

# AGENDA

**Meeting:** PEWSEY AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage SN8 3AJ  
**Date:** Monday 6 September 2010  
**Time:** 7.00 pm

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Including the Parishes of Alton, Beechingstoke, Burbage, Buttermere, Charlton and Wilsford, Chirton, Easton, Grafton, Great Bedwyn, Ham, Little Bedwyn, Manningford, Marden, Milton Lilbourne, North Newnton, Oare, Patney, Pewsey, Rushall, Shalbourne, Stanton St Bernard, Upavon, Wilcot and Huish, Woodborough, Wootton Rivers

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**The Area Board welcomes and invites contributions from members of the public. The chairman will try to ensure that everyone who wishes to speak will have the opportunity to do so.**

If you have any requirements that would make your attendance at the meeting easier, please contact your Democratic Services Officer.

**Refreshments and networking opportunities will be available from 6:30pm.**

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## Wiltshire Councillors

Robert Hall	Pewsey Vale
Jerry Kunkler ( <b>Chairman</b> )	Pewsey
Stuart Wheeler ( <b>Vice Chairman</b> )	Burbage + Bedwyns

***Map to venue enclosed at page 1***

Items to be considered	Time
1. <b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	7.00pm
2. <b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
3. <b>Declarations of Interest</b>  Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
4. <b>Minutes (Pages 3 - 16)</b>  To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2010.	
5. <b>Chairman's Announcements (Pages 17 - 28)</b>  a. Wiltshire Local Transport Plan Strategy b. Community Payback – call for “grot spots” c. Parish Stewards d. Gypsy and Traveller Site Consultation e. Community Flooding information f. Great Stones Way	
6. <b>Youth Service in Pewsey</b>  To receive an update from Kevin Sweeney (Operations Manager, Youth Development Service) on the future provision of Youth Services in the Pewsey Community Area.	7.05pm
7. <b>Partner Updates (Pages 29 - 38)</b>  To receive any updates from partners:  a) Wiltshire Police; b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service; c) NHS Wiltshire; d) Pewsey Community Area Partnership – the Partnership will seek the Area Board’s endorsement on the enclosed revised Community Plan which was adopted by the Partnership on 10 June 2010; e) Parish Councils.	7.25pm
8. <b>Review of Library Service</b>  To receive a presentation from Chris Moore (Reading and Learning Services Manager) and John Salen (Project Manager, Business Change), on the review of the Library Services.	7.50pm

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| 9.  | <b>Leisure Facilities Review</b><br><br>To receive a presentation from Mark Smith (Director of Neighbourhood Services) on the recent review of leisure facilities in Wiltshire.   | 8.10pm |
| 10. | <b>Community Issues</b> ( <i>Pages 39 - 42</i> )<br><br>Councillor Stuart Wheeler will give an update on the progress made regarding issues which have been raised with the Area Board.   | 8.35pm |
| 11. | <b>Community Area Grants</b> ( <i>Pages 43 - 50</i> )<br><br>To determine any applications for Community Area Grants.   | 8.40pm |
| 12. | <b>Performance Reward Grant</b> ( <i>Pages 51 - 54</i> )<br><br>To consider whether the Board wishes to support any applications for Performance Reward Grant funding.<br><br>To receive feedback on previous bids supported by the Area Board.   | 8.50pm |
| 13. | <b>Update on Area Board Projects</b><br><br>To receive updates on the following two on-going projects being managed by the Area Board:<br><br>a. Youth Transport Funding<br><br>b. Reducing unnecessary Street Lighting – Bob King, Chairman of Pewsey Community Area Partnership, will give an update. | 8.55pm |
| 14. | <b>Urgent Business</b><br><br>Time permitting, the Chairman will invite questions and comments on issues not covered elsewhere in the agenda.   |        |
| 15. | <b>Evaluation</b><br><br>Those attending will be asked to give their feedback on the meeting.   |        |

16. **Future Meeting Dates and Close** (*Pages 55 - 56*)

**9.00pm**

To note the Forward Plan attached.

The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board is scheduled for Thursday 22 November 2010, 7pm at Pewsey Vale School.

**Future Meeting Dates**

**Monday, 22 November 2010**

7.00 pm

Pewsey Vale School, Wilcot Road, Pewsey, SN9 5EW

**Monday, 10 January 2011**

7.00pm

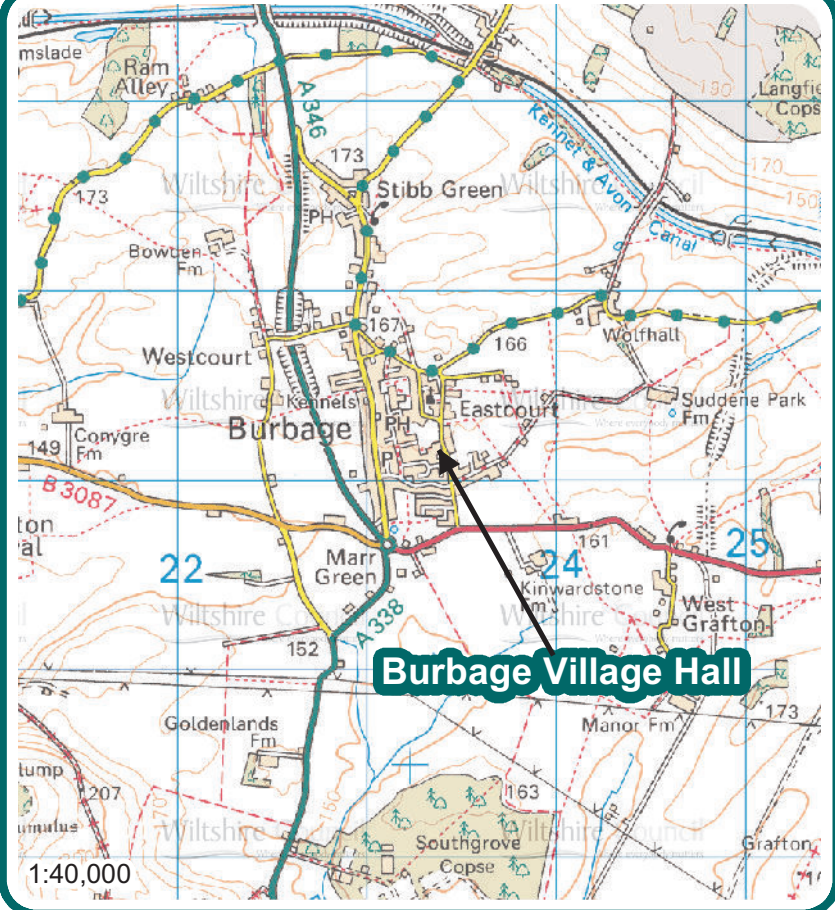
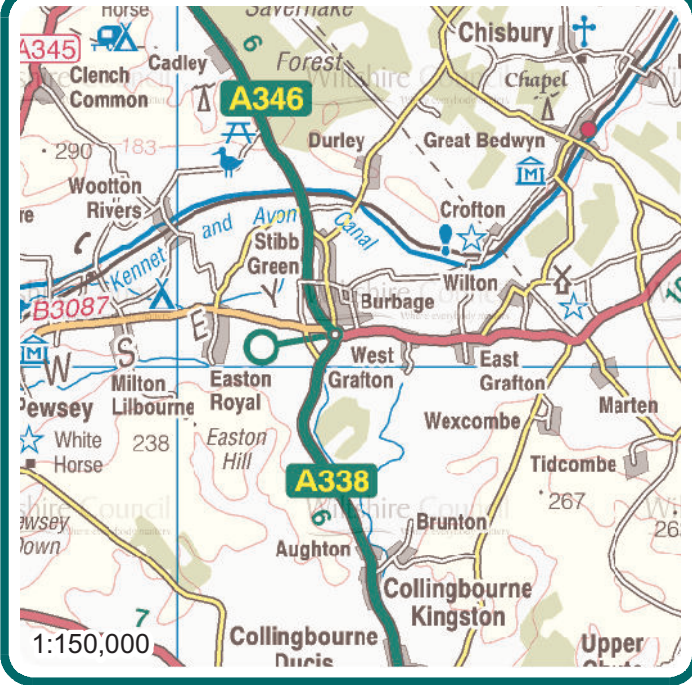
Coronation Hall, Alton Barnes

**Monday, 7 March 2011**

7.00pm

Bouverie Hall, Pewsey





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# MINUTES

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**Finish Time:** 8.50 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman), Cllr Brigadier Robert Hall and Cllr Christopher Williams

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Caroline Brailey, Pewsey Community Area Manager  
Ian Gibbons, Service Director for Legal and Democratic Services  
James Hazlewood, Senior Democratic Services Officer  
Peter Dunford, Community Area Team Leader (Central Locality)  
Andy Conn, Head of Waste Management  
Maggie Rae, Director of Public Health

### **Parish Councils**

Burbage Parish Council – Susan Gray, John Powell  
Charlton and Wilsford Parish Council – Trevor Trigg  
Chirton and Conock Parish Council – Stewart Neale  
Easton Royal Parish Council – Hew Helps  
Grafton Parish Council – (representative)  
Great Bedwyn Parish Council – Steve Hobson  
Ham Parish Council – Susie Eldridge  
Little Bedwyn Parish Council – Tim Summers  
Manningford Parish Council – Bernard Gaskin  
Milton Lilbourne Parish Council – R Jones, P Oatway

Pewsey Parish Council – Caroline Dalrymple, Alex Carder, Terry Eyles, Peter Deck,  
Pat Keers

Rushall Parish Council – Colin Gale, Richard Tilbury

Shalbourne Parish Council – Stella Zweck

Upavon Parish Council – Robert Bruce

Woodborough Parish Council – Jim Fletcher

(Fyfield and West Overton Parish Council – Tim Butler, Mary Spender)

**Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Andy Peach

NHS Wiltshire – John Goodall, Jo Howes

Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) – Bob King

PHAB Community Transport Scheme – Peter Akrigg

Voluntary Action Kennet (VAK) – Margaret West

Pewsey Development Centre for Young People – Karen Brown

**Members of Public in Attendance: 22**

**Total in attendance: 61**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>	<u>Action By</u>
1.	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome, Introduction and Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Area Board Members and the officers supporting the meeting.</p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Local Transport Programme (LTP) Scheme Funding Allocation</b> – Further to the information set out at page 5 of the agenda, it was noted that a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) would be set up to prioritise LTP schemes in the area, and make recommendations to the Area Board. Anyone wishing to volunteer to be part of the CATG should contact Caroline Brailey, Pewsey Community Area Manager.</li> <li>• <b>Draft Parking Strategy</b> – Information on this forthcoming consultation was available on page 7 of the agenda. The documents listed would be available from 12 July 2010, when the consultation would open.</li> <li>• <b>Feedback from meeting on Pewsey Area Community Trust (PACT)</b> – At the Chairman's invitation, Margaret West of Voluntary Action Kennet (VAK) gave an update on the meeting held with Area Board Councillors, VAK and PACT. This meeting had been held following discussions at the previous meeting of the Area Board, and sought to find a way that PACT and VAK could work together. Further discussions were ongoing and any outcomes would be reported to the Area Board.</li> </ul>	
2.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor Stuart Wheeler – The Chairman noted that, under the substitution arrangements with the Tidworth Area Board, Councillor Chris Williams was in attendance as a voting member of the Area Board, to ensure there was a quorum for the meeting.</li> <li>• Councillor Keith Humphries (Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing), who had been due to attend the meeting as the visiting cabinet representative.</li> <li>• Michael Farr (Wootton Rivers Parish Council)</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carol Grant (Pewsey Vale School)</li> <li>• Nicole Gilbert (Pewsey Primary School)</li> <li>• Brian Deeley (Age UK).</li> </ul>	
3.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The minutes of the meeting held on 10 May 2010 and those of the meeting held on 18 May were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></p>	
5.	<p><u>Chairman's Annual Report</u></p> <p>The Chairman commented that the Area Board had now been operating for one year, holding six meetings and allocating a number of grants to community organisations. Further details on the successes of the Area Board's first year were set out in a summary report at pages 21/22 of the agenda.</p> <p>The Chairman welcomed comments and suggestions for improvements to the Area Board process.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Consultation on Waste and Recycling</u></p> <p>Andy Conn (Head of Waste Management) gave a presentation regarding the on-going consultation on the waste and recycling collection service.</p> <p>Changes to the provision of this service within Wiltshire were required to ensure that the same service was provided to all residents. In addition to this, the need to meet tougher recycling targets and to minimise landfill required a new approach to waste collection across the county.</p> <p>The proposal was for household rubbish and black box recycling (i.e. tins, glass and paper) to be collected on alternate weeks. There would also be a fortnightly collection of plastic bottles and cardboard recycling. In addition, the current fortnightly collection of garden waste would continue, although this would now be free to all residents, rather than being charged as at present.</p>	

This proposal sought to balance the best service with maximising the opportunities for recycling and minimising costs. A consultation was underway to seek support for this proposal from Wiltshire residents. Leaflets were available at the meeting summarising the proposals, with a detachable freepost slip on which residents could record their support or opposition to the proposals. Residents could also respond to the consultation online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbishandrecycling/waste.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbishandrecycling/waste.htm).

The Chairman then invited questions and comments:

- Referring to the recent announcement by Eric Pickles, the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, in support of weekly waste collection, Andy commented that the government had also encouraged consultation with residents. Wiltshire Council's proposal had already been postponed earlier in the year, in the expectation of a formal policy decision from the government, however no such decision had been forthcoming.
- It was noted that, in addition to waste sent to landfill, a proportion was sent to an "Energy from Waste" incineration facility near Slough. Andy commented that the Council used several options to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill.
- It was yet to be determined how the proposed additional recycling collection of plastics and cardboard would be undertaken, although it was likely to be a wheelie bin or a bag.
- A resident considered that a significant element of landfill consisted of items which could be reused or recycled. Andy responded that of the waste taken to Wiltshire's Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs), over 75% was recycled or reused, which was very high compared to other authorities. In addition to this, some large items, such as furniture, were recycled through charitable reuse networks.
- Responding to comments regarding rumours that recyclable material was collected and then sent to landfill, Andy commented that this was untrue. With the exception of a 1-2% contamination rate, the additional cost of paying landfill tax and the potential value of recyclable material ensured it would never be sent to landfill.
- Local recycling schemes had not been included in the proposals, and it was noted that use of these sites had

	<p>declined due to the increase in kerbside recycling collection. It was likely that the network would be reviewed with a view to rationalising some of the sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although the current contract with waste contractors did not allow for the council to retain any of the value of recycled materials (aside from a percentage of the paper recycling income above a certain level), this managed the risk of the fluctuating value of recycled materials. However, the saving to the Council, in terms of keeping waste out of landfill, was £48 per ton at present; this would rise to £80 in a few years.</li> <li>• In relation to incentive schemes and penalty schemes to encourage recycling, Andy commented that both systems would require additional bureaucracy. It was considered that the best incentive was a good service, offering residents a choice of methods.</li> </ul>	
7.	<p><u>Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)</u></p> <p>Maggie Rae (Director of Public Health), introduced the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), which had been produced for each of Wiltshire's Community Areas to assess residents' health and wellbeing. The JSNA comprised data and statistics from several public sector partners, and would help inform the work plans of various organisations.</p> <p>As part of the process of gathering data and consulting on the priorities as identified by local people, a series of Health Fairs had been held. In Pewsey, this had been held on 22 March and had given an opportunity for local people to meet health service providers, and to give their views on priorities for the Community Area.</p> <p>Maggie introduced John Goodall (Service Development Manager - NHS Wiltshire) who presented the statistics as set out in the JSNA for the Pewsey Community Area. The main points identified by the JSNA were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In terms of life expectancy, the Pewsey Community Area rated 4th out of the 20 Community Areas for women (84.2 years compared to 83.1 across Wiltshire). However, the area only rated 18th out of 20 for men (78.1 years compared to 79.3 across Wiltshire).</li> <li>• Pewsey ranked 6th equal in the county in terms of traffic collisions, with an average of 11 people killed or seriously injured on roads in the community area during 2008</li> </ul>	

	<p>(compared with 13.8 across the county).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Childhood obesity was comparatively low in the Pewsey Community Area, with only 12.3% of children measured being classified as overweight or obese according to their Body Mass Index (BMI). This was the lowest rate in Wiltshire and compared favourably to the national rate of around 23%.</li> <li>• Smoking, the principal avoidable cause of deaths in the UK, was also comparatively low in Pewsey, with only 16.2% of adults smoking, lower than the Wiltshire average of 20.2%.</li> <li>• In relation to “Self reported health” 79.1% of people said they were in “good” or “very good” health, ranking Pewsey 7th out of 20 in Wiltshire.</li> <li>• While domestic violence rates in the Pewsey Community Area were low (1.1 incidents per 1,000 people aged 15 or over – 1st out of 20 in Wiltshire), it was estimated that only 20% of incidents were reported to the police.</li> </ul> <p>John added that the next steps in the process were to set priorities as identified by the local community and for these to inform the delivery of public sector services within Wiltshire.</p> <p>In response to a question, Maggie confirmed that the PCT did monitor standardised mortality rates. Salisbury Foundation Hospital had very good rates on this, despite having a hospice on site, which contributed to the figures.</p> <p>Maggie also confirmed that the PCT supported “first responder” schemes, whereby defibrillation units were located in rural, isolated communities.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Partner Updates</u></p> <p>(a) <u>Wiltshire Police</u></p> <p>Inspector Andy Peach reported that he had nothing to add to the written update at pages 23-24 in the agenda.</p> <p>(b) <u>Wiltshire Fire and Rescue</u></p> <p>In his role as Chairman of the Fire Authority, Councillor Brigadier Robert Hall referred the meeting to the written update at page 25 of the agenda. It was noted that, despite the warm, dry weather, the number of fires had dropped since the previous update.</p>	

	<p>(c) <u>NHS Wiltshire</u></p> <p>Jo Howes, Community Engagement Manager for NHS Wiltshire, referred to the written update at pages 27-29. In addition, Jo commented on the recent difficulty in recruiting staff to the Savernake Hospital. The decision had been taken that, in order to keep a safe ratio of staff to patients, the number of beds would be reduced from 24 to 12 over the summer months. This would also allow for some maintenance work to be undertaken. The number of beds could then be taken back up to 24 for the winter period, when there was traditionally more need for hospital accommodation.</p> <p>(d) <u>Parish Councils</u></p> <p>No Parish Council wished to add anything to the written information in the agenda.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Update from Pewsey Community Area Partnership</u></p> <p>Bob King, the new Chairman of Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP), invited Peter Deck, the outgoing PCAP Chairman, to update the Board on the meeting held with British Waterways on 1 June 2010 in Devizes.</p> <p>This meeting had been held to discuss British Waterways' Canal Mooring Strategy, with particular reference to how this would be applied to canal boat owners who resided on the Kennet and Avon Canal. The view at the meeting had been that effective enforcement would be the key to the success of the Strategy. British Waterways was expected to establish independent Panels to make recommendations to British Waterways on local mooring strategies in consultation with stakeholders through local steering groups. As such, Parish Councils affected by the Kennet and Avon Canal should be able to provide input through a steering group, once established.</p> <p>Before starting his update, Bob thanked Peter for all his hard work as Chairman of PCAP over the past 10 years.</p> <p>The Partnership now had the following sub-groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highways – Peter Hanson, Divisional Highway Manager Wiltshire Council, had attended the last Partnership meeting and had reiterated that CLARENCE was the preferred mechanism for reporting highways faults. It was also noted</li> </ul>	



	<p>that the planned resurfacing of the A345 from Upavon to Larkhill was now underway, and Parish Councils were encouraged to continue to use the Parish Stewards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crime and Community Safety – The main issues here were anti-social behaviour and speeding. Community Speedwatch had now been rolled out in five parishes. Also, Pewsey Police Station continued to open every Tuesday morning and the police were seeking volunteers to help.</li> <li>• Education and Leisure – This group included two representatives from Pewsey Primary School. It had been noted that the Community Plan did not mention the school, so something would be added.</li> <li>• Finance – This group had approved PCAP’s budget for the year. No further funding was being sought from the Area Board at this time, although PCAP reserved the right to request funding later in the year if necessary.</li> <li>• Environment – A chairman was still being sought for this group; any volunteers would be welcome.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Pewsey Area Board noted and agreed the Pewsey Community Area Partnership’s Workplan and Budget for 2010-11.</b></p>	
10.	<p><b><u>Area Board Projects</u></b></p> <p>(a) <b><u>Reducing Street Lighting</u></b></p> <p>Caroline Brailey, Pewsey Community Area Manager, referred the meeting to the information set out at pages 39-40 of the agenda. This explained the background to the project which sought to replace street lighting units with new units containing timers. This allowed the units to be turned off or dimmed for part of the night, thus reducing light pollution and saving electricity. However, this had to be balanced against the need for lighting, in terms of highways and community safety.</p> <p>Each Area Board had been allocated £5,000 for this project, which would pay for around 100 street lights to be fitted with the new units.</p> <p>Councillor Chris Williams commented that a successful trial of this project had been run on the Tidworth to Lugdershall road. The dimming had resulted in lower energy use, and had caused very little reduction in ambient light.</p>	

	<p>It was agreed that PCAP would take on the lead role for this project.</p> <p>(b) <u>Youth Transport Projects</u></p> <p>This project sought to deliver transport projects to allow young people, particularly those from isolated rural areas, to travel into urban areas where they had better access to facilities and services. Funding had been made available to the Area Board to support projects in the Community Area.</p> <p>The Chairman invited suggestions and ideas to be submitted to the Area Board via Caroline Brailey.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Community Issues</u></p> <p>Caroline Brailey updated the meeting on the Community Issues which had been received by the Area Board.</p> <p>The majority of issues related to Highways and Speeding. Some Community Speedwatch projects were underway to address some of the issues raised, and other sites were under consideration.</p> <p>Since the publication of the agenda, another speeding issue had been raised, in relation to speeding in Bottlesford. This was currently being looked into, and may require periodic speed enforcement by the police.</p>	
12.	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered a number of applications for Community Area Grant funding. The Chairman invited the local Councillor to introduce each application, following which a representative of the applicant was given an opportunity to give a brief overview of their project to the Area Board.</p> <p>In relation to the application from Milton Lilbourne Parish Council, Caroline Brailey reported that the two further quotes had now been received, and that, as a result of the additional quotes, the application had been re-submitted for a revised grant of £1,977. It was noted that, if Councillors were minded to award the grants in line with officer recommendations, the figure at paragraph 4.2 of the report (page 47 of the agenda) would be amended to £33,090, being the amount remaining in the Pewsey Community Area Grant budget for 2010/11.</p>	

	<p><b><u>Decision</u></b> Milton Lilbourne Parish Council was awarded £1,977 towards installation of community seating with a bench around the tulip tree to overlook the recreation ground. <b><i>Reason</i></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2010/11 and would support this project to cater for the needs of older residents.</i></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b> Burbage Village Hall was awarded £1,000 towards re-surfacing the car park. <b><i>Reason</i></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2010/11 and would help maintain this community facility as well as improve vehicular access to the local recycling point.</i></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b> Upavon Village Hall was awarded £850 towards the redecoration of the kitchen, toilets and passage. <b><i>Reason</i></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2010/11 and would help maintain this community facility.</i></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b> Grafton Goslings was awarded £989 towards purchasing stackable children's tables and materials for gates to make the outside area secure for children to play. <b><i>Reason</i></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2010/11 and would ensure the safety and wellbeing of children within this new community initiative.</i></p> <p><b><u>Decision</u></b> Wilcot Cricket Club was awarded £1,915 towards the replacement of the changing room roof, replacement toilets, showers and repainting of the interior. <b><i>Reason</i></b> <i>The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2010/11 and would help maintain this community facility.</i></p> <p>Caroline also reported that Pewsey Parish Council had requested an amendment to the purpose of a grant previously awarded. The original grant had been towards funding the removal of the existing play equipment and re-siting to a new play area. However, it had since been identified that the existing equipment did not meet current health and safety requirements, and so it was proposed that the grant be used to fund the purchase of new equipment.</p>	<p>Caroline Brailey</p> <p>Caroline Brailey</p> <p>Caroline Brailey</p> <p>Caroline Brailey</p> <p>Caroline Brailey</p>
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	<p><b><u>Decision</u></b>  <b>The Pewsey Area Board agreed to the change of use for the grant awarded to Pewsey Parish Council on 28 January 2010, to allow for the grant to be used towards purchasing new play equipment for the project.</b></p> <p>The Chairman commented that the next Area Board meeting was scheduled for 6 September 2010; the deadline for grants to be considered at that meeting was 23 July 2010.</p>	<p><b>Caroline Brailey</b></p>
<p>13.</p>	<p><b><u>Outside Bodies Appointments</u></b></p> <p>The Area Board noted that the appointments to outside bodies would continue for the 2010/11 year as per page 51 of the agenda.</p>	
<p>14.</p>	<p><b><u>Evaluation and Urgent Business</u></b></p> <p>(a) <b><u>Written Questions</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman reported that, since the publication of the agenda, written questions had been received from Mrs Charmian Spickernell in relation to the Council's planning process, specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The delegation of planning applications and determining when applications could be "called in" to go to Committee for determination.</li> <li>2. The accuracy of planning application headings – with reference to a recent application where a key component of the development had been omitted from the heading.</li> <li>3. How major planning applications were differentiated from minor applications and whether this required a different approach.</li> <li>4. Site visits.</li> </ol> <p>A response to these questions had been sought from Councillor John Brady, the Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Housing, and this was read out by Caroline Brailey. Councillor Brady referred to the recently completed detailed consultation on the planning process, which had covered the points raised by Mrs Spickernell. A report with recommended changes to the planning process would be submitted to the Cabinet in September or October, although there were no proposals to change the call-in process. In relation to the accuracy of application headings, Councillor Brady requested the full details of the application to allow officers to investigate this issue.</p>	

	<p>Written copies of the questions and responses were made available at the back of the meeting room.</p> <p>(b) <u>Other questions and comments</u></p> <p>A question was raised in relation to a specific case of a patient being discharged from a mental hospital and re-housed in the area. Maggie Rae commented that it would be inappropriate to discuss individual cases in a public meeting.</p> <p>A comment was raised congratulating the Area Board on its first year, and thanking the officers for their hard work.</p>	
15.	<p><u>Future Meeting Dates and Close</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board was scheduled for Monday 6 September 2010, 7pm at Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and encouraged everyone to complete evaluation forms.</p>	

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## Pewsey Area Board 6 September 2010

### Chairman's Announcements

#### Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026

The Council has a statutory duty to review and publish a new Local Transport Plan (LTP) by the end of March 2011. In essence, Local Transport Plans steer the implementation of national transport policies at the local level.

The Wiltshire Local Transport Plan is made up of:

- A long-term transport strategy that seeks to:
  - support economic growth
  - reduce carbon emissions
  - contribute to better safety, security and health
  - promote equality of opportunity
  - improve quality of life and promote a healthy natural environment
- A shorter-term implementation plan based on a realistic assessment of available funding, and
- A number of supporting strategies and technical documents.

In addition, the Local Transport Plan provides the framework for all other organisations with a direct or indirect involvement in transport in Wiltshire.

Consultation on the draft Local Transport Plan will run from **4 October to 26 November 2010**.

The preferred method of communication is for comments to be submitted online at: <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>, where electronic copies of all the documents will be available. Paper copies of the summary document, questionnaire and a reference copy of the Local Transport Plan will also be available from all libraries and main Council offices.

The Council's Cabinet and full Council will consider the results of the consultation in February 2011 prior to the publication of the final Local Transport Plan in March 2011.

**Consultation Portal Link:** <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>





## ITEM 5b

### **Pewsey Area Board 6 September 2010**

#### **Chairman's Announcements**

#### **Community Payback – Call for Grot Spots**

Wiltshire Probation Services is launching a new scheme, 'Community Payback, Involving Local Communities'. The scheme works with offenders to offer free labour to local communities to enhance the local environment. This includes clearing undergrowth, removal of graffiti or litter, repairing and redecorating community facilities and other environmental projects.

The Community Payback initiative has been supported by our Area Boards to receive Performance Reward Grant funding to provide mobile facilities which will enable the work to be carried out more efficiently and to broaden the reach of the project to include more rural parts of the county.

Area Boards are asked to call for 'Grot Spots', local areas which need clearing or community facilities which need decorating, litter picking or graffiti removal. These can be referred to the Community Payback Scheme, either directly using the referral form on the Community Payback leaflet or via their Community Area Manager.



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## **Chairman's Announcements**

### **Making a Difference – The Wiltshire Council Parish Steward Scheme**

The Council is the Highway Authority for Wiltshire, excluding Swindon Borough and the Trunk Road Network. The maintenance work is performed by a contracted service provider, Ringway Infrastructure Services. An integral aspect of this contract is the Parish Steward Scheme. This scheme enjoys a good level of support amongst most of the local authorities. A twelve minute film has been made, which aims to describe the work and workings of this scheme. Please find further information on the Wiltshire Council website, following the link below:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwayspavements/roadmaintenance/parishstewardsscheme.htm>

Contact: The Parish Steward Scheme service can be contacted by email on [clarence@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:clarence@wiltshire.gov.uk), or by telephone from landlines within Wiltshire on 0800 232323 or 01225 777234 from outside Wiltshire.



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### **Chairman's Announcements**

#### **Gypsy and Traveller Site Consultation**

Consultation planned on possible new Gypsy and Traveller sites following on from the work carried out in April and June this year has now been put on hold. The issues consultation used figures proposed in the draft South West Regional Spatial Strategy as the basis of future need for Gypsy and Traveller sites. The Regional Spatial Strategy has now been revoked and it falls to local authorities to determine the right level of site provision. Officers are currently assessing existing information about the level of need for new Gypsy and Traveller sites in Wiltshire to make sure the development plan document progresses with the correct local targets for new site provision. This has affected the overall timetable for the preparation of the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations document. The Area Board will be informed once a revised project timetable on the provision of new sites for the travelling community is available.



## Pewsey Area Board 6 September 2010

### Chairman's Announcements

#### **Reminder to Parish Councils regarding Community Flooding Consultation**

Please could any parishes that have not yet returned their flooding information request details, do so as soon as possible. These should be sent to Renate Malton (Project Officer) at the address below:

Derby Court  
White Horse Business Park  
Trowbridge  
BA14 OXG.

If you have lost your original pack or require an additional one for any reason, please contact Renate Malton, on 01225 712514 or [renate.malton@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:renate.malton@wiltshire.gov.uk).

Wiltshire Council has a duty under the Flood and Water Management Act to establish, quantify and record the levels of flooding within the county following on from the Pitt review and recent major flooding events. As a lead authority, Wiltshire Council can ask other bodies within the county to provide relevant information in order to allow the discharge of duty. This duty is on both lead and local authorities, which includes town and parish councils.

Wiltshire Council is beginning to get enough data to start making statistical comparisons, for example the number of parishes who have reported internal property flooding, have flood supplies and are on the Environment Agency warning telephone list. This is providing information on where in the county Wiltshire Council might like to prioritise storing flood supply equipment, or where the parish have identified issues with blocked culverts/drains enabling us to investigate the current schedules.

The information Wiltshire Council has received to date has been on the whole very good, it has been loaded onto the GIS system and the overlay is taking shape and is very informative.

If issues are subsequently raised at Area Board level by the parishes who have not responded, this will impact the time taken for their work to be undertaken and it will impact on any planning issues, as access to this information is very important. This work will benefit the parishes as well as county.





## THE GREAT STONES WAY

### A HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE NEW WALKING ROUTE BETWEEN AVEBURY AND STONEHENGE

The ancient Ridgeway follows the sweep of the chalk escarpment across the country for some 360 miles, between Lyme Regis in Dorset on the south coast and Hunstanton on The Wash on the east coast. An 85-mile central section of the route, between Ivinghoe Beacon near Dunstable and Avebury in Wiltshire, was adopted as The Ridgeway National Trail in 1972. The Friends of The Ridgeway have long sought the up-grading of the rest of the Ridgeway to match National Trails standards. The Great Stones Way is a first, key initiative towards the achievement of this aim.

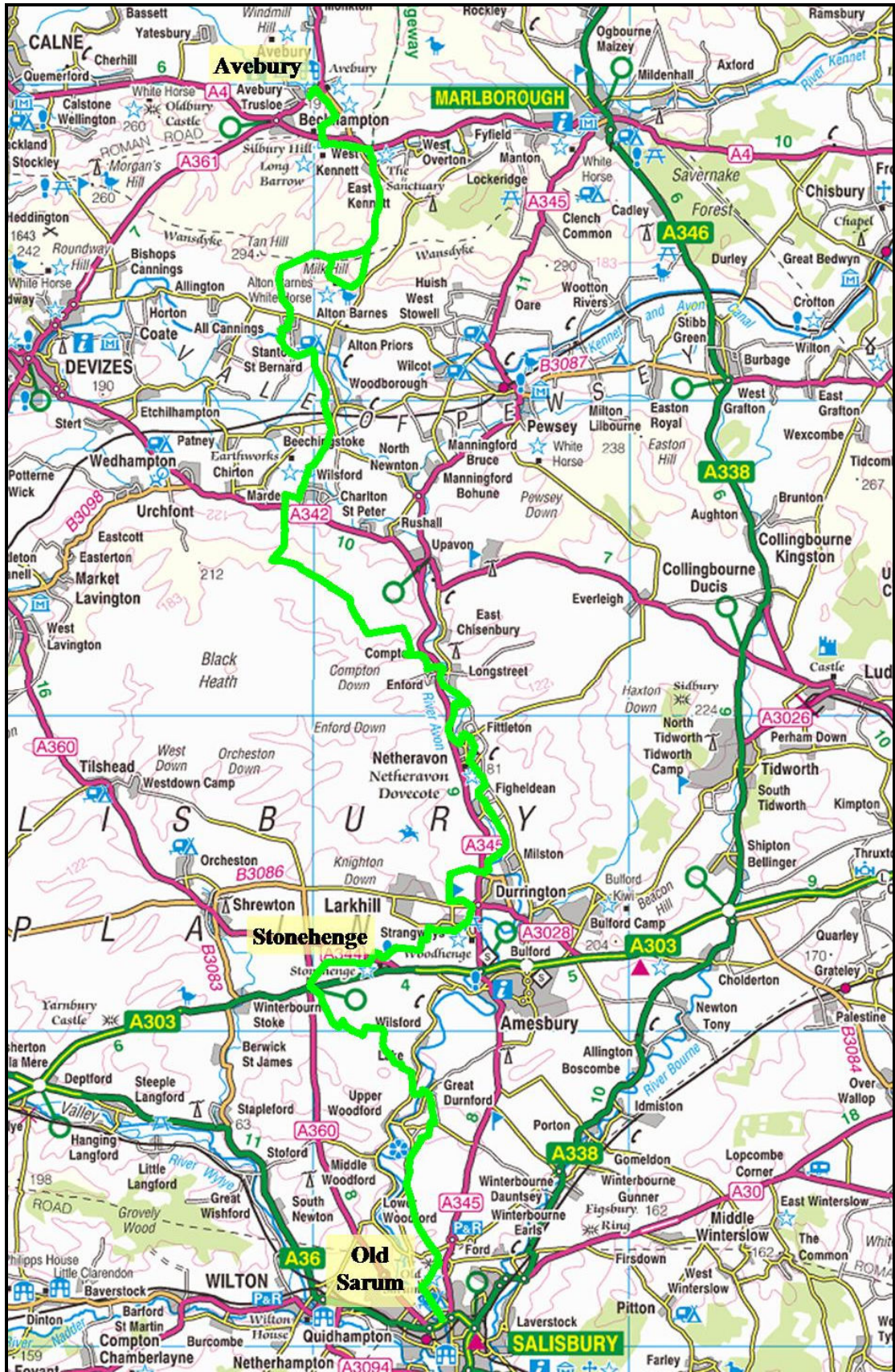
#### The Great Stones Way will

- Be a great 38-mile walk between the iconic stone circles of Avebury and Stonehenge, and historic Old Sarum;
- Take in the historic sites of Silbury Hill, The Sanctuary, Adam's Grave, Broadbury Banks, Durrington Walls and Woodhenge, as well as the Stone Age landscape of Stonehenge itself;
- Offer a mixture of high level walking on the Downs and Salisbury Plain, open countryside through the Vale of Pewsey and footpaths through the picturesque villages of the Avon Valley;
- Provide an attractive route for walkers linking Stonehenge and the railway at Salisbury, with good public transport connections along the route;
- Appeal to visitors from the UK and from overseas seeking to visit the best of the heritage attractions of Wessex and Wiltshire;
- Bring huge economic benefits to all the communities along the route.

The Friends of The Ridgeway is grateful for the help of Plain Action, North Wessex Downs AONB and Wiltshire Council in enabling us to commission a full feasibility study to quantify the likely usage and the economic benefits that will accrue to the route corridor, and to determine the costs of the works needed to bring the route up to standards similar to those of a National Trail.



European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development: Europe investing in rural areas



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## Report to the Pewsey Area Board

### Incidents attended for the period July & August 2010

Total number of calls for the Board's area	19
Total number of fires	2
House Fires	0
Fire Death	0
Vehicle fires (electrical)	0
Chimney Fires	0

Total number of deliberate fires in the Boards area	0
Total number of deaths in area	0
Total number of injuries in area (RTC)	0
Number of RTCs attended by WFRS	0
Number of False automatic Fire Alarms attended	6
Number of Co-Responding by WFRS in area	9

With the summer nearly over and the colder months approaching, this is the time for people to take steps to reduce the risk of chimney and house fires by having chimneys and flues cleaned and kept well maintained.

The Service's 'Rural Safety' team is engaging with the farming and equine communities regarding fire safety.

We are continuing our ongoing work with our 'Fire Stop' project working with statutory and voluntary organisations to identify the more vulnerable members of our community (including boat owners) who may be at an increased risk of dwelling fires. We then offer home fire safety checks and fit smoke alarms where needed.

Boat Fire Safety advice is being given to canal boat users on the Kennet and Avon Canal within Wiltshire by dedicated officers liaising with other agencies on the waterway. During this summer, some 70+ boat users have had boat fire safety visits.



**NHS Update – August 2010**
**Equity and excellence: Liberating the NHS**

The Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley, has published a new NHS White Paper, 'Equity and excellence: Liberating the NHS', setting out the coalition Government's vision for the NHS. The White Paper is the first step towards the Government's ambition for the NHS to achieve health outcomes and quality health services that are among the best in the world.

The White Paper sets out proposals for the NHS to become a truly world-class service: a service that is easy to access, treats people as individuals and offers care that is safe and of the highest quality.

This vision puts patients at the heart of everything that the NHS does. This means giving them more choice and the information they need to be able to exercise that choice. It also means putting GPs in charge of local commissioning decisions and setting providers of health services free from top-down targets.

In order to achieve its vision for the NHS, the Government has proposed changes to the way the NHS is organised. It plans to create an independent National Commissioning Board for the NHS. The Board will allocate money to local GP consortia for them to use to commission local health services. Local authorities will take on responsibility for public health and health improvement, currently held by primary care trusts.

As a result of these changes, the Government expect PCTs to cease to exist from 2013 in light of the successful establishment of GP consortia. It is also planned that strategic health authorities will no longer exist from 2012/13. In the meantime, these organisations will have important roles to play in supporting the NHS through a period of change.

For NHS Wiltshire, this means getting ready to ensure we have a safe and effective transfer of responsibilities to GP consortia and Wiltshire Council. It also means making sure that we maintain our focus on securing safe and effective services that deliver value for money and which are as good as they can be.

A number of more detailed, supporting documents have been and will continue to be issued in the following weeks as part of the White Paper consultation process. Details are set out below about how you can forward your comments for the consultation.

Document Title and Link	Deadline
The Centre for Public Scrutiny Equity and Excellence – NHS White Paper Summary <a href="http://www.cfps.org.uk/userfiles/file/Equality%20and%20Excellence%20-%20Summary%20of%20key%20themes%20for%20councillors.doc">http://www.cfps.org.uk/userfiles/file/Equality%20and%20Excellence%20-%20Summary%20of%20key%20themes%20for%20councillors.doc</a>	N/A
Equity and excellence: Liberating the NHS <a href="http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Healthcare/LiberatingtheNHS/index.htm">http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Healthcare/LiberatingtheNHS/index.htm</a>	Comments by 5 <sup>th</sup> October
Increasing democratic legitimacy in health <a href="http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/docume">http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/docume</a>	11 October

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Transparency in outcomes: a framework for the NHS <a href="http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117583">http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117583</a>	11 October

### **Wiltshire Community Health Services**

The White Paper also makes it clear that the Government's commitment to separating NHS provider functions from the commissioning part of Primary Care Trusts is unchanged. The commitment stands that by 1 April 2011, Primary Care Trusts will have divested themselves of directly-provided services. This has a direct implication for the Wiltshire-wide, individual services currently provided by Wiltshire Community Health Services, as well as the clinical and nursing staff employed by Wiltshire Community Health Services.

As a consequence, the Board of NHS Wiltshire agreed at its Board Meeting on 21 July 2010 to put in place appropriate commissioning arrangements to transfer Wiltshire Community Health Services to other NHS organisations. In order to preserve the strengths of the services, the plan is that the transfer will happen in 'clusters'.

- Cluster 1: Maternity – managed transfer to a NHS Trust capable of securing on-going employment for front-line staff on NHS pay and conditions. The resultant contract will have a 3-year term.
- Cluster 2: Children – managed transfer to a NHS Trust for a period of two years with the strategic intent of maintaining the integrated working with Wiltshire Council.
- Cluster 3: Miscellaneous – The PCT will pursue the transfer of each of these services via the appropriate contractual arrangements, as outlined in the option appraisal.
- Cluster 4: Adult Services – managed transfer to an NHS organisation capable of securing on-going employment for front-line staff on NHS pay and conditions. The resultant contract will have a 3-year term.

Expressions of interest will be received from other NHS provider organisations, including Great Western Hospital, Royal United Hospital, Bath and Salisbury Foundation Trust. In considering the proposals from these organisations, NHS Wiltshire will look at how they propose to continue delivering the high-quality clinical services which WCHS staff currently provide and to build on the successes of these services. This is likely to result in the transfer of frontline clinical staff into the relevant NHS organisations.

### **Reduction in management costs**

The Coalition Government has asked for a 45% national decrease in NHS management costs by the end of 2013, linking to new models of working and shifts in commissioning responsibilities. NHS Wiltshire is therefore reviewing corporate teams and structures across HR, finance, IM&T, PALS and Communications teams, reducing the number of posts in each area. Redundancies will be made by 31 March 2011.

### **Stakeholder Assembly - Delivering Value for Patients**

Nationally, the NHS is looking at ways to deliver more efficient ways of working in the future. In Wiltshire, we are working on more than 50 projects, led by local clinicians and PCT staff, to deliver savings which can be re-invested in front-line services to manage the increasing demand from our ageing population, new technologies and new medicines. The projects were shared with stakeholders, including colleagues from the voluntary sector, patients groups, Wiltshire Involvement Network and Wiltshire Council at our Stakeholders Assembly at the end of June. The feedback we received supports the work we are doing and the Board of NHS Wiltshire has agreed thirteen priority projects which will be the focus of work over the next six months so that we start to deliver savings from the beginning of 2011/12.

The next Board meeting will be held on **29 September 2010, venue to be confirmed.**

Papers are published a week before the meeting on [www.wiltshire.nhs.uk](http://www.wiltshire.nhs.uk) or on request from Stacey Saunders, NHS Wiltshire (tel: 01380 733839, email: [stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk](mailto:stacey.saunders@wiltshire.nhs.uk)). For further information or copies of documents referred to above, please contact Jo Howes, Community Engagement Manager, 01380 733929 or [jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs](mailto:jo.howes@wiltshire.nhs)





<b>Update from</b>	<b>Grafton Parish Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	6 September 2010

## Headlines/Key Issues

- Grafton Parish was featured in August's edition of Wiltshire Life

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- 4 Community Speedwatch sessions have been performed

## Projects

- Public Access Defibrillators – Fundraising continues, grants are being researched and applied for

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- Friends of Grafton secured a Pewsey Area Grant and work is underway to install the fixtures at the hall

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- Access to Technology – The final pieces of equipment are now installed in the hall ready for the sessions to restart in October – part funded by a Pewsey Area Board grant.

## Future Events/Dates for the diary

- 11<sup>th</sup> September – 1.30pm - Heritage Open Day – Wilton Windmill
- 19<sup>th</sup> September – 10.30am – Wexcombe 10k run/walk
- 27<sup>th</sup> September – 7.30pm – St Nicholas' Harvest Supper

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- 9<sup>th</sup> October – Mushroom Forage & Feast with world expert Roger Phillips
- See [www.graftonparish.com](http://www.graftonparish.com) for details on all the events.

Signed: Susie Brew

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> August 2010



<b>Update from</b>	<b>Upavon Parish Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	6 September 2010

## Headlines/Key Issues

- Traffic calming remains the key village issue; we hope to expand Community Speedwatch to fill some of the vacuum which will be left when the camera partnership ceases.

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- Precept reduced for 3<sup>rd</sup> year running; total reduction is 18% over last 3 years.

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- Successful Villagers' Day held in July.

## Projects

- A governance proposal, to make parish council business much more open and transparent, will be discussed at our Sep meeting.

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## Future Events/Dates for the diary

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Signed: R D Bruce OBE for Chairman

Date: 24 August 2010



## PEWSEY AREA BOARD – ISSUES UPDATE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2010

ID	Category	Division	Summary of Issue	Status
1017	Highways	Pewsey	Dangerous to cross Wilcot Road, Pewsey outside of the school entrance	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area.
1003	Highways	Vale	Wilcot – Speeding Traffic	Awaiting results of speed survey.
969	Highways	Vale	Danger spot at the 4-way junction outside the Golden Swan public house, Wilcot. Request for a roundabout.	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area.
918	Highways	B&B	Excessive speeding of cars along Eastcourt Road, Burbage.	A speed survey was carried out between 16/06/2010 and 22/06/2010. A total of 3189 vehicles were checked. The 85%ile was 30.9 mph (the 85% ile is the speed at which 85% of the traffic is travelling at or below). The average speed of the vehicles checked was 25.4 mph.
846	Highways	B&B	Lack of footpath from the Burbage roundabout to the Farm Shop on the A338 and signs are too low.	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area. Request for signage to be altered has been sent to department but may take some time as demand for signage is high.
782	Highways	B&B	Speeding vehicles in Marten, dangerous road for pedestrians	The results of the survey for the area of Mill Farm, Marten and for Tidcombe Road, Marten found that the 85% ile was 27.2 mph and 31.8 mph respectively. This is a 60mph road. The road does not meet the criteria for the camera unit or for community speed watch. Highways Officers have contacted the Parish Council regarding lining and signage.
538	Highways	Vale	Speeding through Chirton. The village has very narrow roads and a couple of tight bends one of which is where the primary school is sited, and there have been a few near misses at this point.	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area.

## PEWSEY AREA BOARD – ISSUES UPDATE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2010

97	Highways	Vale	Chirton the 50 mph speed limit on the A342 on the stretch between the turn-off to the village of Conock to the boundary limit of the village of Chirton. Parish Council would like a 40mph limit.	Speed Survey carried out on A342 between 28 Jan-4 Feb. This is a 50 mph limit. A total of 37375 vehicles were checked - the 85%ile was 45.9 (85%ile is speed at which 85% of traffic is travelling at or below) the average speed of vehicles checked was 36.8 mph. The road does not meet the criteria for enforcement by the camera unit or speed watch. The Parish Council are responding to the Speed Limit Review.
515	Highways	Pewsey	Speeding and Rat Running Sharcott	The person who raised this issue has not made any further contact.
264	Highways	Pewsey	Speeding through the village on B3087 Easton Royal. The 40 mph speed limit is too high.	The speed limit review suggests a reduction to 30mph along this road.
108	Highways	B&B	Road flooding, Grafton	Divisional Highways have stated that they cleared out the ditch on the A338 near the Wilton junction at Grafton last year and are not aware of any further problems. The Parish Steward has been asked by the Parish Council to advise if the issue has been resolved or not.
101	Highways	Pewsey	St Francis School Vehicles speeding past the entrance to, and exit from, St. Francis School, Marlborough	The speed survey was carried out between the 28th January and 4th February 2010 A total of 29295 vehicles were checked. The 85%ile was 43.4 mph (the 85%ile is the speed at which 85% of the traffic is travelling at or below). The average speed of the vehicles checked was 38 mph. The speeding does not meet the criteria for enforcement by the camera unit or for community speed watch. The Parish Council have requested through the speed limit review process that the limit along this road be reduced to 30mph.
93	Highways	Pewsey	Swan Road, Pewsey Lack of pavement - need to make it safe for pedestrians and elderly to cross	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area. The Parish Council have forwarded a request to the speed limit review for the speed limit to be reduced or for better road markings to keep traffic within the limit.
91	Highways	Vale	Rushall pedestrian safety.	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area

## PEWSEY AREA BOARD – ISSUES UPDATE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2010

87	Highways	Pewsey	Drivers continually contravening the one way system in Wilcot Road Pewsey	This problem is still occurring although it is thought to be now due to local drivers who are well aware that they are travelling the wrong way down a one way road. The matter has been raised at PANG (Pewsey Area Neighbourhood Group) and residents have been advised to note registrations and pass these to the Police.
82	Highways	Pewsey	The state of the pavements in Pewsey (The Crescent and Broadfields)	Officer dealing with the problems – issue now closed
80	Highways	All	Highway Maintenance (A345)	The road has monthly safety inspections and sections are due to be resurfaced.
72	Highways	Pewsey	Pedestrian Access to Pewsey Station	A Community Area Transport Group is to be set up and a workshop is due to be held with highway officers to discuss all of the potential schemes in the area.
917	Leisure	Pewsey	One of the local residents in Pewsey owns an anti-social dog, which she cannot control if it meets other dogs. The owner exercises the dog in a play area.	Wiltshire Council is in the process of preparing new dog control orders and intends to include a dog exclusion area order (there are no exclusion areas at present). Once this has gone through the process and we have our new dog control orders in place we would be able to help in this situation but until then we could not enforce this. The dog control orders will go to cabinet for approval but they are unlikely to be adopted until January 2011
1049	Highways	Pewsey	Speeding in Great Bedwyn	Have asked the parish clerk if he would be willing to identify a suitable position for the survey equipment - awaiting response.
1053	Highways	Pewsey	Speeding within 30mph area in Bottlesford	PC Richard Barratt has agreed to periodic enforcement. Caroline has forwarded concerns re: repeater signs legislation to Highways - a response has been provided, discussions ongoing.
1139	Highways	Pewsey	Speeding in Woodborough	Pewsey Community Area Manager has identified a location for speed survey and is waiting for confirmation from the Parish Council. She will then request the installation of survey equipment (which is laid in the road for one week) - the reason for this is because Community Speed Watch can only be done if the speeding reaches a certain threshold.





<b>Report to</b>	<b>Pewsey Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>6 September 2010</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To ask Councillors to consider five applications seeking 20010/11 Community Area Grant Funding.

1. Pewsey Vale Ladies Netball Club - Start up costs. Seeking £1,000. Recommended for approval.
2. Marden Village Hall - Replacement Oil Tank. Seeking £1,501. Recommended for approval.
3. Sunflowers Pre-School - Play equipment. Seeking £981. Recommended for approval.
4. Wootton Rivers Village Hall – Replacement Ceiling Tiles. Seeking £1,895. Recommended for approval.
5. Great Bedwyn School Association – To build a community room accessible to the public of out school hours. Seeking £5,000. Recommended for refusal.

## 1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting (providing there is money available).
- 1.5. Pewsey Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £44,949 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. The carry forward from the 2009/2010 budget is £38. This gives a total budget of £44,987 for 2010/2011. At the last meeting the Area Board approved grants totalling £6,731 which leaves a total budget of £33,090.
- 1.6. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.7. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

<b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11</li><li>• Pewsey Community Area Plan</li></ul>
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## 2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be six rounds of funding during 20010/11. The third is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;

- 22 November 2010
- 10 January 2011
- 7 March 2011

### 3. Environmental & Community Implications

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

### 4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Pewsey Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Pewsey Area Board will have a balance of £27,713.

### 5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

### 6. HR Implications

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

### 7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer recommendations”.

### 8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1 (59)	Pewsey Vale Ladies Netball Club	Setting up of Ladies Netball Club to include purchase of kit, registration and affiliation	£1,000

- 8.1.1. Officer recommendation is that this application be approved
- 8.1.2. The application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.1.3. The application demonstrates a link to the (2009/10) Community Plan on page 15

increasing levels of obesity; page 26 closure of leisure centre, p26 improving sports and leisure facilities, p29 lack of activities for older children and young adults.

- 8.1.4. The applicant is Pewsey Vale Ladies Netball Club, which is managed by a committee of volunteers.
- 8.1.5. The project is to provide playing kit and registration costs.
- 8.1.6. The project allows females to have a chance to socialise outside of work and home life. Personal costs will be kept to a minimum in order that low income females are not excluded.
- 8.1.7. If the Area Board made the decision not to fund the project then the club would not be able to join the league.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2. (49)	Marden Village Hall	To replace and move the existing heating oil tank to comply with regulations	£1,501

- 8.2.1. Officer recommendation is that this application be approved.
- 8.2.2. The application meets grant criteria 2010/11.
- 8.2.3. The application doesn't demonstrate a specific link to the Pewsey Community Area Plan but it is recognised that village halls are part of the fabric of local communities, and a vital resource for local people for recreation, social events, meetings etc, much of which is included in the Pewsey Community Area Plan. Village halls help to facilitate many of the objectives of the Plan.
- 8.2.4. The applicant is Marden Village Hall Committee which is providing £1,501 match funding.
- 8.2.5. The project is for the removal and replacement of the existing heating oil tank to comply with current regulations. A recent heating inspection has confirmed that the existing tank is too close to the building and is not bunded. It is also within 10 metres of controlled water.
- 8.2.6. The project will ensure the continued availability of the hall as a village asset with all that it offers.
- 8.2.7. If the Area Board decided not to approve this application the applicant would have to consider if it went ahead or not as they need to be prudent about future income and anticipated expenditure as is the case with assets such as buildings. The applicant does have a relatively high level of reserves which are understood to be used in the future for refurbishment of the building and car park.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.3. (53)	Sunflowers Preschool, Grafton	Play equipment	£981

- 8.3.1 Officer Recommendation is that this application be approved.
- 8.3.2 The application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.3.3 The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan on page 22 – 5.6 – need to support parents in their parenting, page 23 5.8 – small primary schools under pressure and page 28, 6.13 – the need for more people in communities to engage in volunteering.
- 8.3.4 The applicant is the Sunflowers Preschool which is a not for profit organisation managed by a voluntary committee.
- 8.3.5 The project is for play equipment to meet the needs of the increased numbers of children.
- 8.3.6 Sunflowers Preschool extends the range of childrens' services available in Grafton parish and ensures that Grafton is a thriving and resilient community in its own right, rather than merely being a dormitory community to neighbouring towns and village.
- 8.3.7 If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project it is unlikely to proceed, the pre school experience would be less attractive and parents may consider pre-schools and nurseries outside of the village.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.4. (43)	Wootton Rivers Village Hall	To replace suspended ceiling tiles with new insulated tiles and to replace lights and install convector heater in toilet	£1,895

- 8.4.1. Officer Recommendation is that this application be approved.
- 8.4.2. The application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.4.3. The application doesn't demonstrate a specific link to the Pewsey Community Area Plan but it is recognised that village halls are part of the fabric of local communities, and a vital resource for local people for recreation, social events, meetings etc, much of which is included in the Pewsey Community Area Plan. Village halls help to facilitate many of the objectives of the Plan.
- 8.4.4. The applicant is Wootton Rivers Village Hall Committee, a not for profit

organisation who is contributing £1,895 match funding (total project cost £3,790)

- 8.4.5. The project is to replace existing suspended ceiling tiles with new insulated tiles to improve insulation. To replace existing lighting with more cost efficient, environmentally friendly recessed luminaires plus spot lights for occasional use and install convector heater in family toilet.
- 8.4.6. The village hall facilities are for the benefit of all. The village hall provides the ideal community meeting place for many types of activity thereby assisting all good community activities and relations.
- 8.4.7. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project it will take much longer to raise the funds through other activities. There is already quite a pull on the committee's financial resources to cover other maintenance work.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.5. (47)	Great Bedwyn School Association	To build a room which will be accessible to the public out of school hours	£5,000

- 8.5.1. Officer Recommendation is that this application be refused.
- 8.5.2. The application would only meet the community area grant criteria 2010/11 if it demonstrated wider community benefit. Schools and Parent, Teachers Association's, unless demonstrating a wide community benefit, are not eligible to apply for Community Area Grants.
- 8.5.3. There is no identified link to the community plan.
- 8.5.4. There is a village hall within Great Bedwyn, together with the Royal British Legion which has bookable meeting space, and which has already received funding for refurbishment from the Pewsey Area Board.
- 8.5.5. The application states that that the room is needed, a demanded facility, and an aspiration that the Parish Council have been seeking – the application also states that the facility is high on the priority table for the Parish Council. However the formal response from the Parish Council is that “whilst the proposed room could be useful to the village there are concerns amongst some councillors that its availability could detract from the business generated by letting rooms at the Royal British Legion”.
- 8.5.6. The room would be available out of school hours only – therefore if this grant were to be approved it would be subsidising education provision, which is against the funding criteria. Members would need to feel satisfied that the community benefit is greater than the school's use. The applicant states that the room would be available for the equivalent of 104 days per year. The use of the room would be chargeable.

- 8.5.7. In order to make best use of contractors and specialists it is intended that the community room will be built concurrently to works at the school which is replacing a mobile classroom structure with a new classroom and facilities. This will allow the remainder of the school to be linked to the community room and classroom extension whilst the design will allow independent and separate use (out of school hours).
- 8.5.8. The applicant is the Great Bedwyn School Association, a not for profit organisation. Wiltshire Council is contributing to the cost of a new classroom which is being built at the school.
- 8.5.9. There are letters of support from a football coach; a choir; an after school club; a French club; a piano teacher; a music teacher and an aerobics instructor.
- 8.5.10. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project the group have stated that they would not be able to fund the new room – applications to other sources of funding have not been successful.
- 8.5.11. The total project costs for the community room are listed as £81,264 – with provisional funding income of £51,286. It is not clear where this amount is from as the Association’s reserves are £5,236. Even with £5,000 from Pewsey Area Board there is a shortfall of £17,440 and the £51,286 is not confirmed.

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

<b>Appendices</b> (available online only)	Grant application forms
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<b>Report to</b>	<b>All Area Boards</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>August - October</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>LPSA Funding Bid: Wiltshire is Saving Energy (WiSE)</b>

### **What is the initiative?**

Working with the Energy Saving Trust and sponsored by the Wiltshire Environmental Alliance this initiative aims to make available to all Wiltshire householders the equipment and advice to save energy in their home. By making an energy monitor and support pack available to hire free of charge from all libraries across Wiltshire we are providing the tools that will allow householders not only to save money but also reduce their carbon footprint.

### **Why do we need this initiative?**

Saving money and ensuring householders can afford to heat their homes is always a priority. An energy efficient home will cost less to heat.

This initiative will also help achieve the LAW ambition of reducing Wiltshire's Carbon footprint. The initiative will offer a very practical solution to monitoring and reducing the householder's energy consumption resulting in them saving money.

### **Who will benefit?**

The library service is available to all Wiltshire residents, currently the library service has 220,416 users. The information and advice from the Energy Saving Trust is free of charge and open to everyone.

The support pack includes information about grants and funding available to private housing residents in receipt of certain benefits. Current figures confirm there are 12,000 people within Wiltshire that these grants could potentially apply.

### **Is there a demand?**

Following a very successful pilot we can prove there is a demand for energy monitors and the supporting information. 41 Energy monitors have been available to hire from 6 libraries. The monitors have been continuously on issue and there are 31 customers on the waiting list.

### **How will it work?**

We will provide a full support package with each energy monitor that will include details on how the user can save energy through both changes in their daily life and investing in energy efficiency technologies. From the information they receive any changes the user makes to their lifestyle immediately following the use of the monitor will start saving carbon. As the users see their energy bills reducing they will have no reason to go back to old ways resulting in long term financial and carbon savings.

### **How will we measure success?**

We can put multiple measures in place to monitor success. The library service can provide regular reports on the level of issues. The Energy Saving Trust and Private Sector Housing will provide information on the number of follow up calls and website surveys that are generated from the energy monitor support packs.

The full application can be viewed at: [www.tinyurl.com/38zs2sf](http://www.tinyurl.com/38zs2sf)

***To enable this initiative to proceed, the Area Board is asked to support this bid for PRG funding***



<b>Report to</b>	<b>All Area Boards</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>August - October</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>LPSA Funding Bid: Wiltshire Voices</b>

### **What is Wiltshire Voices?**

Wiltshire Voices is a project to encourage broader participation in civic life. It is designed to ensure that the needs of all local people are properly understood and addressed.

### **Background**

A recent review of the Area Boards revealed concern that some sections of the community are not fully engaged. These groups are often absent from meetings and events and their needs are not well understood. The Boards were criticised for focusing too heavily on the needs of the 'usual suspects.'

### **Responding to the challenge**

Wiltshire Council's Cabinet considered this issue carefully. It has challenged the Area Boards to respond positively at local level. The Cabinet encouraged the submission of a funding bid to support this work and the Performance Reward Grant (PRG) Panel has given 'in-principle' support subject to approval by the Boards.

### **A focus on positive local action**

Wiltshire Voices is about changing lives – not glossy reports. We want information in the form of personal stories, articles and recordings that will challenge, question and prompt responses. The information will be tailored to meet the needs of different people – such as service professionals, community groups, schools, parish councils and the media. The aim is to generate discussion, learning, ideas and - most importantly - *action*.

### **A lasting legacy**

Wiltshire Voices is about making a lasting difference. New ways of involving people will be developed and this will become the way we do business not an optional add-on. With help from localised public services, communities will be finding and delivering solutions to local challenges and issues. Grants and funding will be better targeted to support projects that really make a difference. Priorities and plans will be more clearly focused on the needs of local people and our work will centre around improving lives not services. Over time these things will help make Wiltshire a better place for everyone.

### **Capacity and resources to deliver**

Instead of each Board trying to engage many groups it is proposed that each Board works intensively with one priority group in its locality. Across Wiltshire this will mean that the needs of 18 different community groups will be addressed. The bid proposes that each Board is allocated a sum of £3,000 to complete its own local project. The work will be coordinated by the Community Area Manager and involve councillors, service providers and community groups – *but most importantly local people*. Each project will take around 8 months and Wiltshire Voices will be complete by Summer 2012 at the latest.

The full bid is available to view at [tinyurl.com/32xqeyo](http://tinyurl.com/32xqeyo)

***To enable Wiltshire Voices to proceed, the Area Board is asked to support this bid for PRG funding.***

# Wiltshire Voices

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- What?** To make sure a wider range of voices are heard by:
- engaging a broader cross section of the community in the work of the Area Boards - 'not just the usual suspects.'
  - ensuring that the loudest voices do not always dominate
  - better understanding the needs of those who cannot or do not speak up for themselves
  - creating new ways for people to participate
  - encouraging more community based inclusion projects
  - developing community plans that focus on the needs of the whole community
- Why?** A survey conducted in Spring 2010 revealed serious concerns about the lack of involvement of 'everyday people' and harder to reach groups. In response, Wiltshire Council issued a challenge to the Area Boards to broaden community engagement.
- Who?**
- The project will focus on and involve those whose needs are less well understood.
  - The 18 Community Area Managers will facilitate the work across Wiltshire
  - Partner agencies, frontline service officers, support workers, carers, voluntary services and councillors will be involved
  - A small project team will lead the work in each area.
- How?**
- Project team of key people to plan and manage the project
  - Desk research and information gathering
  - Face to face engagement with target group
  - Recording, documenting and presenting
  - Publishing and promoting
  - Action planning
- When?** Commencing in Autumn 2010 and concluding by early Summer 2012
- Progress?** Area Boards across Wiltshire have been looking to identify target groups. So far, the following provisional programme has been established.

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| • <b>Amesbury</b>                        | <i>(Council tenants and leaseholders)^</i>                 |
| • <b>Bradford on Avon</b>                | <i>(Boaters)^</i>  |
| • <b>Calne</b>                           | <i>(People with mobility issues)^</i>                      |
| • <b>Chippenham</b>                      | <i>(Disability allowance claimants)*</i>                   |
| • <b>Corsham</b>                         | <i>(NEETS)^</i>  |
| • <b>Devizes</b>                         | <i>(Victims of domestic violence)*</i>                     |
| • <b>Malmesbury</b>                      | <i>(Rural isolation and access)^</i>                       |
| • <b>Marlborough</b>                     | <i>(Recently retired)^</i>                                 |
| • <b>Melksham</b>                        | <i>(Everyday people who currently do not participate)^</i> |
| • <b>Pewsey</b>                          | <i>(Rural families on low incomes)*</i>                    |
| • <b>Salisbury</b>                       | <i>(Drug users)^</i>                                       |
| • <b>Southern Wiltshire</b>              | <i>(Gypsies and travellers)^</i>                           |
| • <b>South West Wiltshire</b>            | <i>(Young people in rural areas)^</i>                      |
| • <b>Tidworth</b>                        | <i>(Army dependents)^</i>                                  |
| • <b>Trowbridge</b>                      | <i>(Teenage parents)^</i>                                  |
| • <b>Warminster</b>                      | <i>(Older people in residential care)^</i>                 |
| • <b>Westbury</b>                        | <i>(Elderly people living at home)^</i>                    |
| • <b>Wootton Bassett &amp; Cricklade</b> | <i>(Stroke sufferers)*</i>                                 |

<sup>^</sup> provisionally agreed

<sup>\*</sup> subject to confirmation

## PEWSEY AREA BOARD – Forward Plan

ITEM 16

Please note: This is a working document which is subject to change due to availability of relevant officers/partners and relevant timescales.

Date	Cabinet Member Attending	Location	Area Board Agenda Items	Other events/items (provisional)
22 Nov 2010	Cllr Fleur de Rhé-Philippe (Finance, Performance and Risk)	Pewsey Vale School, Wilcot Road, Pewsey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback from CATG on LTP funding allocation</li> <li>• Consultation on Budget 2011/12</li> <li>• Great Stones Way</li> <li>• Living River Project</li> <li>• New approach to providing face-to-face customer access to WC services</li> <li>• Results of Car Parking Consultation</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Updates and Community Area Grants</p>	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2011 Census</li> <li>• Consultation on Waste Sites</li> </ul>
10 Jan 2011	Cllr Jane Scott (Leader)	Alton Barnes Village Hall - TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outcome of Leisure Facilities review</li> <li>• Flooding consultation results</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Updates and Community Area Grants</p>	
07 Mar 2011	Cllr Keith Humphries (Health and Wellbeing)	Bouverie Hall, Pewsey - TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul> <p>Standard items including Updates and Community Area Grants</p>	

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