

AGENDA

Meeting: Devizes Area Board
Place: Needham House, Victoria Rd, Devizes, SN10 1FA (In the community room, turn right in reception and the room is on your right)
Date: Monday 17 February 2025
Time: 6.30 pm

Including the Parishes of: Bishops Cannings, Bromham, Bulkington, Cheverell Magna, Coulston, Devizes, Easterton, Erlestoke, Etchilhampton, Little Cheverell, Market Lavington, Marston, Potterne, Poulshot, Rowde, Seend, Stert, Urchfont, West Lavington, Worton.

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Cllr Iain Wallis, Devizes North (Chairman)
Cllr Dominic Muns, The Lavingtons (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Simon Jacobs, Devizes South
Cllr Laura Mayes, Bromham, Rowde and Roundway
Cllr Kelvin Nash, Devizes East
Cllr Tamara Reay, Devizes Rural West
Cllr Philip Whitehead, Urchfont and Bishop Cannings

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Items to be considered	Time
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>To welcome those present to the meeting.</p> <p>1 Apologies for Absence</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p> <p>2 Minutes (Pages 1 - 26)</p> <p>To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2024.</p> <p>3 Declarations of Interest</p> <p>To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.</p> <p>4 Chairman's Updates</p> <p>The Chairman will give any updates on outcomes and actions arising from previous meetings of the Area Board.</p>	6.30pm
<p>5 Information Items (Pages 27 - 64)</p> <p>The Area Board is asked to note the following Information items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community First • Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal • Wiltshire Council Information Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cost of Living update ○ Wiltshire Local Elections 2025 ○ Devolution to Wessex update ○ Family and Community Learning (FACL) Impact Report 2023-24 	6.40pm
<p>6 Partner and Community Updates (Pages 65 - 74)</p> <p><u>Verbal Updates</u></p> <p>To receive any verbal updates from representatives, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Police – Inspector Simon Garret • Police and Crime Commissioner - Philip Wilkinson OBE • Town and Parish Councils <p><u>Written Updates</u></p> <p>The Board is asked to note the following written or online updates attached to the agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service (DWFRS) 	6.45pm

online update:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bVJRnk705PM>

7 Area Board Review - Priorities and Achievements 7.10pm

To receive updates on the Area Board priorities (listed below) and to celebrate achievements of the Area Board over the last 4 years.

- Addressing climate change and protecting the environment (Lead Cllr – Cllr Tamara Reay)
- Improve opportunities for children and young people (Lead Cllr – Cllr Dominic Muns)
- Valuing and supporting our vulnerable and older people (Lead Cllr – Cllr Simon Jacobs)
- Increasing the safety of our community (Lead Cllr – Cllr Kelvin Nash)
- Support those in greatest need and improve their resilience (Lead Cllr – Cllr Iain Wallis)

8 Open Floor 7.40pm

Residents are invited to ask questions of their Area Board councillors.

9 Local Highways and Footpaths Improvements Group (LHFIG) 7.50pm
(Pages 75 - 94)

To note the minutes and consider the following funding recommendations arising from the last LHFIG meeting held on 14 January 2025.

Recommendations:

- Potterne High Street - Topographical survey, £2,500.00 (LHFIG £1,875, Potterne PC £625)
- Bishops Cannings - Speed assessment, £3,100 (LHFIG £2,325, Bishops Cannings PC £775)
- Devizes SID infrastructure - 3 sockets 1 post, £3,000 (LHFIG £2,250 Devizes TC £750)
- Poulshot Footpath to A361 – Develop a proposal for a substantive bid, £4,500.00 (LHFIG £3,375 Poulshot PC £1,125)
- Waiting restrictions - 2025 batch £6,500.00 (LHFIG £4,875, Seend PC £125, DTC £1,500)

Further information on the LHFIG process can be found [here](#).

10 **Air Quality and Sustainable Transport (AQST)**

7.55pm

To receive any updates and consider any recommendations from the Devizes Air Quality and Sustainable Transport (AQST) Group.

11 **Area Board Funding (Pages 95 - 100)**

8.00pm

To note the remaining budgets and to consider any applications for funding, as detailed in the attached report and summarised below:

Remaining Budgets:

Community Area Grant	Older & Vulnerable	Young People
£11,271.59	£1,000.00	£2,539.15

Balance if all grants awarded in full:

Community Area Grant	Older & Vulnerable	Young People
£973.59	£0.00	-£960.85

Area Board Initiatives:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2212	Devizes Area Board Initiative towards furnishing the new youth space (from Community Area Grant budget)	£1,800.00

Community Area Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2105	Rethink Mental Illness towards Retro Relics Mens Shed	£500.00
ABG2112	Devizes Canoe Club towards supporting Olympic hopes at Devizes Canoe Club	£2,500.00
ABG2187	Bromham Community Hub towards Bromham Community Hub Information Technology	£5,000.00
ABG2205	The Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race towards Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race Promotional Banner	£498.00

Older & Vulnerable Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
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ABG2166	Devizes MS Support Group towards Devizes MS Support Group Outing	£500.00
ABG2169	Quakers Walk Community Biodiversity Group towards a Wildlife Garden	£500.00

Young People Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2162	West Lavington Youth Club towards West Lavington Youth Club	£3,000.00
ABG2171	Spurgeons Childrens Charity Wiltshire Family Hub towards Street Sports	£500.00

Delegated Funding

The Board is asked to note the following funding award made under the Delegated Funding Process, by the Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager, between meetings due to matters of urgency:

- [ABG2193](#) - AB Initiative, Area Board Grant Plaques, £150.00 (from Community Area Grant budget)

Further information on the Area Board Grant system can be found [here](#).

12 Urgent items

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

Close and Future Dates

8.30pm

Future Meeting Dates (6.30pm – 8.30pm, all at Needham House, unless otherwise stated):

- 20 May 2025, extraordinary meeting to elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman following the local authority elections on 1 May. To take place on the rising of Full Council at County Hall, Trowbridge.
- 30 June 2025
- 6 October 2025
- 1 December 2025
- 2 March 2026

For information on applying for a grant or grant application deadlines for these meetings, contact the Engagement and Partnership Lead, Central, caroline.LeQuesne@wiltshire.gov.uk.