, the CCG will be asking local people for their feedback on its new health and care model.

Originally published just before the start of the pandemic, the CCG is now revisiting these plans 18 months on and asking whether the original design of the health and care model is still appropriate in a post Covid-19 environment.

By engaging with local people, and listening to their thoughts, feelings and opinions, the CCG intends to review and refresh the guiding principles for the health and care model to ensure it meets the current and future needs of the population, while also supporting health and care organisations to recover from the pandemic.

The health and care model itself, which is available to view on <u>the BSW Partnership</u> <u>website</u>, will set out what health and care within BSW will look like for people over the next ten years, as well as provide a framework for organisations to use when designing and planning new and existing services.

Taxi Tariff Changes **Briefing Note**

Service : Further Enquiries to: Date Prepared: Direct Line:

Enforcement, Highways Operations Tom Ince 16/09/2021 (01380 826334)

Proposed Changes - Taxi Tariff Schedule for Hackney Carriages

1.0 Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this briefing note is to brief Members on the latest position in relation to implementing a new schedule of tariffs and fees for hackney carriages in Wiltshire. This information was shared with the Licensing Committee at its meeting on 13 September 2021. Approval has already been provided for the business area to implement the proposal.

2.0 Background

2.1 It was agreed at an extraordinary meeting of Wiltshire Council's Licensing Committee on 27 January 2020 to undertake a public consultation into proposals on a new fees and tariffs schedule for Hackney Carriages in Wiltshire.

The consultation commenced on 6 February 2020 and finished on 20 February 2020. The details of the proposal were published on the council's consultation portal for individuals and drivers to feed back on. As part of the consultation, all licensed hackney carriage drivers were provided with a copy of the proposals and a driver feedback form, and were asked to share their views.

- 2.2 After evaluating the feedback and level of response, the approved action was to implement Option 2, with a number of amendments. The below details the approved outcome:
- 2.3 For vehicles up to four seats:
 - An additional 30p to be added to all flag rates (standing charge)

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- Tariff 3 to be amended to only apply on public holidays.
- Tariff 2 to be implemented from 22:00 instead of the current 22:30 and apply every day apart from public holidays.
- Tariff 1 to end at 21:59 instead of 22:29.



For vehicles with more than four seats carrying more than four passengers:

- Tariff 5 to be amended to only apply on public holidays.
- Tariff 4 to be implemented from 22:00 instead of the current 22:30 and apply all day every day apart from public holidays.
- Tariff 2 to end at 21:59 instead of 22:29.

The impact of the changes are that it will make for cheaper late-night fares after 02.30am, addressing the issues raised in relation to the late-night economy. The change to charge tariff 2 and 4 from 22:00 will mean that travel between 22:00 and 22:29 is now slightly more expensive.

- 2.4 In January 2020 the Licensing Committee delegated implementation of the new tariffs to the Taxi Licensing Team. The advertising spend required to advertise the proposed change was unbudgeted for in 2020/21 so implementation was delayed until 2021/2022.
- 2.5 COVID-19 has impacted all industries/sectors and the taxi industry has not been immune to this, experiencing a significant reduction in business. Changes to the tariff would incur a small cost of approximately £20 to adjust every vehicle meter.
- 2.6 It was felt that given the hardship experienced by drivers and vehicle owners since March 2020, to implement this change during the peak of the pandemic would not be supportive of the industry. As the economy begins to recover and return to more normal conditions, the impact of the tariff changes on vehicle owners and drivers would be more sustainable.
- 2.7 The new tariff of fees will be implemented on 4 January 2022, subject to the normal statutory consultation processes. It is a legal requirement to advertise the proposed changes for 28 days.
- 2.8 The existing tariff of fees (which came into force on 8 May 2015) are attached as **Appendix 1** and the proposed tariff of fees which are planned to come into force on 4 January 2022 are attached as **Appendix 2**.

3.0 Conclusion

3.1 Implementation of the proposed changes to the schedule of fees and tariffs for Hackney Carriages (as set out in Appendix 2) will take place on 4 January 2022, subject to the proposals being advertised and standard consultation processes.

Briefing note produced by Tom Ince (Principal Compliance Officer)

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Wiltshire Council hackney carriage, maximum table of fares (North, South, East & West Zones)

For journeys starting	Vehicles up to four seats	Vehicles with more than four seats carrying more than four passengers
6 am – 10:29 pm	Tariff 1	Tariff 2
10:30pm – 02:29 am and Sundays, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays and Easter Sunday and after 8pm Christmas Eve & New Years Eve	Tariff 2	Tariff 4
2:30 am – 5:59 am and all day on 25 December, 26 December and 1 January	Tariff 3	Tariff 5

	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3	Tariff 4	Tariff 5
Journeys up to 176					
yards, 1/10 Mile	£3.20	£4.50	£5	£4.50	£6
Subsequent 176 yards,					
1/10 Mile	20p	30p	40p	45p	60p
Waiting time per minute					
	20p	30p	40p	45p	60p
Minimum fouling charge					
	£100	£100	£100	£100	£100

Hackney Carriages are regulated by Wiltshire Council. In case of a complaint regarding this vehicle or its driver, please Contact : Fleet, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN

e-mail : fleet.licensing@wiltshire.gov.uk. Telephone No 01225 770271



8 May 2015

04 January 2022 Wiltshire Council hackney carriage, maximum table of fares (North, South, East & West Zones)

For journeys starting	Vehicles up to four seats	Vehicles with more than four seats carrying more than four passengers		
7 am – 9:59 pm	Tariff 1	Tariff 2		
10:00pm – 06:59 am and all day Sundays, and after 8pm Christmas Eve & New Years Eve	Tariff 2	Tariff 4		
All day on 25 December, 26 December and 1 January & Public Holidays	Tariff 3	Tariff 5		

	Tariff 1	Tariff 2	Tariff 3	Tariff 4	Tariff 5
Journeys up to 176 yards, 1/10 mile	£3.50	£4.80	£5.30	£4.80	£6.30
Subsequent 176 yards, 1/10 Mile	20p	30p	40p	45p	60p
Waiting time per minute	20p	30p	40p	45p	60p
Minimum fouling charge	£100	£100	£100	£100	£100

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Wiltshire Council Information Item

Subject:	Update on leisure centres transferring to Wiltshire Council
Web/ Email contact:	Email queries: louise.cary@wiltshire.gov.uk

This is an update regarding the leisure insourcing project, which will see the 10 leisure centres currently managed by Places Leisure move over to Wiltshire Council.

The main part of the project is reaching its conclusion, with the transfer formally due to take place on Friday 1 October. This will mean that from this date the council will manage 20 leisure centres in total.

The majority of Places Leisure staff working at the 10 centres, around 420, will become Wiltshire Council employees from this date.

Given the last 18 months or so, and the challenges this will have placed on people's physical and mental health, leisure services are needed now more than ever.

We want to provide a consistent service across the county, which will help to support and improve the physical and mental health and wellbeing of our communities. When the transfer has been completed there will be many benefits to customers in the future, including being able to offer a broader range of memberships and more concessionary rates.

We are aiming to keep the offer to Places Leisure customers as consistent as possible to what they received before, although they will notice some changes. We are in the process of writing to all current Places Leisure members to update them on their membership arrangements and ensure they are transferred over to the equivalent council scheme wherever possible. This is a complex process but good progress has been made.

We have a dedicated webpage full of useful information and detailed FAQs, so should you receive any queries from residents directly, we would appreciate you sharing the link with them as any questions they may have should be answered on there. The webpage can be found at <u>https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure/leisure-centre-insourcing</u>.

A reminder that the leisure centres be transferring from Places Leisure to Wiltshire Council management are:

- Bradford on Avon Swimming Pool
- Castle Place Leisure Centre, Trowbridge
- Lime Kiln Leisure Centre, Royal Wootton Bassett
- Leighton Recreation Centre, Westbury
- Melksham Blue Pool
- The Activity Zone, Malmesbury
- The Olympiad, Chippenham
- Trowbridge Sports Centre
- Warminster Sports Centre
- Westbury Swimming Pool

Although the formal transfer takes place on 1 October, there will still be work ahead of us beyond that date, so we'll ensure to keep you updated on any key developments as and when required.

In the meantime, If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing the Programme Lead at <u>louise.cary@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>.

Briefing Note – Wiltshire Youth Council



Service : Further Enquiries to: Date Prepared: Direct contact: Quality Outcomes, Children and Families Joe Sutton, Youth Voice Lead 13/10/2021 childandyouthvoice@wiltshire.gov.uk

Young people can get involved in local decision making and have a say on funding for youth projects as part of a new democratic body being set up for Wiltshire.

The Wiltshire Youth Council will start next year, with representatives from secondary schools across the county elected to speak out on issues that are important to them.

Wiltshire Youth Councillors will have the power to:

- Meet up with Wiltshire Council leaders and have their say on local decisions.
- Work with area boards to ensure funding for youth projects has the right impact for them and their peers.
- Inspect services to ensure they represent young people's best interests.
- Easily communicate with their peers so young people's views are properly represented.
- Opportunity to shadow council leaders as a shadow youth cabinet member for a particular area of interest.

Schools are being invited to encourage 11-17 year olds to put themselves up for election, with elections due to take place between 31 January 2022 and 4 February 2022.

Youth councillors will be asked to commit one evening per month to attend a full youth council meeting, which will focus on issues important to the young people. They will also be expected to talk to their peers about the issues and represent their views. There will also be training to support them in their roles, covering topics including debating, running a youth inspection and delivering presentations.

You can watch videos of Cllr Laura Mayes and Cllr Richard Clewer, Leader of Wiltshire Council talking about why it's a good idea to be part of the Wiltshire Youth Council here <u>https://youtu.be/27ikHINbLxM</u>.

Young people who are interested and want further information can go to <u>childandyouthvoice@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>. You can also follow the child and youth voice team on Facebook (6) <u>Wiltshire Youth Union | Facebook</u> and Instagram <u>Wiltshire Youth Union</u> (@wiltshireyouthunion) • Instagram photos and videos.

WHAT IS THE WILTSHIRE YOUTH COUNCIL?

The Youth Council is made up of **11 – 18-year-olds** who represent their schools and communities in decision making where they live.

Each school will have one Youth Councillor and one Deputy Youth Councillor.

WHAT DO YOUTH COUNCILLORS DO?

Attend a monthly youth council meeting to focus on issues that are important to young people.

> Talk to leaders and decision makers, ensuring young peoples voices are heard.

> > Form a Shadow Youth Cabinet that links in with the Wiltshire Council Cabinet.

Inspect places such as town centres, community centres and leisure

facilities to make sure they are youth friendly.

Work with community groups to decide how money is spent for young people.

Join monthly training sessions to support you in your role

WHY BECOME A YOUTH COUNCILLOR?

You can share what you believe in and represent others.

You can make a difference in your school and community You can learn new skills that will make you stand out when applying for further education and work.

Is this for you? Scan the QR code to find out more!

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Report To	Salisbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	Wednesday, 10 November 2021
Title of Report	Salisbury Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Salisbury Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For 2021	£ 63,306.00	£ 24,422.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 29,682.00	£ 7,283.97	£ 4,430.00
Current Balance	£ 33,624.00	£ 17,138.03	£ 3,270.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 22,824.00	£ 12,144.03	£ 2,550.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<u>ABG226</u>	Community Area Grant	Milford Preservation Group	Milford Hollow rewilding project	£1790.00	£800.00

Project Summary:

The Milford Preservation Group (MPG) is to restore a derelict area of land in Milford Hollow. We will be clearing land, creating a woodland path, planting a wide variety of native species - and maintaining the area. We will also be providing an information board explaining the project and listing the plantings.

<u>ABG251</u>	Community Area Grant	Underground Studios CIC	The Underground Studios Music	£47264.54	£5000.00
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<u>ABG264</u>	Community Area Grant	Parochial Church Council of Harnham St George and All Saints	Green Heating for Harnham Hub	£62616.00	£5000.00

	Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested	
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Project Summary:

Harnham Parochial Church Council is committed to a major project to transform our 60-year-old Harnham Parish Hall into a centre of community activity and outreach for the whole of Harnham. The first stage is to replace the present expensive and ineffective heating system with underfloor heating powered by two air source heat pumps. Our energy supplier already provides 100% green electricity, and in a later stage of the project we will be installing solar panels on the building's flat roof. (In parallel, we also aim to install a new catering grade kitchen.)

<u>ABG261</u>	Health and	Harnham Day Centre	Keep fit at Harnham	£720.00	£720.00
	Wellbeing Grant		Day Centre		

Project Summary:

Payment to Fitness Instructor for twice monthly seated excercises for the elderly and our volunteer helpers.

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Project Summary:

Well-City Salisbury is a three-year partnership project supporting people with mental health needs on their wellbeing journey through creative courses and opportunities. The project is about connection – to the arts, to heritage, to our locality, to the landscape and to each other – and will create moments of learning, discovery and curiosity which will impact positively on participants' mental health and the wider community. The project has been funded by the National Lottery Community Fund (£260,000) with a requirement of £30,000 match funding. Well- City Salisbury brings together the combined experience and unique skills of four partner organisations across Salisbury: ArtCare at Salisbury Hospital, The Salisbury Museum, Wessex Archaeology and Wiltshire Creative and is supported by The National Lottery Community Fund. The project uses a referring model that will see us working with primary care providers, third sector organisations, and other referring partners to offer a menu of creative and cultural engagement opportunities delivered by local artists and creative practitioners. Each partner organisation will deliver two 8-week courses per year, beginning in autumn 2021 and finishing in summer 2024. There will be a maximum of 12 participants on each course. In Years 2 and 3 of the project, we will also offer mentored volunteering pathways for participants who have taken part in a course and would like to continue engaging with the project. There will also be an annual project exhibition. Young people are one of the target audiences for the project identified as a real need through consultation with local authority supervised teams, third sector organisations, and primary care providers. Within the project we will be reserving specific closed courses for the young people, providing a safe, secure environment designed for this particular age group. This is the area we are applying to the Area Board for, it aligns with the Wiltshire Council priority for young people. We are passionate about listening to their voices and supporting them in the best way possible. Wiltshire Creative, who regularly work with children, young people and vulnerable adults including schools and colleges, older people, people living with Dementia, people with learning difficulties, and those facing socio-economic disadvantage, will be leading on the Youth courses. They will draw on their expertise and dialogue with this specific demographic. Work with young people includes; Youth Theatre programme 'Stage 65' for people aged 4-21 first established in 1965; schools programmes; post 16 Further Education course in Performing and Production Arts in partnership with Wiltshire College; Young Ambassadors scheme to give young people aged 14-21 a say in how Wiltshire Creative operates; and co-hosting a Youth Mental Health Symposium in 2019 with Salisbury District Hospital. During the first half of 2021 Wiltshire Creative embarked on a programme of work called SHIFT, this project was designed to amplify young voices through the arts and was led by 2 young artists. The project gathered the thoughts and feelings of local young people and highlighted them through a range of events and exhibitions, overwhelmingly issues contributing to and the lack of support for those with poor Mental Health came through. The SHIFT Youth Arts Network Film created

through a collaboration of Youth Organisations from the South West endorses this further. The courses dedicated for young people as part of Well-City Salisbury are welcomed by our local young people. The courses themselves will feature performing arts and ceramics with the participants given a voice in how they express themselves through these artforms, ownership in a world where decisions are so often made for them is crucial.

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

• Community Area Grants (capital)

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- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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The Board is asked to note the following project which received funding under CEM delegated Powers, due to urgency, in consultation with the Chairman and a unanimous vote in support by Board Members.

Safer Salisbury – Application approved via delegated authority

Anne Trevett

Project details:

Sarum Soroptimists and Safer and Supportive Salisbury are together mounting a day conference on Community Conference on Women's Safety in Salisbury that will a) look at existing services to promote people and women's sense of security when out and about in the City. b) Bring in examples of successful schemes from elsewhere that we might consider introducing c) provide breakout groups to discuss local ideas and priorities and d) start to develop an action plan for the City.

The project emerged directly from local discussions in the Managing the City group which brings together key players in Salisbury including, the City Council, Wiltshire Council, the Police, BID, Wiltshire Creative and others. The current national concern around women's safety was high on the agenda. Subsequent discussions between Safer Salisbury and Sarum Soroptimists members identified the need for consultation with key players and members of the public (including schools) to identify what action would most help to enhance the sense of security for women (and men) when out on the streets in both the day and night-time economies.

For details of this forthcoming event:

https://ocm.wiltshire.gov.uk/salisbury/womens-safety-conference-all-welcome-18th-november/

Cost of project £1800

Amount funded by Salisbury Area Board £640