

AGENDA

Meeting: Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Place: Morgans Vale & Woodfalls Village Hall, The Ridge, Woodfalls,

Salisbury, SP5 2LD

Date: Thursday 13 February 2025

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of: Alderbury, Allington, Britford, Cholderton, Clarendon Park, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Firsdown, Grimstead, Idmiston, Landford, Laverstock & Ford, Newton Tony, Odstock, Pitton and Farley, Redlynch, West Dean, Whiteparish, Winterbourne, Winterslow

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Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Rich Rogers, Winterslow & Upper Bourne Valley (Chairman)
Cllr Andrew Oliver, Old Sarum & Lower Bourne Valley (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Richard Britton, Alderbury and Whiteparish
Cllr Richard Clewer, Downton and Ebble Valley
Cllr Zoë Clewer, Redlynch & Landford
Cllr lan McLennan, Laverstock

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Area Board Officers

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	Items to be considered	Time
	Welcome and Introductions	
1	Apologies	7:00pm
2	Minutes (Pages 1 - 10)	
	To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7 November 2024.	
3	Declarations of Interest	
	To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
4	Chairman's updates	
	The Chairman will give an update on outcomes and actions arising from previous meetings of the Area Board.	
5	Information Items (Pages 11 - 52)	
	The Board is asked to note the following Information items:	
	 Community First Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal Wiltshire Council Information Items: Cost of Living update School Appeal Panel Member Recruitment Wiltshire Local Elections 2025 Devolution to Wessex Family & Community Learning Impact Report 	
6	Partner and Community Updates (Pages 53 - 62)	7.10pm
	Verbal Updates To receive any verbal updates from representatives, including:	
	 Neighbourhood Policing Team – Inspector Tina Osborn Parish Councils and Community groups 	
	 Written Updates The Board is asked to note the following written and online updates attached to the agenda: Police – NPT Update, Road Safety Report, Spot the signs campaign, VAWG quarterly update Fire & Rescue – YouTube Video 	

7 Active Travel and Sustainable Transport Local Schemes (Pages 63 - 72)

7.20pm

The Area Board is asked to consider updates on a range of local initiatives to facilitate active travel and sustainable transport.

8 Local Priorities Update (Pages 73 - 82)

7.50pm

An update from Karen Linaker, Strategic Engagement & Partnerships Manager on the Area Board Priorities, including the up-to-date position regarding the Local Youth Forum's plan to raise funds for an increased youth worker resource for the Southern Wiltshire Community Area.

9 Area Board Funding (Pages 83 - 86)

8.10pm

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
£5557.01	£835.00	£11,373.10

Officer: Karen Linaker, Strategic Engagement & Partnerships Manager

Area Board Initiatives:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount
		Requested
ABG2086	Carers Seaside Trip	£499
	Total project cost £499	
ABG2091	New Youth Worker For	£5,000
	Southern Wiltshire Community Area	
	Total project cost £25,000	
ABG2092	Youth Music Festivals Programme	£3,000
	Total project cost £30,000	
ABG2151	Carers Support Initiative – Everyman	£336
	Cinema Trips	
	Total project cost £336	

Community Area Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount
		Requested
	4th Romsey Bramshaw Scout Group Howard Chandler Scout Hut Roof	£5,000
	Total project cost £14,880	

Young People Grants:

Ref/Link	Grant Details	Amount Requested
ABG2052	Salisbury Community Circus Activities Roadshow Rig Safety Extension and Equipment Total project cost £15,265	£3,000
ABG2144	Old Sarum Youth Club Sports & Circus Skills Total project cost £490	£490

Delegated Funding

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

Further information on the Area Board Grant system can be found here.

Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) 10 **Update** (Pages 87 - 122)

8.50pm

To note the minutes and consider any recommendations arising from the last LHFIG meeting held on 14 January 2025, as set out in the attached report.

Items requiring a funding decision are:

- 4a Riverbourne Road, Laverstock & Ford PC Waiting Restrictions - £2998.50
- 4b Windwhistle Lane, Grimstead PC Sign and line review - £1500
- 4g GRIM12 ROW, Grimstead PC Kissing Gates £300

Further information on the LHFIG process can be found here.

Close

Future Meeting Dates (7-9pm):

- 19 June 2025 The Brunton Memorial Hall, Riverside Rise, Allington
- 4 September 2025 Alderbury Village Hall, Rectory Rd, Alderbury
- 20 November 2025 Whiteparish Memorial Centre, Common Road, Whiteparish

For information on applying for a grant or grant application deadlines for these meetings, contact the Engagement & Partnership Lead Officer, karlene.jammeh@wiltshire.gov.uk



MINUTES

Meeting: Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Place: Alderbury Village Hall, Rectory Road, Alderbury, SP5 3AD

Date: 7 November 2024

Start Time: 7.00 pm Finish Time: 9.00 pm

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Rich Rogers (Chairman), Cllr Andrew Oliver (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Richard Britton, Cllr Zoë Clewer and Cllr Ian McLennan

Wiltshire Council Officers

Karen Linaker – Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager Karlene Jammeh – Engagement & Partnership Lead Officer Lisa Alexander – Senior Democratic Services Officer

Partners

Wiltshire Police - Inspector Tina Osborn & PC Kelvin Ramsey

Total in attendance: 60

Minute No	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
33	<u>Apologies</u>
	Apologies for absence were received from:
	Cllr Richard Clewer Perry Payne, Wiltshire and Swindon Road Safety Partnership
34	Minutes
	The minutes of the last meeting were presented.
	It was;
	Resolved:
	The minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2024 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
35	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
36	Flood preparedness in Southern Wiltshire
	The Board received a presentation from Renate Malton, Flood Resilience Officer, who's role included:
	 Work with town and parish councils to encourage them to make flood plans offering help and information. Developing online resources for town and parishes to help with flood plans Input to Neighbourhood Plans Land Drainage & Ordinary Watercourses Operational Flood Working Group (OFWG) meetings Responding to enquires around flooding/drainage
	Questions and comments included:
	 In Alderbury there were issues with groundwater flooding. The current issues as they stand today need to be included in consideration in planning matters when Wessex Water & the Environment Agency were consulted. The data used was from the 1970s and since that time, water levels had changed considerably. Answer: The Council, as the planning authority has a responsibility to consider groundwater, however if an application is refused permission,

the applicant can go to appeal where the decision can be overruled by the inspectorate. We cannot stop an application if it goes to appeal. It is important that the parishes record the areas of known flooding, by taking pictures and logging evidence to be used when a planning application comes up.

 Winterbourne PC had difficulty with the Environment Agency (EA) not protecting the river through the parish. There had been incidents where residents had extended structures into the water and the removal of those had not been enforced by the EA. Was there a definitive map of where the ditches were?

<u>Answer</u>: That class of river remains the responsibility of the EA. Attend the next OFWG meeting where there will be a representative from the EA to answer questions. Also, keep a report of any issues and take to the working group. I use google maps and we have historic maps to view. When we have a query, we go back to the old maps to check. I can request an AO map and you could then carry out the work to edit accordingly.

- The OWFG are online and always very informative. Landford have worked hard on their plan. What help was available for places with prior history of flooding and what was PEAS?
 - Answer: PEAS was the Parish Emergency Assistance Scheme, which was set up a few years ago to provide gel sacks, signage and fluorescent tabards etc for flood wardens. Town and parish councils could apply to PEAS for these items and each year all clerks were contacted and asked if any top ups were required. A note of caution, was that if distributing gel sacks, these should be done so in a fair way, so it was recommended that parishes had a fair policy set out to ensure that provision was available to all in need and to prevent repeat requests from the same households who after an initial flood, should be encouraged to take preventative measures for future years.
- Alderbury PC had experienced a number of persistent issues regarding a
 ditch along the road. It was highly dangerous as there was a blocked
 drain in a residential road which resulted in increased ponds of water
 across the road and footpath, with mud across the road. The issue had
 been raised repeatedly across the last few years with people at the
 council, however no department seemed to want to take responsibility.
 We need someone who had the authority to move things along

<u>Answer</u>: We are a small team and trying hard to get around to all the issues. We have 2 drain engineers for the whole county.

The Chairman then introduced speakers from Firsdown and West Dean Parish Council's who shared information on local projects and experiences.

Firsdown Parish Council – Simon Brown (Chairman)

Firsdown Road was 1 mile long and was higher at one end and had drains which did not meet current standards and the outfall pipe had collapsed. As a result, water would collect at the lowest point and cause surface water flooding which then ran across a garden.

Working with Wiltshire Council over the last 3 years in hope to improve the situation with a drainage system, a trench was dug over the summer, for water to flow into the perforated pipe which would slowly drain into the land. Unfortunately, the scheme did not work, so the drainage team came back and modified the scheme further which it was hoped would rectify the issue.

Simon advised other parishes to speak to the drainage team to discuss possible options, however he noted that schemed such as the one in Firsdown take time and involved road closures and civil engineering.

West Dean Parish Council – John Camilleri

West Dean River Group had been working on a flood mitigation project to help manage future flooding to the village. There had been devastating flooding during 2014 which led to houses being evacuate.

The scheme was designed to prevent the flooding in a particular area and was aimed at increasing the flow rate of the river to prevent silting up. The parish council had been raising funding since 2014. Work would start in January 2025, with completion planned for April 2025. The river would be narrowed to increase the water flow, discouraging the formation of weeds.

The Chairman thanked all of the speakers for sharing information on what was available and urged anyone interested to attend the Environmental Action Flooding Event on 19 November 2024, 10.00am – 3.00pm in the Guild Hall Salisbury.

37 Strengthening Local Youth Support & Activities

Karen Linaker, Strategic Engagement & Partnership Manager explained that the Area Board had a strong focus on strengthening youth activities as a priority.

Are Boards had a budget of delegated funding to support youth projects. The Area Board had previously allocated part of this funding to the provision of positive youth activities.

In collaboration with SCC, the Area Board had set up a youth club in Bishopdown Farm. The Board wished to look for more opportunities to collaborate youth activities. It was recognised that there were gaps in delivery and capacity which could result in pockets of antisocial behaviour.

It was known that transport and affordability were key barriers, especially for the more rural areas. Youth worker capacity was also an issue as Southern Wiltshire did not have a youth worker, which was why the Board looked to SCC to assist, however unfortunately, the SCC youth workers did not have the capacity to provide the level of accessibility to us across the community area.

Funding was always a challenge when looking at ideas to provide more cover.

Parent led youth clubs were often not well enough equipped to cater for challenging behaviour. Part of the solution in areas with pockets of antisocial behaviour was to have paid youth workers, who provide an added value in terms of the relationships they are able to build with the young people, developing a sense of trust and support to them with identifying and signposting them to training to support their needs and progression.

The Area Board also set up a Youth Partnership Forum.

Sarah Gregson from Salisbury City Council as lead for the Hampton Park Youth Club spoke about the set up at the youth club, explaining that it had been replicated from the Hang Out in the Friary.

Lola, Summer and Sophie were some of the young people in attendance who spoke on their experiences of attending the Hang Out and the Hampton Park Youth Clubs.

Young people aged 11 - 16 were able to attend and hang out, play games, have snacks and build better friendships. There had been trips to the playhouse, the cathedral light show and a silent disco.

The young people at Bishopdown Farm had expressed an interest in adding a sports element to the club to enable new starters to overcome the awkward nervousness when initially joining, as they felt that a group activity would be more welcoming.

Those present then participated in a round table exercise to brainstorm ideas in response to 4 questions:

- What was good about local youth support and activities?
- What needed to be improved?
- What new activities need to be delivered?
- If funds were raise to deliver a youth music festival, what should the festival include?

Karen Linaker would collate the responses and feedback at a future meeting.

A youth activity and support survey was also promoted. Access to the survey was available through the QR code:



38 Partner and Community Updates

The Board noted the written updates attached to the agenda and received the following verbal updates:

Neighbourhood Police Team - Inspector Tina Osborn

In addition to the written update in supplement 1 to the agenda, Inspector Osborn noted the following points:

- Colleague PC Kelvin Ramsey introduced.
- Hare coursing had increased.
- Off road bikes some arrests and prosecutions.
- Castlehill country park investigation taking place after a female was attacked. Additional patrols and engagement with the schools to spread the word. Working with Country Park user group to highlight areas of vulnerability and in discussions with the Group and the PC to look at possibilities of cameras in the area – further update on this next time.
- Tool thefts from vehicles A national problem for a number of forces. Wiltshire had a dedicated team working on this area of crime. Alderbury was hit with 5/6 offences in one night, an investigation was ongoing. People were urged to increase security where possible, and not to leave tools in vans overnight where possible. The force was focused on hot spot areas, distributing DNA marking kits. If anyone sees suspicious activity with several people in a dark vehicle in the early hours of the morning, please call the police and report it straight away.
- New Speedwatch team in Ford on Saturday.
- A Community Engagement event was planned for 24 Nov at the New Forest Lodge. Come and discuss any issues and invited to email in specific questions in advance: tina.osborn@wiltshire.police.uk or kelvin.ramsey@wiltshire.police.uk

Questions and comments included:

- Would you still be attending Whiteparish on 20 November?
 Answer: Yes that was still happening.
- Was there a possibility to get ahead of the game by using FB groups and magazines to make sure local tradesmen can get hold of this DNA kit? <u>Answer</u>: Because it's a problem across the whole county there were only a set amount of the DNA marking kits at the moment so target areas were currently being offered the kits. As soon as more were available, we would be able to spread the word.

39 Chairman's Announcements

Despite a fall in inflation, financial pressures remained for many, particularly as winter approached and with recent increases to the energy price cap. Wiltshire Council would continue to provide support with its libraries continuing to offer

warm spaces and a place for advice and support. In addition, the excellent community partners were working to support older and vulnerable people in the Southern Wiltshire Area, and the Area Board were on hand to provide additional support where possible.

Celebrating Age would be hosting a live festive concert at the Glebe Hall, Winterbourne Earls from 1pm-3pm on 11 December 2024. This was a free to attend event, but those interested were advised to contact Karen.Linaker@wiltshire.gov.uk to book a place.

Leaflets circulated at the meeting included the Silver Salisbury brochure detailing the activities and provision over next 12 months. Thanks to Irene for her continued work on this.

For anyone wishing to apply for the Winter Fuel pension credits, assistance was available in libraries, with a deadline for applications of 21 December 2024.

40 Information Items

The Board noted the Information Items as set out in the agenda pack, these were:

- Community First
- Healthwatch Wiltshire
- Update from BSW Together (Integrated Care System)
- Wiltshire Council Consultation Portal
- Wiltshire Council Information Items:
 - Cost of Living Update

41 Area Board Funding

The Board noted the budgets remaining for allocation at the meeting and heard from representatives in attendance who gave a brief overview of their project followed by any questions by the Board.

Budgets available at the meeting were:

Community Area Grants: £5,557.01 Older & Vulnerable Grants: £3,085 Young People Grants: £12,821

Older & Vulnerable Adults Grants:

Old Sarum & Longhedge CIO - Winter help for vulnerable & at-risk people at Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Pantry requested £1,250

The Applicant Nina Cope spoke in support of the project.

In response to questions, the applicant confirmed that they would identify need through experience of their customers and from signposting from the Foodbank and Silver Salisbury.

Fire and safety notices would be provided with each blanket to ensure that users were aware of possible risks or hazards. There would be approximately 50 people who would benefit from the service.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

Old Sarum & Longhedge CIO was awarded £1,250 towards Winter help for vulnerable & at-risk people at Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Pantry project.

Reason - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2023/24

The Silver Salisbury Group - Laverstock and Old Sarum Intergenerational Reminiscence Project, requested £500

The Applicant Irene Kohler spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

The Silver Salisbury Group was awarded £500 towards Laverstock and Old Sarum Intergenerational Reminiscence Project.

Reason – The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2024/25

Area Board Initiatives:

Allington Silent Disco – Requested £500 Karen Linaker spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Britton.

Decision

The Area Board Initiative - Allington Silent Disco was awarded £500.

<u>Reason</u> - The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2024/25

Young People Grants:

Apprenticeships in Salisbury trading under Supplytrain CIC - Salisbury 2025 Apprenticeships and Early Careers Directory, requested £500.

The Applicant Maggie Fowler spoke in support of the project.

In response to questions, the applicant clarified the document would be available electronically to all pupils via the schools in Downton and Laverstock as well as the sixth forms. Printed copies will be available at the apprenticeship fair.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Zoe Clewer.

Decision

Apprenticeships in Salisbury trading under Supplytrain CIC was awarded £500 towards Salisbury 2025 Apprenticeships and Early Careers Directory. Reason – The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2023/24

Old Sarum Youth Club – New cooking and sports equipment, requested £500. The Applicant Charlotte Windebank spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Oliver.

Decision

Old Sarum Youth Club was awarded £500 towards New cooking and sports equipment.

<u>Reason</u> – The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2023/24

Alderbury Explorer Scout Unit – Room upgrade, old pavilion - for explorer scouts, requested £447.90.

The Applicant Adrian Baker spoke in support of the project.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to award in full. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Britton.

Decision

Alderbury Explorer Scout Unit was awarded £447.90 towards Room upgrade, old pavilion - for explorer scouts.

Reason – The application met the Community Area Grants Criteria 2023/24

Delegated Funding:

There had been no delegated funding awards made since the last meeting.

Information links: Area Board Grants & Grants Criteria

42 <u>Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Update</u>

The Board considered the report and funding recommendations arising from the

last LHFIG meeting held on 8 October 2024.

Cllr Rich Rogers moved the motion to approve the recommendations. This was seconded by Cllr Zoe Clewer.

It was;

Resolved:

To approve the LHFIG funding recommendations to the following schemes:

- 4c Sycamore Drive, Laverstock & Ford PC Additional bollards -£1187.50
- 4e Hamptworth & Lyburn Road, Landford Sign and line review -£2250
- 4o Gomeldon Road, Idmiston PC Road narrows & lining £1125
- 4v A343 Lopcombe Corner, Winterslow Speed limit assessment -£2325
- 4w A338, Allington Memorial Hall directional signage £375



Oxenwood 2025 School Holiday Clubs

Join us at Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre for an action-packed, school holiday adventure with our new holiday clubs launching in Spring 2025.

Activities include:

Paddle sports - From April onwards and will include an introduction to Stand up Paddleboard and canoeing. The equipment to be used, the dangers that could be encountered (and how to not get in that situation in the first place!) paddle strokes and self-rescue. Ensuring you get the skills necessary to enjoy and safe and fun day on the water

Mountain biking - Learn the skills necessary to conduct repairs and identify faults with your bike, skill-based sessions designed to make better riders of all abilities, journeys out from the centre teaching the skills for moving across country safely and added basic navigation.

Bushcraft - Could you fend for yourself without any home comforts? How would you get on if you were lost or stranded in unknown territory? This day will teach you to get to grips with a few vital survival skills that could keep you alive and get you home in one piece. Learn how to prepare yourself for the unexpected, find water and make it safe, prepare and cook game, build a shelter, make fires for warmth and cooking and live in harmony with nature. You will also learn how to make distress signals for rescue or to navigate your way home.

Targets and trajectories - This day will involve various shooting techniques, utilising archery, olympic style air rifle, snap barrel air rifle and BB guns. The day will cover how to safely use all systems, how to zero your rifles, utilise alternate point of aim, how to fire from different positions and learn how to achieve the maximum points on offer every time!

History / theme days - The British Isles boasts a long and proud history and what better way to explore this history as becoming part of it! During our history day you will find out what its like to be drilled into shape as a Roman Legionnaire or discover how the Vikings became a feared invader of our islands, this immersive experience will ensure you leave here ready to invade and pillage!

Multiple activity day - This will incorporate all activities available during the week, condensed to give the attendees a taste of each. This will incorporate, bushcraft, mountain biking, riles shooting, Archery and climbing. A fun multi activity day for a range of ages.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	09:00 - 16:15	09:00 - 16:15	09:00 - 16:15	09:00 - 16:15	09:00 - 16:15
8 - 11 years	Mountain Bike	Bushcraft	Targets and trajectories	History / Theme Day	Multi activity day
12 - 16 years	Bushcraft	Mountain bike	History / Theme Day	Multi activity day	Targets and trajectories

Price: £30 per person, per day

Ages: 8 - 11 years old

12 -16 years old

Lunch: Attendees should bring a packed lunch.

For more information or to reserve your place email: info@oxenwood.org.uk

Community First Update



Village Halls Week 2025

Village Halls Week is an annual campaign led by Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE). As the ACRE network member for Wiltshire and Swindon, Community First will be supporting local village halls and community buildings as part of the 2025 #VillageHallsWeek campaign which will take place between 17th - 23rd March 2025. The aim of Village Halls Week in 2025 is to encourage and support the efforts of volunteers to keep these important rural community buildings open.

In England alone, it is estimated that over 80,000 people regularly volunteer their time with village halls, from those on management committees who oversee the day-to-day use of the building and its finances, to those who organise events and group activities for the benefit of the local community.

Community First Village Halls Advisor Heather will be attending several local events throughout the week and we will be sharing information about the campaign on our social media channels. ACRE has also set up a page where halls and buildings can share what is happening in their local area:

https://acre.org.uk/village-halls-week-2025-local-events/

Please keep an eye out for more information in March and help support the campaign by liking, sharing and commenting to show your support for our local village halls.

Wiltshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) Conference

The Wiltshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) celebrated its annual Conference at the Corn Exchange in Devizes on Tuesday 5th November.

The conference featured a keynote address from Andrew Towlerton, National Planning Advisor at the SLCC, on the updated National Planning Policy Framework.

As part of the event, Andy Reeves, Principal Officer at Central Swindon North Parish Council, discussed his experiences of asset transfer from Swindon Borough Council and Perry Holmes, Director of Legal & Governance Our Wiltshire (Wiltshire Council), talked about improving decision-making through improved Councillors' conduct.

Conference workshop contributors included:

- Becky Maddern, talking about accessible and inclusive play parks
- Jason Salter, Head of the Passenger Transport Unit at Wiltshire Council, setting out the Council's commitment to developing public transport in the county
- Trevor Cherrett and Steve Vaux our Rural Housing Enablers, looking at affordable homes in small rural communities.
- Justin Robinson led a practical session on preparing for next year's local elections.
- Chris Manuel from the Wiltshire and Swindon Local Resilience Forum, explored what Town and Parish Councils can do to help prepare their communities against the risk of flooding.
- Andrew Towlerton considered how best to prepare and review a Neighbourhood Plan.

Thanks go to all our speakers and Community First staff who supported the day. Many thanks to everyone who attended and took part in the sessions and workshops.

Community First Update



Voice It, Hear It - Help shape the future of health and social care services.

Voice It, Hear It, is a new project that unifies the collective strength of its partners to support the voice and engagement of people in Wiltshire. The project is delivered by Community First, Wessex Community Action, Wiltshire Service Users' Network, Age UK Wiltshire, Alzheimer's Support and Celebrating Age Wiltshire. Working alongside Wiltshire Council and the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (BSW ICB), Voice It, Hear It enages with people living and working in Wiltshire to co-produce, co-design and co-develop health and social care services in Wiltshire.

The team works alongside people with physical disabilities, sensory needs, mental health conditions, learning disabilities, neurodiversity, long-term conditions, complex needs, older people and dementia. Empowering and facilitating them to have their say and get involved in shaping how health and social care services work for them now and in the future.

How you can be involved:

Register with us - Complete our registration form and let us know how you would like to be involved. This helps us reach the right people for consultations and ensures diverse representation from a range of audiences. When we engage and consult, we provide summarised insights that you can use to inform your own work, advocate for change, or shape the services you provide. Your voice really does matter! You can make a difference.

https://survey.zohopublic.eu/zs/7DDXym

Stay up to date - Sign up to our email list to stay up to date with the latest engagement and consultation opportunities. You'll receive updates on newly published reports, which could serve as helpful evidence for future funding applications or advocacy work. We'll also keep you posted on what Wiltshire Council has achieved as a direct result of your feedback, options, and proposed actions - ensuring accountability and transparency.

https://mailchi.mp/3d305f3b4ab7/voice-it-hear-it-sign-up-form

How you can help us:

- Spread the Word: Inform your clients and members when we are seeking input on their experiences.
- **Stay Informed:** You can find the most up-to-date information on consultations through our Voice It Hear It page on Wiltshire Together (https://wiltshiretogether.org.uk/voice-it-hear-it)
- **Shape Sessions:** Help us design consultations or share relevant information you have already gathered that could inform the engagement process.
- **Encourage Registration:** Invite other groups and organisations you work with to register with us, building a stronger network that reaches deeper into our communities.
- **Share Information:** Distribute engagement event details, flyers, postcards, and surveys that promote our engagement opportunities.
- **Support Participation:** Assist those you work with attending events and workshops, completing surveys, providing feedback, or signposting them to someone who can offer further support.

Current Engagements:

Learning Disability Strategy Aims Engagement

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Community First Update

Do your clients wish to share their views on whether the aims are appropriate or if anything is missing from the strategy?

- Encourage your members to book a 1-to-1 telephone consultation: voice@communityfirst.org.uk
- Invite us to run a workshop or group chat in person or online via voice@communityfirst.org.uk

Young People 18-25yrs with Learning Disabilities and Autism on Technology Enabled Care

We're exploring what tools young people might use or would like to use for maintaining and creating greater independence. Can you help us engage with young people? Email: voice@communityfirst.org.uk

Share this information in your newsletters and social media posts.

For more information about Voice It, Hear It visit: www.communityfirst.org.uk/voice. You can also follow us on Facebook by searching 'Voice It, Hear It.'

Recruiting Community Health Champions

Does Your Organisation Support Inclusion and Health Equity? We're seeking your help to identify potential Health Research Champions from among your members, staff, or volunteers.

This is a fantastic opportunity for individuals to gain new skills, make a real difference in health research, and promote inclusion and diversity in the field.

What Do Health Research Champions Do?

- Raise Awareness: Help others learn about health and care research and encourage participation.
- Speak to Groups: Share information with community and patient groups.
- **Promote Research Opportunities:** Inform people about studies, like those on Be Part of Research and Join Dementia Research.
- Engage with the Public: Join events, media interviews, or school visits to promote health research.

Why Encourage Your Members to Get Involved?

Becoming a Health Research Champion provides:

- **Skill Development:** Champions receive full training, adding valuable skills to their personal and professional toolkit.
- **Personal Growth:** A chance to connect with others, learn, and grow while making a tangible impact.
- Increased Impact: Champions play a vital role in shaping more inclusive health research and improving treatments for all.

Our Motto: "No Research About Us, Without Us."

Let's ensure health research reflects everyone's voice and needs. Together, we can promote equity in health and care research. Share this opportunity within your organization and help us identify individuals from the global majority or people with disabilities who would like to take part. For more information or to connect potential champions with us, please contact askyring@communityfirst.org.uk.

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We're happy to share more details about the role, the available training, and how we'll support champions every step of the way.

To register your interest as a Community Health Champion - please complete the online form: https://www.cognitoforms.com/communityfirst2/healthresearchchampionregistrationform

Employability Programmes

Referrals for the Building Bridges Programme in Wiltshire are temporarily paused. We are still accepting referrals for the Building Bridges Swindon programme and via the Wiltshire Housing Support and Rough Sleeper Team. For more information, please visit: www.buildingbridgessw.org.uk or email: hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk

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Area Board Briefing Note

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Cost of Living

All community areas are reminded that there is a wide range of support for those who need it over winter to help with the cost of living, stay warm, socialise and access services.

Financial support is available to some groups and more than £2.7m has been allocated from the Government's Household Support Fund to support low-income households that would otherwise struggle to buy food, pay essential utility bills or meet other essential living costs. This funding will primarily be used to help people in crisis in partnership with local charities. More information about the Household Support Fund can be found at https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/10672/HSF6-overview-eligibility-and-how-funds-can-be-used.

There is cost of living advice and support available on the Wiltshire Council website, covering a range of topics including advice on energy costs, housing and a directory of warm spaces throughout the county.

Wiltshire Council's libraries continue to be warm spaces where residents can sit and stay, chat with the volunteers and connect with people. There are activities including board games, crafts and book chat groups available and some libraries also offer hot drinks. Library staff can also refer people to Warm and Safe Wiltshire for advice and support. All the usual library services, including free access to books, newspapers, computers, Wi-Fi and digital support, continue as normal. The council also provides a home library service for people who are housebound or struggle to get to a library. Anyone interested in this service should contact their local library.

The council's Wiltshire Wellbeing Hub continues to be available to anyone who needs it. Anyone can access the Hub, originally established during the pandemic, and it can provide confidential advice, information, and signposting from the council's friendly team. The Hub is available on normal working days Monday to Thursday from 9am to 5pm and Friday from 9am to 4pm. People can email wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk or phone 0300 003 4576.

For more details about any of the council's services this winter, people should contact their local library or visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries.

For more information and support on the cost-of-living crisis, people should visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living.

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Area Board Briefing Note School Appeal Panel Member Recruitment

Service:	Democratic Services
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Do you have some free time? Are you looking to give back to society? Are you passionate about education?

If so, then Wiltshire Council is looking for volunteers to sit on their Independent School Appeal Panels. The Panels hear and determine appeals submitted by parents or guardians as a result of being refused a place for their children at their preferred school.

The Panels not only play an important role in considering the needs of both schools and children but are a rewarding way of giving back to the community and developing new skills.

Members sitting on the Panel must be independent of Wiltshire Council for the duration of their service. We welcome people from all backgrounds and value a range of perspectives. We are ideally looking for thoughtful, considerate people that are good listeners and have a keen regard for due process.

Compulsory training will be provided for the role, with refresher courses when necessary. A Clerk is available during and in the run up to appeals to give legal and procedural advice. The role is a voluntary position, so is unpaid.

There is no minimum time commitment, but the role can vary from a few hours a month to a couple of days a week occasionally, particularly during the summer months before the start of the new academic year each September.

Being a volunteer Panel Member can be a good way of giving back to society, taking part in important decisions that affect the welfare of children and parents, as well as keeping busy and maintaining social interaction if you are not currently working.

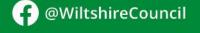
We would urge people who are interested to get in touch and find out more. Contact the council's Democratic Services Appeals Team, either by email at educationappealsadmin@wiltshire.gov.uk or by calling 01225 718352.

Follow this link to see the job advertisement <u>Independent School Appeal Panel Members - Wiltshire Career Site Careers</u>

Please note that the **closing date** for applications is **Sunday 16 February 2025**.











Wiltshire local elections 2025

Background

- Local elections are taking place on Thursday 1 May 2025 and the polls will be open from 7am-10pm
- They include the Wilshire Council unitary election and the town and parish elections
- There are 98 unitary councillor seats available

Key dates

 People have until 11 April to register to vote if they're not already. More details can be found at https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

- People have until 5pm on 14 April to apply for a postal vote. More details can be found at https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote.
- People have until 5pm on 23 April to **apply for a new proxy vote**. More details can be found at https://www.gov.uk/apply-proxy-vote.
- People have until 5pm on 23 April If they want to apply for a Voter Authority
 Certificate (if they don't have photo ID) https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate.
- **Pre-election period** gets underway from 11 March (the period of time immediately before elections or referendums when specific restrictions on communications activity are in place).

Voter ID

- Voters need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations for the local elections.
- Accepted forms of photo ID include passports, photographic driving licences, biometric immigration documents, and certain concessionary travel passes. A comprehensive list can be found at www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voting-and-elections/voter-id.

Electoral areas and boundaries for elections taking place from 1 May 2025

Following Community Governance Reviews, some of the electoral areas in Wiltshire will change for these elections. An interactive map of the current and new boundaries

can be viewed at https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/8167/Wiltshire-Electoral-Boundaries.

Information for prospective candidates – webinar on 11 February

- On 11 February from 6pm-7pm Wiltshire Council is hosting a webinar to give prospective candidates and agents all the information they need ahead of May's local elections. It will be an opportunity for those considering standing for election and their representatives to hear from our election team directly, including the Returning Officer, and have any questions answered. More information and how to sign up is at https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-elections.
- Publication of the Notice of Election takes place on 11 March 2025
- The period for people to submit nominations is from 10am on 12 March until 4pm on 2 April (nominations can be delivered between the hours of 10am and 4pm on working days)

Working at the election

For anyone interested in applying to work to support the delivery of elections in Wiltshire, they should visit https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/election-jobs.

Key websites:

https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-elections - Wiltshire Council local elections page

https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote - register to vote

<u>https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote</u> - apply for a postal vote

https://www.gov.uk/apply-proxy-vote - apply for a proxy vote

<u>www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voting-and-elections/voter-id</u> - Voter ID information <u>https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/8167/Wiltshire-Electoral-Boundaries</u> - Wiltshire boundaries

https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/ - Electoral Commission

Additional information

If anyone would like any information about the local elections, they should visit https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-elections

People can also email elections@wiltshire.gov.uk with any queries or questions.



Area Board Briefing Note Devolution to Wessex

Devolution is the handing down of powers and decision making from central government to councils. Government published a <u>White Paper</u> on how they wish to achieve Devolution in England on 16 December 2024.

The White Paper says that government will create in statute a new type of authority, a 'Strategic Authority'. Government wants universal coverage of Strategic Authorities and where progress is slow will have the power to mandate these. Strategic Authorities will bring together leaders of the constituent councils. The deepest powers and funding for Strategic Authorities will only be available to those where the Leaders of constituent councils are joined by a directly elected Mayor.

Funding will include long term investment, regeneration, transport and housing funds. Powers for strategic authorities will include:

- **Transport**: bus franchising; rail network influence; station control; key road network
- Skills: Adult Education Budget; Get Britain Working; Local Skills Improvement Plans;
- Housing and Planning: Spatial Development Strategies and when in place call-in powers on strategic developments plus a mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy;
 Homes England programmes and Affordable Housing Programme funding
- Environment: retrofit funding; Local Power Plans; Local Nature Recovery Strategies
- **Business**: Growth Hub Funding; Office for Investment; UKRI regional innovation influence
- Public Service Reform: aligning geographies (police and fire); mayors on Integrated Care Partnerships; health improvement; right to request devolution

Alongside the establishment of Strategic Authorities government will be moving to fully unitary councils across the country. Reorganisation will commence in remaining two tier areas (parts of the country which still have district councils).

When agreeing geographies for Strategic Authorities, Government will be considering:

- **Scale**: The default assumption is for a combined population of 1.5 million or above.
- **Economies**: sensible economic geographies
- Contiguity: Any proposed geography must be contiguous across its constituent councils











- No 'devolution islands': Geographies must not create devolution 'islands' by leaving areas which are too small to go it alone or which do not have natural partners.
- Delivery: Geographies should ensure the effective delivery of key functions including Spatial Development Strategies, Local Transport Plans and Get Britain Working Plans.
- **Alignment**: The government will seek to promote alignment between devolution boundaries and other public sector boundaries.
- Identity: A vital element of successful devolution is the ability for local residents to engage with and hold their devolved institutions to account – and local identity plays a key role in this

Applications to a Devolution Priority Programme were sought by government by 10 January. Wiltshire Council is seeking inclusion in this programme along with other councils in the Wessex area – BCP (Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole), Dorset and Somerset – representing a combined population of 1.9 million. An extraordinary <u>full council</u> was held on 9 January where Wiltshire councillors voted 65-7 to join the programme, whilst noting some reservations alongside the clear direction of travel from government. The paper sets out the background to the debate.

If Wessex is accepted onto the Devolution Priority Programme there will be a period of public consultation led by the government, following which constituent councils will be asked to give their formal assent to the proposals. Mayoral elections would then take place in 2026. If not accepted onto the programme the constituent councils will consider their next steps together.

The proposal to create a Mayoral Strategic Authority with Dorset, BCP and Somerset councils is not a merger of the councils. Each council will remain independent, continuing to serve its local communities as individual authorities.

FAQs

Why are the councils supporting an elected mayor for Wessex?

The government has made it clear that it is committed to devolution that includes mayors and that there will be a significant premium in terms of funding and representation associated with this. This model aims to ensure clear, accountable leadership to drive economic growth, improve public services, and invest in vital infrastructure, working closely with the leaders of the constituent councils.

Mayoral devolution offers the opportunity to develop a long-term investment plan for the critical infrastructure our counties need with the ability to bring in additional private sector investment. Should mayoral devolution be agreed, residents would have the opportunity to vote for a mayor.

What about Swindon?











Discussions to date have also included Swindon Borough Council but they are currently exploring a range of options. Wiltshire, Somerset, BCP and Dorset councils remain open to the possibility of working with Swindon as part of Wessex.

When will we hear back from the government regarding the proposal?

We expect to hear back by early February.

What will the process of consultation look like?

We expect the process of any consultation by government to be set out soon.

How would the Wessex proposal work in practice? What type of authority would actually be created if devolution is agreed for Wiltshire?

We expect the governance framework for mayoral strategic authorities to be based on the mayoral combined authority structures provided for in existing legislation. In almost all circumstances decisions will be taken by council leaders and 'majority voting, including the mayor'. The mayor will chair meetings of the Strategic Authority. Scrutiny arrangements will be in place alongside audit and local public accounts committees.

Will Wiltshire Council be merging with BCP, Dorset and Somerset if the Wessex devolution proposal is agreed?

No. There are no plans to share additional services between the three councils. The aim of devolution is to unlock additional funding streams from central government and that we would work collaboratively with BCP, Somerset and Dorset on new initiatives.

If the devolution proposal is approved by government, local councils in Wiltshire, BCP, Dorset and Somerset will continue to exist and have the same responsibilities as they do now. Current legal, tax-raising and public service responsibilities of individual councils will remain with those councils. Any formal proposals will be subject to consultation.









Area Board Briefing Note

Family and Community Learning Impact Report 2023-24

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This Impact Report demonstrates how Wiltshire Council's Family and Community Learning team are using adult community learning to transform lives through learning all across Wiltshire. It highlights learner stories to show how the service reach adults across the county who face a range of barriers and challenges, and help them to take positive steps to improve their lives.

Working with over six hundred individuals last academic year, and reaching a range of isolated and marginalised communities, the Family and Community Learning team offer free courses on topics such as:

- confidence building and wellbeing,
- skills for adults such as English language and budgeting.
- family learning to help parents to support their child's emotional wellbeing,
- courses for adults with additional needs to develop independent living skills.

This work is made possible through strong partnerships with community groups, charities, schools, day opportunity services, supported living settings, army welfare service and many more organisations. Family and Community Learning would like to reach out to all the areas of Wiltshire to help us to engage with adults and parents/carers who would benefit from learning with us. Please read the inspirational stories in the Impact Report and share what we do with at least one organisation in your community who could work in partnership with Family and Community Learning.









Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEARNING Transforming lives through learning across Wiltshire

- 2023 / 2024 -







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Learner at our 2023-2024 Learner Awards





ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING AS A NATIONAL PRIORITY

Adult Community Learning "draws in those furthest from the workplace - people who have often had poor experiences of education and life - to begin learning again. It is educational seed capital that can lead to tremendous things. This can include helping someone learn to read, improving their numeracy and digital skills, or building their confidence. All of this can support learners to progress onto training programmes that can lead to a good job further down the line. That is real social justice in action, giving people the means to improve their prospects."

Robert Halfon, ex-Minister for Apprenticeships and Skills, 21 March 2024



Learners at their supported living setting.







ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING AS A LOCAL PRIORITY

Wiltshire Council's Business Plan Objectives and Family and Community Learning

The people of
Wiltshire are
empowered to live
full, healthy and
enriched lives.

Family and Community learning provides mechanisms to reduce isolation, support recovery of mental health and support interaction. Our courses offer opportunities for development of the health and independence of our communities.

Our local economy thrives and is supported by a skilled workforce. Family and Community Learning provides courses for individuals who want to acquire skills that support their working lives. This can include those in need of new skills, people who are economically inactive or individuals new to Wiltshire who need help and support to work.

We lead the way in how councils and counties mitigate the climate challenges ahead. Family and Community Learning provides courses which can help individuals and families to navigate the changes and challenges which will impact on the world of work as well as our communities.







TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH LEARNING ACROSS WILTSHIRE

The Family and Community Learning Service is part of Wiltshire Council's Targeted Education Service. We receive Adult Skills Fund funding through a contract with the ESFA for Tailored Learning. We use this funding to directly deliver high-quality courses to engage individuals of different ages and backgrounds to gain new skills, reconnect with learning, learn how to support their children, and better prepare them for progression employment further learning, or volunteering.

Family and Community Learning provides support and development for individuals and groups within Wiltshire for whom formal learning may have been a barrier in the past, and works to build confidence and realise potential. Learning programmes provided are for adults aged 19+ across Wiltshire, in a wide range of community venues, many in the county's areas of highest need, as well as online.



Learners at a respite service studying our Exploring Baking course to develop independent living skills.







OBJECTIVES

The Family and Community Learning programme mission statement is:

Growing a lifelong love of learning with communities in Wiltshire

Discover opportunities – Develop skills – Achieve ambitions

We aim to transform people's destinies by supporting their progression, relevant to their personal circumstances, including:

- improved confidence and willingness to engage in learning
- acquisition of skills preparing people for training, employment or selfemployment
- improved digital, financial literacy and/or communication skills
- equipping parents/carers to better support and encourage their children's learning
- improved / maintained health and/or social well-being

OUR LEARNERS

Learners learn with us online or in community venues around Wiltshire. Our learners are supported to set goals for their learning in their learning journey and to share their aspirations with their tutor. All learners receive information, advice and guidance to support them to take their next steps after learning with us.



English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) learners





OUR 2023-2024 LEARNERS

In 2023-2024 we worked with 605 individual learners, across a range of online and face-to-face courses around Wiltshire, meeting and exceeding our target by an additional 21%. Learners made 1105 enrolments. Community learners made up the majority of our learners, with 750 enrolments onto Community Learning courses, and 355 enrolments onto Family Learning courses.

605

Individual learners (target 500)

1105

Learner enrolments (target 1100)

844

Learner referrals (target 700)

3%

Learner withdrawals (target <5%)

32%

Learners with disability

29%

Learners from BME backgrounds

58%

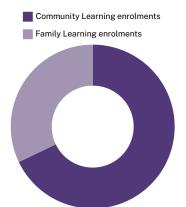
Learners qualified below Level 2

74%

Learners on means tested benefits

33%

Male learners



750

Community Learning enrolments

355

Family Learning enrolments









Learners with their certificates

OUTCOMES FOR LEARNERS

We provide learners with impartial, high quality, careers education, information, advice and guidance (CEIAG) about their future options for learning, training and employment. We track the destination and progression of our learners to:

- Demonstrate how we are contributing to their future success, and
- Show how effective their learning is in providing future employment or education.



Learner achievement

99% of our learners achieved their course learning outcomes and met the success criteria (last year 97%).



Completed course

96% of learners completed the course that they enrolled on with us (last year 94%).



Learners started work

13% of our learners started paid work after completing a course with us (last year 10%).



Achieved progression outcome

80% of learners went on to further study, volunteering, work or other positive next steps (last year 57%).



Enrolled on progression course

56% enrolled on a second-step progression course with us (last year 47%).









Into Work Award Winner

IMPACT ON LIFESTYLE

Adult learning is a fantastic catalyst for learners to take positive steps with their lives. Beneficial outcomes for learners range from moving on to work, volunteering or further study, to making new friends, involved becoming in community, building confidence and becoming healthier.

Our learners report developing a wide range of skills on their courses



Improved their confidence

80%

Made new friends / contacts

69%

Became involved in community activities

80%

Feel more ambitious

84%

Made positive healthy lifestyle changes

76%

Developed organisational skills

90%

More able to find solutions to problems

73%

Developed understanding of other cultures

63%

More confident with technology / internet

88%

Developed skills to find work or improve employment

I had an interview at a pre-school yesterday and they have offered me the job. Thank you for all your help and guidance. I was asked questions that I wouldn't have known the answers to if I hadn't have attended your course. Hopefully after my 3 month probation they are looking at me doing my level 2 qualification." Jess - Working in Schools course







OUR 2023-2024 COURSES

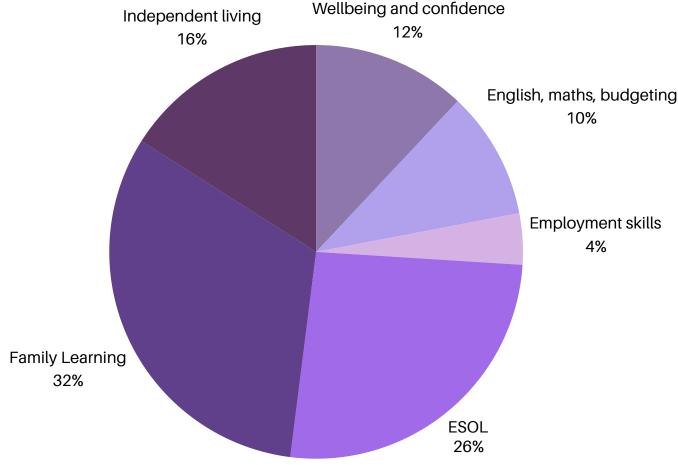
Our courses are designed with our partner organisations and learners. Courses cover four key areas:

- Wellbeing and confidence building
- Skills for adults English, maths, ESOL, employment skills
- Family learning
- Independent living skills for adults with additional needs

2023-2024 ENROLMENTS BY COURSE TYPE



Learners and tutor in an MOD community building in Tidworth







Wiltshire Council

PARTNERSHIPS AND CURRICULUM

Partnerships with other organisations are central to our engagement with learners. We work closely with our partners to design, plan and deliver courses to meet the needs of adults across Wiltshire. Our partners know the needs of their learners well, and by collaborating together we are able to reach learners who may not otherwise access learning. Our partners work with us to support course delivery, or refer learners to us for the help that we offer through learning.

Our Curriculum Development Steering Group is made up of partners, both from external organisations and from within Wiltshire Council, and meets three times a year to give feedback and influence our curriculum and course design. We welcome new partners to these meetings regularly.

We work with a range of partners including:

Adult Social Care, Resettlement Team, JCP and employment support organisations, Schools, Children's Centres, Wiltshire Parent Carer Council, MOD, homeless charities, Prevention and Wellbeing team, Social Prescribers, and more.



A support worker assists a learner at a respite care setting partner organisation

"We are so grateful for all the wonderful work you do for us. It is clear to see the positive impact it has on the customers and staff."

Sarah, Senior Support Worker Medley Day Opportunities Centre







LEARNER REFERRALS



Nepalese learners celebrating completing their course



Partner referrals

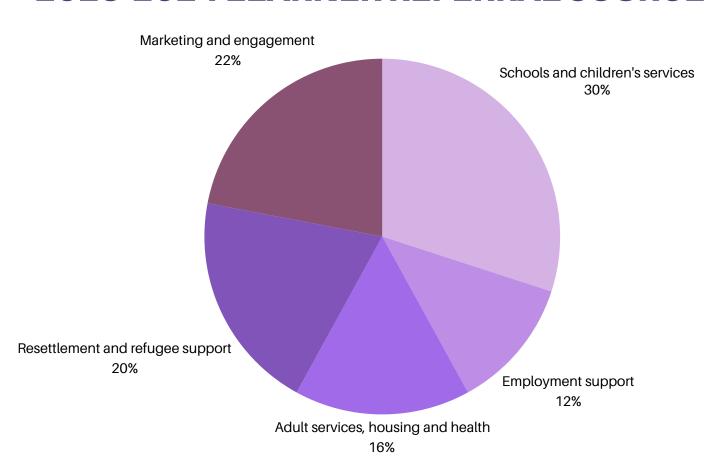
77% of learner referrals came from partner organisations.



Engagement referrals

23% of referrals came from engagement with our staff, social media, marketing events or word of mouth.

2023-2024 LEARNER REFERRAL SOURCE









PARTNERSHIP WORKING

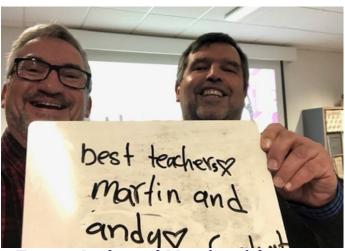
ESOL

An area of curriculum growth over recent years has been our work supporting adults across Wiltshire to develop their English language skills, and we delivered 38 of these courses in 2023-2024, with a quarter delivered online, and three-quarters delivered face-to-face.

Wiltshire has the largest number of Afghan resettlers in the UK. We worked with volunteer support groups, the MOD and their contractors, and Wiltshire Council Resettlement colleagues to offer ESOL courses for Afghan resettlers in military areas.

"Thanks a lot Mr. Andy, teaching outstanding and helping in CV updating.
Mr. Martin, thanks a lot for teaching and helping in issues out of the ESOL class and giving excellent advice for job finding."

Obaidullah



Tutors Andy and Martin with a note from their class

Adults with SEND

Our range of Smart courses to support adults with additional needs to develop independent living skills were delivered at day opportunity services, a supported living setting, a respite care facility, as well as online courses too. We have grown our course offer as a result of feedback from partners about their customers' needs, and now offer bite-size courses to engage learners, and longer courses to develop skills, knowledge and confidence.

"When I first came to the Smart courses, I was worried about talking to anyone and I didn't like going out, now I like talking to everyone and I feel happy."

Smart learner







Wellbeing partnerships

We work with a variety of partners to support learners' confidence and wellbeing, including homeless support charities, prevention and wellbeing services, mental health charities, health services and the DWP. Our partnerships support learners to develop their knowledge and understanding of how to make positive changes for a healthy body and mind.



Tutor Gill and Janice Deputy DEAL/Disability Employment Advisor from JCP Salisbury

Our range of wellbeing courses support learners to take positive steps to a healthier future.

have developed We our partnerships with our local Job Centre Plus Disability Employment Advisors. They recognise the role that wellbeing plays in a person's work readiness, and together we have run a series of courses to support JCP clients who are on a health pathway to develop their skills to support their wellbeing. On our recent course Trowbridge, 50% of the learners progressed onto work either after the during or course. highlighting the value and impact of this working relationship;

"I just wanted to tell you that we have another good news story from this Wellbeing Group. [A learner] applied for jobs and was shortlisted for 2 jobs. She went for an interview ... and has got the job, she starts end of August 2024!"

Janice, Deputy DEAL/Disability Employment Advisor, DWP

"Gill was a fantastic tutor. She went slowly with us and made us bond as a group which I have not had before. She gave us good pieces of information to save and use in our own time. She helped us work out what works for us to help with our anxiety. I would really like to work with Gill again, thank you so much for such a useful group." Wellbeing course learner







FAMILY LEARNING PARTNERSHIPS

Referrals for our Family Learning courses has been an area of growth for us this academic year, with strong partnership relationships developed with schools and colleagues within Wiltshire Council.

We developed a new course Understanding School Anxiety alongside the Educational Psychology team, who also support our tutor with delivery of the online session for parents and carers. This is a sensitive topic, with families often desperate for help; we collaborate carefully with schools and other referring partners to ensure that our course reaches those who would most benefit from it.

We partnered with a range of primary and secondary schools to deliver courses in their local communities. For example, we worked with Kingsbury Green Academy, their local feeder primary schools and other charities and support services for children and families in Calne to offer a series of courses with the shared objective: "Together we help you to support your child". This project will be continuing next academic year to build on the progress made to date.



All courses are held in Calne Library from 10am - 12pm
Welcoming, friendly, relaxed, helpful, supportive & refreshments!

Our range of Family Learning courses help parents and carers to feel confident supporting their child's learning and wellbeing. Last year we delivered 64 Family Learning courses, covering 13 topics, with 80% taught online, and 20% held at schools and community venues.

"I would like to re-iterate how successful our partnership with you was when you came in to lead Family Learning courses for our parents of children with SEN... I can happily feedback that the parents who attended have continued to support each other and this was a by-product of holding it in person in school with likeminded parents struggling with the same issues."

Philippa, Headteacher at Winterbourne Earls Primary School











We were delighted to welcome our learners and partner organisations to our annual learner awards event in November 2024. We celebrated the achievements and inspiring stories of our 2023-2024 learners, with seven fantastic award winners and many nominees, learners, and their families and friends.

LEARNERS WERE NOMINATED FOR THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

- New Directions Award
- Learning for Health and Wellbeing Award
- English Language Award
- Overcoming Challenges Award
- Independent Living Award
- Into Work Award
- Outstanding Individual Learner of the Year Award

Counsellor Laura Mayes,
Cabinet Member for Education and
Skills said:

"Congratulations to all our learners and those who attended this awards ceremony. It was a brilliant evening. So many inspiring stories, showing how people have taken on learning and it has transformed their lives.

Congratulations to you all – not just for the awards, but for everything you do. The Family and Community Learning Team is doing amazing work and this special event demonstrates the value that learning can have for everyone."





Wiltshire Council

OUR 2024 AWARD WINNERS



New Directions Award Winner: Emily Rogers

Emily found learning rebuilt her confidence and allowed her to reflect and take a new career path, leading to a dream job working with children.



Learning for Health and Wellbeing Award Winner: Julian Lawson

Julian brought positivity to every class; he became a peer mentor and helped other learners feel relaxed and motivated.



English Language Award Winner: Alsadiq Idriss Adam

Alsadiq has shown dedication to learning; travelling long distances due to housing challenges as a refugee, he stayed committed to his English classes.



Overcoming Challenges Award Winner: Stephen Traveller

Steve demonstrated great commitment to his family, using strategies he learnt to support his granddaughter, and supporting others in the group.







OUR 2024 AWARD WINNERS



Independent Living Award Winner: Tony Bishop

Tony came to learning after the loss of his mother; now in supported living, he is using the skills he has learnt, and aspires to adopt a cat in the future.



Into Work Award Winner: Maria Barandalla-Fernandez

Maria came to learning after a career break raising her family; she showed her resilience by using all she learnt to secure work in the sector that she wanted.



Outstanding Individual Learner Award Winner: Christina Corderoy

Christina was nominated for her amazing attitude to learning. She has transformed a green space at her children's school, and inspired others to learn.







OUR 2024 AWARD NOMINEES

New Directions Award	Anne Mayers Emily Rogers				
Learning for Health and Wellbeing Award	Jordan Lamprell Sharon Gifford Julian Lawson				
English Language Learner Award	Alsadiq Idriss Adam Nanda Kumari Khadija Stirling Nassima Belmehdi	Sharifa Zara Nazia Malakzai Nabila Khanmuradi Lailuma Noori			
Overcoming Challenges Award	Johnathan Hamblin Debbie White Victoria Sennett KC Stephen Traveller Vanessa Lescott Christina Corderoy	Clare Woodley Cadey Kate Abbitt Nicola Campbell David Harries Waheeda Shirzad Zakia Nazri			
Independent Living Award	Gail Gogarty Tony Bishop	Jonathon Evans Farhat Atikan			
Into Work Award	Jess Norriss Maria Barandalla- Fernandez	Araminta Clibborn Robert King Bibi Zohra Hamdard			
Outstanding Individual Learner of the Year Award	Khadija Stirling Christina Corderoy Chloe Hope				







IMPACT FOR LEARNERS - CASE STUDIES



Learners and tutor Wafa at our celebration event.

ESOL

Zakia's learning journey exemplifies the transformative power of education for herself, her family, and her community. Arriving from Afghanistan with no reading or writing skills in any language, Zakia began her studies with the ESOL pre-entry course, where she initially struggled to even write her name. However, her determination and dedication quickly became evident as she progressed through our ESOL courses, mastering the alphabet, reading and writing simple sentences, and improving her handwriting. Every Thursday, she proudly shares the new words she practiced at home and the home learning she has done with her children, demonstrating her commitment to learning for herself and her whole family. Zakia's positive attitude and perseverance have not only led to her own success but have also inspired her peers and encouraged her children to engage more in their studies. Zakia was nominated for our learner award for Overcoming Challenges by her tutor Wafa.

In 2023-24 we delivered 38 ESOL courses, with 283 enrolments, in 12 different areas of Wiltshire, as well as online.

This is a 74% increase in ESOL courses delivered compared to 2022-2023, and a 52% increase in enrolments against the same period.







SMART COURSES

Anne faced significant challenges due to the closure of community activities and the isolation brought on by COVID-19, leading her to become withdrawn. Encouraged by staff and family, Anne took a leap of faith and enrolled in the Time Smart course, where she initially struggled but soon thrived in a quiet group. This change boosted her confidence, allowing her to engage actively and showcase her sense of humour. Anne's transformation has made her a proud and capable individual again, and she now expresses interest in continuing her learning journey. Anne was nominated for our New Directions award by her tutor Jan.



In 2023-3034 we delivered 21 Smart courses where learners develop independent living skills. We had 178 enrolments on these courses. We have also added a number of single-session courses to enable us to offer courses in respite care facilities. We delivered 75% more of these courses in 2023-2024 than the previous academic year, and enrolled 40% more learners.

In 2023-2024 we held 64 Family Learning courses, online or at venues around Wiltshire. We had 355 Family Learning enrolments, representing 32% of our enrolments for the year, an increase from 20% the previous academic year. increase has been driven by our widening course offer, including courses for parents and carers of teenagers to support with transitions to adulthood.

FAMILY LEARNING

Kate, a dedicated learner and mother of three, was nominated by her tutor Jenny for our Overcoming Challenges award. Kate has faced significant health challenges, as well as struggles with confidence. Despite these difficulties, she has consistently engaged in various courses at her children's school, excelling in a Families Reading Every Day course with her daughter. Her confidence grew further during the Grow Your Community courses, passionately contributed where she environmental efforts, including supporting the Hedgehog Street initiative. She also led her class in writing a letter to the local MP, which received a positive response. Kate's perseverance and growth have led her to secure a full-time job at her children's school, which she enjoys immensely.







WELLBEING

Struggling with her wellbeing, Jordan joined the Exploring Positive Emotions course, where she found a supportive group that helped her recognise and validate her feelings. As she progressed through subsequent courses, her confidence grew significantly. Initially unsure of her skills, Jordan soon realised her capabilities and began to envision a future where she could return to work. Her journey illustrates the transformative power of self-reflection and learning. Her tutor Vanessa nominated her for the Learning for Health and Wellbeing Award.



In 2023-2024 we had 482 enrolments on courses to support wellbeing and confidence, or for parents and carers to support their child's wellbeing, representing 44% of our enrolments, (and an increase from 155 enrolments or 23% in 2022-2023). We ran 13 different types of courses, including new courses for parents and carers, and new courses for adults with additional needs.

SKILLS FOR WORK

Jess began her journey with a Confidence and New Directions course, where her tutor noted significant progress in her confidence as she engaged more in sessions. Building on this, Jess enrolled in the Working in Early Years course, using her learner journey to reflect on applying her new knowledge to support her daughter. By the time she joined the Working in Schools course, Jess had transformed into an active, supportive participant, sharing insights and reflecting on her learning's impact on her daily life. A visit from an early years advisor inspired her to pursue volunteering in the field, marking a significant boost in her confidence and ambition. Ultimately, Jess secured a job at a pre-school. She was nominated for the Into Work award by her tutor Shelley.

In 2023-2024 we ran five different types of courses to support adults to develop skills for work, covering themes such as identifying skills and qualities and preparing for job searching, as well as sector-specific courses on customer service, working in schools, and working in early years.











FESTIVAL OF LEARNING 2023 FINALIST TUTOR JENNY HAM

Our tutor Jenny Ham has been recognised for her exceptional work with disadvantaged adult learners across Wiltshire at the national Festival of Learning Awards.

Jenny said, "I'm motivated by my learners, seeing them learn, progress and achieve. When you can make a difference to people's lives, there is no better feeling.

"My teaching isn't all about the knowledge that I share with learners. It is important to understand their journey in life and to support them to dream as big as they can."

Laura Mayes, Wiltshire Council
Cabinet Member for Education
and Skills said: "Jenny's
commitment to her learning and
development shines strongly. She
uses the knowledge and skills
that she gains to inform her
teaching and the support that
she gives her learners. Jenny puts
her heart and soul into teaching,
and we are very proud of her
and what she supports her
learners to achieve."

"Jenny is a wonderful, inspiring, supportive tutor. She makes learning fun and helped me feel safe, which is vitally important for someone like me who suffers from anxiety. She was always patting me on the back and helping me believe in my abilities." Learner Sarah

"Jenny is a wonderful teacher because she will go the extra mile. If you still don't understand, she will not stop until she has found a way for you to learn. Without having Jenny, I wouldn't be able to help my children." Learner Claire







ELIGIBILITY

Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria, which has changed slightly since August 2024. Learners must be aged 19+ on 31 August of the academic year, have a Wiltshire postcode and either have lived in the UK/EU for 3 years or meet certain residency requirements.

They must also be able to tick one of the following criteria:

- On a lower income, earning less than £25,000 a year.
- In receipt of benefits (other than child benefit).
- Care leaver, refugee, foster carer, carer, military family / ex-armed forces personnel, have a learning difficulty or disability, have schoolaged children who receive means-tested free school meals.
- Not in work and looking to go into work, now or in the future.

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Keeping Wiltshire Safe

Your NPT – Salisbury

Inspector: Insp Tina Osborn

Neighbourhood Sergeant: Sgt Lisa Lovatt /Sgt Malkinson

Neighbourhood Officers:

PC Hannah Cranham / PC Marc Evans / PC Rachel Gunn / PC Josh Pankhurst / PC Matt Boon / PC Kelvin Ramsey / PC Rachel Wood / PC Toby Ferguson

PCSOs:

Jack Hammond / Charlotte King / Jennifer Moss / John Taylor / Valerie Brown / Geanina-Mariana Tablet / Matt Murray

Local Priorities & Updates

Priority	Update
Theft from motor vehicle/ outbuildings	We have received reports of theft from vehicles and outbuildings, with tools and garden equipment being stolen from within. High visibility targeted patrols are being conducted. Extensive crime prevention advice has been provided across media outlets and local engagements will continue in the coming weeks.
PSPO Street Drinkers	Officers have been proactively patrolling hotspot areas as part of the ASB funded additional patrols within the city and surrounding areas. Where appropriate PSPO enforcement tickets have been issued and followed up with Wiltshire Council.
Business Crime	Business Crime has been a focus for the Neighbourhood team during the Christmas period and will continue into the new year. We have been working closely with businesses and partner agencies within the City to prevent and deter offences of shoplifting and proactively dealing with offenders involved in these crimes.
Rural Crime	Rural crime continues to be a focus for the team. We are continuing to conduct proactive operations with our neighbouring forces and our Rural Crime Team in tackling rural crime.

Local Priorities & Updates Continued

Priority	Update
Community Speed Watch	The teams continue to support, where capacity allows, the positive work the Community Speed Watch teams do across the area.
Vulnerable checks	Officers conduct regular visits to our identified vulnerable people to both reassure them following reported concerns and to deter visits by criminals who wish to exploit them. We have been working closely with Wiltshire Council Housing on evidence to support several injunctions which we have now got in place. These premises are visited regularly by the teams to provide support to those who are most vulnerable.

Useful Links

For more information on Wiltshire Police's performance please visit:

- PCC's Website https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/
- HMICFRS Website -https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/police-forces/wiltshire/
- For information on what crimes and incidents have been reported in the Salisbury Neighbourhood Policing Team area visit https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/wiltshire-police/

Get Involved

Keep up to date with the latest news and alerts in your area by signing up to our Community Messaging service –

www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Follow your NPT on social media

- Salisbury Police Facebook
- Salisbury Police Twitter



Find out more information on your NPT area at:

www.wiltshire.police.uk/area/your-area/wiltshire/salisbury/



WILTSHIRE POLICE

Wiltshire Police Violence Against Women and Girls quarterly report – Autumn 2024

This document is to provide progress updates to our communities regarding how the Police are tackling Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG).

Ending VAWG Coalition Wiltshire (E-VAWG)

The EVAWG formalises the essential independent feedback on Police VAWG activity from a diverse cross-section of communities across Wiltshire. The EVAWG will offer insight from areas such as Health, Education, Women's Support Services and the Judiciary. Based on their knowledge of the issues facing the women and children who are victims of VAWG, delegates provide feedback to shape the service the Police provide and develop initiatives to support its mission to end VAWG.

Police Response to the 2022 Stalking Super Complaint by the Suzy Lamplugh Trust

In the last 18 months we have progressed the recommendations of this report by:

- Upskilling officers and staff through enhanced training focussed on risk management and investigation standards, leading to an increase in stalking complaints.
- Holding a Stalking Intensification week, again leading to an increase in reports.
- Improving safeguarding including increasing the use of Stalking Protection Orders.
- Ensuring a robust policing response to perpetrators by allocating orders to dedicated officers that are experienced in management of high-risk offenders.
- Improving outcomes for stalking victims, for example, by increasing year on year arrest rates.
- Creation of a new role; an independent stalking advocacy caseworker (ISAC) who will support victims
 of non-domestic (Stranger) stalking in addition to ISAC provision with our commissioned Domestic
 Abuse (DA) services.

Angiolini Report Recommendations

Wiltshire have delivered the first tranche of recommendations, including:

- Reviewed policy and trigger planning for reports of non-contact Sexual Assault
- Supporting victims of Police Perpetrated abuse or Sexual Misconduct. With Dorset Police we have launched a new protocol for the handling of reports of Police Perpetrated Domestic Abuse ensuring a sterile approach for safeguarding and investigation.
- Creating a network of dedicated trauma informed advocates to support anybody coming forward to report these matters.

Operation Soteria

This is part of the government's review regarding Rape investigations and provides a framework and tool kit for the Police to conduct suspect focused investigations and better support victims. Wiltshire Police have been recognised for making good progress with implementation and have been recognised nationally for some of the innovative practice embedded, specifically regarding our work on non-contact Sexual Assault.

Project Vigilant

This is a proactive police operation which deploys plain clothes and uniformed police officers into public spaces, such as the night-time economy (NTE), to tackle sexual offending. It is perpetrator focused to prevent offences taking place. The intention of the tactic is as follows:

- Conduct proactive patrols providing an enhanced response to sexual offending.
- Identify predatory behaviour by potential perpetrators and prevent offences through overt intervention.
- Gather intelligence for future disruption and to assist future investigations.
- Deter sexual violence, intimidation and street harassment against women and girls and offer reassurance.
- Engage with support agencies to provide enhanced support.

We are engaging with other schemes, such as the Safe Space Scheme (Night Angels), who work in communities, providing advice and support.

Domestic Abuse Scrutiny Panels

Delegates from the VAWG team, CPS, the training team, and Independent Domestic Violence Advocates (IDVAs) come together to identify good practice and areas for development in respect of Domestic Abuse reports. Feedback from these panels is then provided directly to individual officers, supervisors and teams, ensuring accountability and addressing areas for development. It also informs training materials which dovetail into the large scale and ongoing commitment we made to the DA Matters programme which is now embedded in Wiltshire.

Partner Update from Wiltshire Police to Area Boards

Spot the Signs Campaign

Young people, their families and friends are being urged to 'Spot the Signs' of child criminal exploitation in a new campaign being launched today (11/11) by Wiltshire Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The focus on education aims to help stem the instances of child exploitation in our communities and the serious violence often associated with this type of exploitation, including knife crime and gang culture.

The campaign aims to educate young people and those close to them on how to spot that exploitation may be taking over a young person's life by using a targeted social media campaign aimed at both young people and adults, educational visits to schools and real-life case studies from young people who have managed to break the cycle.

Child criminal exploitation is where criminals use children to commit offences for them in exchange for cash and gifts – these can be actual but also online 'gifts' like virtual money in online gaming communities. The young person is then often manipulated and pressured into doing things like stealing or carrying drugs or weapons in return.

Tackling serious violence has been identified as a priority by both Wiltshire Police Chief Constable Catherine Roper and the Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson in recognition of the serious harm it causes victims, their families and the wider communities where it occurs.

The Wiltshire Serious Violence Duty Strategic Needs Assessment (SNA) – a multi-agency initiative which aims to better understand serious violence in Wiltshire and why it happens – highlights a 2023 schools survey which demonstrated that only 3% of young people admitted to having carried a knife.

However, most young people estimated that around 19% of their peers carried a knife, demonstrating the significant difference between the perceived threat of youth knife carriers versus the reality perpetuating a culture of fear amongst young people. This campaign will also challenge these perceptions.

Young people can find out more my visiting the Check it Out section of the OPCC website.

Printable leaflet can be accessed here: <u>County Lines / SVD Campaign Leaflet</u> (<u>Trifold Print</u>) <u>V5</u>

Campaign Page can be accessed here: Spots the Signs. Stop the Crime.

Check it Out info page for young people can be accessed here: Child Criminal Exploitation

Report author: Amy Pantall, Campaign and Communications Manager

Organisation name: Wiltshire Police

Date: 20 November 2024





Briefing Note

Service: Highway and Transport Further Enquiries to: Fiona Steven

Date Prepared: 24th January 2025 Direct Line: (01225) 713484

Salisbury to Stonehenge via Porton cycle route

Background

Wiltshire Council and local communities have an aspiration to create a predominantly trafficfree cycle route to link Salisbury and Stonehenge to:

- Provide leisure routes for cyclists, walkers and disabled people.
- Improve access to Salisbury and Amesbury for the residents of the Winterbournes.
- Improve access from Durrington and Larkhill to Amesbury.
- Provide commuter routes for employees at Porton Down, reducing traffic through the Winterbournes.
- Encourage more tourists to stay in the Salisbury area and to travel to Stonehenge by cycling rather than driving.
- Encourage tourists to explore the wider Stonehenge World Heritage Site, e.g. Woodhenge.

A survey carried out by Winterbourne Parish Council showed that 80% of residents agreed that they want a cycle route to avoid the A338, 80% wanted a cycle route to Salisbury and 50% wanted a better route to Porton Down. However, there is insufficient verge/pavement width along the A338 to provide a pedestrian/cyclist shared-use path.

The current national cycleway route (NCN 45) through the Woodford Valley is an on-road route for leisure and tourism on the west of the A345, but it does not provide for the residents of the Winterbournes, Porton, Gomeldon and Idmiston, which are situated on a corridor to the east of the A345 with no connection to the NCN route 4km away. As it is onroad, it is also not as attractive to less confident leisure riders or tourists with younger children. The completed route via Porton would provide a circular route with the existing Woodford Valley route.

The council has investigated various options in consultation with stakeholders such as businesses at Porton Down, employers and parish councils.

Timeline

Feasibility studies have been carried out by Sustrans on behalf of the council looking at the section between Ford and Tanners Lane. The initial study in 2016 recommended a new traffic-free path between Green Lane and Hurdcott. The second study in 2019 found that some landowners were opposed to this route.

The potential routes are shown in Appendix 1.

A further study was carried out by Sustrans in 2023 to establish and identify road safety improvements on Roman Road between Green Lane and Spire View, particularly so at the Laverstock Turn where traffic behaviour causes intimidation of pedestrians and cyclists, particularly in darker hours.

The results from this study are provided in Appendix 2 (attached).

Current situation

The Sustrans high-level report in 2019 looked at the options for a potential route from Ford to Hurdcott. The report identified two main viable route options - sections F3 & H1. The landowner has previously agreed to route F3 across his land. H1 also has permission from the landowner to access his land to make the necessary improvements for cycling. However, the F3 option means that Cyclists (& pedestrians) would need to travel for 750 metres along Roman Road.

As shown in Appendix 2, making Roman Road safe for cyclists will require on-road improvements. This is likely to include measures to reduce the volume and speed of traffic and may involve the use of permits to allow only local vehicles to access the road.

There is a secondary route option (F2) which reduces the length users would need to travel along Roman Road, thereby reducing the risk of accidents. However, the landowners have both previously said they would not be open to their land being utilised for cycling. If their stance is maintained, and this is the preferred option, the council would need to consider pursuing a compulsory purchase order (CPO) to obtain the land required for this route. See advice under remarks.

Finance

Any decision making about the preferred option of the route alignment (F2 & F3) needs to consider the following.

- The F3 & H1 route options are likely to cost approximately, £500-£750K to complete (including on-road improvements along Roman Road). It is unlikely to attract government funding because of its probable low BCR.
- The F2 & H1 route options will likely require a CPO leading to significant delays and increased costs to complete this scheme.
- The remaining sections of the Salisbury to Amesbury route require further work to be undertaken to ensure the entire length of route is viable. There is potential for further compulsory land purchase with other sections of the route. Given this, and to keep the council's legal costs to a minimum, further feasibility and possible design work of the entire route needs to be undertaken.
- A topographical survey of the full route is likely to cost approximately £200,000.

Funding is not currently available for this work.

This is a rural route with high costs (i.e. a lower BCR than urban routes), involving land negotiations and possibly compulsory purchase. As such it will take some years to develop plans and deliver improvements here.

To gain funding from the government, it is likely that the council would need to demonstrate that it can deliver a high-quality route (i.e. compliant with LTN 1/20 design standards), that it connects to Salisbury and Amesbury at the other end. The soon to be published Salisbury and Wiltshire-wide Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP) set out the

schemes in the context of a comprehensive programme of short-term and long-term improvements.

Remarks

The next step is for a decision to be made on which of the route alignments the council wishes to take. Once a full route alignment has been agreed a topographical study can be commissioned, subject to funding. The survey will help inform any future design work.

When considering a CPO, the following should be taken into account.

It is difficult to quantify how much a scheme requiring compulsory purchase powers is likely to cost. Essentially, it will depend on the complexity of the scheme. In assessing the costs associated with this CPO you will need to consider various workstreams and whether the work will be carried out internally or by external CPO experts.

However, to give an overview of the types of workstreams involved, please see below (NB: the overview does not include surveyors' costs and internal officer resources):

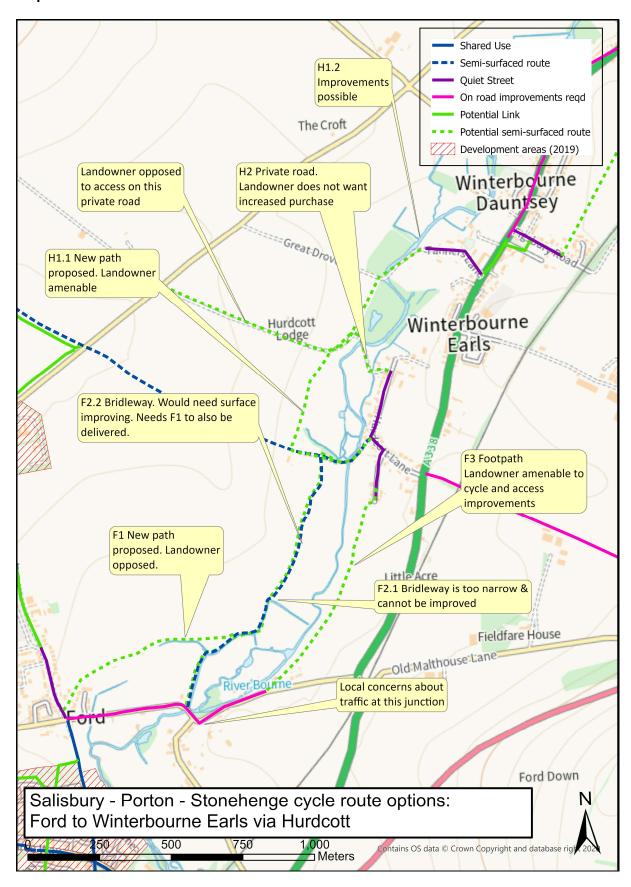
Costs involved:

- Purchase by agreement costs there will be the associated costs with negotiating
 with the landowners and owners of rights/parties benefiting from covenants whether
 these negotiations are successful or not.
- Legal costs associated with the making and confirmation of the CPO. These costs
 will increase if objections are received and need to be dealt with at a public inquiry or
 by written representations the council will need to pay the Planning Inspectorate's
 costs. Barrister fees may also be applicable if a barrister is required to act on behalf
 of the council at the public inquiry.
- There are ancillary and administrative costs to consider. The CPO process involves serving statutory notices that have to appear in a local paper on separate occasions. The CPO papers need to be served on each landowner affected. When the land is vested in Wiltshire Council's ownership there will be Land Registry fees to pay and Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT) payments (based on the estimated market value of the land). When the market value of the compensation is settled it may be necessary to pay further SDLT.
- Once the land has been compulsorily purchased, compensation may be payable to
 the former landowner and any properties affected by the scheme. The costs involved
 with this part of the process can vary greatly depending on the number of landowners
 and property owners affected by the CPO and the land involved. Further legal costs
 could be incurred if compensation amounts cannot be agreed and there is reference
 to the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber). However, compensation amounts are
 generally settled by agreement.
- Planning application costs.

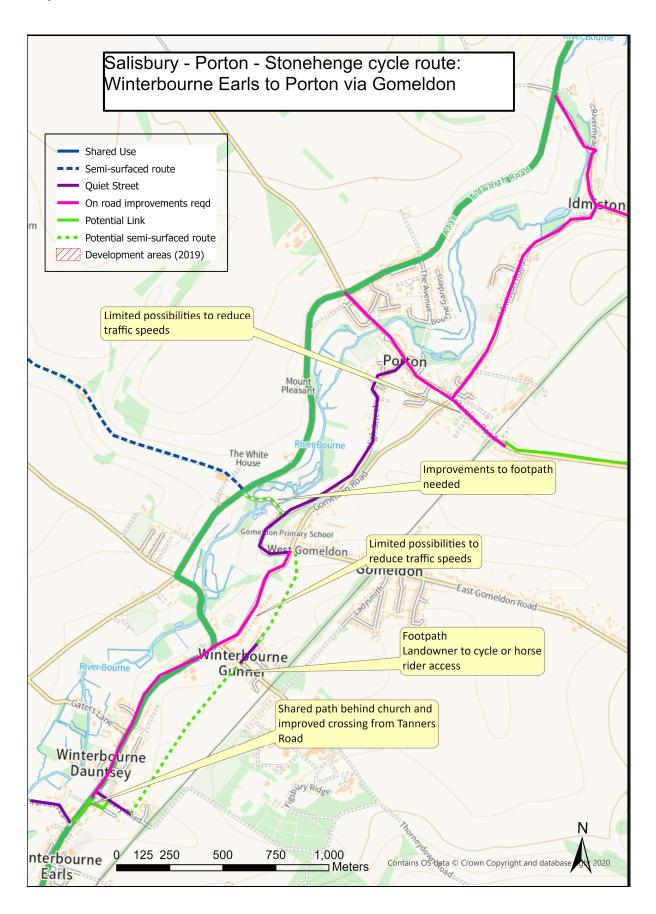
Staff resources/capacity for this scheme also need to be considered.

Appendix 1

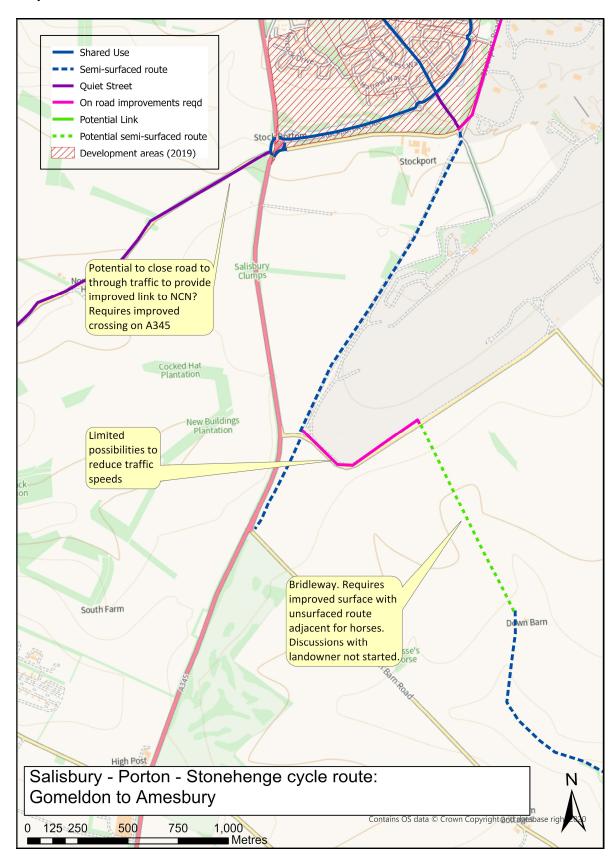
Map 1 Ford to Winterbourne Earls via Hurdcott



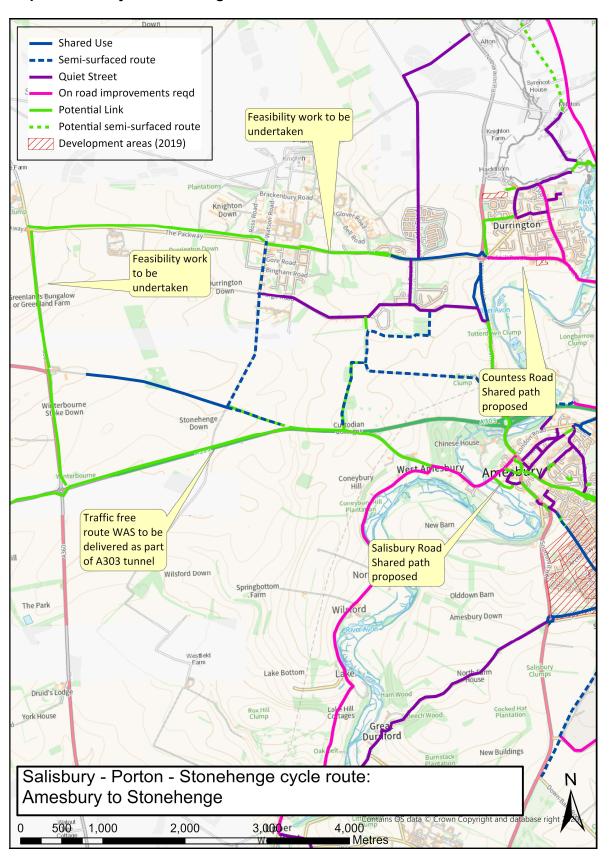
Map 2 Winterbourne Earls to Porton via Gomeldon

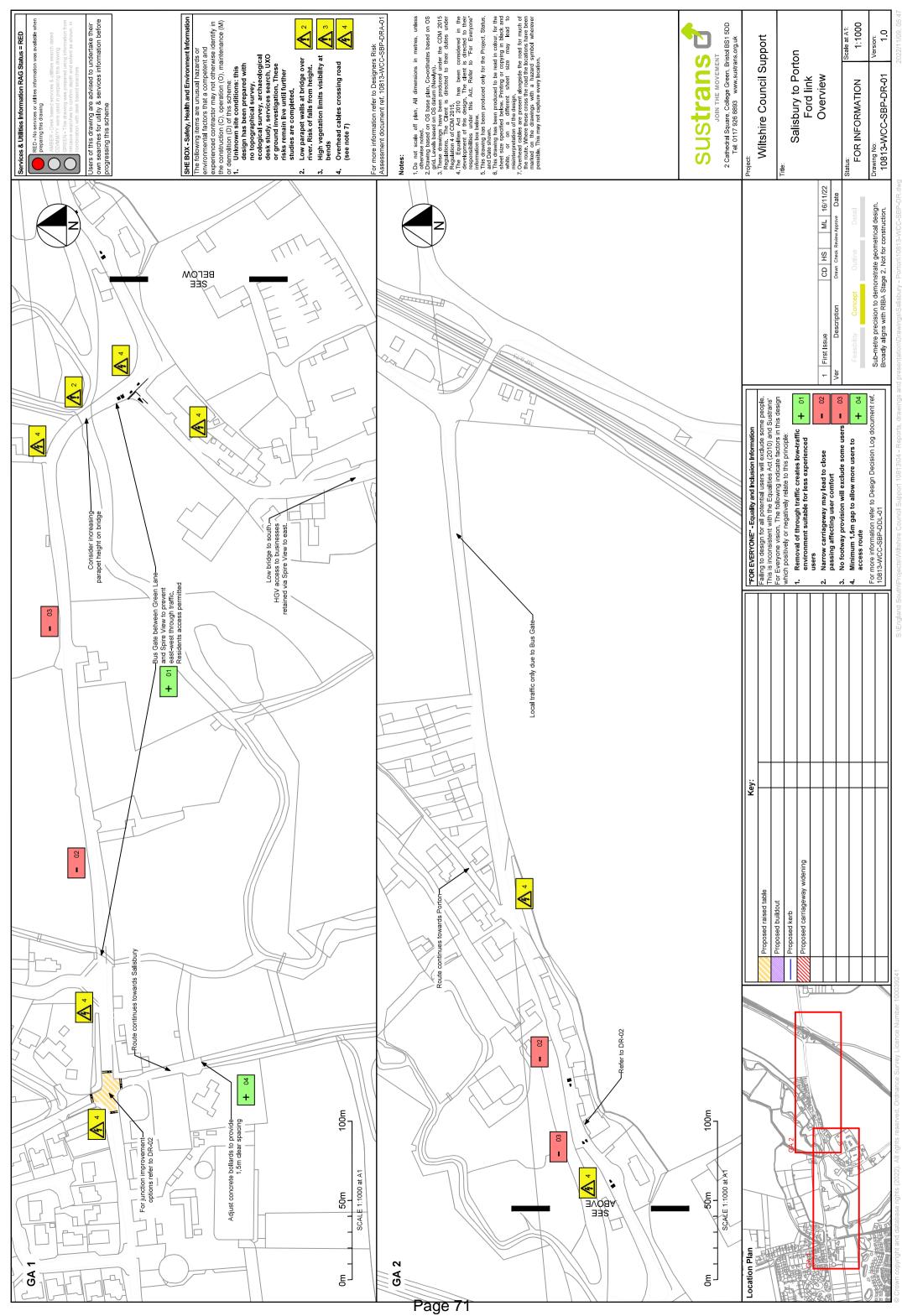


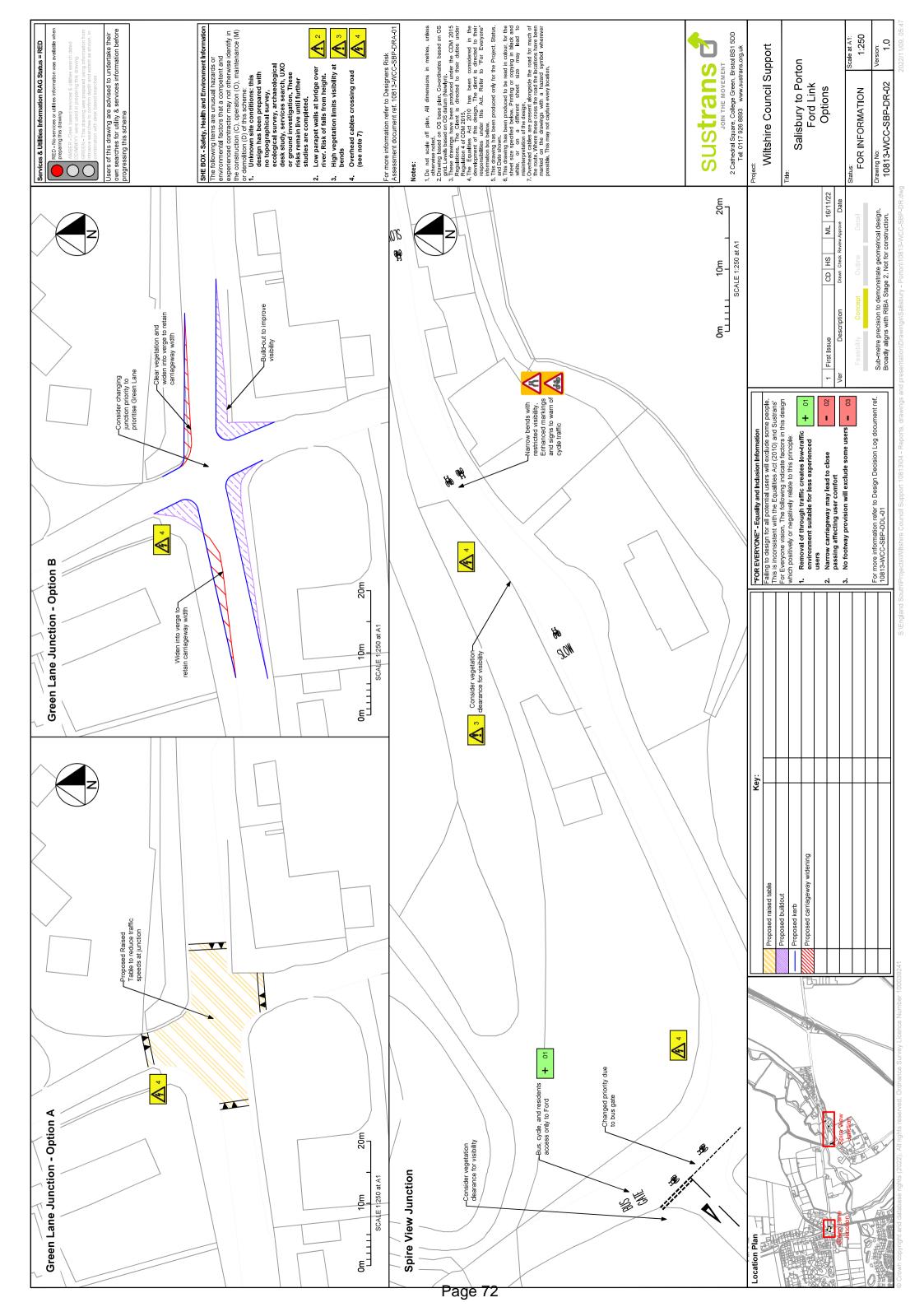
Map 3 Gomeldon to Archers Gate



Map 4 Amesbury to Stonehenge







Report to	Southern Wiltshire Area Board
	13 th February 2025
Title of Report	Enhancing Youth Support in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area

Background

- Since 2014/15, Wiltshire Council's Area Board Team has facilitated a
 community led youth service with devolved funding from the Department for
 Children & Education, to fulfil the council's duty under Section 507b of the 1996
 Education Act to secure, so far as reasonably practicable, leisure-time activities
 and facilities for young people aged 13 to 19 and those with learning difficulties
 or disabilities aged 20 to 24
- 2. This has seen this area board, both reactively awarding youth grants to local applicants delivering activities to young people, and proactively enhancing the offer by sourcing and funding a range of additional activities and outreach initiatives.
- 3. To reinvigorate the local youth network of clubs and providers (see appendix 1), this area board set up a new Youth Partnership Forum in 2024, with a key aim to strengthen collaborative working so that those in the network are more supported and able to sustain and renew this local offer, including to fill gaps in provision where possible.
- 4. The county, now has a varied community led offer, ranging from grass roots volunteer led activities to Wiltshire-grown, regional or national youth charities, delivering the offer, supporting the work of specialist officers, including social workers, youth offending officers, and similar, to ensure the needs of young people are catered for.
- 5. However, certain community areas, including Southern Wiltshire, are without a consistent, adequately resourced supply of youth workers. In areas with this youth worker resource, the sense is that the local youth network is able to thrive and deliver greater benefits to young people and can demonstrate greater agility to respond when particular needs or challenges arise.

Context

6. In 2023 and 2024, various consultation exercises and surveys were undertaken in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area, to review how the local community led youth offer was performing. This review culminated in December 2024, concluding that:

- (a) The existing local youth network offer is offering a good range of activities and support, but it requires enhanced marketing and stronger support to deliver more, and to reach those currently disengaged (see appendix 2)
- (b) the additional support requested by the local youth network and partnership is summarised below:
 - i. facilitate an enhanced network collaboration, including with schools and other agencies such as the police, to deliver a stronger offer that is consistent across the whole of the year and not just in term time
 - ii. additional funding and help to build good bids
 - iii. recruitment and retention of volunteers
 - iv. help to set up new youth clubs/spaces
 - v. gain from the experience, oversight, delivery and 'added value' offered by professional youth workers in a way that is consistent and not 'here today, gone tomorrow'
- vi. invest in the skills and resources of young people so that they themselves can more ably shape, design and deliver the local offer
- vii. design and deliver jointly led bigger events and initiatives
- viii. respond to young people with additional needs and SEND
- ix. make more productive use of existing indoor and outdoor spaces especially in holiday periods
- x. respond to the accessibility needs (both transport and affordability) of some young people/families

Enhancing Youth Support in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area

- 7. Continue to embed and develop the new Youth Partnership Forum by deepening dialogue, strengthening relationships and collaboration, and by agreeing to deliver at least one joint initiative a year.
- 8. Raise funds to recruit a youth worker (see appendix 3) (see also the grant request at agenda item 9). 85 respondents to the most recent online survey prioritised what the youth worker needs to do, as below:

Work with partners to tackle youth anti social behaviour – 38%

Facilitate safe hang out spaces for young people – 76%

Deliver youth outreach work, i.e. being a consistent and visible presence in parks and other public spaces where young people like to gather – 43%

Support villages to set up new youth activities and clubs – 67%

Support existing youth clubs to help them serve more young people and to improve their current offer – 81%

Help fundraise to ensure youth support and activities consistently improve year on year locally -33% Work collaboratively with youth organisations in neighbouring towns and villages, including Salisbury and the New Forest to enrich the offer locally -48%

9. The Youth Partnership Forum to design and deliver a Youth Music Festival – a clear request submitted by young people at Trafalgar School during a JSNA Focus Group exercise in March 2024. See appendix 4 and the grant request at agenda item 9).

Recommendations

- 1. To note this update report
- 2. To confirm support for the Youth Partnership Forum's intention to raise funds for a new youth worker, ensuring this prioritises a strategy of financial sustainability for at least 3 years
- 3. To confirm support for the Youth Partnership Forum's intention to raise funds for, design and deliver a youth music festival

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Appendix 1

The Community Led Local Youth Network in the Southern Wiltshire Community Area

American Football Marauders (Laverstock)	Farley Junior Football Club
Alderbury Tennis Club	The Underground Studios
Alderbury Football Club	Project Spark
Alderbury Scouts and Guides	1st Laverstock Scouts
Bridge Youth Mentoring Project	Laverstock Explorer Scout Unit
Clarendon Juniors FC	23 Salisbury Scouts Old Sarum
Coombe Bissett & Homington Cricket Club	Army Cadets Old Sarum
Woodfalls Methodist Church Youth Club	Bourne Valley Rangers
Downton Tennis Club	Hampton Park Youth Club
Downton Football Club	Salisbury Area Youth Musicians
Downton 4 Families	PEDALL
1st Downton Scouts	Amberwood CIC
Hamptworth Croquet Club	Nomansland & Landford Youth Club
St Marks Church, Flipside Youth Group	Buzz Action Foundation
Old Sarum Youth Club	District Sports CIC
Pheonix Stars Cheerleaders	Hazel Hill Wood
Riverbourne Community Farm	Family Hub at Downton Library
Laverstock Sports & Social Club football activities	Old Sarum & Longhedge Pantry
Alabare Christian Care and Support	New Life Community Church
Whiteparish Youth Club (not currently meeting)	Forest & Avon Church Group
Whiteparish Church Youth Group	Camerons Cottage
Winterslow Youth Club (not currently meeting)	Bourne Valley Methodist Church
Winterbourne Cricket Club	Youth Action Wiltshire
New Bourne Players Youth Group	SPLASH
Winterbourne Scouts and Guides	Well City Programme Outreach

Downton Baptist Church Youth Groups

Porton Badminton Club

1st Pitton & Farley Guides

Appendix 2

Feedback from surveys and consultations in 2023 and 2024

What's Good

- 1. Area Board Funding Offer
- 2. Current range of activities in the local youth network
- 3. Growing sense of collective dialogue and action from the new Youth Partnership Forum
- 4. Good local community group infrastructure upon which to build stronger outreach, development and delivery

What needs improving

- 1. To see the Youth Partnership Network better established
- 2. Trained youth workers to help support volunteers better and provide an improved training and coaching offer for the community led network
- 3. Better help for those who aren't engaged/interested in activities currently on offer
- 4. More funding is needed
- 5. A local youth facilitator is needed to lead the Youth Partnership Forum
- 6. Transport offer easier, cheaper, evening offer for activities and for young workers
- 7. Poor and dangerous cycle routes
- 8. Stronger youth voice generally and in decision making
- 9. More free activities
- 10. Recruit more volunteers especially young volunteers, train and invest in them
- 11. More 'hang out' unstructured opportunities
- 12. More opportunities to play and be a bit silly little opportunity for this for some life is very serious and overwhelming too
- 13. Awareness of the existing offer of activities and clubs
- 14. Enhance the offer of activities with provision from the council and other organisations rather than leave it all to the village led activities
- 15. Nomansland is especially poorly serviced for transport to anywhere outside of the village
- 16. Utilise the strengths and skills within the area

What new activities are needed

- 1. A more developed provision to support those wishing to positively engage through music
- 2. Food-based activities, whether making it, cooking it, or just enjoying eating together which is becoming a rare thing for some
- 3. The youth pop up van that came to Downton before is really good could it come back
- 4. Train young people to become active in volunteering
- 5. A pantomime involving all ages
- 6. More good role models

- 7. Art, music and dance opportunities
- 8. Archery
- 9. Local experts in farming to pass on skills
- 10. Hair and beauty opportunities
- 11. Music sponsorships/scholarships
- 12. Choirs
- 13. Karaoke evenings
- 14. A Wiltshire wide Area Board music initiative
- 15. Partner with the youth offer at Five Rivers to see if a subsidised scheme can be facilitated

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

Community Cohesion

There have been local incidents of crime and ASB in Southern Wiltshire, leading to misuse of parish council assets, unlawful and dangerous driving, violence and assault, catapulting, and for some a dwindling sense of safety caused by ill-guided young people displaying threatening and antagonistic behaviours.

Although these incidents are probably small compared to some other towns and villages, they can grow and do have a real impact if not checked. Whilst the Southern Wiltshire Community Area is perceived as a comfortable wealthy place, it does still have its own needs, and pockets of disadvantage and deprivation. This brings its own needs and challenges and is a growing concern for schools, parish councils and other agencies in the area.

While typically regarded as an affluent area, many young people face challenges such as finding employment, poor mental health, childhood obesity, lack of support or positive activities — particularly those with SEND, as well as ongoing disruption to education from Covid. Historically, this community area has consistently seen poor educational attainment for young people living in disadvantage, and generally in English and Maths GCSE results. 8.7% of 0—16-year-olds are thought to be living in poverty.

Universal participation, engagement, and inclusion

There is an ongoing challenge to engage young people positively and encouraging their positive use of the parks and open spaces, participate in village events, and enable their access and participation into all aspects of the community where they may be currently excluded, unrepresented, or disengaged.

Targeted Need

There is a notable demographic in this Community Area with various unmet personal and social needs, coming through the educational system and set to move on into secondary school. This has been recognised particularly at primary school age, where there is a keen desire to develop transitional partnerships to support these young people.

Partnership

Led by the Wiltshire Council Area Board, there is the *Local Youth Partnership* encompassing the 20 parishes and around 60 youth activity providers and groups (known as the 'local youth network') which aims to encourage communication and coordination between youth service providers across the sector.

Youth Work Development

There is an opportunity to develop and implement a new youth offer, and as such, there is a need to build the capacity to do this. **A new youth worker post would be an initial and significant development in this initiative**, not least to bring both added developmental capacity and direct delivery capacity to the Southern Wiltshire Community Area.

A primary challenge for the new youth worker will be to ensure some time is protected to focus on strategic developments such as drawing in additional funding and building a sustainable youth work team. The aim would be to help maximise the benefits of the existing local youth network, support current and new initiatives, and also engage young people in other settings. This means the postholder would need to develop the capability to **move between youth club based and other settings (streets, schools, events) with a clear aim of 'outreach' work**.

Youth Worker

Area Board Supported Parish Collaboration

Alderbury, Laverstock & Ford, Idmiston, Firsdown and Grimtead Parish Councils have agreed allocations in their 2025/26 precept to fund a new youth worker. This will contribute to a fund for a Level 6 professional Youth Development Worker apprentice or a qualified youth worker from an existing local provider. The Area Board is asked to also contribute to this fund.

Professional Oversight

There are number of options to draw on in securing strong professional oversight of the new role, including the Wiltshire wide Youthwork Network and Youth Partnership Forum, the locally-led southern wiltshire youth partnership forum, the support of the youth charity hosting the new youth worker, and support and advice of Marlborough Town Clerk - who is a professionally qualified youth worker and youth service manager with extensive proven experience.

Ideal Establishment

A reasonable yet aspirational youth offer could aim for x3 open universal sessions per week, plus occasional targeted group projects, and weekend and holiday activities, for which the postholder would be required to work towards as part of their face-to-face delivery.

Distance Learning

If the apprenticeship option is taken, this would undertake to complete and attain after three years a Level 6 (Degree) qualification in Youth Work. The course would be provided by *Captiva* who have stated they would be able to offer a distance learning place for the postholder.

The apprenticeship model requires that the employer allows a day a week for learning (course attendance and associate work).

Laverstock and Ford Parish Council has agreed, (on the basis that responsibilities are shared with the Area Board's Strategic & Engagement Partnership Manager and Youth Partnership Forum) to host the apprentice post for HR purposes.

Outputs

The Joint Negotiating Committee (JNC) framework offers guidance and expectation on how much of the postholders time would be required to be dedicated to face to face delivery with young people, how much time should be spent on preparation, and how much on management and development.

By definition, there will be limits on how the postholder can work directly with young people, unless supported by volunteers, or by way of a partnership setting (e.g. in a school) i.e. they cannot lone work unless carefully managed and appropriate to the work (e.g. one to one support).

During a 3-year apprenticeship period (if this option is chosen), as a guide, the postholder would be required to aim to allocate their time as follows;

- ➤ 20% Management and development
- ➤ 20% Delivery preparation
- ➤ 40% direct delivery
- ➤ 20 % course and learning

On completion of the apprenticeship and course this time allocation would see an increased expectation on the direct delivery (subject to confirmation of ongoing support and funding).

JNC working conditions recognise and require that the direct delivery time correlates to young people's personal and social needs. As such by definition it would be expected that in the main this would see 40% of the postholders time would be spent working in the evening or at a weekend.

This said it is should also be recognised that the postholders time should be effectively deployed, and where evening or weekend working was not productive or relevant, their delivery time should be spent engaging young people at other times, or using their time to enable a cultural aspiration of a youth service offer that uses time 'where it counts'.

Levy Fund

A funding allocation to support an apprenticeship post can be explored.

Designing a Youth Music Festival – broad scope to refine and deliver

- A good venue/set of venues with shelter and seating e.g. Barry's Field, Alderbury Rec, Football Clubs, Trafalgar School, Redlynch Social Club, Salisbury indoor/outdoor venues, Leisure centres, St Laurence Church Downton
- 2. A strong technical team (including a youth arm) with good visual staging, costumes, stage management, and a strong project management team with youth voice and influence at its core
- 3. Ask music bands to outreach to care homes and other older people settings
- 4. Festivals which celebrate achievement
- 5. Good access for all abilities and disabilities
- 6. Variety of genres, majoring on music, culture creativity, comedy, circus skills and other performers, graffiti wall/workshop
- 7. Ability to learn about music and to meet/work with village led groups e.g. Woodfalls Wind band
- 8. Network / workshop with retired musicians / try out instruments/workshopping side stalls
- 9. Camping/festival style including opportunities for young people to marshall and oversee
- 10. Local performances from local youth band
- 11. Showcase all in the Local Youth Network/Partnership and to draw in other stalls and features which communicate a wider offer of support including broader wellbeing
- 12. Family fun element, disco dion, crafting, inflatables, face painting etc
- 13. 50% of funds raised from the events to go to development of more local youth music events / balanced with affordable/subsidised ticket system
- 14. Support from professionals experienced in youth music/music/arts industry
- 15. Wiltshire Marque food / other stalls
- 16. Legacy Programme Idea: Celebrating Age Programme for Young People based on and collaborating with assets of village led activities with youth development and outreach as strong elements music, culture and arts as engagement/enabling catalysts and 'skill sharing' (intergenerational) initiatives as one outcome working with key community groups, e.g. Repair Cafes, Mens Sheds, WIs etc

Southern Wiltshire Area Board

13 February 2025

Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide details of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
 These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
- 2. To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2024/25	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 17,084.99	£ 7,947.90	£ 6,865.00
Current Balance	£ 5,557.01	£ 11,373.10	£ 835.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 557.01	£ -116.90	£ 0.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG2086	Area Board Initiative	Cllr Rich Rogers Chairman Southern Wiltshire Area Board	Carers Seaside Trip	£499.00	£499.00

Project Summary:

One of this area board's priorities is to derive creative initiatives to overcome some of the transport challenges Wiltshire faces, which can limit vulnerable adults ability to get out and about, socialise and have some fun. Working in partnership with Community Transport South Wilts, Wiltshire Carers Together and local parish councils we would like to organise a simple trip to the seaside in the spring. The trip would involve a short walk by the sea and a nourishing meal supported by volunteers who will host the trip with warmth, hospitality and care.

ABG2091 Area Board Initiative	Cllr Rich Rogers Chairman Southern Wiltshire Area Board	New Youth Worker For Southern Wiltshire Community Area	£25000.00	£5000.00
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Application	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
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Project Summary:

Salisbury Community Circus are a group who meet at Hampton Park Pavillion providing a circus themed Youth Club, a Junior Youth Club as well as going out providing activities and workshops all over South Wiltshire, including Alderbury, Winterbourne, Nomansland, Old Sarum and Downton. This application is for: Provision of Youth Club and Bursaries Purchase of some essential safety equipment A contribution to the upgrade of existing Equipment Legally Required repairs to a Community Asset (tumble track) Salisbury Community Circus meet in Laverstock and attend a wide range of cultural events and visit a wide range of Youth Groups working with the Buzz Action Roadshow and Circus Wessex. Our Youth Club meets on a Monday evening during term times and offers activities at weekends and during school holidays. The Junior Circus Club offers low cost access to the club and offers bursaries to children in Bishopsdown Farm, Alderbury and Winterbourne. We regularly provide FAPD activities in Winterbourne, Downton, Alderbury, Bishopdown Farm, We wish to take the circus club and the Buzz Action Roadshow into remote villages in the South Wilts Area to offer Free at the Point of Delivery activities on the doorsteps of Young People.

ABG2144 Youth Grant	Old Sarum Youth Club	Old Sarum Youth Club Sports and Circus Skills	£490.00	£490.00
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Project Summary:

I would like to apply for a grant to fund two sports coaching sessions and two circus coaching sessions for our youth club. This initiative aims to support one of our key objectives: providing positive activities for our youth members.

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.
- 4. 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)
 - Youth Grants (revenue)
 - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
- 5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

Main Considerations

- 6. 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.
- 7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

Safeguarding Implications

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

Public Health Implications

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

Environmental & Climate Change Implications

11. 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.

Financial Implications

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

Legal Implications

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

Workforce Implications

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

Equalities Implications

- 15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
- 16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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



	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
	Date of Meeting	14 th January 2025		·
1.	Attendees and apologic	es		
	Present:	Chair: Rich Rogers – Wiltshire Councillor – (RR) Rhiann Surgenor– Traffic Engineer – WC - (RS) Ian McLennan – Wiltshire Councillor – (IM) Richard Britton – Wiltshire Councillor – (RB) Andrew Oliver – Wiltshire Councillor – (AO) Steve Cocking– Idmiston PC (SC) Susan Barnhurst-Davies – Downton PC (SBD) Catherine Purves – Idmiston/Firsdown/Grimstead PC (CP) Simon Brown - Firsdown PC (SB) Pete Smith – Allington PC (PS) Estelle Sherry – Landford PC (ES) Joe Elder– Laverstock & Ford PC (JE) Leigh Samuel – Pitton & Farley PC (LS) Mary Davies – Landford PC (MD)		
	Apologies	Zoe Clewer – Wiltshire Councillor – (ZC) Clarissa Cramer – Redlynch Parish Council (CC) Simon Port – Winterslow Parish Council (WPC) Liz Holland– Alderbury Parish Council (LH) Elaine Hartford- Alderbury Parish Council (EH)		



2.	Notes of last meeting					
		The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed at the Southern Wiltshire Area Board meeting on the 7 th November 2024.				
		The Southern Wiltshire Area Board minutes can be found at:				
		https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=170&M ld=15347&Ver=4				
3.A	Financial Position					
		There is currently £15,315.61 still unallocated.				
		This figure initially included the LHFIG allocation for 2024/25 of £32,344 plus the remaining unallocated from 2023/24 of £9,926.61.				
3.B	Updates	RS confirms that Milestone are no longer taking new orders for the remainder of this financial year. Money can still be allocated towards schemes however new works packs going forward cannot be submitted for construction until April 2025 to enable Milestone to clear the current backlog.				
		Graham Axtell from the Area Highway Office is unable to attend however will provide an updated list for the meeting on the latest programmed dates for planned carriageway and footway resurfacing works during the 2024/2025 financial year	Tunnel Hill Alderbury is currently on site, further details of the new financial year surfacing schemes will follow			



4.	New Issues / Issues Requiring	A Decision		
a)	Issue No: 13-23-19 Laverstock & Ford PC Dangerous parking at the junction of Queen Manor Road and Riverbourne Road	Dangerous turning into Riverbourne Road from Queen Manor Road. Car's park on the corner and force cars entering to change lane. Two site visits have been conducted to the provided location, on neither occasion were cars parked at this junction. Unless Laverstock PC can provide any evidence of inappropriate parking, the issue will be closed. TD advised that the originator of the request had been asked to supply photographic evidence of the issue. TD suggested that if no evidence was provided by the time of the next meeting of the group the issue should be closed. No photographs have been provided; therefore, the issue will be closed unless the PC have evidence to present. Agreed in prior meeting to consider waiting restrictions at the junction, RS to prepare a plan for LFPC RS did send to LFPC for agreement, a decision on the final design is still required LFPC confirmed minor amendments are to the be made to the existing WR plans, RS will prepare an updated cost estimate and drawing for the meeting Total cost is £3998 with an expectation L&F would contribute 25% at £999.50, LHFIG £2998.50	LHFIG voted in support and agreed 75% LHFIG contribution of £2998.50 L&F to agree contribution of 25% at £999.50	Area Board Laverstock & Ford PC



b)	Issue No: <u>13-23-06</u> Grimstead PC	The PC have advised that they wish to pursue the option of improved warning signage on the A36.	Group agree to support and contribute £1500 from the LHFIG	Area Board
	HGV's using Windwhistle Lane as a cut through from the A36 to the Grimsteads & West Dean.	There was a delay due to resource, this has now been allocated to the traffic signs team who are preparing the design. The discussions have been opened with National Highways to progress the advanced warning sign design on the A36.		
		RS has a meeting with National Highways on the 29 th of July and will update the group at the LHFIG		
		RS gave verbal update in the meeting, National Highways required various surveys, safety audits and design which would take the original scheme value up to over £10,000. It was agreed by the group not to proceed with the signage on the A36 and to focus on the improvements within the Wiltshire adopted highway.		
		RS to design and provide these plus costs to GPC RS presented plans to the group, if accepted by Grimstead PC this would be total cost £2000, £1500 from the LHFIG and 25% contribution of £500 from the Parish Council.		
		The group chose to defer this decision until RB has spoken with National Highways about additional measures. This will remain on the agenda.		
		National Highways confirm that further amendments are not possible without the prior discussed contribution which was declined by the group.		



		Grimstead PC have agreed their contribution for the project.	
c)	Issue No: <u>13-24-28</u> Odstock Parish Council Bus stop replacement	The bus shelter is used by many Salisbury District Hospital workers and will need to be replaced due to the poor condition. Currently it does provide a safe and protected area for public transport users.	RS to contact Odstock PC to discuss type of shelter and expectation of cost
d)	Issue No: 13-24-29 Britford Parish Council Junction review Entrance A at Salisbury District Hospital	There is a good shared use path on the pavement alongside Odstock Road towards Salisbury District Hospital. But every morning many cyclists and pedestrians cross the access road Entrance A, to continue on to Entrance B. And back again in the evening. Cars, vans and buses are turning in from north and south, and also leaving the site. The junction relies on unspoken negotiation between all users as to who is going first. This leaves cyclists and pedestrians feeling vulnerable and leads to suboptimal traffic flow on both roads while everyone hesitates.	RS to refer the matter back to SDH as most of the suggested scheme is off the public highway, group voted not to support the matter within the highway at this time as there is no evidence of a safety issue therefore the matter will be closed
е)	Issue No: 13-24-30 Idmiston Parish Council No entry signage	The junction of East Gomeldon Road and Gomeldon Road is formed by a triangle. The "bottom" of the triangle is Gomeldon Road, whilst the apex of the triangle is on East Gomeldon Road. Traffic entering East Gomeldon Road must use the northeast side of the triangle, whilst traffic exiting must use the southwest side. This exit road is marked with a "No Entry" sign but this is regularly ignored by drivers who use it to turn right into East Gomeldon Road when travelling up the hill from the Winterbourne direction. Signage on the left hand side of the hill making it clear that the first turning right is "No entry" into East Gomeldon Road, to give drivers more advanced notice could resolve the issue.	RS is awaiting confirmation if this is backed up with a current legal order to make it one way. Idmiston Parish Council will submit a request for traffic surveys which will determine how often vehicles are going the wrong way. This will remain on the agenda until results are produced



f)	Issue No: 13-24-31 Alderbury Parish Council Not suitable for HGV Signage and slow lining	Within Folly Lane/Lights Lane/School Hill Junction and the Parish raised the below concerns: Dangerous junction on a blind corner Excessive speed of cars approaching the junction coming down Lights Lane and up from Tunnel Hill Limited visibility for vehicles emerging from Folly Lane HGVs and large vans unable to turn left out of Folly Lane in one manoeuvre, resulting in the need to reverse, increasing the likelihood of a collision and damage to the wall and fence on the corners of this junction RS attended site meeting with Alderbury PC. RS suggested they raise a traffic survey request to determine vehicle movements, speeds, lengths and quantity. Once survey data	RS to await outcome of the traffic surveys ordered by the PC to gain information on speed, length, movement and quantity, hedge cutting is to be carried out by the Estate. HGV signage will be considered following these results	
		is returned there is a potential to look at not suitable for HGV signs on Folly Lane. Other maintenance tasks such as hedge cutting and sign clearance will be carried out.		
g)	Issue No: <u>13-24-32</u> Grimstead Parish Council	Replacement of stiles with either kissing gates or two-way self- closing pedestrian gate, and replacement of crossing planks. The landowner has given permission and is aware he will need	Group agreed to support, at a cost to the LHFIG of £300	Area Board
	Kissing gates	to contribute 25% of the cost. With Rights of Way help, we have researched the possible suppliers, and the landowner favours the two-way self-closing gates – "Secure-a-Field options on the whole look better. However, I am not sure a kissing gate is quite appropriate. The space between the fence line and the stream is quite limited. I have checked out the timber Atherstone installation instructions and am not convinced it is the best choice for installation next to a watercourse." RoW are agreeable to the proposal, and will oversee the installation, just need to agree the supplier for the most appropriate style of gate. RoW GRIM12.	Grimstead PC to confirm contribution of £100	
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		New issue to discuss, total cost expected £400	
h)	Issue No: 13-24-33 Downton Parish Council Pedestrian warning signs	After improvements were made to the pedestrian roadway on Lode Hill it is felt by residents that "pedestrians on Roadway" warning signs should be installed.	RS informed group that this issue has been raised following construction of a new signal island and refresh of a virtual footway. The road safety audit did not consider there to be limited width between the island and the virtual footway and therefore there is currently no evidence of a requirement for a sign. Downton PC and RS to monitor with the potential to bring back to LHFIG. Issue closed
i)	Issue No: <u>13-24-34</u> Redlynch Parish Council White bar marking	Parking outside of the local village hall has always been an issue but has become worse in the last few years. A long white line was added outside of the hall a few years ago as there is a dropped kerb. Unfortunately, the white line covers the area of three parked cars and cars are parking elsewhere in that vicinity and causing other problems, blocking a bus turning junction, parking opposite a bus stop not allowing the bus to stop by the bus stop/ shelter.	Group asked RS to speak with Parish about potential of including the reduction of this advisory line alongside some other measures as it was discussed that this item alone would not likely reduce poor parking
j)	Issue No: <u>13-24-35</u> Newton Toney Parish Council River gauge	The parish Flood Warden has brought to the attention of the Parish Council the suggestion/necessity to have a depth gauge at/in ford in the parish - this would be to assist/assess the risk to users at this area at times when the river Bourne has risen.	Group agree to support in principle and asked RS to discuss with Newton Toney and investigate further into costs



5.	Other Issues			
a)	Issue No: 13-20-16 Laverstock & Ford PC London Road, Salisbury Request for Crossing Point	As the group have previously been informed the Major Maintenance Team have advised that, due to budget constraints, the proposed resurfacing scheme at St. Thomas' Roundabout will not be taken forward during the 2023/2024 financial year and is provisionally in the programme for the 2024/2025 financial year. Dropped kerbs to aid crossing movements will still form part of the works.	Update noted	
b)	Issue No: 13-21-13 Idmiston PC East Gomeldon Road Railway Arch Signing Improvements	Unfortunately, this work has not yet taken place as Network Rail (NR) refused the Council's previous application and have requested that a specific Works Package Plan (WPP) is produced by Milestone prior to them consenting to the works. Milestone are currently producing this document with a view to resubmitting the application in November 2023. Milestone are working on the approval from Network Rail which has not yet been obtained. RS/PS will chase for an update. Resource commitment between Milestone & Traffic Engineering Team was stretched towards the end of the financial year, this has been escalated and prioritised for the new financial year Revised application being drafted by Milestone, this will be submitted to Network Rail in August 2024. PS is pushing this application; it must come from the contractor and cannot be submitted by WC.	PS confirmed that the new application has been submitted, awaiting outcome.	
c)	Issue No: <u>13-21-19</u> Idmiston PC	The PC have indicated that they support the proposals. Works pack issued to Milestone. Milestone works provisionally programmed to take place during week beginning 11/12/2023.	Tree clearance work and bollard replacement has been completed.	



	Request for double white lining system in the vicinity of the junction of Church Road and the A338 Tidworth Road	Letter to be sent to homeowners in November notifying them that overhanging foliage will be removed. Foliage removal works to be undertaken by Wessex Tree Care in December 2023 (date TBC). There was a delay in the completion due to the contractor being pulled for emergency winter work, awaiting	Lining work is outstanding. Order was reissued in August 2024
d)	Issue No: 13-21-14 Idmiston PC Idmiston Road, Porton Village Concealed Entrance Warning Signs and Village Hall Directional Signs	reprogramming, RS/PS to chase Works pack issued to Milestone. Works programmed to be undertaken, PS has chased and will update the PC asap with expected dates	PS confirmed works order has been submitted in July 2024, awaiting construction dates
e)	Issue No: 13-22-08 Idmiston PC Improved footway and dropped kerb provision in Gomeldon	The lead highways tree officer at Atkins has advised that the trees in question have been removed. Officers to check that this work has been completed. Subject to the works being having been completed the PC are to advise the next location they wish to be considered. Despite advice that the trees have been removed, site visits have confirmed this is not the case and the discussions with the contractor are ongoing at this stage. PS to update PC when there is further information.	PS is chasing with the tree contractor
f)	Issue No: <u>13-22-13</u> Laverstock & Ford PC	Works pack issued to Milestone. Works provisionally programmed to be undertaken during week commencing 11/12/2023. Exact date of works to be supplied to the PC once known. – This section has now been completed.	PS has sent plans to LFPC, awaiting confirmation Chase with PS



	Introduction of waiting restrictions in Sherbourne Drive	Unfortunately work on drafting the proposals for the wider restrictions in Sherbourne Drives has not yet been completed. Draft proposals to be issued to the PC and local member for comment in April 2024. PS to send to LPC prior to the LHFIG meeting		
g)	Issue No: 13-22-14 Alderbury PC Introduction of waiting restrictions at various locations	Revised proposals agreed with the PC. Draft TRO paperwork provided to the Legal Team for processing in October 2023. It is anticipated that the TRO advert will commence in December 2023. TRO consultation advert is live – 8th February 2024, end of objection – 4th March 2024 Report was submitted to the Cabinet Member July 2024; this has been approved and will be available on the website imminently. PS has contacted school about design for 20mph entry sign, works order in preparation	PS has submitted to Milestone, awaiting construction dates	
h)	Issue No: 13-22-15 Firsdown PC Installation of dropped kerb in Firs Road.	Legal Services are continuing to investigate the status of this land to determine whether this land may previously have been dedicated as public highway. If Legal Services are unable to confirm this by February meeting of the group consideration should be given to commencing the process to claim this land as public highway would be under Section 31 of the Highways Act. We are awaiting formal confirmation this can be adopted as highway/maintained as such. RS/PS to chase.	Awaiting confirmation from legal services – this has been allocated to the traffic engineering team to progress once confirmation have been received	



i)	Issue No: 13-22-28 Newton Toney PC Request for School Keep Clear Markings outside of school	The PC have requested a minor change to the length of the proposed school keep clear markings. Revised plan to be issued to the PC in November 2023. Subject to the PC supporting the proposals a works order will be prepared and issued to Milestone. Following a meeting on site with the school, NTPC, RS and PS a new length was agreed, and PS has prepared this for Milestone to programme.	This scheme has been allocated to the traffic engineering signs team, awaiting consultation dates
j)	Issue No: 13-23-04 Pitton & Farley PC Request for measures to address speeding concerns in the villages of Pitton and Farley	The PC have confirmed their contribution towards the provision of two village gateways. The PC are currently determining which two gateways they would like to proceed with. Design work to commence once the PC have confirmed which gateways they would like to proceed with. RB advised the site that PC wished to pursue are Lucewood Lane and Whiteway. Design is in progress and will be provided as soon as possible. The design was submitted to the contractor in June 2024.	Awaiting construction dates
k)	Odstock PC Request for the provision of double yellow lines in the vicinity of Jubilee Gardens	As a first step the PC are looking to provide an informal sign advising motorists not to park at this location. If this approach does not work the PC will seek to pursue other options, potentially including revisiting the request for waiting restrictions. No further action at this stage but issue to remain open until the impact of the sign is known.	Update is noted
I)	Issue No: 13-22-04 Idmiston PC Improved footway and dropped kerb provision in Porton	Meeting undertaken with the PC to be arranged to determine the extent of the works to be undertaken. The PC advised that they wished to see four dopped kerbs, new lengths of footway and the relocation of a lighting column to provide improved access to the Bourne Cemetery.	Awaiting completion on site from the area office team



		The cost estimate for this work is £23,605 (LHFIG contribution £17,703.75 / PC contribution £5,901.25). [Note: This figure includes a 25% contingency]. The group discussed this issue and noted that the proposed cost of the works was more than currently available in the groups budget and asked whether the improvements could be delivered in phases. SC commented that the provision of one pair of dropped kerbs in the vicinity of the footway leading to Malvern Way would be a good initial way of improving access to Bourne Cemetery. PS advised that this element of the works would cost £3,200. The group support the provision of one pair of dropped kerbs.		
		That the Area Board approves the allocation of £2,400 to allow this work to be undertaken. The PC approves the allocation of £800 to allow this work to be undertaken. This has been allocated to an engineer and the works pack is in progress. Area highway office have been commissioned to carry out work, order to be raised in July 2024		
m)	Issue No: 13-22-06 Winterbourne PC Request for improved pedestrian access to the bus stops and post box on the A338 in the vicinity of Hurdcott Lane.	 Following the discussion about this issue at the last meeting a revised cost estimate has been produced based on the following: Removal of a part of the existing grass verge to allow pedestrians from Hurdcott Lane to access the existing layby without stepping into the A338. The provision of edge of carriageway markings to define the lay-by to motorists. 	Partially completed, awaiting completion of edge of carriageway marking. RS to chase.	



		The cost estimate for this work is £3,975 (LHFIG contribution £2,981.25 / PC contribution £993.75). [Note: This figure includes a 25% contingency]. The Area Board approves the allocation of £2,981.25 to allow this work to be undertaken. The PC approves the allocation of £993.75 to allow this work to be undertaken. This has been issued to Wessex Tree Care, awaiting confirmation of when works will be undertaken.		
n)	Issue No: 13-22-19 Grimstead PC Provision of Wild Fowl & Small Wildlife Warning Signs	The PC have not yet provided any evidence around ducks being habitually found in the road in the vicinity of the pond, it is suggested that this aspect of the request is closed. Please refer to Issue 4d for the update on the provision of small wildlife warning signs. No evidence has been provided concerning ducks being habitually found in the road in the vicinity of the pond and as such the group to close the aspect of the request. In light of the discussion concerning Issue 4b the PC to look to gather evidence of hedgehogs (or other small wildlife) being run over in support of a potential future application to the DfT pending the outcome of the application to the DfT outlined in Issued 4b. Following the above, there has been a change in policy at DfT level, which is noted. Wiltshire are in the process of preparing a policy for the parameters in which signs can be installed/what evidence is required and this will be fed back to the group as soon as it is available.	Update is noted	
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		No further update on policy update, this is still in draft.	
0)	Issue No: 13-22-24 Laverstock & Ford PC Provision of Small Wildlife Warning Signs	A formal complaint about the lack of response was submitted to the DfT in August 2023. A response to the complaint was received in November 2023. It provided extremely limited guidance on the criteria that had to be met for them to authorise the use of small wildlife warning signs. The have indicated that any applications to them would need to include "data showing that the locations are accident and wildlife hotspots."	Update is noted
		The DfT have provided no guidance on what they would define a wildlife hotspot to be. Additionally, whilst the PC have been able to supply information that a number of hedgehogs of have been run over by vehicles in Church Road there is no recorded collision (accident) problem in the area requested. In consideration of this it is unlikely that an application would be successful.	
		The group to discuss how they wish to proceed with this matter.	
		The group discussed this issue in detail and asked that officers submit an application to the DfT seeking approval to use these signs in Laverstock using the evidence previously supplied by the PC.	
		Following the above, there has been a change in policy at DfT level, which is noted. Wiltshire are in the process of preparing a policy for the parameters in which signs can be installed/what	



		evidence is required and this will be fed back to the group as soon as it is available. No further update on policy update, this is still in draft.		
p)	Issue No: 13-22-30 Laverstock & Ford PC Request for additional traffic calming measures in Roman Road, Ford	As previously agreed, the group agreed to wait for the outcome of any bid to Active Travel England before considering pursuing additional physical traffic calming features. It would be possible to provide the standard gateway countdown markings on all three entrances to the 30mph speed limit in Ford. The cost estimate for this work is £1,437.50 (LHFIG contribution £1,078.12 / PC contribution £359.38). [Note: This figure includes a 25% contingency]. That Area Board approves the allocation of £1,078.12 to allow this work to be undertaken. The PC approves the allocation of £359.38 to allow this work to be undertaken. This scheme design is in progress and will be submitted to the PC as soon as possible This scheme has been allocated to the traffic engineering signs team, submission of the works pack is due April 2024.	Works pack submitted, awaiting programming date.	
q)	Issue No: <u>13-23-14</u>	The issue is speeding cars, in and around the village. The speed limits are inconsistent, whereby one road starts at	Both sections have been submitted to Atkins to determine if	
	Winterslow PC	30mph and then progresses to 60mph, along the same stretch	they can be completed under 1	



r) Issue No: 13-23-16 1. Access speed issues with traffic coming from Hamptworth This scheme has been allocated		Reduction of speed, Livery Road, Tytherley Road - East Winterslow	of road. This road is in constant use. The speed limits are 60mph in two access points of the village that are built up areas with several dwellings. The vehicles then do not slow down when the reach the 30mph signs. There are several 'pinch points' in the road whereby only one vehicle can pass at a time - 'Narrow Road' signs are needed in these areas. Bus stops with no pavements, children walking on roads at night. PC to confirm extents of survey required, a price for a speed assessment will be provided considering the two locations and if they can be combined under one survey (cost per survey is £2900). A signage review can also be considered if the group agree to support both matters for funding. Costs will be prepared in advance of the next meeting. The group discussed this issue and were, in principle, prepared to support a speed limit assessment being undertaken. However, before committing to funding an assessment the group asked that the PC confirm the extents of the roads they want to be surveyed to enable officers to determine if a speed limit assessment can be undertaken for the standard cost of £2,900. WPC to provide the extents to determine what can be covered under one survey. WPC requests that the full Assessments of Livery Road and Tytherley road can be halted until further investigations have taken place — to stay on the agenda.	assessment. RS to confirm with WPC.	
Redlynch PC Grove Lane pedestrian hazards as well as coming down from Bowers Hill. 2. Significant narrowing in two areas of Grove Lane resulting in blind spots. to the traffic engineering signs team, works pack has been submitted to Milestone	1)	Redlynch PC Grove Lane pedestrian	as well as coming down from Bowers Hill. 2. Significant narrowing in two areas of Grove Lane resulting in	to the traffic engineering signs team, works pack has been	

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- 3. Danger for pedestrians walking along the road. Specifically, the areas from Hackamore House to the Cemetery at the eastern end of Grove Lane with similar dangerous conditions by the blind bend between post box and Lambourne at the western end of Grove Lane.
- 4. Light restrictions due to large overhanging trees and bushes.
- 5. No street lighting at the eastern end of Grove Lane.
- 6. No safe route along the road to enable pedestrians and cyclist to avoid oncoming traffic

Site visit was conducted with Redlynch PC, and the outcomes of the meeting are listed below. Group to agree support:

- If agreed at PC level and at the LHFIG a lining review may be appropriate with a view to installing countdown markings at the 30mph terminal point, additional speed limit roundels and enhanced slow markings.
- A signage review can also be conducted.
- Existing junction marking at junction of Bowers Hill/The Row has been referred to maintenance.
- The Parish Council will keep the cutting of vegetation around signs to ensure they are visible as a regular item for the Parish Steward, the PC can contact any landowners originally and are supported by maintenance to write legal letters.
- The police are working alongside the CSW group to provide training and assist with handheld.
- It does not meet the criteria for an extension of the Virtual Footway due to forward visibility and width of the carriageway, nor did we consider a speed limit review or any traffic calming viable options at this time.



		 It was felt that additional streetlighting was not required at this time due to the cost/benefit ratio. Areas of 30mph which have a presence of streetlighting should also not have additional repeaters and therefore this could be counterproductive. The current policy is unlikely to support a drop in speed to 20mph, this can be reviewed by the PC in future. If agreed by the group a cost estimate will be prepared prior to the next meeting. The group asked RS to prepare cost estimates based on potential signing and lining improvements that could be introduced in Grove Lane and bring them back to the next meeting of the group for discussion. Estimate of £1950 for countdown markings, enhanced slow markings, 2 x pedestrian warning signs, additional roundels and give way refresh - £1463 from the LHFIG and £488 contribution from Redlynch PC. Group to discuss and agree potential funding. Design to be submitted to PC once completed. Area Board agreed contribution of £1463 from the LHFIG. RPC confirmed £488 contribution. 		
s)	Issue No: 13-23-18 Laverstock & Ford PC Broken Cross safety improvements	Continued minor collisions including numerous collisions to boundary wall. Over the last 41 years we have seen many accidents around the bridge and many collisions with our boundary, more so since the road layout was changed, and the flashing arrow sign was removed. We have tried to improve things by putting our own flashing lights, reflectors, and barrier.	This scheme has been allocated to the traffic engineering signs team, works pack was submitted and is awaiting construction date	



We would like a meeting again to discuss changes to signage to alleviate this situation.

A site visit was conducted with the resident and the PC, the outcome of which is below. Group to agree if they support:

- PC have submitted a traffic survey request.
- It is suggested to undertake a sign and line review to enhance the existing slow markings.
- The matter of vegetation has been referred to colleagues in the maintenance team.
- PC to confirm if they want to proceed with the installation of Trief Kerbs to the front of the property access way.

If agreed by the group a cost estimate will be prepared prior to the next meeting.

The group asked GA to ensure that vegetation was removed as necessary to ensure that the existing signs in the vicinity of the roundabout were visible.

The group asked RS to prepare cost estimates based on potential signing and lining improvements that could be introduced at this location and bring them back to the next meeting of the group for discussion.

Estimate of £905 for 4 x enhanced slow markings, - £679 from the LHFIG and £227 contribution from LFPC PC. Group to discuss and agree potential funding. There has been an issue regarding traffic management for the metrocount data which is



		part of a wider discussion – RS to update the group. Investigations are still ongoing in reference to the trief kerbs work. GA to chase reference the maintenance work i.e hedge cutting. Design for lines to be submitted to PC as soon as possible. Group agreed to support the additional lining. RS to send the design to LFPC. Area Board agreed £679 from the LHFIG. LFPC PC confirmed £227 contribution		
t)	Issue no: 13-23-21 Laverstock & Ford PC Bollard request near nursery St. Thomas' Way	Resident highlighted lack of bollards near nursery. Parents/Children in danger. Further information is required as to if this is used as a vehicular access, as per above request this will only be considered should the school make a change to the Active Travel Plan. Potential for school keep clear markings which could be included in TRO amendments. The group discussed this issue and agreed that it would be beneficial to engage with the nursery (and school) about updating their school travel plan and come forward with a package of measures to address the concerns raised. Nursery (and school) to be contacted. This is currently with the school travel advisor. RS to update PC further once discussions are concluded.	School Keep Clear markings will be included with the ones at Britford & Newton Toney, awaiting a consultation date	
u)	Issue No: <u>13-23-23</u> Britford PC	The school does not have any bollards or writing on the road to stop careless, inconsiderate parking where buses need to park or across the tiny pathway. To get to and from the school. As I am sure you are aware, Downton Road is a busy and fast	This has been allocated to the Traffic Team and is awaiting consultation dates	



	Parking issues Longford Primary School	road, I know the cars should be doing 20mph they do not it is more like double or triple that. The group should consider provision of School Keep Clear (SKC) markings outside of the school. There are three versions of this marking that could be provided – advisory (unenforceable), mandatory - enforceable by the Police or mandatory - enforceable by both the Police and Wiltshire Council. The estimated cost of the advisory variant of the SKC marking is £1286.30 (LHFIG contribution £964.73 / PC contribution £321.58). The estimated cost of the mandatory variant of the SKC marking enforceable by the Police is £1,805.79 (LHFIG contribution £964.73 / PC contribution £451.45). The estimated cost of the mandatory variant of the SKC marking enforceable		
		contribution £1,939.94 / PC contribution £646.45). The group discussed this issue and were happy to commit funding to proceed with the variant that allowed enforcement by both the Police and Wiltshire Council. The Area Board approves the allocation of £1939.94 to allow this work to be undertaken. BPC confirmed contribution of £646.45		
v)	Issue No: <u>13-24-07</u> Landford PC	It is proposed to replace the stile with a kissing gate which will be installed and maintained by the Landford Area Footpath Volunteer Group, with help from the County Rights of Way Officer. The gate will be made of metal and sourced from WC	Area board confirmed contribution of 75% of this cost - £300	
	Kissing gates	stocks as opposed to directly from the manufacturer. eg.		



		https://centrewire.com/products/woodstock-medium-mobility. The cost of a full kissing gate with metal hoops is c.£400. The Landford Parish Community Partnership have offered to provide a grant of £100 to support this application. The group agreed to support this cost, LPC already confirmed contribution of £100 Area board confirmed contribution of 75% of this cost - £300 RS to liaise with ROW/heavy gang for completion	RS to liaise with ROW/heavy gang for completion	
w)	Issue No: 13-23-20 Laverstock & Ford PC Parking restrictions review St Thomas' Way and Pilgrims Way Bishopdown Farm	Change the time restrictions to reflect actual usage to improve safety around the school gate entrance and reduce nuisance parking on residential properties: New times: 07:30 to 09:30, 11:45 to 12:15 and 14:00 to 18:00. Also, the yellow line is very worn from staff and parent parking so can this be refreshed. Parish Councillor Lesley Waller and Wiltshire Council member lan McLennan on 11 Sep 2023 who suggested submitting this LHFIG application. A change of timings would require a new TRO order. This can be potentially considered however evidence would need to be provided by Laverstock PC. This will only be considered should the school make a change to the Active Travel Plan. The group discussed this issue and agreed that it would be beneficial to engage with the nursery (and school) about updating their school travel plan and come forward with a package of measures to address the concerns raised.	Group agreed to support change in timings to 8-5 to cover all hours. This should be grouped with the TRO for Queen Manor for RS to process	



		Nursery (and school) to be contacted This is currently with the school travel advisor. RS to update PC further once discussions are concluded. Current school travel plan is from 2017 and it would be useful this is updated. The school do utilise the HomeRun app which shows that almost ¾ of students are walking to school with only just over a quarter travelling by car. Due to this evidence should be provided to show the situation at lunch time when children arrive/leave the preschool and consideration should be given to if the restrictions should just become 8am-5pm	
x)	Issue No: 13-24-02 Whiteparish PC Disabled bay opposite the Whiteparish All Saints CE Primary School	Request allocation of a safe disabled bay close to the entrance but far enough away from the crossing that it doesn't block the view of children trying to cross Group agreed to support in principle should WPC agree estimated cost of £1500 WPC agreed 25% contribution of £375, Area Board agreed 75% of cost at £1125 RS to proceed with final design and submit to contractor within August.	Submitted with Milestone, delayed due to weather.
у)	Issue No: 13-23-13 Winterslow PC Reduction of Speed Limit, Weston Lane	The issue is speeding cars, in and around the village. The speed limits are inconsistent, whereby one road starts at 30mph and then progresses to 60mph, along the same stretch of road. This road is in constant use. The speed limits are 60mph in two access points of the village that are built up areas with several dwellings. The vehicles then do not slow down when the reach the 30mph signs. There are several 'pinch points' in the road whereby only one vehicle can pass at	RS submitted to Milestone, awaiting construction dates



a time - 'Narrow Road' signs are needed in these areas. Bus stops with no pavements, children walking on roads at night.

On this occasion we can consider a 40mph speed, given the outcome of the prior three traffic surveys alongside the speed limit assessment completed last year at this location. This confirmed that the 85th percentile speed at this location was 33.5mph showing that the overwhelming traffic was already travelling well below the national limit. Installation of the new limit will be in the region of £10,000 and the group should consider the cost to benefit ratio. If supported by the group a formal cost estimate can be prepared in advance of the next meeting.

The group discussed this issue in detail and noted that the existing physical layout of the road was largely controlling the speed of vehicles.

The group asked RS to prepare cost estimates based on potential signing and lining improvements that could be introduced in Weston Lane and bring them back to the next meeting of the group for discussion.

For additional enhanced slow markings, countdown markings, pedestrian in road warning signs and bend warning signs the estimate for this location would be £5500 with £4125 expected from the LHFIG and £1375 contribution for the PC. RS will prepare a design as soon as possible however this would be subject to landowner permission to place the signs as there is no highway verge along this stretch. Group to discuss and agree potential funding



		Area Board agreed the contribution of £4125. Parish agreed the contribution of £1375	
z)	Issue No: 13-23-22 Laverstock & Ford PC Parking issues Sycamore Drive/St. Clements Way local centre	Illegal and inconsiderate parking of vehicles using the local centre, including customers and delivery vehicles. Instead of using the car park provided, vehicles are 'bumping up' and parking on grass verges in the vicinity, hampering traffic, obstructing the view at the junction and causing considerable damage to the grass verges. Deep ruts have been caused, leaving exposed bare soil which turns to mud when it rains. Prior discussion with Laverstock PC considered that there are areas such to the side of the surgery, and to the curved section of Ash Crescent where we could look at bollards or further waiting restrictions. Site visits are required to investigate into this matter. PC have been asked to provide evidence such as photos/proof of areas which are a problem are required. Group to discuss this matter and how it moves forward. RS is due to undertake site visits, following this a design will be prepared and submitted to PC. RS sent plans to LFPC, suggestion of 11 additional bollards at total cost of this installation would be £4750, with 75% of cost at £3562.50 from the LHFIG and 25% expected from the Parish Council at £1187.50. This was agreed by the group. Site visit was undertaken, bollards have been agreed with LFPC to the side and front of shop to prevent parking within	RS submitted to Milestone, awaiting construction date
		the verges, RS to provide a design	



aa)	Issue No: <u>13-24-04</u>	The Parish Council would like to explore the options (and	RS to set meetings with ROW
		costs) of downgrading the current status of the Right of Way	team to discuss and provide FPC
	Firsdown PC	FIRS5 from a Byway Open to All Traffic to a restricted Byway,	with a cost/timeframe for the
		or even a Bridleway, allowing just pedestrians/dog walkers and	application.
	Amendments to BOAT (right of	horse riders.	
	way)	This will also prevent the potential misuse of the new Right of	
		Way to be created across Roundbarrow Farm	
bb)	Issue No: <u>13-24-06</u>	The Council has received 6 Highways Improvement Request	RS submitted to Milestone,
		Forms from residents of Hamptworth which raise several	awaiting construction date
	Landford PC	concerns in respect of Hamptworth Road, Lyburn Road and	
		Black Lane. The Council is therefore considering including	
	Sign and lining review	within a submission to LHFIG comments which would best	
		address, whilst securing value for money for both WC and the	
		Parish Council, traffic calming measures which could include	
		new or improved signage – bend in the road, pedestrians in the	
		road, village entry signage and road markings – slow markings,	
		road narrowing lines, rumble strips	
		RS has carried out a site visit with LPC who have agreed to	
		carry out a signage and lining review for the area to include the	
		measures as within the request. RS to provide the group and	
		LPC a design and cost estimate.	
		The total cost of this scheme as it stands would come in the	
		region of £3000.	
		1691011 OI 20000.	
		Parish would be expected to contribute 25% at £750 and have	
		confirmed this.	
		Somming the	
		Group agreed to support.	



cc)	Issue No: <u>13-22-05</u>	Site meeting took place in November 2023 to discuss potential	RS still progressing design work,
		further safety improvements at this location. It was agreed that	will confirm with Parishes and
	Firsdown PC / Winterslow	the first step would be to undertake a review of the signing and	LHFIG cost estimates and minor
	PC/Pitton and Farley PC	lining on the approaches to the crossroad to look at potential	signing and lining
	Safety improvements at	enhancements that could be made. A quote for a topographical	
	Dunstable Crossroads	survey is also to be obtained to help enable the respective	
		PC's and LHFIG's to determine if they wish to progress with	
		the design of more extensive improvements.	
		Winterslow have confirmed support for a topo survey, a quote	
		has been requested which will be put to the group to discuss	
		once received. The quotations for the 2 options are as follows:	
		Topo survey (without survey of invert drainage levels)	
		quotation is £6,800 + VAT	
		Topo survey (with survey of invert drainage levels) quotation is	
		£7,750 + VAT	
		Potential options discussed, the consensus of the group was to	
		proceed with the higher quote which includes the invert	
		drainage levels.	
		Survey results have been returned to RS. Group agreed to	
		continue with the prelim design with an understanding that it would likely be substantive/other scheme money. RS will also	
		look at signing and lining in the interim.	
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		PFPC, FPC & WPC confirmed contributions (suggested at	
		£852.50, higher than agreed 25%). Area Board confirmed	
		funding of remaining balance at £5192.50	
		DC has placed the ander for the convey and is give the	
		RS has placed the order for the survey and is awaiting the drawings	
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dd)	Issue No: <u>13-24-10</u> Redlynch PC Warning signs The Close	Traffic comes into the close and it doesn't realise that in the middle of the close there is a parcel of land that houses a play area which is in the middle of the housing estate. Traffic needs to be warned that there are children playing in order to slow down to ensure their safety when crossing into the play area. This location is Housing Stock rather than Highway and therefore RS will need permission to install warning signs.	RPC to agree contribution of £175. Total cost £700
		Group agree to support provision of 1 x warning sign towards the entry point of The Close if housing agree Area board confirmed funding of £525	
ee)	Issue No: <u>13-24-11</u> Whiteparish PC SID Infrastructure A27	Installation of posts with NAL sockets at two locations (Senior Highway Engineer to confirm exact locations) to enable the deployment of Parish Council SIDs.Supplier recommends 89mm diameter posts with 3.5m above ground (for Evolis SID and solar panel). Group to agree support of installation of 2 x SID post & sockets Area board confirmed funding of £750, WPC to agree contribution of £250 per site (total cost £2000) Passed to wider traffic engineering team for design & implementation. RS confirmed with WPC that design would be submitted to them for agreement prior to implementation.	RS submitted to Milestone, awaiting construction dates
ff)	Issue No: <u>13-24-13</u> Idmiston PC	The IPC is aware of the status of the Porton Down Science Park but would like to see the signage amended appropriately so that HGV's are directed to use the A30, whilst cars and	Group agreed for RS to first approach Science Park to remind them of the agreement and look



	HGV access issues	vans can continue to access the Science Park via Porton Village.	at potential signage amendments should this not work	
		Group to discuss signage and RS will update on any amendments which can be made.		
gg)	Issue No: 13-24-14 Laverstock & Ford PC Apostle Way Parking	Parking on a corner, on top of a hill. This corner is a blind one and has a traffic reducing chicane just before it and cars parked along the road on the other side of the corner. Quite often you are forced to enter the corner on the wrong side of the road as people park on the road/pavement and causing an obstruction. Please don't be fooled by it looking like a double width road on a map, you need the full with of the road to turn.	Letter was sent 20 th November to residents, received two responses one of which about the address and the other asking for further measures not to be taken	
		RS to letter drop to residents and remind them of their responsibilities within the Highway Code. If issues continue waiting restrictions could be discussed.		
hh)	Issue No: <u>13-24-15</u> Odstock PC Jubilee gardens bollards	There is an issue with cars parking on the sharp bend opposite the site known locally as 'Jubilee Gardens'. Previously discussed yellow lines. LHFIG requested further evidence of offenders (provided to Paul) but we also feel that enforcing this would be tricky, bollards would stop the parking altogether as there would be no space available for vehicles to leave the road.	RS carried out site visits to measure widths to check there is space within the edge of carriageway and footway in which to install bollards. Further discussion required with BPC and RS will make contact outside of LHFIG.	
ii)	Issue No: <u>13-24-16</u> Alderbury PC SID infrastructure	Following a traffic survey WC have agreed we can deploy a second SID in Alderbury at a location on Clarendon Road. This will need a post and socket Group agreed support of installation of 1 x SID post and socket, Area Board confirmed contribution of £750. Alderbury	Awaiting Alderbury confirmation of location in preparation of submitting for implementation	



		confirm contribution of £250. RS carried out site visits to confirm locations with APC on 1st October.	
jj)	Issue No: <u>13-24-18</u> Idmiston PC Street name plates	The road name signs for Beeches Close (PORTON) are missing and need to be reinstated. The Parish requests the two road name signs to be reinstated in the original positions, i.e. on both sides of the junction entrance, so they are clearly visible to drivers travelling in both directions. Group to agree support of installation of 2 x street name plates. Group agreed, Area Board confirmed contribution of £1050 Idmiston confirmed contribution of £350 in the meeting. RS to	RS submitted to Milestone, awaiting construction dates
		submit works pack.	
kk)	Issue No: <u>13-24-19</u> Idmiston PC Traffic calming measures	The IPC has requested Salisbury Reds to consider using single decker buses and to also reroute their service but would like the LHFIG to consider what other steps might be taken to help resolve the situation. Might giving priority to traffic travelling uphill by installing a short projection into the carriageway with signage giving priority to vehicles coming uphill?	Awaiting information from Idmiston in terms of the potential signage placement on private land
		RS to provide design and cost estimate to the group at the next meeting for options including implication of priority warning signs, edge of carriageway lining and enhanced slow markings	
		Priority warning signs must be lit, there are difficulties siting this signage and may encourage missuse. RS suggests road narrowing signs and carriageway markings as per design.	



		Total cost £1500, LHFIG £1125, Parish 25% contribution of £375. Group agreed to support	
II)	Issue No: <u>13-24-20</u> Laverstock & Ford PC Footpath Ford to Hurdcott LAF025	A simple and low-cost solution that would produce a marked improvement would be the application of hardcore or coarse gravel in the few short stretches where water and mud collect. Would the Parish Council please support this positive proposal for what would result in a real improvement to one of our area's rural assets? This path is classified as a Byway rather than a formalised footpath. The LHFIG are unable to carry out minor maintenance of existing Byways which are not land owned by Wiltshire Council. RS will discuss options with ROW team.	Awaiting further response from ROW team
mm)	Issue No: 13-24-21 Laverstock & Ford PC Warning signs & speed limit reduction	Roman Road between Old Sarum and Ford is a narrow road but derestricted (legally drivers are permitted to drive at 60 MPH). There are 2 exits, within 100 metres of each other, onto this road which have limited visibility either way. There have been a number of near misses in this area which, due the speed of the vehicles on Roman Road, have the potential to be fatal. The grass on the verges approaching these have been cut which has improved the visibility towards Ford and Old Sarum. There are no warning signs to indicate there are concealed exits nor speed restriction signs leaving this area as a potential accident location. Wiltshire Council policy states that warning signs are not used for private access roads, and I have checked our records and can see that the lane plus the country park does not form part of the adopted highway. RS to discuss a speed limit	Awaiting traffic survey results



		assessment, but a collection of speed data initially may be useful to determine if there is a speeding issue. Further discussion on the visibility splay at this location would be useful and enhanced slow markings may be useful. LFPC have already ordered a traffic survey, RS to determine if additional signage and enhanced slow markings can be installed at this location following traffic survey due to limited space		
nn)	Issue no: <u>13-24-22</u> Downton PC Warning signage	A resident who lives just before the pinch point has reported to the Parish Council near misses on vehicles not obeying the priority signs and pedestrian safety – the bollards at the start of the pinch point are regularly hit. A request has been made for earlier priority warning signage.	RS had a site visit with DPC, a sign and lining review will be drafted for group discussion for the next meeting	
		RS to carry out site visit with DPC to confirm any appropriate signing/lining		
00)	Issue no: <u>13-24-23</u>	The pedestrian crossing point is not clear, there seems to be a dropped kerb at the natural crossing point at the top of Bowers	RS had a site visit with RPC, RS agreed to remove confusing	
	Redlynch PC	Hill, then a crossing point wooden bollard a bit further down with no dropped kerb or markings on the other side of the road.	existing old crossing point, look at options for a new informal	
	Pedestrian crossing review	RS to carry out site visit with RPC to confirm any appropriate changes to the crossing	crossing to be drafted for group discussion for the next meeting	
pp)	Issue no: <u>13-24-24</u>	A max weight limit requested of 7.5 tonnes for vehicles entering/leaving the village via Clough Lane/Roman Road.	Group agreed that WPC should submit traffic survey requests	
	Winterslow PC	Relevant signs along the route e.g., 'Not Suitable for HGV - 7.5 max'. HGVs to be signposted to alternative Firsdown (bus)	which will measure speeds and HGV use to collect evidence	
	Not suitable for HGV signage	route (gritted in Winter) or the Pheasant Pitton turning from A30. Speed reduction to 20mph for the length of Clough		



		Lane/Roman Road and 40mph limit for Pheasant Hill. Visual traffic calming at village entrance (e.g. white gate with 20 mph signage, single speed bump, textured rumble zone) and painted 20mph circles on road surface. We would be happy to discuss other options.	
qq)	Issue no: <u>13-24-26</u>	In December 2023 Winterslow Parish Council acknowledged the concerns of residents and confirmed Lopcombe as a metro	RS is drafting SLA plans due to be submitted to Atkins for the
	Winterslow PC	count location (both A30 & A343) with subsequent support for a speed reduction, by progressing to LHFIG.	section on the A343. Discussions are ongoing with the Parish
	Speed limit review	A speed radar system was installed on 18 July 2024, at locations on A30 & A343, with results received 5 August 2024. This, together with appendix 1 and 2, demonstrates the current speed limit is not safe for the community of Lopcombe. Group discussed that a speed limit assessment had already	Council surrounding A30
		been carried out less than a year prior to the request on the A30 and chose not to support this. A speed limit request can be submitted for the A343 at a cost of £3100, 25% at £775 expected from the Parish and 75% at £2325 from the group which was supported.	
rr)	Issue no: <u>13-24-27</u>	The Brunton Memorial Village Hall is a new building so the trustees have asked for a sign to erected signposting to the	RS has delegated this scheme to the wider Traffic Engineering
	Allington PC	hall on the A338	scheme. Works pack to be submitted April 2025
	Speed limit review	Group agreed to support, expected total cost of £500, 25% at £125 from APC and 75% at £375 from the LHFIG	·



6.	Closed Issues			
a)	Issue no: <u>13-24-25</u> Landford PC	The Lyndhurst Road sign, at the crossroads with Forest Road and New Road has been stolen. The sign's posts and back plate are in situ, and have been inspected by a WC technician who has advised that although there is an indication of rotting,	already on the list for maintenance and would not support. Item to be removed.	
	Street name plate	there are no safety concerns. The sign has been placed on WC's maintenance list, but street name plates are not priority signage.		
b)	Issue No: 13-22-25 Laverstock & Ford PC Request to upgrade existing informal crossing point on Riverside Road	The Council's surfacing contractors Tarmac have advised that a carriageway patch its required before the coloured surfacing can be re-laid. Graham Axtell has engaged the Major Maintenance to order this work. Date of works to be provided to the PC once known. Following a second opinion it was deemed they would be able to carry out this work without a carriageway patch, therefore the cost was reduced, and the second site was included nearer to The coloured surfacing near the junction of Whitebridge Road has been completed. Patch and surfacing at the second location (Manor Farm Road) has been ordered with the contractor, awaiting dates.	Completed	
7.	Date of Next Meeting:	Tuesday 4 th June 2025		



1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG 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.

2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
- 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3rd party contributions are confirmed, Southern Wiltshire Area Board will have a remaining highways funding balance of £15,315.61 in the LHFIG allocation available for the 2024/2025 financial year.

3. Legal Implications

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

4. HR Implications

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

5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

6. Safeguarding implications

There are no specific safeguarding implications related to this report.