

AGENDA

Meeting: BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD
Place: St Laurence School, Ashley Road, Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire BA15 1DZ
Date: Wednesday 19 January 2011
Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Bradford on Avon, Holt, Limpley Stoke, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Staverton, Westwood, Wingfield and Winsley.

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

Cllr Malcolm Hewson, Bradford on Avon
South (Chairman)
Cllr Rosemary Brown, Bradford-on-Avon
North (Vice Chairman)

Cllr Trevor Carbin, Holt & Staverton
Cllr Linda Conley, Winsley &
Westwood

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| Before the meeting | |
| Come along before the meeting to find out more about fair-trade initiatives in the town. | 6.30pm |
| Items to be considered | |
| 1. Chairman's Welcome and Introductions | 7.00pm |
| 2. Apologies for Absence | |
| 3. Declarations of Interest | |
| Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee. | |
| 4. Minutes (Pages 3 - 16) | |
| To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2010. | |
| 5. Announcements & Updates (Pages 17 - 42) | |
| To include: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Flood Protection.• Dog control orders.• Wiltshire's Approach to Face to Face Service.• Public Protection Enforcement.• Results of Waste Consultation.• Street Trading consultation.• Outcome of Leisure Services Review. | |

- NHS Wiltshire.
- Wiltshire Police.
- Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service.
- Issues update.

6. **Public Participation** **7.20pm**

Points members of the community would like to raise.

7. **Heaven Scent External Artwork project - Councillor Rosemary Brown and the Young People's Issues Group (CAYPIG) (Pages 43 - 48)** **7.30pm**

The area board will consider a funding bid to produce a piece of external artwork on the Heaven Scent Building on Victory Field, Bradford on Avon.

8. **Reducing unnecessary Street Lighting (Pages 49 - 58)** **7.50pm**

The area board will consider nominations for streetlights to be switched off from midnight to 5.30am across the community area.

9. **Impact of the Spending Cuts on Wiltshire Policing** **8.20pm**

Councillor Paul Sample - Wiltshire Police Authority.

10. **Community Area Grants (Pages 59 - 72)** **8.40pm**

i. The Wiltshire Councillors will consider one application to the Community Area Grants Scheme 2010/11, as follows:

- Holt Netball Club request £980 towards the cost of equipment for players.

Copies of the completed application forms and grant application packs for the Community Area Grants Scheme are available from the Community Area Manager or electronically at

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>

ii. Bradford on Avon Area Board mid-year update on expenditure so far.

11. **Performance Reward Grants** (*Pages 73 - 84*)

8.50pm

The Wiltshire Councillors will consider one bid to the Performance Reward Grant Scheme, as follows:

- The new Wiltshire Infrastructure Support Service – ‘GROW’ *Enhancing Community Support* – is being delivered from 1st April 2010. This includes a countywide Volunteer Service for Wiltshire for the first time.

This application, if approved, would both build on the basic service and develop an accredited volunteer centre for Wiltshire. At present the nearest accredited centre is in Swindon.

The proposed service would offer the six core functions of a Volunteer Centre as prescribed by Volunteering England. The benefits to all community areas in Wiltshire will include better access to volunteering opportunities and support to individuals, Employer Volunteering scheme, specialised support, information and good practice services, access to draw down further funding via Volunteering England to support volunteering, and access to support and information as part of a national framework.

This initiative is actively supported by the VCS Unit, Wiltshire Council.

The amount of funding sought is £55,694.

12. **Future Area Board Meetings**

9.00pm

Wednesday 16th March – St Margaret’s Hall (Young People Participatory Budgeting Event)

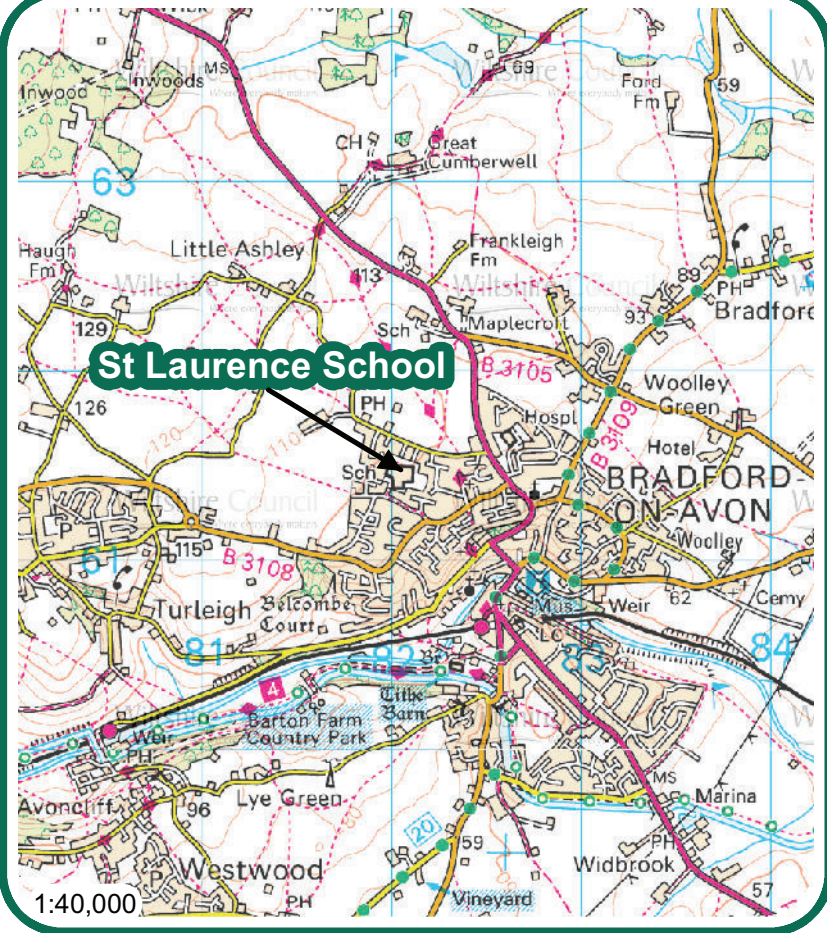
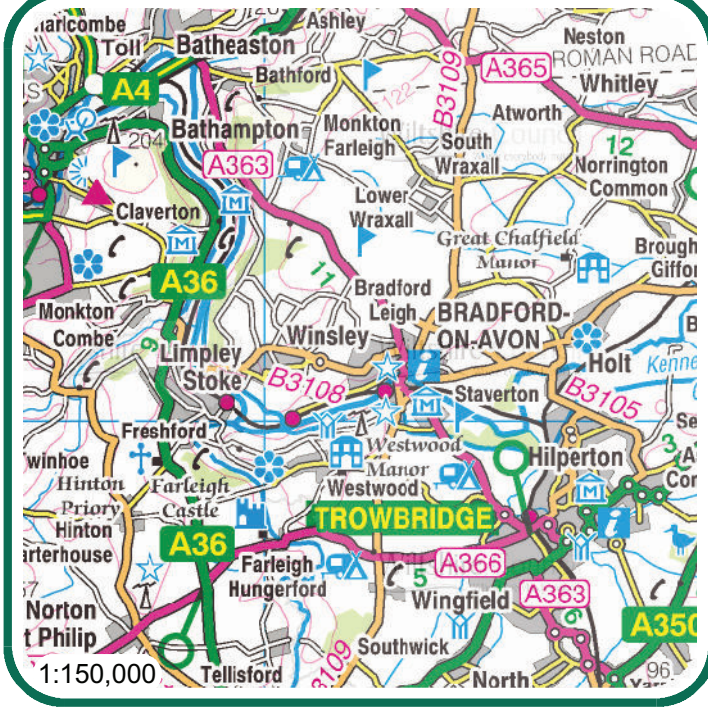
Wednesday 11th May – Holt Village Hall

Wednesday 20th July – Westwood Social Club

Wednesday 21st September – St Margaret’s Hall

Wednesday 23rd November – TBC

13. **Evaluation and Close**



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MINUTES

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Malcolm Hewson (Chairman), Cllr Rosemary Brown (Vice Chairman),
Cllr Trevor Carbin and Cllr Linda Conley

Cllr John Thomson, Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Adult Care, Communities
and Libraries

Wiltshire Council Officers

Kevin Fielding, Democratic Services Officer
Elly Townsend, Community Area Manager
Sharon Davies, Service Director, Service Director, Children and Families
Katherine Brownlee, Youth Development Co-ordinator for Bradford on Avon
Bill Parks, Head of Service Local Highways and Streetscene (Central)
Nick Bates, Emergency Planning Officer

Town and Parish Councillors

Bradford on Avon Town Council – Isabel Martindale, Vicky Landell Mills and Janet
Repton
Limpley Stoke Parish Council – Bill Bailey & Simon Coombes
Westwood Parish Council – Terry Biles
Wingfield Parish Council – Alan Mines & A.J.Spreadbury
Winsley Parish Council – John Allison & Pamela Bennett

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Inspector David Cullop

Members of Public in Attendance: 6**Total in attendance: 43**

| <u>Agenda Item No.</u> | <u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u> | <u>Action By</u> |
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| 68. | <p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introduction</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to St Margaret's Hall, and introduced the Wiltshire councillors who made up the board, including John Thomson, (Deputy Leader, Wiltshire Council cabinet) who was in attendance for this meeting, as well as Sharon Davies, (Service Director), the Community Area Manager and the Democratic Services Officer.</p> <p>All town, parish and partner representatives in attendance were welcomed by the Chairman.</p> | |
| 69. | <p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Gwen Allison, (Bradford on Avon Town Council), Matthew Midlane, (Monkton Farleigh Parish Council), Martin Moyes (Holt Parish Council), South Wraxall Parish Council and Mike Franklin, (Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service).</p> | |
| 70. | <p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p> | |
| 71. | <p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>Decision</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 21 July 2010 were approved and signed as the correct record.</p> <p>It was however noted that Cllr Carbin raised a query re (Agenda Item No.8 – Leisure Review), regarding the correspondence from Sport England that demonstrated support to the Wiltshire Council Proposed Leisure Strategy. Councillor Carbin commented that he had not yet seen this correspondence. It was agreed that the Community Area Manager would follow this up.</p> | |
| 72. | <p><u>Announcements and Updates</u></p> <p>New NHS Medical Practice in Bradford on Avon – Dr James Heffer</p> | |

Dr James Heffer advised the area board of a new NHS medical practice that was scheduled to open for the residents of Bradford on Avon in April 2011.

Points made by Dr Heffer included:

- The new practice was the result of the merging three of the current Bradford on Avon medical practices.
- The new practice made good sense with the current national situation of funding within the NHS and an ageing UK population.
- The practice would have an NHS spend of £10 million and a drug spend of £2 million.
- The three merging practices would endeavour to keep their patients informed as to developments of the new practice by surgery news letters.

The Chairman thanked Dr Heffer for his update.

Street Lights switch off Project - Diane Teare

Diane Teare gave a brief presentation highlighting a project to encourage local communities to think about turning off suitable street lighting from midnight to five am, reducing energy costs, light pollution and CO2 emissions.

Points made by Diane Teare included:

- There had been around one hundred nominations received for lights to be considered.
- No firm decisions had been reached yet as to which lights would be included in the project.
- Residents would get the opportunity to review the scheme at a later date, with a view to check whether lights had been suitable in their chosen locations.
- The project scheme had received good support from Bradford on Avon town council, the chamber of commerce, the conservation trust as well as local councillors.
- Communities on the whole did appear to support switching off lights.

- Any further nominations for the scheme will be held for future funding.
- The final decisions would be announced at the February area board.

Questions raised from the floor:

- Will the villages be included in any future schemes?

It was confirmed that parishes could also nominate streetlights and That each parish council in the community area had been written to ask if they would like to be involved in the initiative. Diane Teare was project managing the initiative in Bradford on Avon Town with the support of the Town Council.

The Chairman thanked Diane Teare for her update.

The 2011 Census

The census has collected information about the population every ten years since 1801 (except in 1941).

The next census in England and Wales is on 27th March 2011.

The Chairman advised of the importance of including hard to reach groups such as the boating community.

Bradford on Avon Youth Group Update – Kath Brownlee

Points made by Kath Brownlee, Youth Development Co-ordinator for Bradford on Avon included:

- During the last three months the youth group had been involved in a youth parents group and organised a Wednesday evening drop in at Holt.
- The group are planning an ice skating and shopping trip to Bristol in December.
- The Youth Development Co-ordinator was looking to get some professional artists to work with the youth group in brightening up the youth centre facilities.

- An arts project was also proposed to reduce graffiti in the local area.

The Chairman thanked Kath Brownlee for her update.

Wiltshire Police

The written update distributed with the agenda pack was noted.

Points made from the floor included:

- Cllr Rosemary Brown voiced her disappointment at the recent news of the appeal verdict concerning the incident in Melksham Police station.
- Wingfield parish council were concerned that they had never received an invitation from their representative to attend the Wiltshire Police tasking group meetings.
Inspector Cullop advised that he would make sure that Wingfield parish council were included on future task group invitations.
- There were concerns after a spate of cars had been keyed at the new town area of Bradford on Avon.
Inspector Cullop advised that local police officers were aware of this incident.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Cullop for his update.

Formal objection to the proposal to raise the speed limit on the A363, north of the B3105 junction, to 50mph

Cllr Trevor Carbin advised the area board of a proposal to raise the speed limit on the A363, north of the B3105 junction, to 50mph.

A brief debate ensued and it was agreed that:

Decision

- **That the Bradford on Avon Area Board wished to raise a formal objection to the proposal to raise the speed limit on the A363, north of the B3105 junction, to 50mph. This proposal has been put forward as part of a speed limit review of A and B roads across the county. The board felt that the nature of the road, being narrow and with a series of bends, made it unsuitable for the higher limit. There are a number of private accesses to the road in this stretch and a higher limit would increase**

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| | <p>danger for residents accessing and emerging from these. A 50mph limit would also increase potential danger at the junction with the B3105.</p> <p>Note: Cllr Conley abstained from the vote.</p> | |
| 73. | <p><u>Public Participation</u></p> <p>No points were raised by members of the community.</p> | |
| 74. | <p><u>Report from the Community Area Transport Working Group</u></p> <p>Cllr Simon Coombes gave an overview of the recommendations from the meeting of the Community Area Transport Group held on Friday 12 November 2010. The purpose of this meeting was to prioritise traffic scheme, grit bin and dropped kerb requests in the Bradford on Avon Community Area.</p> <p>Points made by Cllr Simon Coombes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first meeting had been a positive one. • The group were encouraged by the fact that they can now view Wiltshire Council's transport statistics. • It was agreed that the grit bin assessment had been a worth while exercise. <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport Schemes <p>A total of 47 requests for small scale traffic schemes had been put forward in the Bradford on Avon Community Area. Following discussion from the Community Area Transport Group it is recommended that:</p> <p>i) That Bradford on Avon Town Council were asked to put forward either Trowbridge Road (from Poulton to Junction – request no. 3) or Bath Road/ Mount Pleasant (request no. 18 & 19) for a feasibility study.</p> <p>ii) That a feasibility study is undertaken to look at the possibilities for a school crossing in Holt (request no.</p> | <p>Elly Townsend</p> |

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iii) That a feasibility study is undertaken to look at the possibilities for the provision of a footway on Magdalen Lane (A366) in Wingfield (request no. 12)

iv) In addition it was recommended that requests from Town and Parish Councils, the Safer Community Action Group and those submitted via the area board issue tracker is amalgamated into one list and that this list be circulated to all town and parish councils to enable any additional local knowledge to be added.

v) It was also requested that information regarding 'cluster sites' (where there are a large number of motor vehicle accidents) was made available to the group for information purposes as this drives the allocation of a separate stream of funding.

Grit bins

A total of 32 requests had been received for new grit bins across the community area. The area board had been allocated a total of 6 new grit bins for this financial year.

vi) It is recommended that one new grit bin is provided to each of the following parishes but that the exact location would have to be negotiated with the area highways team as not all locations are suitable for grit bins: Limpley Stoke, Wingfield, Winsley, Staverton, Holt, Monkton Farleigh

In addition, it is recommended that

vii) The location of current grit bins in the town of Bradford of Avon is reassessed to ensure that the maximum community benefit is derived from the existing stock.

viii) Persimmon are approached and asked to replace the grit bin that was located at the end of School Lane in Staverton as this was removed during the development of the new housing estate.

ix) The area highways team are asked to look into whether Thesfield Drive can be added to the main gritting route as this would enable access for a large

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| | <p>number of residents.</p> <p>Dropped kerbs</p> <p>A total of 35 requests had been submitted by town and parish councils and residents for the installation of dropped kerbs.</p> <p>x) It was recommended that two dropped kerbs be installed at Broadstones, Monkton Farleigh as this was a feasible option which would benefit a considerable number of residents.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Coombes for his update.</p> | |
| 75. | <p><u>Emergency Planning in Bradford on Avon</u></p> <p>Nick Bates, (Emergency Planning Office, Wiltshire Council) gave a brief presentation on how communities can plan for emergencies in their own localities.</p> <p>Points made by Nick Bates included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some contingency plans are currently in use. • The emergency planning team are on hand to assist town and parish councils to draw up or refresh their contingency plans. • The emergency planning team would like each town/parish council to have a named representative who can take ownership of their plan. • The emergency planning team would like the Bradford on Avon community area to become a pilot scheme, with the town and parish councils all drawing up their own local contingency plans. <p>Points raised from the floor included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town and parishes should think about pooling knowledge when drawing up their plans. • Central government appear to be looking at cutting red tape so that local communities can get involved in projects such as contingency planning. <p>Decision</p> | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board supports the proposal for a pilot Local Contingency Planning scheme. • That Nick Bates returns to a future Bradford on Avon Area Board with a written update on the progress of the scheme. <p>The Chairman thanked Nick Bates for his presentation.</p> | Elly Townsend |
| 76. | <p><u>Potential impact of spending cuts on the Bradford on Avon Community</u></p> <p>Councillor John Thomson gave an update on Wiltshire Council's response to the comprehensive spending review and any potential impact of spending cuts on the Bradford on Avon Community Area.</p> <p>Points made by Councillor Thomson included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wiltshire Council was committed to making savings and protecting vital services. • Wiltshire Council would not be raising council tax next year. • Over the next four years Central government grants to Wiltshire Council will be cut by 28%. • All Wiltshire Council departments were facing 12% cuts in their budgets. • Wiltshire Council was looking at the ways that it supplies its services, with the need to be more customer focussed. • There was a priority to protect the most vulnerable people in our community. • The need to rationalise the council's property portfolio. • An opportunity to re-shape and change local government. <p>Questions raised from the floor included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will Wiltshire Council be rolling out the concept of "value for money" across its departments? | |

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| | <p><i>Yes, the council will be looking at all areas for making savings.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Wiltshire Council looked at staff taking career breaks and short term working to try and protect jobs? <p><i>The unions have rejected these ideas.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why doesn't Wiltshire Council look into audio conferencing as a way to saving energy and costs? <p><i>Yes, it's a concept that is worth pursuing.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bradford on Avon hospital has gone, the swimming pool may close, what is the future of the library? <p><i>The library review is ongoing, but shutting libraries is not something that Wiltshire Council wants to do. Councillor Thompson would like to see more community involvement in libraries.</i></p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Thomson for his informative update.</p> | |
| 77. | <p><u>Community Area Partnership Progress Report</u></p> <p>Jim Lynch, (Community Area Partnership) gave an update including the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Area Partnership Transition group had been working with local groups in the community to develop a survey looking at the impact of spending cuts on community groups. • The survey looked at the impact of the cuts in twelve themed areas. • It was proposed that the information from the survey would be developed to form the basis of the community plan. • It was hoped that themed areas could be discussed at future area boards. • The Community Area Partnership's success rests on its relevance and the public buying into it. <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Bradford on Avon Area Board allocates | <p>Elly Townsend</p> |

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| | <p style="text-align: center;">£7,932.49 to the Community Area Partnership for its first tranche of funding.</p> <p>It was also agreed that Jim Lynch would send all Wiltshire councillors on the board a copy of the survey report for the purposes of clarity.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Jim Lynch and David Gregory for their update.</p> | |
| 78. | <p><u>Update on Bradford on Avon Swimming Pool</u></p> <p>Gerald Millward Oliver, (Bradford on Avon Development Trust) gave a brief update on the Bradford on Avon swimming pool.</p> <p>Points made by Gerald Millward Oliver included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Development Trust were looking to appoint new directors. • Gerald Millward Oliver had met with officers of Wiltshire Council with a view to the potential of the Bradford on Avon Development Trust taking over and running the swimming pool. • The need to get as much information as possible to determine the viability of running the swimming pool. • A meeting had been held with Bradford on Avon swimming pool association, who support the idea of the Development Trust taking over the swimming pool. <p>The Chairman thanked Gerald Millward Oliver for his update.</p> | |
| 79. | <p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>The Wiltshire Councillors considered three applications to the Community Area Grants Scheme 2010/11 as follows:</p> <p>Cllr Alan Mines, (Wingfield PC) outlined the report on behalf of the Bradford on Avon Community Area Grants Advisory Group.</p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holts Sports and Recreation Committee were awarded £5,000 towards the cost of constructing a second sports court on the Holt Recreation Ground. | |

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| | <p>Reason</p> <p><i>The above application met the Community Area Grant criteria for 2010/11, and helps to make the recreation facilities in the village, the best that could be available for the community. This also reflects the need for outdoor facilities as expressed in the Community Plan.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bradford on Avon Chamber of Commerce were awarded £1,500 towards the cost of installation of Christmas lights. <p>Reason</p> <p><i>The above application met the Community Area Grant criteria for 2010/11, and encourages inward investment and to market the town as ideal for small high skill businesses.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beejays Netball Club were awarded £560 to enable the club to set up a new 'Back to netball' club at St Laurence School for parents. <p>Reason</p> <p><i>The above application met the Community Area Grant criteria for 2010/11, and responds to issues in the community plan surrounding the lack of indoor sports provision and the need for locally based exercise facilities.</i></p> | |
| 80. | <p><u>Future Meeting Dates</u></p> <p>Future Meeting Dates</p> <p>Wednesday 19 January 2011 – St Laurence School</p> <p>Wednesday 16 March 2011 – St Margaret's Hall.</p> <p>The community area manager made the point that she was struggling to find suitable rural venues to hold area board meetings and asked community members to contact her if they had any suggestions.</p> <p>Proposal to hold a participatory budgeting event for young people at the March Area Board.</p> <p>The community area manager outlined the proposal to hold a participatory budgeting event for young people at the March Area</p> | |

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| | <p>Board.</p> <p>Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bradford on Avon Area Board agreed to hold a participatory budgeting event for young people at the 16 March 2011, Area Board. | <p>Elly Townsend</p> |
| 81. | <p><u>Evaluation and Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman thanked everybody for attending the meeting.</p> | |

Agenda Item No.5

Bradford on Avon Area Board

19th January 2011

Chairman's Announcements

LOCAL FLOOD PROTECTION

In the event of flooding the Council's priority is to the elderly or infirm when assisting people and the protection of commercial property to prevent environmental pollution. Although we will do what we can for affected householders we urge those in areas of risk to take precautions themselves.

In order to help communities protect themselves from flood risk, Wiltshire Council is introducing a scheme to supply gel sacs, these are similar to sandbags but inflate when in contact with water. The sacs are filled with a gel that expands when wet, but when dry they are virtually flat. This means they are simple to store and far easier to distribute in an emergency. They inflate when immersed in water, allowing a protective flood barrier to be built quickly to protect doorways and airbricks. When the flood has abated they can often be emptied, dried and reused.

In some places where there is a known flood risk, the Parish or Town Council may already hold a limited supply of sandbags for distribution in times of emergency, and the gel sacs can be used to augment these supplies.

Local communities are encouraged to appoint a local Flood Warden who can co-ordinate their response and be the main contact with the council's duty officers. Those parish and town councils with flood wardens or local flood working groups can seek advice from them on the numbers of gel sacs likely to be required for specific locations.

Parish and Town Councils will be able to:

- Purchase a stock which they can hold in the community for distribution during a flood event or
- Having identified properties that are at risk, or are known to flood, purchase the gel sacs on behalf of the householders

By buying in bulk Wiltshire Council was able to negotiate a discount which would not be available to individuals. The gel sacs are available to Parish and Town Councils for £2.50 each.

Town and Parish Council's wishing purchase gel sacs should complete and email the attached form to Sarah Peterson (sarah.peterson@wiltshire.gov.uk, telephone 01225 713377).

COMMUNITY ORDER FOR GEL SACS

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Return to: - Sarah Peterson, Department of Neighbourhood and Planning,
Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire BA14 8JD
sarah.peterson@wiltshire.gov.uk

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Chairman's Announcements

Invitation to comment on proposed Dog Control Orders in Wiltshire

Dog Control Orders can be made by the Council regarding any land to which the public have a right of access:

1. Requiring the person in control to clean up after a dog has fouled;
2. Prohibiting Access by dogs;
3. Requiring dogs to be kept on leads;
4. Requiring dogs to be put on a lead when required by an authorised officer of the Council.
5. Restricting the number of dogs that can be in the control of one person on certain land.

In exercising its powers, the Authority is required to adopt a fair balance between the needs and aspirations of dog owners and non-dog owners. It is also essential that any orders should be capable of being enforced within reasonable resources.

Currently, there are a variety of inconsistent Orders covering the areas of the four predecessor Districts. It is intended to replace all existing Orders with one consistent set. The proposals are summarised in the table below:

| Order | Proposal | Comments |
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| Dog Fouling | Make generic County Wide order | Aim to cover most land. |
| Dog Exclusion | Make generic County wide order | Enclosed Children's play areas only plus land covered by existing orders |
| Dogs on Lead | No Generic Order | Confirm existing order, discourage further use. |

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| Dogs on Lead on request of authorised officer | No Generic Order | Discourage use |
| Maximum number of dogs in control of one person | No Generic order | Discourage use |

In order to help frame the proposals which will go to a formal consultation process comments on behalf of Area Boards, Council Members, Parish Councils and other interested bodies and individuals are being sought. The consultation paper, including full details of the proposal can be accessed at the following link, together with a questionnaire for making comments, by **7 February 2011**.

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations.htm>

Further information is available from:

Simon Cleaver, Pest Control and Dog Warden Service Manager

165 Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire BA14 0RD

simon.cleaver@wiltshire.gov.uk

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Chairman's Announcements

Wiltshire Council's new approach to providing face to face customer access

A DVD has been prepared that shows Wiltshire Council's intention to increase the range of services delivered in customers' homes and business premises. Area Boards are asked to recommend local venues in their areas that can be used for face to face meetings between customers and council officers.

It is important to stress that increasing the services offered in the community is a process and not all services will be delivered immediately. Many of the services affected are currently reviewing their operations, in order to deliver savings as part of the current spending review, and this may affect the speed at which services are transformed.

The local meeting place recommendations from Area Boards, and identified through other channels (e.g. pre-paid cards, website, phone to customer services), will be collated in January and investigated to see if they are practical and/or have a cost. It is intended that once these costs etc are evaluated, we will return to the Area Boards with the findings and that each Area Boards can consider the relative merits of each option before making a final decision.

The DVD is available on YouTube at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6pl1aAp6364>

Department: Customer Services

Further Enquiries to: Wayne Smith, Customer Services

Direct Line; 01380 734827

E-mail: wayne.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk

Agenda Item No.5

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19th January 2011

Chairman's Announcements

Public Protection Enforcement Policy

The Public Protection Service is reviewing its enforcement policy, and is seeking views from interested stakeholders.

The policy deals with the entire range of legislation administered by the Public Protection Service covering all environmental health and trading standards powers, as well as any relevant community safety and emergency planning laws.

The policy addresses the practical application of Public Protection enforcement procedures and aims to provide a fair and effective approach to any enforcement action taken by officers of the authority. It seeks that any enforcement action must be compliant with all relevant legislation and guidelines, and must be fair, clear, transparent, consistent and robust.

The draft enforcement policy is on the council's website.

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/environmentandplanning/publicprotection/publicprotectionenforcementpolicy

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Waste Consultation Results

Those of you who attended area boards during the summer will recall the presentations about the council's proposal for changes to Wiltshire's Waste collection and recycling service.

The consultation finished on 20 August 2010. We would like to thank all the area boards for their support throughout the consultation period.

There is a report on the full results of the consultation that can be seen on

<http://www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk/environment/> . There is a link from the council website.

Or if preferred some hard copies are available at this meeting.

In brief over 10,000 people responded and just over 70% were in favour of the proposal. However the results show that support was varied across the county, with some areas showing a lower level of support.

A report on the consultation was considered by cabinet on 19 October 2010. Cabinet resolved to go ahead with the proposal, subject to the detail in the Comprehensive Spending Review. In approving the proposal cabinet acknowledged that support levels varied and that major and targeted communications will be essential to inform and reassure those residents that have concerns.

The proposed service changes are planned for summer 2011, and residents will be kept informed throughout the process. We hope that, as with the consultation, you will continue to work with us as we develop the detailed design of the services and the programme for service commencement. We will be putting together a plan for communicating the service change roll out which will be relevant for the communities of the individual area boards. We will share this with you all in due course.

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Chairman's Announcements

Notice of area board consultation on street trading

Wiltshire Council's Licensing Committee considered a report of the future of street trading at its meeting on 30 November.

Currently there is no harmonised street trading policy for Wiltshire Council, this is due to the former District Councils choosing to control street trading in different ways:

- The North and West areas operate two different consent street trading schemes with different fee structures and different conditions.
- The East operates a prohibited street (trading) scheme for a limited number of streets in the town centres.
- There is no street trading scheme in the South area as Salisbury District Council did not adopt the powers in the 1982 Act.

The Licensing Committee agreed to introduce a new harmonised consent street trading scheme across the Wiltshire Council area. This will provide a flexible means of controlling street trading activity. There is scope for the fees charged for a street trading consent to cover the costs of administration and enforcement. It would also be possible for Wiltshire Council to generate income through the introduction of a new harmonised consent street trading scheme. A consent street trading scheme would allow greater scope for local decision making.

Council officers have produced a draft scheme for formal consultation with external stakeholders (area boards, street traders, members of the public, local businesses, town and parish councils, farmers markets organisation, chambers of commerce and MPs), and invite general comments and feedback. Surveys will be used to ask specific questions on controversial aspects.

Formal consultation with area boards will be taking place in January and February. Due to the priority that Wiltshire Council has attached to the introduction of a new street trading scheme, this project is operating on an accelerated timescale.

Therefore, council officers will be unable to attend area boards in person, but will provide an executive summary of the draft scheme and a consultation document accompanied by a complete draft of the scheme.

Please return written responses on the draft scheme and consultation document to the Licensing Team as soon as possible. Written responses should be emailed to alissa.davies@wiltshire.gov.uk.

If members of the public would like to complete the survey form individually, paper copies will be provided at the area board and can be found on the Wiltshire Council website at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations.htm> from the middle of January.

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Outcome of the Leisure Facilities Review

Wiltshire Council's cabinet has considered the results of the extensive consultation exercise undertaken between July and October and approved a refined proposal which shall;

- Retain a strategic view and ensure that the indoor leisure facilities are a key component of the emerging community campus programme.
- Ensure that the indoor leisure facility service in Wiltshire will be enhanced which creates more opportunities for local people to actively pursue a healthy lifestyle.
- Give a clear message about the Council's commitment to providing high quality and efficient local services.
- Deliver a refined proposal that has been directly shaped by local people.

The refined proposals as set out in the report will provide;

- The specification for new leisure facilities in Trowbridge, Melksham, Warminster and Durrington/Amesbury as part of the wider campus development project.
- Improvements to Devizes Leisure Centre, Five Rivers in Salisbury, The Activity Zone in Malmesbury, Marlborough Leisure Centre and Tidworth Leisure Centre as part of the Workplace Transformation Programme.
- For an indoor Bowls facility to be included as part of a Campus facility in Melksham.
- For the provision of a grant of £400K to the Wiltshire School of Gymnastics in Melksham.

The Council has been clear about its proposals to transfer some of the local facilities to the community to manage. The Council will now consider the proposal to transfer these facilities in a wider strategic context to enable it to assess the impact of a

potential transfer alongside other council buildings and services. This will enable the Council to consider the practicalities and options for wider campus developments.

Whilst the investigations into campus opportunities are completed, the Council will not be looking to alternative management arrangements for indoor leisure facilities as a single service. The Council's approach is intended to retain community involvement in the campus development project as it is recognised that local input is critical to success.

This refined proposal for leisure acts as a pre-cursor to a report that the Workplace Transformation Team shall present to Cabinet in the early part of 2011. This report will set out the high level principles behind a sustainable and affordable campus development project and consider the financial implications associated with this refined proposal for leisure.

The Council will continue the on-going dialogue which has already been established with local community groups regarding the local management of facilities.

Community Area View – Bradford on Avon

A total of 118 responses were received, which is 4% of the total received responses. Of these responses 92% were completed questionnaires and 8% were letters or emails.

Of the total responses received 36% were male and 59% were female and 6% considered themselves to have a disability. A total of 4% of respondents were under the age of 18, 3% were aged 18 to 24, 7% were aged 25 to 34, 25% were aged 35 to 44, 17% were aged 45 to 54, 18% were aged 55 to 64, 19% were aged 65 to 74 and 6% were aged 75 and over.

Of the respondents 21% indicated an interest in being involved or running their leisure centre. A total of 75% of respondents visited a leisure centre weekly, with 15% daily, 5% monthly, 4% less often and 2% have never used a leisure centre.

In specific response to the questions;

- 89% agreed with the principle that providing high quality, modern facilities with a variety of activities will encourage more people to become more active and furthermore 56% of respondents strongly agreed
- 75% agreed that local communities should be able to directly influence and / or manage their local services and only 6% of respondents disagreed
- 95% agreed that the price of using leisure facilities can be a barrier to taking part, this was the highest response from any community area
- 53% of respondents felt that pricing should be reflective of the size and quality of facility whereas 39% disagreed that a standard pricing policy across all facilities, irrespective of the size and quality would work for Wiltshire
- 78% of respondents agreed that the council should try to provide multi-purpose indoor leisure facilities within 20 minutes travel time from home
- 85% agreed that introducing car parking charges at leisure facilities could be a barrier to stop people taking part

In terms of activities the most popular are swimming (34%), using the gym (13%), fitness classes (13%), and Badminton (5%). Other facilities within leisure centres also proved popular with the inclusion of café facilities (8%), meeting spaces (4%) and crèches (3%).

There were 207 comments made, which is 4% of the total comments received with reference to the leisure review, with the following comments being the most highly stated;

- Keep the centre open – 12%
- All leisure facilities should stay in control of the council/have support from the council – 11%
- Improved changing facilities – 8%
- Greater/more variety of classes/courses/exercise options/timings – 5%
- Centre should be convenient, Town Centre, Walking distance – 5%

NHS Update – December 2010 / January 2011

Preferred provider organisation confirmed for community-based health services in Wiltshire

Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has been named as the preferred provider for community-based health services in Wiltshire from 1 April 2011, NHS Wiltshire announced today.

The announcement means that community-based NHS services for the whole of Wiltshire, plus maternity services for Bath & North East Somerset and parts of Somerset, will transfer to Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. Services to patients will continue unchanged as this is a transfer of organisational responsibility and not a change to the way services are delivered or the places where they are provided. The transfer is subject to the completion of legal formalities between NHS Wiltshire and Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and approval of the transfer by Monitor (the independent regulator of NHS Foundation Trusts Monitor). Because of the preparatory work undertaken by the two organisations, neither of these processes is thought to pose particular difficulties.

The announcement of the preferred provider organisation is a key milestone in the Transforming Community Services project in Wiltshire, which sees health services currently provided by Wiltshire Community Health Services, such as district nursing and maternity services, transfer to new employing organisations. The project started in July 2010, following the Government's publication of the revised Operating Framework for the NHS in England for 2010-11, which requires primary care trusts to transfer the provision of services to different organisations by 1 April 2011. This transfer does not change the range of services provided, nor the places where they are provided. The change is a transfer of responsibility from one organisation to another.

The formal transfer of the services to the new employer will take place at midnight on 31 March 2011. Clinical staff and some non-clinical support staff who work in the transferring services, such as nurses, midwives, physiotherapists and occupational therapists, will all transfer to the new organisation at the same time.

NHS Wiltshire Chief Executive Jeff James said:

“Our provider arm, Wiltshire Community Health Services, is a first-class organisation, that has shown over the last four years that it leads the way in developing services in the community. To take two examples, our maternity services and community nursing and therapy services have been nationally recognised as setting the example for others to follow.

“In responding to the Government policy to transfer services to other providers we have had three aims:

- To safeguard the quality of services to patients
- To safeguard the conditions for effective clinical practice
- To minimise disruption and lost opportunities for our staff”

“We have run Transforming Community Services in Wiltshire as a ‘managed transfer’ process enabling local organisations to bid to run the services from next year. Following a thorough and tough evaluation of the submissions we received from local NHS

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provider organisations, we have agreed that community-based services in Wiltshire, and Wiltshire Maternity Services which provides care for women in north and west Wiltshire, Bath & North East Somerset, and parts of Somerset, will transfer to Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust with effect from 1 April 2011.”

Full steam ahead for Westbury Primary Care Development

The planning application for a new Primary Care Development in Westbury has been approved by Wiltshire Council. The development, which will be located at Leigh Park, will include an extended modern GP surgery which combines the Eastleigh Surgery and the White Horse Surgery with a range of other health care services, all under one roof.

Bill Fanning, Chairman of the Westbury Patients Forum, said: “This is great news for people in Westbury and the surrounding area. The development is a modern, purpose-built centre with the space and health facilities to serve the town properly. Initially there were a few concerns about transport, and we have worked hard to resolve the details with Wiltshire Council and colleagues from voluntary services. We’re delighted that we can now proceed”.

Plans for its development have evolved through the work of a Steering Group with members drawn from the Westbury Group Practice, Patients’ Forum, League of Friends, the Town Council and NHS Wiltshire.

Dr Debbie Beale, a GP at Eastleigh Surgery, said: “This is an exciting time for Eastleigh Surgery, its patients and its staff. The approval endorses all the hard work and commitment from everyone involved in our project. The new development will give us the space to look after our patients in modern purpose-built rooms, ensuring that we can continue to deliver high-quality GP care with privacy and dignity, and being located alongside the other health facilities on the site will ensure patients receive care which is as smooth and seamless as possible”.

Jeff James, Chief Executive of NHS Wiltshire said: “This development is fantastic for the people of Westbury and also excellent news for the NHS in Wiltshire, as it sets a high standard for the ongoing development of the other Primary Care Centres elsewhere in the county – Devizes, Trowbridge and Salisbury”.

The Primary Care Development will accommodate all the services that are currently provided from Eastleigh and White Horse Surgery, and in addition to this there will be a number of new services available that Westbury people currently have to travel to other towns to access. The services available will be:

Staying healthy this winter

With a nip of frost in the air, the NHS is gearing up for its busiest season of the year. Common viruses such as flu and the ‘winter vomiting’ bug, norovirus, often take hold just as the cold weather starts to bite, causing extra challenges to our health services. One of the biggest problems is keeping viruses from spreading, and the best contribution we can all make is – if we’re suffering, stay at home and use the phone to ring your GP or NHS Direct.

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Flu vaccinations

GP practices around the county have started running flu vaccination clinics. This year the vaccine contains protection against H1N1 (no longer considered a pandemic, but one of this season's predominant strains of flu) as well as other strains of the virus. One simple injection should provide complete protection, and we're urging anyone who hasn't already been vaccinated to contact their GP.

Military families trained to improve health and wellbeing

The family members of service personnel based at Tidworth, Larkhill and Bulford have been involved in a successful pilot scheme to become Health Trainers. The scheme is commissioned and funded by NHS Wiltshire and managed by Community First.

Health Trainers provide information, motivation and practical support to individual adults on a one-to-one basis to make changes to lifestyles, to improve health and well being and to minimise health risks, as well as supporting behaviour change – which includes support to stop smoking, promotes physical activity and signposts to specialist support such as drugs and alcohol services. Health Trainers also support healthy eating linked to weight loss. All the initiatives have impacts on people's emotional health and well being.

Maggie Rae, Corporate Director of Public Health and Well Being, said:

"The positive impact which this programme will have on the families of our servicemen and women in terms of health and well being is extremely encouraging. By providing families in Tidworth with the knowledge, skills and support needed to lead healthier lifestyles, Health Trainers can encourage other members of the community to improve their health, as well as help to reduce health problems. These Trainers are now part of the Public Health community and are able to deliver really serious support to people and their colleagues".

Mental Health Services

NHS Wiltshire and Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership (AWP) have been working on re-designing mental health services in Wiltshire since spring 2010. With wide engagement from service users and clinicians, the work builds on a programme within AWP of reviewing and modernising their services and has received a positive response from the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The new service model is 'ageless' and establishes pathways for any adult over 18 years. Part of the Trust's plans include a shift in resources from inpatient beds to community services, with fewer inpatient beds clustered onto fewer sites to improve the safety and clinical quality of services. There will be 24/7 access to services with a focus on re-enablement and supporting people to live their lives, faster access to assessment services and the most appropriate AWP service and direct access to specialist services. This will result in the closure of twenty inpatient beds at Green Lane Hospital, Devizes. AWP's Clinical director Dr Julie Hankin said the money saved by the bed closures would be re-invested in the service. "We're spending public money on keeping beds open which aren't being used and we feel this is a fantastic chance to use that money more effectively," she said. "The money is being invested in other parts of the service, so although it's about

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efficiencies, it's not about ripping money out of the service." The redesign is expected to save £3.3million which will be reinvested in the new services.

The Annual General Meeting and Board meeting of NHS Wiltshire will be held on **Wednesday 19 January at 10am - 2011 at Southgate House**. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Papers are published a week before the meeting on www.wiltshire.nhs.uk or on request from Stacey Saunders, NHS Wiltshire (tel: 01380 733839, email: 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



Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Bradford-on-Avon Community Area Board 19th January 2011

1. Neighbourhood Policing

Current Priorities:

Up-to-date details of the current news about Neighbourhood Policing Teams, including, profiles, priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on the Wiltshire Police Website.

🖥️ Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

Police Authority Representative

Cllr. Paul Sample is the Wiltshire Police Authority member with the responsibility for the Bradford-on-Avon Community. He can be contacted via Wiltshire Police Authority 📞 01380 734022 or 🖥️ <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp>

Team profile:

Team Supervisor

Sergeant Chris Hams

Town Centre Team

Beat Manager – PC Martin Annetts
PCSO – Laura Humphreys

Rural Team

Beat Manager – PC Martin Barrett
PCSO – Vicky Huntley

Special Constables **Police Support Volunteers**
Dave Lee Margaret ASTELL

Team News:

There have been no Team changes since the last Area Board Meeting.

2. Comprehensive Spending Review

Over the next 4-years the Wiltshire Police Authority's annual budget of £108 million must be reduced by £15 million to meet governments spending cuts. It is the police authority's responsibility to ensure that the police continue to provide an effective and efficient service across the whole of the Force area. A consultation exercise is now underway that will allow you to tell us which policing services you value most. I encourage as many people as possible to visit the Wiltshire Police Authority website to complete an on-line questionnaire:

 <http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk>

I will also have available some hard copy questionnaires that can be completed at the Area Board for those who prefer not to use the internet.

As a result of the cuts Wiltshire Police is likely to lose up to 150 officers and up to 200 members of police staff. We are however committed to keeping officers on the streets and protecting the frontline as far as possible.

3. Performance

As this report was required to be submitted before the holiday period it has not been possible to provide up-to-date crime and ASB performance figures for this meeting. Normal service will be resumed for the next Area Board.



David W Cullop
Sector Inspector

17/12/10



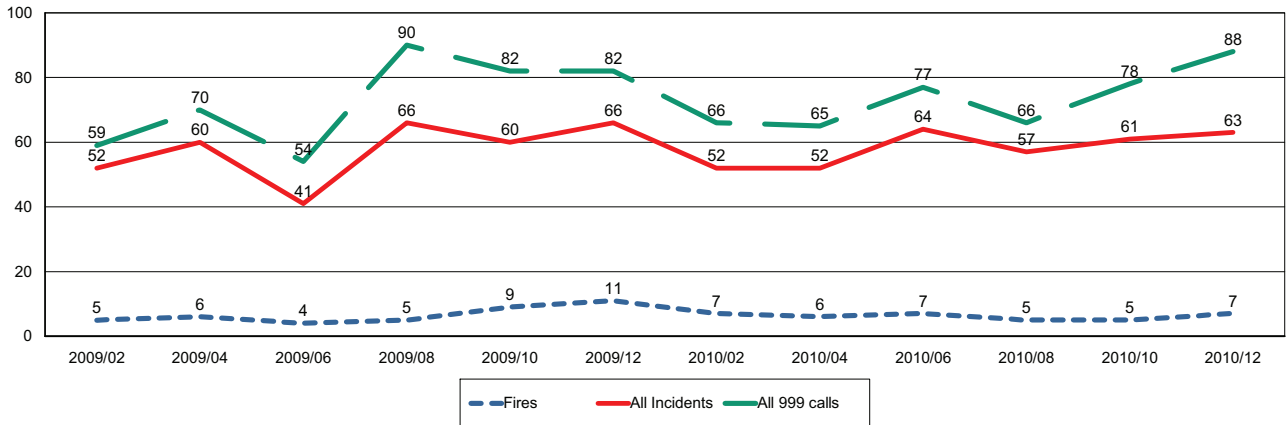
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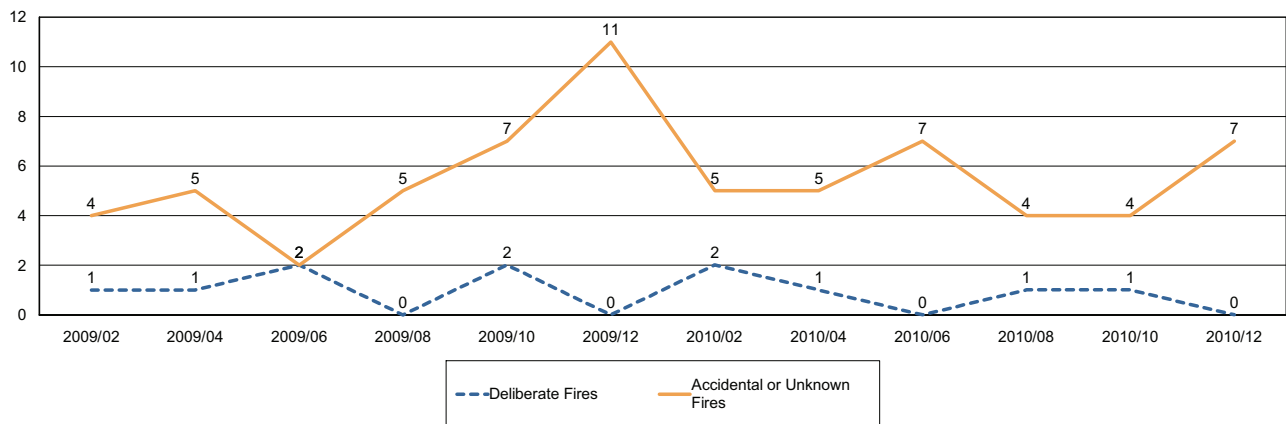
Report for Bradford on Avon Area Board

The following is a bi-monthly update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including December 2010. It has been prepared by the Group Manager for the Board's area.

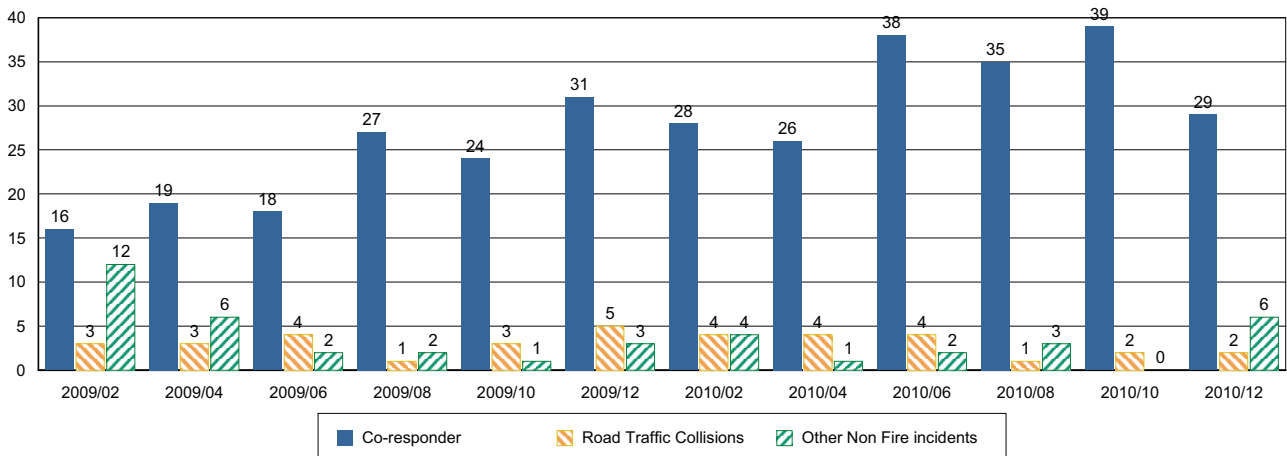
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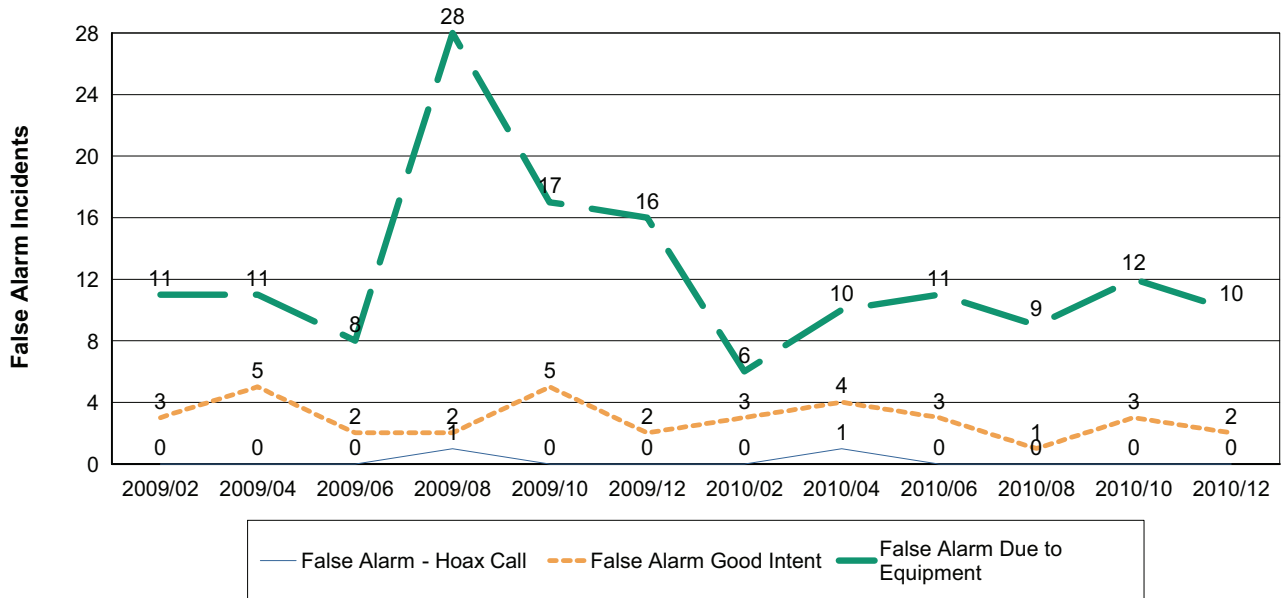
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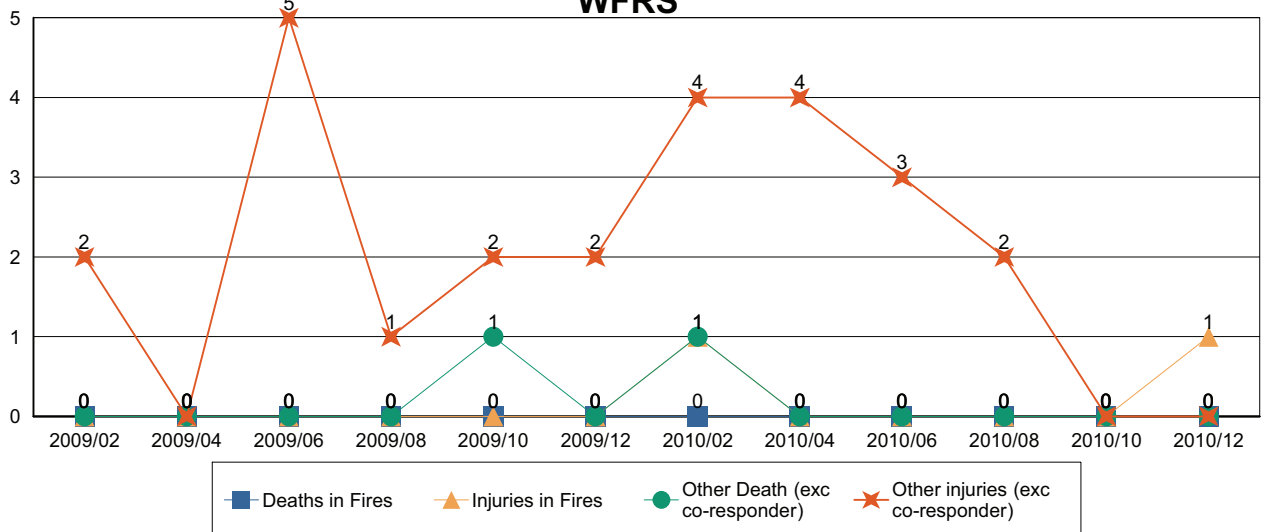
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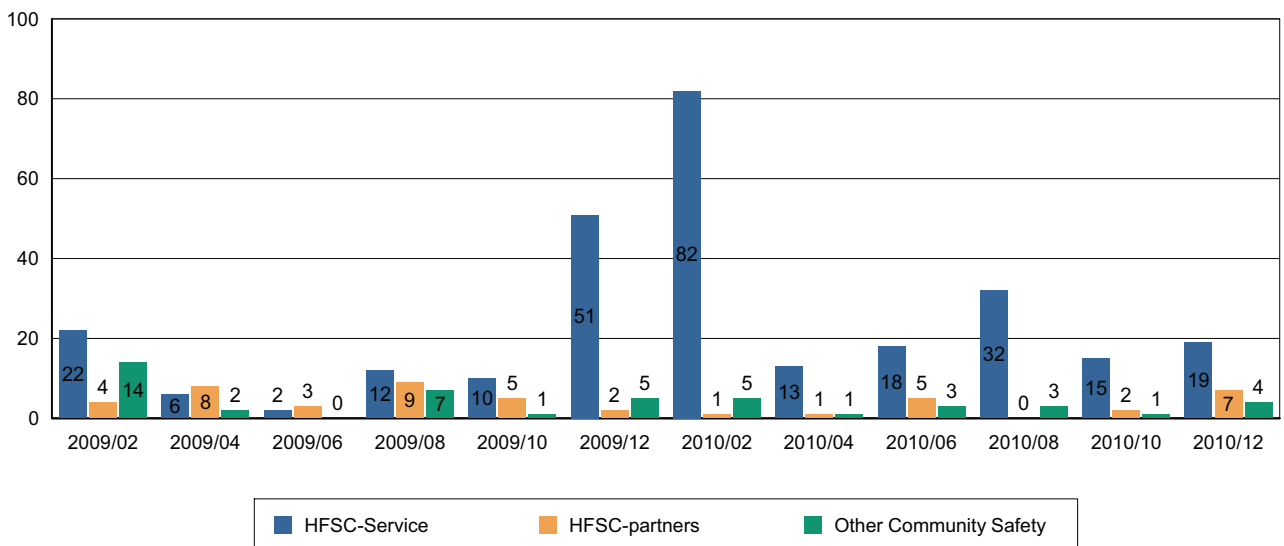
Number of False Alarm Incidents



Death & Injuries in incidents attended by WFRS



Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety



Comments and Interventions overleaf

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Update

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What's an area board meeting?

Your local Wiltshire councillors and other key local representatives meet every six to eight weeks to discuss local issues.

Area Board meetings are public meetings, everyone is welcome and participation is encouraged.

Officers from Wiltshire Council and representatives from Wiltshire Police, Wiltshire NHS and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service also attend the area board to talk about specific local issues.

You can raise a local issue by contacting the community area manager Elly Townsend on 01225 718450 or emailing elly.townsend@wiltshire.gov.uk

How big is the Bradford on Avon Community Area?



The Bradford on Avon Community Area comprises the parishes of Limpley Stoke, Winsley, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Westwood, Wingfield, Holt, Staveyton and Bradford on Avon.

What can I do if I have an issue to report?

You can ...

- Fill in an issue sheet here at the library
- Email the community area manager on peter.dunford@wiltshire.gov.uk
- Call the community area manager on 01225
- Report the issue online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards

Youth Funding

At the March area board meeting:

Kevin Sweeney from the Wiltshire Council Youth Development Service presented proposals to introduce a new staffing formula to make the funding of youth services across the county fairer. The new formula allocates funding according to numbers of young people, levels of deprivation and population density.

The Bradford on Avon Community Area has lost 6 hours of youth work a week under the new funding arrangements. At the area board, Holt Parish Council expressed concerns that they were going to suffer an unfair cut in services in comparison to the rest of the community area. The Youth Service has asked Holt Parish Council if it would consider funding one of the two youth workers that run the Wednesday Youth Club in Holt. Wiltshire Council would continue to fund one youth worker for 3 hours a week.

What happened next:

A senior representative from the youth service met with representatives from Holt Parish Council on the 19th April to discuss their concerns. Kevin Sweeney has written to Holt Parish Council following this meeting to confirm the Wiltshire Council position. Holt Parish Council have met and responded.

Discussions are continuing to see if it possible to identify alternative funding sources or other options.

Latest news:

An additional £4,711 has been made available to the Bradford on Avon Area Board to go towards youth activities

A proposal was agreed at the November area board to hold a participatory budgetary event with young people to decide on the allocation of the additional money allocated to youth activities in the community area. This event will take place in March.

Footbridge Review Process

At the May Area Board meeting:

The Town Council requested support from the area board to undertake a stakeholder review process.

A question was also raised about what would now happen to the performance reward bid submitted by the Town Council for £100,000 to go towards the cost of the bridge which had previously been put forward by the area board.

What happened next:

An initial meeting took place on 4th June with one representative from Bradford Bridge Concern, Back the Bridge, Bradford on Avon Town Council and Bradford on Avon Preservation Trust. This meeting was facilitated by Jim Lynch. It was decided that Dominic Murphy of Creating Excellence in Bristol should lead the stakeholder process. The community area manager supplied administrative support for this meeting.

A further meeting was held on the 30th June with representatives from Linden Homes at which possibilities for different siting positions were discussed.

The core stakeholder group also met on the 20th July & the 2nd September to talk about the landing sites and alternative designs.

The bid made by the Town Council for a performance reward grant has been withdrawn until the stakeholder review process is completed.

The Stakeholder Group fed back to the Town Council on the 28th September 2010.

Please contact the Town Council for further information.

Speeding

So far:

Metro counts (which record the number and speed of vehicles over a 7 day period in a specific location) have been requested for:

1. Tynning Road
2. Christchurch Road
3. Ashley Road
4. B3108 Winsley Road
5. Holt

Results so far:

On Tynning Road, the survey was carried out between 06/10/2010 and 14/10/2010. A total of 6238 vehicles were checked. The 85th percentile was 21.7mph (the 85th percentile is the speed at which 85% of the traffic is travelling at or below).

On Christchurch Road, the survey was carried out between 03/11/2010 and 17/11/2010. A total of 12137 vehicles were checked. It was recorded that 85% of vehicles were travelling at or below **23.9mph**.

On Ashley Road, the survey was carried out between 03/11/2010 and 17/11/2010. A total of 22274 vehicles were checked. The 85th percentile was **27.5mph** (the 85th percentile is the speed at which 85% of the traffic is travelling at or below).

On the B3109 Winsley Road, The survey was carried out between 03/11/2010 and 17/11/2010. A total of 107738 vehicles were checked. The 85th percentile was **34.4mph** (the 85th percentile is the speed at which 85% of the traffic is travelling at or below).

Historic Core Zone

At the July 2009 Area Board:

It was agreed that Wiltshire Council should commission consultants to develop initial plans for a historic core zone in Bradford on Avon.

What happened next:

Colin Buchanan Consultants were appointed to carry out this work. They have run two stakeholder workshops with representatives from local organisations, the first to talk about the issues experienced by local people in terms of traffic intimidation and the second to look at a variety of ways in which these problems could be resolved.

Colin Buchanan submitted their initial plans to the Council in June. These plans were presented at a Priority for People public meeting on the 23rd June. They then went to the Town Council for consideration.

At the July 2010 Area Board:

Wiltshire Councillors agreed to approve the initial plans for the Historic Core Zone. More detailed design plans will be developed once funding becomes available.

Latest news:

A Historic Core Zone Working Group has been set up by the Town Council to look at how to take this project forward.

Colin Buchanan Consultants are also developing an implementation plan which will look at the different ways in which the Core Zone could be implemented.

British Waterways' Local Mooring Strategy Consultation

At the January area board meeting:

Representatives from the Boater Community presented a number of concerns they had regarding the Local Mooring Strategy proposed by British Waterways.

It was agreed that the members would write formally to Cllr Toby Sturgis and British Waterways asking them to attend a meeting to discuss the issues raised by the boater community.

Letters were sent to Cllr Sturgis and British Waterways.

A meeting took place with local elected members, British Waterways, Wiltshire council officers and members of the Boater Community on the 22nd February 2010.

It was agreed that British Waterways would put together a more comprehensive set of data to demonstrate levels of usage of the waterways and that they would come back to the area board once they had collated the results of the national consultation.

On 1st June, more than 100 people attended a consultation event held in partnership between the Area Boards Team and British Waterways. British Waterways announced plans to set up an 'inquiry panel' to gather evidence from different parties on how they feel local moorings should be managed. Two round table discussions looked at what people thought of the inquiry panel idea and how the area board could be used to help facilitate discussions about the use of the canal.

What happened then?

An initial meeting took place on the 26th August to discuss how plans for a local mooring strategy could be developed. At the initial meeting, it was agreed that the group of stakeholders would try to work together to produce one local mooring strategy to put to the enquiry panel for discussion.

Latest news:

The stakeholder group have agreed a vision statement and are now looking at how to organize site visits to consider mooring issues along different stretches of the canal.

Barton Farm Play Area

So far ..

An issue was raised with the area board about the quality of the Play equipment at the Barton Farm Play Area. A basket swing had to be removed from the site as it encouraged anti- social behaviour.

Current funding for new play equipment has already been allocated to play areas in Monkton Farleigh, Staverton and Poulton.

A community group has formed to consult on what people think of the current play area and to look at whether the equipment could be improved with external funding.

The Friends of Barton Farm Play Area Group asked people to fill in questionnaires about what they would like to see in the play area and had over 70 responses.

Then what happened:

Members of the 'Friends of Barton Farm Play Area Group' presented their initial plans at the September meeting.

The plans were displayed at the library for two weeks from 20th September – 1st October. Over 85 comments were received on the plans.

The results from the public consultation have been compiled.

The group attended the Town Council's Leisure Youth and Arts Committee meeting on the 9th November to ask for their formal support for the project.



South Wraxall Cycle Path

So far ...

Several South Wraxall Residents initiated a project to look at the possibility of installing a safe cycling link from South Wraxall into Bradford on Avon.

Two residents met with a transport officer and the community area manager on the 15th February to discuss the best way forward.

South Wraxall Parish Council is in support of the scheme.

Following this meeting, the group have been put in contact with the Countryside Access Development Officer. They are currently liaising with Sustrans and Wiltshire Council over possible routes for the cycling link and potential sources of funding.

What happened next:

The group visited the proposed site with Sustrans and received a quote from a contractor for simply improving the surface of the existing route, which is already either covered in tarmac or well compacted.

The group have now been successful in obtaining funding for the project.

They have requested an assessment from Wiltshire Council Officers on whether it would be possible to have additional signage put in notifying drivers of the entrance to the cycle route.

Wiltshire Council Officers have now agreed to install additional signage.

Holt Footpath

At the January area board meeting:

Martin Moyes from Holt Parish Council gave a presentation on a Parish Council project to build a footpath project on the Holt recreation ground.

What happened next:

85 questionnaires have been distributed to households in Holt thought to be the most affected by the proposed new footpath. The deadline for responses was at the end of February.

A public forum was held in Holt on the 22nd April to discuss the comments raised in the response to the questionnaire.

Following this the Parish Council Transport Committee agreed to progress the scheme and to start looking at potential exit points onto Ground Corner.

A site visit took place with a highways engineer and public rights of way officer from Wiltshire Council to discuss some of the technical aspects of the scheme.

Progress to date and the next steps are to be discussed at a future Holt Parish Council Transport Committee meeting.

Holt Good Neighbours

So far ...

Holt has been selected as a proposed location for a Good Neighbours Scheme in which local people are invited to volunteer to become a trusted community member and resource whilst supported by a paid co-ordinator .

The scheme aims to help older, more socially isolated individuals feel more secure and to have a better quality of life.

Volunteers visit people at home to provide high quality information and enable access to a wide range of resources. They also network widely with parish councillors, transport providers, faith groups, social groups, police and health and social care providers to become known in their community.

The good neighbours scheme will eventually be rolled out across Wiltshire. Holt has been identified as a potential location for one of the first schemes.

What happened next ...

Helen Lines from Community First attended the Holt Parish Council meeting on the 26th August to provide more information about the scheme and to advise the Parish Council that she was recruiting a co-ordinator to develop the scheme in Holt.

Joanne Eccleston has now been recruited as the Good Neighbourhood Co-ordinator for the Holt area. Jennie lives in Broughton Gifford and started work in the community at the beginning of November.

Joanne went along to the Holt Parish Council meeting in December.

Limpley Stoke Traffic Intimidation

At the January area board meeting:

A grant of £5,000 was awarded to Limpley Stoke Parish Council to put towards measures to reduce traffic intimidation. The issue of traffic intimidation in Limpley Stoke was first raised at an Area Board in July 2009.

What happened next:

A workshop took place on the 5th March. More than 70 local residents attended to give their thoughts on traffic intimidation.

Highways Officer David Bullock gave interim feedback to the Parish Council at on 6th April.

Highways Officer David Bullock confirmed that the parish of Limpley Stoke was to be formally invited to partake in the trials.

Current situation:

Limpley Stoke has accepted the invitation to partake in the 20mph trials and the parish council are currently in discussions with Wiltshire Council Highways Officers about plans for the scheme.

Westwood Traffic Intimidation

So far...

Westwood Parish Council wrote to the Council in February requesting a 'road safety survey' examining the benefit of introducing a 20mph speed limit amongst other potential measures.

A metro count has taken place in two locations in Westwood as an initial step to examine traffic conditions. The results of these showed average speeds of 24.1 mph for Lower Westwood Road and 17.7mph for Upper Westwood Road (the equipment at this location was vandalised and only 180 cars were recorded).

It was announced at the area board on the 19th May that Westwood Parish Council would formally be invited to take part in the 20mph trials.

Next steps:

Westwood Parish Council formally agreed to accept the invitation to partake in the 20mph trial on the 5th July.

They are now working with Wiltshire Council Highways Officers to develop the scheme.

Waste and Recycling Strategy

So far:

At the January Area Board, Toby Sturgis presented on current waste and recycling policy and highlighted that a consultation was going to take place put forward a number of options for the refuse collection and recycling services which currently differ from area to area across the county.

The consultation on the Waste and Recycling strategy was then postponed until after the general election.

Officers from this service attended the area board on the 21st July to answer questions on how residents could comment on the consultation.

The consultation on Waste and Recycling closed on the 20th August 2010.



All comments and completed questionnaires received before 20 August 2010 were included in the analysis of the consultation.

In October, councillors considered and agreed a report containing the results of the consultation and decided what service changes to make.

Information on the new service can be viewed at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbishrecycling/waste/waste-whatisthenewservice

Emergency Planning



Members of the Emergency Planning Team came to the area board on the 24th November to talk to community members about they can help prepare to protect themselves in emergency situations.

What happened next:

Emergency planning officers wrote to each Parish Council to ask that they consider producing an emergency resilience plan.

Community Area Transport Working Group

At the July Area Board meeting:

It was announced that a Community Area Transport Working Group was going to be set up.

Every year Wiltshire Council Highways Department receives hundred of requests for transports improvements. This includes requests for traffic calming, zebra crossings, footpath widening and the installation of roundabouts.

In the past these schemes were prioritised according to a set of criteria which looked at a variety of factors such as the number of accidents recorded at that location and the number of people who would benefit from a scheme.

These schemes will now also be assessed by the Transport Working Group to ensure that local priorities can be taken into consideration.

Then what happened:

The community area manager wrote to all Town and Parish Councils asking them if they would like nominate a representative for the working group.

The first meeting of the transport working group took place on the 12th November 2010.

The results of the discussions from the first group were fed back to Councillors and agreed at the November Area Board.

The Area Board has a total of £10,062 to spend on transport improvements across the community area.

A guide to the cost of schemes is available at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/costwiltshighwaysworks

Library Services Review

At the July Area Board:

The Head of the Library Service explained that service was currently undertaking a review with four stages: Define, Design, Develop and Deploy. The service was currently in the Define stage – looking at what the library service does, how they do it and what customers want. A number of focus groups had already taken place and individuals could contribute to this process by filling in the survey with their top priorities for the library service.

Current situation:

You can still have your say on your top five priorities for a future library service by going to

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesnews.htm?aid=104434

Car Parking Strategy

At the July 2010 area board meeting:

It was announced that residents had the opportunity to comment on car parking strategy proposals from 12 July to 3 September 2010.

A new parking policy is needed to bring together the four different policies that existed under the previous district councils.

The consultation looked at areas such as parking charges, residents parking and managing off and on street parking.

At the September 2010 Area Board Meeting:

Cabinet member Councillor Dick Tonge gave a presentation on the results from the recent car parking consultation.

600 responses were received on a variety of questions that looked at areas such as parking charges and residents parking.

In Bradford on Avon residents highlighted the need for car parking policy to be flexible enough to deal with special schemes such as the Historic Core Zone proposal and the lack of public parking provision on north side of town. Residents also stressed that there was inadequate parking provision for residents in parts of the town and that this situation will get worse with the new Kingston Mills development. It was identified that it was important to cater for the needs of tourists.

Cabinet members looked at the results from the consultation and additional feedback from the area board in December to decide how to go forward. Any changes will be implemented from April 2011.

Leisure Review

At the July Area Board:

Councillor Stuart Wheeler explained how Wiltshire Council had undertaken a review of its indoor leisure facilities.

Currently, there is a mixture of facilities across the county. These include privately owned, council-operated, community run and some that are jointly used by local schools. The council contributes towards the running of 23 indoor facilities and would need to spend £93 million just to maintain them for the next 25 years. This would not include any improvements, refurbishments or building any new facilities and the Council believes this would be an inefficient use of resources.

The review looks at leisure provision for the next 25 years and focuses on a programme of replacement, refurbishment and devolvement of leisure facilities.

At the September Area Board:

Councillor Stuart Wheeler attended the Bradford on Avon board to discuss the options for Bradford on Avon swimming pool in more detail.

Next steps:

The Wiltshire Council Cabinet considered the outcome of the public consultation on leisure in December 2010.

The Bradford on Avon Development Trust is currently looking at the running costs of the Bradford on Avon leisure centre to determine potential ways forward.

Reducing Unnecessary Street Lighting

Current Situation

£5000 has been allocated to each community area to install time switches in streetlights to save energy, reduce Co2 and reduce light pollution.

Nominations for streetlights to be switched off between midnight and 5.30am have been received from the parishes of Staverton, Holt, Limpley Stoke, Westwood, Monkton Farleigh and Bradford on Avon Town.

Consultation has been carried out with local residents and each Town or Parish Council has formally considered the plans for their parish.

Next steps

Councillors will consider the final list of nominated lights at the area board on the 19th January.

Heaven Scent External Art Project

So far:

Wiltshire Police and Wiltshire Youth Development Services for young people have proposed that creating a piece of external artwork on the Heaven Scent Building could prevent the application of offensive graffiti. This has been a recurring problem in the past.

A trained artist would work with young people over the course of a few days to develop the design and to create a one off piece of artwork.

Bradford on Avon Town Council have given their initial support for the project.

A consultation was run from 6th December 2010 until the 4th January 2011 to find out if there was public support for the project.

Next steps:

The results of the public consultation and funding will be considered by the area board on the 19th January 2011.

Speed Limit Review

So far:

The Department for Transport asked all highway authorities to undertake a review of existing speed limits on A and B class roads in accordance with DfT Circular 01/06 "Setting Local Speed Limits" which sets out the most up to date guidance.

Town and Parish Councils were asked to comment on the proposed new speed limits in January 2010.

Some Town and Parish Councils were asked to provide further information in July / August 2010 following the initial consultation.

Where Parish and Town Council's views remain in disagreement with the Review Recommendations an individual report has been prepared for decision by the Wiltshire Council's Cabinet Member.

Next steps:

Where a change in level of speed limit is proposed a Traffic Regulation Order will be formally advertised in the spring. This will be advertised in the local press and by notices on site and is an opportunity for the public to formally comment on any of the proposed changes before any final decisions are taken.

Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 – 2026

So far:

The council has recently consulted on a new Local Transport Plan (LTP) for publication by the end of March 2011. Producing a new LTP is a statutory requirement.

The Wiltshire LTP 2011 - 2026 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 and improve quality of life and promote a healthy natural environment.

A shorter-term implementation plan based on a realistic assessment of available funding.

A number of supporting strategies and technical documents.

The consultation on the draft LTP ran from **4 October to 26 November 2010**.

Next steps:

The highways team will publish a report outlining what was discussed at the four Local Transport Plan Workshops.

Wiltshire Council Cabinet Members will then consider a report on the 15 Feb ahead of the full Council meeting on the 22 Feb.

It is hoped that the Local Transport Plan will be finalised for publication by the 31st March.

Paulton Play Area

So far:

£20,000 was allocated to construct new equipment on the Paulton Play Area. Young people from the community area were consulted and asked that the money be spent on bike ramps.

Current situation:

The new equipment has now been designed and will be installed before March 2011.

More information on other community issues can be found on our online issue tracker.

Go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards



Area Board Project

1. What is the Initiative?

To create a piece of large scale external artwork on the Heaven Scent Building in Victory Fields. This building has suffered from vandalism, in the form of offensive graffiti, repeatedly in recent years. The objective of this initiative is to encourage young people to take ownership of the piece of artwork to prevent vandalism of the wall in the future. The initiative also seeks to create a piece of attractive artwork created by young community members.

2. Where is the initiative taking place?

On the Heaven Scent Building in Victory Fields, Bradford on Avon.

3. When will the initiative take place?

If funding is granted, it is planned that the project would take place over 5 days in February 2011.

4. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/links to Community Plan/Community Issue?

This issue was first raised by the Neighbourhood Policing Team and the anti-social behaviour team who had received repeated reports of offensive graffiti on the Heaven Scent building from residents. After discussions with the owner of the property and Wiltshire Council Youth Development Service it was proposed that by creating a piece of permanent artwork could prevent this reoccurring problem. This issue is logged on the issue tracker by the neighbourhood policing team (Issue 1035).

5. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?

An attractive piece of external artwork created by young people from the community with the support of professional artists.

6. Who will Project Manage this initiative?

Bradford on Avon Youth Development Co-ordinator Katherine Brownlee.

7. Costs/quotes/ match funding? (total cost £5k require 1 quote, total cost £5k-25k require 3 quotes)

Total cost: £2,340

Two Artists @ £180 per day for 5.5 days = £1,980

Decorative Paint @ £4 a can = £200

Masonry paint for undercoat = £100

Mileage £60

8. Additional information

Please see appendix 1.

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BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL
19 JANUARY 2011

Heaven Scent External Artwork Consultation

A consultation on whether local people were supportive of a piece of external art on the Heaven Scent wall was run from the 6th December 2010 – 4th January 2011. The Wiltshire Times featured an article about the consultation on the 17th December 2010.

1. Paper Survey

Consultation leaflets were made available in the Bradford on Avon library and were handed out by young people around the town.

A total of 43 people responded to the consultation, all of which were in favour of a piece of external artwork on the Heaven Scent wall.

Of the 43, 18 were young people (under 18) and 25 were adults.

Individuals were also invited to give additional comments on the proposal, these were as follows:

I do think it is a great idea but they might do it over the artwork

Good idea. Would it be permanent? Other artists might like to try on rota.

Please view the Trompe L'oil in Trowbridge off the Discount Ship. People don't even realise that it isn't a door and windows. It's quite incredible and is never touched.

Great idea!

I hope the young people will be involved in designing it.

Give it a go! See what happens. This will create tension between rival gangs within the local area! This will not solve the issue as they are rebellious individuals and will find another area to vandalise.

However will not prevent overlaid graffiti.

This could be the 'Banksy of B.O.A'

Great idea

Excellent idea!

2. Electronic Survey

In addition, an electronic survey was sent to the Bradford on Avon Community Network.

28 people responded to the electronic survey. 28 were supportive of a piece of external art on the Heaven Scent building, 1 was not supportive of the initiative.

Comments to the electronic survey were as follows:

- There is not enough information about how large this artwork might be or where it might be visible from to make an informed decision. I'm generally in favour so long as the size of the artwork is not overwhelming. However, that is a very subjective judgement so it would be good to know the size and which wall(s) it would be on so I had an idea of where it would be visible from and could decide for myself.
- I would not wish this to be of an 'urban youth' form, or quasi-east coast American rap culture type nonsense (like the London 2012 Olympic motif, for example). Nothing wrong with contemporary, but something more intelligent (along the lines of Banksy, perhaps).
- Still concerned that this piece of new artwork would be vandalised though!
- Address the problem not the symptoms. The money would be better spent catching the offenders who vandalise the property and punishing them severely. All members of society must understand and acknowledge respect for other persons and community property.
- there will need to be some sort of "marketing" campaign (before, during and after) to explain to the vandals why they should not deface this new piece.
- The benefit to the self esteem and sense of achievement cannot be over estimated for the young people involved in a project such as this. I know from experience of another such project that a visible piece of artwork remaining for all to see after the project is completed can be a permanent source of pride for those who take part. I fully support such an endeavour.
- The artwork should be in keeping with Bradford and appeal to as broad a range of people as possible. It should NOT be 'trendy' or present in-vogue views (e.g. the current obsession with 'climate change'). What's needed is a piece of art that will ensure for many years and be considered part of our town landscape.
- I think people will only graffiti on top of the artwork fairly soon.
- I cannot recall this building but I assume that the wall to be done is well away from the main road so would not be seen constantly by passersby or passing

traffic. If this is the case then I think it is a very good idea and hopefully will create a sense of ownership by young people. I understand from the Wiltshire Times that some very prickly bushes will then be planted in front of it to deter future vandals - as long as someone is detailed to look after these whilst they grow so that they are not simply pulled up by vandals then I also think this an excellent idea. Well done for taking the initiative!

- I believe this to be an excellent idea, in the past vulnerable buildings have been fenced off, often I believe at GREAT expense, what does this say to our young people. This will hopefully engage young people with adults within the community promoting understanding and pride in the town.
- Please ensure: 1) The project involves existing or potential graffiti offenders. 2) The art work and design is aesthetically pleasing and conveys a positive and creative message 2) The project offers follow-up guidance and courses for participants.
- The statement above boldly claims that the artwork will stop the problem - how do we know? However, anything is worth a try - but how much will it cost and out of which funds will it be paid?
- Miniature "ghosted additions within or on periphery of main artwork to represent some of the local history or activities. Weaving, boating, Spitfire manufacture, touring (canal) etc. Or very small representations of local restaurants/inns (for a donation).
- Somehow, the young people involved in the creation should be so involved as to take ownership (joint at least) of the result and as such be keen to ensure that no "adverse activities" harmed it, BUT if any damage occurred they would be willing to take part in necessary remedial action in such a way as, hopefully, to shame the perpetrators and hopefully dissuade from any repeated harm.
- long as young people are involved throughout so they feel ownership
- if possible it would be good to involve some of the young people who might have been involved in the graffiti but don't know how easy this will be
- I support the project and am enthusiastic about any community art project, however having recently seen how some of the 'non-commissioned' but popular Banksy works in Bristol have been vandalised I am not entirely convinced this will solve the problem?
- Firstly, thank you for the opportunity to comment. I think graffiti is a form of self expression which can be used to great effect - provided it has artistic input and is not the mindless kind that you mention above. The kind of artwork you are suggesting on a building in Bradford would be much more attractive than a blank wall. Engaging young people would instil a sense of pride in the work and the building would hopefully then not be a target for offensive graffiti in the future. It sounds like a cost effective solution which engages the community and I fully support it.
- Have you thought about a mosaic mural rather than a painted one? I have seen this used really effectively to combat vandalism in Kingston upon

Thames - promoted by the Save the World Club - as well as using recycled materials and involving the local community.

- Although I don't know if it would stop vandalism/graffiti, but it would create interest in a blank space. Those youngsters who help obviously wouldn't vandalise it but those who have not participated may - who knows!! Worth a try and those involved would feel they have achieved something which is always good for self worth I think.
- I think that a piece of organized graffiti would give the young people who have been scrawling offensive signs and language on the wall an idea of how good graffiti can look if done properly, and maybe curb their messy graffiti habit.

3. Additional comments from young people

We think that it would be a good idea because it would put more colour into the fields and it would cover up the graffiti.

The project will be good because it will give a good image of young people out instead of a bad image, which many people uphold. We want young people to be seen in a good light as many are lovely and are influenced by the image, so this project will show the better side of young people.

4. Statement from the Neighbourhood Policing Team in support of the initiative

Historically and currently groups of young persons rightly use the Victory Field in the capacity of a recreational amenity. The void area between the end gable wall of Heavens Scent and the Basketball Court has unfortunately attracted different fractions of youngsters who congregate at the location and cause anti social behaviour problems including offensive graphic Graffiti on the wall. The wall is in full view of all the many users and visitors to this busy historic town centre location. It is hoped that a project involving local young persons in the design and implementation of tasteful art work in conjunction with the youth service and other partners can only promote a feel good factor and generate some pride and ownership to enhance the area.

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

**BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD
19 JANUARY 2011**

**REDUCING UNNECESSARY STREETLIGHTING IN THE BRADFORD ON AVON
COMMUNITY AREA**

1. Purpose of the Report

To gain agreement from the area board on the list of street lights across the community area to be switched off between midnight and 5.30am.

2. Background

£5000 has been made available to each community area for the installation of timing switches for up to 100 street lights. These timing switches enable street lights to be switched off between midnight and 5.30am. The objective of this initiative is to save energy and reduce carbon dioxide emissions and light pollution by reducing unnecessary street lighting.

It costs approximately £50 to install each timing switch. It estimated that the payback on the initial capital outlay is five years and that following this savings could be made of £12.50 each year per streetlight.

Approximately 4.5 – 5.5 tonnes of carbon dioxide would be saved per annum for per lights which are switched off between midnight and 5.30am.

The technology used can be reversed, however this could potentially have a cost implication.

Although 2011/12 funding cannot be guaranteed, it is hoped that more schemes will be considered after the pilot phase.

In September, the Community Area Manager wrote to each of the town and parish councils in the community area asking if they wished to consult with local residents and nominate streetlights to be switched off in their parish.

Parish councils were asked to consider the possible impact of reducing street lighting upon levels of crime and disorder as well as areas with vulnerable residents and locations with a history of accidents where it would not be appropriate to reduce street lighting.

The nominations put forward by Town and Parish Councils have been assessed by the Wiltshire Council street lighting engineers.

3. Main Considerations

All streetlights nominated for conversion are listed in appendix 1.

3.1 Bradford on Avon Town

The submission from Bradford on Avon Town involves switching off a total of 67 columns at an estimated cost of £3,350. A representative from the Climate Friendly Bradford on Avon Group consulted 700 households on 120 nominated lights.

3.2 Monkton Farleigh

The submission from Monkton Farleigh Parish Council involves switching off a total of 25 columns at an estimated cost of £1,250. The Parish Council consulted all households on the proposed lights by delivering notes to all households in the parish.

3.3 Limpley Stoke

The submission from Limpley Stoke Parish Council involves switching off a total of 3 columns, at an estimated cost of £150. The Parish Council has consulted locally and confirmed its support for the conversions.

3.5 Holt

The submission from Holt Parish Council involves switching off a total of 22 columns at an estimated cost of £1100. The Parish Council consulted through the parish magazine and several posters around the Village.

3.6 Winsley

The submission from Winsley Parish Council involves switching off a total of 24 columns at an estimated cost of £1200. The Parish Council consulted through the parish magazine and several posters around the Village.

3.6 Wingfield, Winsley, Westwood and South Wraxall

The parishes of Wingfield, Westwood and Staverton have decided not to nominate any lights to be switched off between midnight and 5.30am. The parish of South Wraxall does not have any streetlights.

4. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

4.1 This initiative seeks to have a positive environmental impact by reducing carbon dioxide emissions. Approximately 4.5 – 5.5 tonnes of carbon dioxide would be saved per annum for every 100 lights switched off between midnight and 5.30am.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 £5000 has already been allocated to the area board to convert up to 100 streetlights.

5.2 A total of 141 streetlights have been nominated in the Bradford on Avon community area. Councillor Dick Tonge has confirmed that additional funding can be made available to convert the additional 41 lights if the parish councils and area board are in favour of these schemes going forward.

6. Legal Implications

There are no legal implications

7. HR Implications

There are no HR implications.

8. Equality and Diversity Implications

There are no equality and diversity implications.

9. Recommendation

It is recommended that:

- a) The area board supports the submissions from Monkton Farleigh, Limpley Stoke, Winsley and Holt Parish Councils and Bradford on Avon Town Council.
 - b) The street lighting team is asked to initiate work on these schemes.
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Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Streetlights nominated for conversion in the Bradford on Avon Community Area.

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

Reducing Unnecessary Streetlighting in the Bradford on Avon Community Area -Appendix 1

| Parish | Road | Light |
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| BoA Town | Meadowfield | 9 |
| BoA Town | Downs Close | 2 |
| BoA Town | Downs Close | 4 |
| BoA Town | Downs Close | 6 |
| BoA Town | Belcombe Road | 18 |
| BoA Town | Piplar Ground | 2 |
| BoA Town | Southway Road | 15 |
| BoA Town | Moulton Drive | 19 |
| BoA Town | Moulton Drive | 17 |
| BoA Town | Bassetts Pasture | 1 |
| BoA Town | Bassetts Pasture | 4 |
| BoA Town | Follyfield | 3 |
| BoA Town | Methuen Close | 1 |
| BoA Town | Southway Road | 4 |
| BoA Town | Deverell Close | 3 |
| BoA Town | Deverell Close | 4 |
| BoA Town | Deverell Close | 5 |
| BoA Town | Deverell Close | 8 |
| BoA Town | Deverell Close | 9 |
| BoA Town | John Rennie Close | 1 |
| BoA Town | John Rennie Close | 2 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 6 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 8 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 10 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 11 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 14 |
| BoA Town | Leigh Park Road | 16 |
| BoA Town | Christchurch Road | 1 |
| BoA Town | Christchurch Road | 7 |
| BoA Town | Palmer Drive | 1 |
| BoA Town | Sladesbrook Close | 1 |
| BoA Town | Sladesbrook Close | 2 |
| BoA Town | Springfield (West) | 7 |
| BoA Town | Greenland Mills | 20 |
| BoA Town | Greenland Mills | 15 |
| BoA Town | Upper Regents Park | 2 |
| BoA Town | Regents Place | 1 |
| BoA Town | Avonfield Avenue | 11 |
| BoA Town | Kingston Avenue | 5 |
| BoA Town | Southleigh | 3 |
| BoA Town | Southleigh | 4 |
| BoA Town | Southleigh | 6 |
| BoA Town | Southleigh | 8 |
| BoA Town | Pound Lane | 1 |
| BoA Town | Pound Lane | 2 |
| BoA Town | Pound Lane | 3 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Street | 19 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Street | 16 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Street | 14 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Street | 12 |
| BoA Town | Whitehill | 7 |
| BoA Town | Newtown | 1 |
| BoA Town | Budbury Ridge | 1 |
| BoA Town | Budbury Tynning | 1 |
| BoA Town | Spencer Orchard | 9 |

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| BoA Town | Spencer Orchard | 7 |
| BoA Town | Spencer Orchard | 6 |
| BoA Town | Spencer Orchard | 4 |
| BoA Town | Spencer Orchard | 1 |
| BoA Town | Moulton Drive | 29 |
| BoA Town | Priory Park | 2 |
| BoA Town | Winsley Road | 1 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Drive | 1 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Drive | 3 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Drive | 5 |
| BoA Town | Woolley Drive | 6A |
| BoA Town | Coronation Avenue | 2 |
| | Total | 67 |
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| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 19 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 18 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 17 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 15 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 14 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 13 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 12 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 11 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 10 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 6 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 5 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 4 |
| Winsley | Location on the bypass | 3 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 19 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 16 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 14 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 12 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 11 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 10 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 8 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 7 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 5 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 2 |
| Winsley | Bradford Road | 1M |
| | Total | 24 |
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| Monkton Farleigh | Road to Kingsdown | 1 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Road to Kingsdown | 2 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Road to Kingsdown | 8 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Street | 6 |
| Monkton Farleigh | School | 1 |
| Monkton Farleigh | School | 3 |
| Monkton Farleigh | School | 5 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Broadstones | 2 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Broadstones | 4 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Broadstones | 5 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Broadstones | 8 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Broadstones | 9 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 1 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 2 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 3 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 4 |

Reducing Unnecessary Streetlighting in the Bradford on Avon Community Area -Appendix 1

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| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 4 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 3 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 2 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 1 |
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| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 16 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 15 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 14 |
| Monkton Farleigh | Farleigh Rise (see map) | 10 |
| | Total | 25 |
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| Holt | The Spa | 5 |
| Holt | The Spa | 3 |
| Holt | The Spa | 1 |
| Holt | The Walk | 3 |
| Holt | The Walk | 5 |
| Holt | Ham Green | 9 |
| Holt | Station Road | 1 |
| Holt | Station Road | 13 |
| Holt | Beckely Lane | 2 |
| Holt | Great Parks | 2 |
| Holt | Great Parks | 5 |
| Holt | Crandon Lea | 3 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 11 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 8 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 2 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 4 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 5 |
| Holt | Little Parks | 6 |
| Holt | Lions Orchard | 1 |
| Holt | Lions Orchard | 3 |
| Holt | The Street | 1 |
| Holt | The Elms | 5 |
| | Total | 22 |
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| Limpley Stoke | | |
| Limpley Stoke | | |
| Limpley Stoke | | |
| | Total | 3 |
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| Westwood | No lights nominated | |
| Wingfield | No lights nominated | |
| South Wraxall | No street lights | |
| Staverton | No lights nominated | |
| | Overall total for community area | 141 |

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| Report to | Bradford on Avon Area Board | Agenda Item No.10 |
| Date of Meeting | 19th January 2011 | |
| Title of Report | Community Area Grants | |

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider one application seeking 20010/11 Community Area Grant Funding

1. Holt Netball Club, Equipment , £980

The officer recommendation is that funding is awarded to Holt Netball Club as the bid is in line with the Community Area Grants Criteria, however it should be noted that the Grants Advisory Group have raised serious concerns about the bid (please see separate report).

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. EXAMPLE Two applicants withdrew their applications and hope to reapply at a future date. One application did not meet the funding criteria and was referred to Charities Information Bureau (CIB) for support to seek funding from elsewhere. CIB work on behalf of Wiltshire Council to support community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils to seek funding for community projects and schemes both from the Area Board and other local and national funding sources.
- 1.5. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.6. Bradford on Avon Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £47,110 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. The carry forward from the 2009/2010 budget is £5,122. This leaves a total budget of £52,232 for the 2010/2011 budget.
- 1.7. 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.
- 1.8. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

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| Background documents used in the preparation of this Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11• Bradford on Avon Community Area Plan |
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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 5 rounds of funding during 2010/11. The fourth is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;
 - Wednesday 16th 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 Bradford on Avon Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Bradford on Avon Area Board will have a balance of £29,678.

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 |
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| 8.1 | Holt Netball Club | Equipment for netball players | £980 |
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8.1.1. The officer recommendation is that funding is awarded to Holt Netball Club as the bid is in line with the Community Area Grants Criteria, however it should be noted that the Grants Advisory Group have raised serious concerns about the bid (please see separate report).

8.1.2. This application meets the community area grant criteria 2010/11.

8.1.3. The Bradford on Avon Community Plan identifies the need for an improvement in leisure facilities and youth sports coaching. This project responds to this need by facilitating leisure and sports coaching in Holt.

8.1.4. Members of the grants advisory group have commented on this application. These comments are available in a separate report.

8.1.5. Holt Netball Club aims to offer coaching, training, umpiring and competitive opportunities in netball and to promote the netball within the local community. The Club is affiliated to the Wiltshire County of the All England Netball Association Limited and is governed by a group of Club Officers, all of whom are elected on an annual basis. Holt Netball Club is funded by member subscriptions of £18 a month. The club have reserves of £1098.16. The club has 35 members and 3 teams playing in the local Moonraker league.

8.1.6. Holt Netball Club is applying for a grant to subsidise playing kit for club members. The club have already sought sponsorship from local businesses but have been unsuccessful in attracting funding through these means. The club also fundraise on an annual basis; however this year the monies raised through fundraising were given to a local charity. In the future Holt Netball Club would purchase new kit through fundraising activities.

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| Appendices: | Appendix 1: Grant application from Holt Netball Club Appendix 2: Report from the Grants Advisory Group |
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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Reference no

Log no

For office use

Community Area Grant Application Form 2010/2011

Please ensure that you have read all the Funding Criteria and Additional Guidance Notes before completing this form PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE CONSIDERED

We strongly advise that you contact your Community Area Manager before completing your application.

1 - Your organisation or group

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| Name of organisation | Holt Netball Club | | |
| Contact name | | | |
| Contact address | | | |
| Contact number | | e-mail | |
| Organisation type | Not for profit organisation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parish/town council <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify | | |

2 - Your project

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| In which community area does your project take place? (Please give name – see section 3 of the grants pack) | Bradford on Avon Community Area |
| Does your town/parish council know about your project? | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| What is your project? Important: This section is limited to 300 characters only (inclusive of spaces). | We are asking for a one off grant to support subsidising new playing kit and bibs for club members, we have been wearing ours for 5 years and due to a new intake of players this is an ideal opportunity to get new kit. |
| Where will your project take place? | Holt |
| When will your project take place? | The club meets every Tuesday evening |
| How many people will benefit from your project? | 35 members |
| How does your project demonstrate a direct link to the community plan for your area? Please provide a reference/page no. | BOA community area Plan 2005, Support outdoor facilities and support arts and leisure provision in villages. Page 12 + 13 |

What is the link between your project and other local priorities? e.g. Priorities set by your area board and parish plans.

Wiltshire Council have a national target 8 which is aimed at increasing adult participation in sport, as well as aspiring to be the Healthiest county in the country by 2014 and by keeping people active we are contributing to this priorities.

How did you discover there was a need for your project and how will your project benefit your local community?

Important: Please do not type in paragraphs – This section is limited to 1200 characters only (inclusive of spaces)

As a club we are totally self funded, this is the first time we have ever applied for a grant. But we have exhausted the sponsorship route and were not sure what else to do. We have 35 member and 3 teams playing in the locally moonraker league. we are the third biggest club in the county behind devizes and chippenham. Our A team play in the premier division and our B and C teams play in division 2. We are a competitive club but at the same time very welcoming to new member and all abilities, this year alone we have had 5 new people join, some of them news mums that want to lose weight and get fit, but more importantly get more confident. We are friendly and welcoming. We are a well set up club with an active committee and try to support local initiatives as much as possible.

Any other information about your project.

3 - Management

How many people are involved in the management of your group/organisation? 10

Of these, how many are:

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| Over 50 years | Male | <input type="text" value="1"/> | Female | <input type="text" value="1"/> |
| 25 – 50 years | Male | <input type="text"/> | Female | <input type="text" value="8"/> |
| Under 25 years | Male | <input type="text"/> | Female | <input type="text"/> |
| Disabled People | Male | <input type="text"/> | Female | <input type="text"/> |
| Black and Minority Ethnic people | Male | <input type="text"/> | Female | <input type="text"/> |

If your project is intended to continue after the Wiltshire Council funding runs out, how will you continue to fund it?

The club kit will last us at least another 5 seasons (5 years) therefore we would look to get organised to relocate some funds from the subs we already pay.

If you were not awarded the full amount requested, what would be the impact on your project?

We will have to seek more opportunities for funding and continue to write letter to local businesses to seek support. Alternatively next summer our annual netball communitiy tournament we will have to raises funds for the club rather than the extra netball court or local charities which would be a real shame.

How will you know whether your project has made a difference in the community?

Buying club kit itself will not make a massive difference to the communitiy, but having well set up rural /local run sports club (espically for women due to the drop off in participation rates is hugely important for the health and well being of the community. With the government agendas around adult participant in sports, wiltshire wanting to be the Healthiest county and the nation needing to changing behaviours and leading a healthier lifestyles, we believe that we are ticking all the boxes.

Have you contacted Charities Information Bureau for help with your application/ to seek funding?

Yes No

To who have you applied for funding for this project (other than Wiltshire Council)?

No one, we have been seeking sponsorship but unfortunately companies are not keen to support local netball clubs as football and rugby seem more appealing or not able to help due to finanical climate

Have you been successful?

Yes No

Have you or do you intend to apply for a grant from another area board within this financial year?

Yes No

If yes, please state which ones.

Are you in receipt or anticipating other funding from Wiltshire Council for this project?

Yes No

4 - Information relating to your last annual accounts (if applicable)

Year ending: 2010

Month: June

Year: 2010

A - Total income:

£7799.58

B - Minus total expenditure:

£6701.42

Surplus/deficit for year: (A minus B)

£1098.16

Free reserves held:

£0

| 5 - Financial information | | | | |
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| Project Costs A Please provide a <u>full</u> breakdown e.g. equipment, installation etc. | | Project Income B Please list all sources of funding for this project, as provisional (P) or confirmed (C) | | |
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| Kukri Netball Dress x 28 @ £35 | £980 | Own fundraising/reserves | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | Parish/town council | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | Trusts/foundations | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | In kind | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | Other | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| | £ | | | £ |
| Total Project Expenditure | £980 | Total Project Income | | £ |
| Total project income B | | £0 | | |
| Total project expenditure A | | £980 | | |
| Project shortfall A – B | | £0 | | |
| Award sought from Wiltshire Council Area Board | | £980 | | |
| Bank Details | | | | |
| Please give the name of the organisations' bank account e.g. Barclays | | Lloyds TSB Trowbridge | | |
| Please give the title name of the organisations' bank account e.g. current | | Holt Netball club | | |
| 6 – Supporting information – Please enclose the following documentation | | | | |
| Enclosed (please tick) | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Written quotes including the one you are going to use <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Latest inspected/audited accounts or annual report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Income and expenditure budget for current financial year <input type="checkbox"/> Project budget (if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terms of reference/constitution/group rules <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence of ownership/lease of buildings and/or land | | | | |
| For new groups, only the group's terms of reference and a projected income and expenditure budget covering a period of 12 months is required. | | | | |

7 - Equalities and Inclusion – Wiltshire Council is committed to ensuring that its work through the Area Boards benefits all sections of our community and promotes equality and inclusion. To assist us in assessing how your application aims to meet our commitment to equality and inclusion, please provide a brief answer to the following:

a) How does your project work to either (a) promote equality and access to services/facilities, and/or (b) reduce disadvantage?

We are applying for the grant so we can keep the cost down for our members that are from low income groups and one of the successes is that we are a village netball club. which is helped by us having the netball court and we are supporting to get a new court.

b) How does your project work to promote inclusion, participation and good community relations?

We are a very inclusive club we have women from 16 - 55 playing, we have members from different ethnic back grounds. The reason why we need to apply for the grant is that are last 2 fundraising events we have donated the proceeds to the Holt Court/pavilion committee and Dorothy house.

c) Is your project targeted at a specific group? If yes, please tick any of the following which apply

- Under 25's Over 50's
- Mostly or all men/boys Mostly or all women/girls
- Specific minority ethnic groups (please state which groups)
- Specific faith groups (please state which groups)
- People/families on low income
- Other disadvantaged groups (please state which groups)

8 - Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group) – I confirm that...

- I have read the funding criteria
- The information on this form is correct, that any award received will be spent on the activities specified, that I will complete a monitoring form (if requested) following completion of the project.
- If an award is received, I will complete and return an evaluation sheet.
- That any other form of licence or approval for this project has been received prior to submission of this application.
- That the necessary policies and procedures will be in place prior to the commencement of the project outlined in this application. Child Protection Public Liability Insurance
- Equal opportunities Access audit Environmental impact
- Planning permission applied for (date) or granted (date)
- That acknowledgement will be given of Wiltshire Council support in any publicity, printed or website material.
- I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council in relation to this project.

Name:

Date: 08/12/2010

Position in organisation:

Please return your completed application to the appropriate Area Board Locality Team

Agenda Item No.10

BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

19 JANUARY 2011

Report from the Bradford on Avon Community Area Grants Advisory Group

The Bradford on Avon Community Area Grants Advisory Group is composed of Parish Councillors from across the Bradford on Avon Community Area. The Group is tasked with examining applications requesting community area grant funding to ensure best value for money. The comments from the group are presented to the Wiltshire Council Councillors on the area board as additional information to help them when they are deciding whether to award funding. The decision on whether to award funding is taken at a public area board meeting by Wiltshire Councillors.

The Grants Advisory Group considered the three grant applications electronically. Comments were received from Councillor Bil Bailey (Limpley Stoke Parish Council), Cllr Terry Biles (Westwood Parish Council), Cllr Alan Mines (Wingfield Parish Council) and Cllr Matthew Midlane (Monkton Farleigh Parish Council).

The advisory group have put forward the following comments on the application from Holt Netball Club:

The group expressed concern that awarding a grant to Holt Netball Club would not be an appropriate use of scarce public funds. It was felt that as the groups' finances were healthy, it should be possible to accommodate the cost of the new kit from fundraising and member subscriptions.

There was also a concern that awarding a grant to this group could prompt sports groups across the community area to also apply for funding for sports equipment.

In summary, the group were not in favour of the grant being awarded as they felt it to be of limited public benefit.

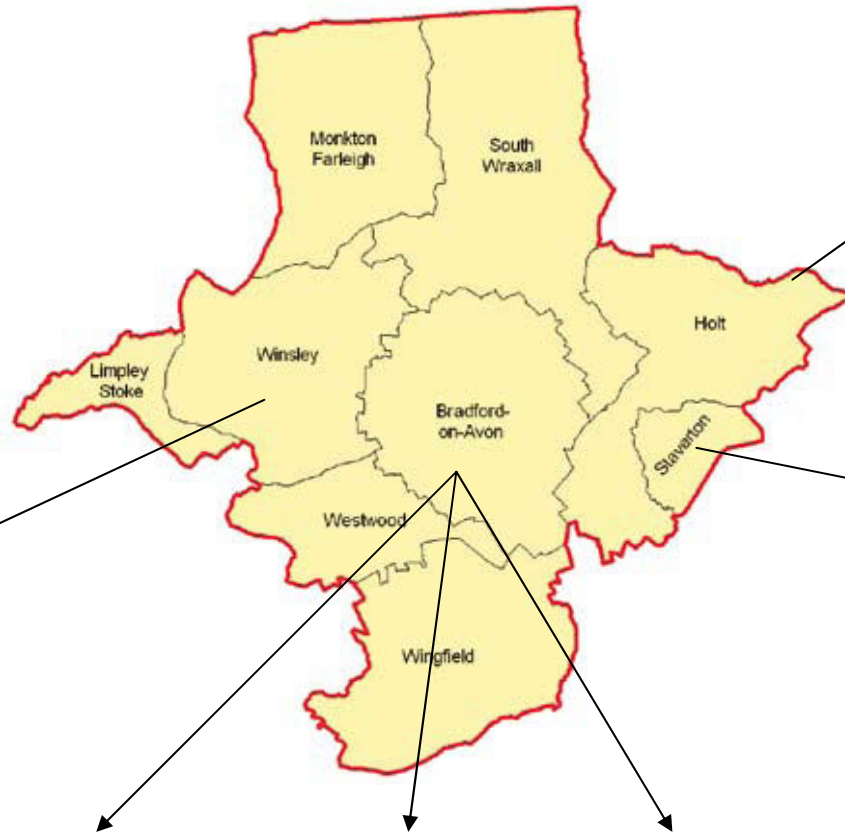
Bradford on Avon Area Board Funding

2010/11

Total Budget: £52,232

Funding allocated: £21,574

Remaining Funding: £30,658



Holt Sports and Recreation Committee
Second Sports Court
£5,000

Winsley Cricket Club
Cricket Nets for Junior Cricket Coaching
£2,500

Staverton Youth Football Club
Youth Goal Posts
£694

Bradford on Avon Chamber of Commerce
Christmas Lights
£1,500

Bradford on Avon Rowers
Equipment for Junior Rowers
£3,388

Beejays Netball Club
Back to Netball Club
£560

Community Area Partnership
£7,932



Performance Reward Grant Scheme

APPLICATION FORM

To be returned to:

Karen Spence, Performance Manager, Performance Team

Email: wiltshirelaa@wiltshire.gov.uk

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| Area Board | All Area Boards | |
| Form submitted by (contact for all queries) | Janice Fortune, Chief Executive Officer, DEVELOP Enhancing Community Support, 3-4 New Road, Chippenham, Wilts SN15 1EJ janice@developecs.org.uk 01249 654089 | |
| Name of initiative | Volunteer Centre Wiltshire | |
| Brief Description of Initiative | <p>The new Wiltshire Infrastructure Support Service – ‘GROW’ <i>Enhancing Community Support</i> – is being delivered from 1st April 2010. This includes a countywide Volunteer Service for Wiltshire for the first time.</p> <p>This application, if approved, would both build on the basic service and develop an accredited volunteer centre for Wiltshire. At present the nearest accredited centre is in Swindon.</p> <p>The proposed service would offer the six core functions of a Volunteer Centre as prescribed by Volunteering England. The benefits to all community areas in Wiltshire will include better access to volunteering opportunities and support to individuals, Employer Volunteering scheme, specialised support, information and good practice services, access to draw down further funding via Volunteering England to support volunteering, and access to support and information as part of a national framework.</p> <p>This initiative is actively supported by the VCS Unit, Wiltshire Council.</p> | |
| Please put a cross against the ambition(s) that this initiative will support | Building resilient communities | ✓ |
| | Improving affordable housing | |
| | Lives not services | ✓ |
| | Supporting economic growth | ✓ |
| | Safer communities | ✓ |
| | Protecting the environment | ✓ |
| | Action for Wiltshire – combating the recession | |
| Amount of funding sought | £55,694 | |

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| <p>What will this money be spent on? (please show split between capital and revenue. For capital expenditure guidance – see Appendix 1 in the Bid Pack)</p> | <p>One part time Development Worker post to focus on achieving the six core functions of an accredited Volunteer Centre for Wiltshire, at the same time supporting the team to increase opportunities for volunteering and supporting organisations to attract volunteers.</p> <p>One half-time Development Worker post to develop an Employer Supported Volunteering scheme working with local employers to actively encourage and support staff to volunteer in their community. Promote opportunities and arrange local Community Challenge Events.</p> <p>Laptop computer with remote access; mobile phone; display boards; promotional materials; signage; accreditation fees</p> |
| <p>Please describe how your initiative will support the ambition(s) indicated above, and summarise the action that will be taken</p> | <p>Volunteering is a priority for Wiltshire. Without volunteers many services would not be so efficient or effective and the cost of providing services would be greatly increased.</p> <p>In Wiltshire, which is a large rural county, voluntary and statutory sectors both rely heavily on volunteer support. To enable this support to be effective organisations that use volunteers need to know that the support is of good quality. The six core functions are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brokerage 2. Marketing volunteering 3. Good practice development 4. Developing volunteering opportunities 5. Policy response and campaigning 6. Strategic development of volunteering <p>Establishing a recognised accredited Volunteer Centre would provide increased benefits for both volunteers and organisations:</p> <p><u>For Volunteers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motivation • Increased skills • Increased likelihood of gaining paid work after their experience of volunteering • Personal development • Recognition of their contribution to the organisation and community <p><u>For the Organisation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers who are more effective and skilled in their tasks |

- Improved retention of volunteers
- Easier recruitment of volunteers
- Improved service/results of volunteer
- Access to potential Trustees – skills bank
- Increased access to volunteers
- Employers working to support community initiatives – employer volunteering

Building Resilient Communities

Target – increase the number of people becoming volunteers. Many local services are run by volunteers. Through working with communities, gaps in services, local issues and initiatives can be taken up by a small group of people that have an interest in their community. It is important to provide support to ensure best practice through strategic leadership. Wiltshire is encouraging ownership and engagement in communities to build social capital and this is usually created through empowering volunteers.

Highlighting and encouraging Employer Supported Volunteering will help identify and gaps in service and provide additional support working with local businesses.

Lives not services

Volunteering is a route to recovery for some people who have suffered from physical or mental health problems or a crisis in their lives and support and opportunities to volunteer can often make a positive contribution towards a better quality of life.

Volunteering for young people and in particular NEETS, builds confidence to achieve and move on in their lives to employment, getting a home of their own and maturing into adults that can contribute to their community.

Equally services being provided by voluntary organisations to support independent living need ongoing support to operate effectively, safely and efficiently. The Personalisation Agenda has a huge effect on how services are delivered and the role the voluntary sector plays in supporting and delivering these services. Comprehensive cohesive support for organisations is therefore vital. Both small and large voluntary and community groups providing services all need support, information and guidance to attract suitable volunteers.

Increased wellbeing for staff that are valued by employers and supported to undertake volunteering opportunities within their communities.

Supporting economic growth

Volunteering is the perfect platform for people to regain confidence in a redundancy situation and opens doors to permanent employment opportunities. Volunteering opportunities for young people to try taster sessions in a career they are interested in or gain experience to contribute to a CV to help them get a job.

Organisations benefit from help and advice from volunteering for professionals who have found themselves in a redundancy situation. The nature of charities welcomes experienced people to stand as Trustees and help organisations to operate in a more professional manner. Organisations are then able to actively contribute to economic growth bringing a wealth of experience through volunteers.

Employer volunteering can bring benefits for the business as well as voluntary organisations and those who they support. It brings employers closer to the communities in which they work. Raising the profile of volunteering and the employers supporting volunteering.

Safer Communities

Many small voluntary organisations supporting marginalised and disadvantaged people are run either solely by volunteers or depend heavily upon volunteers. These organisations' services contribute to reducing crime by providing safe environments for people who are homeless, have drug and alcohol misuse problems or suffer domestic violence.

Without support to recruit and retain volunteers many of these organisations would not be able to operate. These organisations contribute to education of offenders and help them to integrate back into the communities they may be excluded from due to their anti-social behaviour. Owing to the nature of the clients these organisations support it is imperative that volunteers are well trained, protected and supported.

Protecting the Environment

Environmental organisations are one of the biggest users of volunteers next to social care. Wiltshire Wildlife, Canal Trusts, Furniture Recycling organisations and projects, local transport and car sharing schemes, scrap stores all use a great number of volunteers.

With all aspects of volunteering, volunteering support and brokerage a properly funded, accredited Volunteer Centre would provide the hub and first point of contact for issues relating to volunteering and volunteer management.

What makes this initiative a local priority (eg evidence from research and local support)

2006 Communities and Local Government (CLG) white paper, Strong and Prosperous Communities includes a single set of 198 National Indicators. These indicators cover all the national priority outcomes which local authorities will be responsible for delivering. NI6 Participation in formal volunteering has been included as a government priority in the National Indicator set in recognition of: The importance of volunteering in empowering individuals, The importance of volunteering in contributing to strong communities and The importance of volunteering in adding value in the delivery of public services. A culture of volunteering will be an asset to each local authority.

The Autumn 2009 Place Survey shows that 29.9% of people volunteered between once a month and once a week.

The Resilient Communities Partnership's strategic aims for 2010 – 2013 has identified four priority areas for action which will help it to achieve its strategic aim of building a strong and vibrant voluntary and community sector. The first aim is to build a strong and vibrant voluntary and community sector. The voluntary and community sector has a key role to play in developing resilient communities. People's involvement in community or voluntary activities helps to create the strong supportive social networks. It is the existence of these networks, and the services the sector delivers, which create resilience.

Support for Volunteering has been identified as a priority area for action because it is recognised that a thriving voluntary and community sector depends on its ability to attract, recruit, train and retain committed volunteers.

'Beyond the Immediate' research carried out by a multi agency partnership led by Age Concern Wiltshire and 'A New Lease of Life' – Older People's Strategy for Wiltshire both identify volunteering as a key in the wellbeing of older people. With an ageing population the opportunity to volunteer contributes to keeping older people healthy and providing social contact and a sense of purpose.

Volunteering is high on Wiltshire's agenda as well as promoted by Government. DEVELOP has been running 'taster sessions' on behalf of the Council to encourage volunteering amongst Council staff. There are also three volunteering challenges planned for community engagement, commissioned by the Council.

The value of using volunteers is widely recognised and a Volunteer Centre for Wiltshire will address issues locally wherever located in the area. It will ensure a cohesive

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| | <p>professional accredited volunteering support service is available wherever organisations or people are situated in Wiltshire.</p> <p>The Volunteer Centre will be part of the new infrastructure service 'GROW'. It is important that we encourage good volunteer management through developing good practice amongst organisations involving volunteers. Volunteering goes hand in glove with infrastructure support services and one complements and supports the other. Many issues groups experience are volunteer related but cross into the governance, funding and general infrastructure support. Our service will ensure that volunteer support does not stand alone but is integrated as part of a holistic service.</p> <p>To acquire the volunteer quality accreditation will ensure the service provided across Wiltshire which means all Community Areas will receive the same quality support and information to help build vibrant resilient communities.</p> <p>The Employer Supported Volunteering scheme will ensure that volunteering receives a higher profile from employers, encouraging more people to volunteer and support local community initiatives.</p> |
| <p>How will you know you have been successful?</p> | <p>We are awarded The Volunteer Centre Quality Accreditation by Volunteering England and the official Volunteer Centre Wiltshire can be launched.</p> <p>Publicity for volunteering support will greatly increase and the VBase volunteer database will hold increased numbers of volunteering opportunities available across the whole of Wiltshire. These are regularly uploaded to the national site for volunteering www.do-it.org.uk</p> <p>People in Wiltshire have a greater awareness of how to access volunteering opportunities and organisations will know how and where to access support. Local employers actively encourage their staff to volunteer and support local community challenges.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will you measure the impact? (may have more than one measure) | <p>The Volunteer Centre Quality Accreditation is a quality framework for Volunteer Centres specifically addressing the delivery of six core functions of volunteering infrastructure at a local level:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brokerage 2. Marketing volunteering 3. Good practice development 4. Developing volunteering opportunities 5. Policy response and campaigning 6. Strategic development of volunteering |

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| | <p>For each of these, a Volunteer Centre is asked to demonstrate that it has processes in place to deliver that function and to monitor the outcome of its delivery.</p> <p>A measurable impact will be an increase of 20% in volunteering opportunities available in Wiltshire on the national volunteering site and an increase of 50% in number of people interviewed and signposted to volunteering opportunities.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is your improvement target (s), and when do you expect to achieve this/these? | <p>By the end of Year One we will have</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased volunteering opportunities both formal and informal for potential volunteers • Increased awareness of volunteering opportunities through promotion and marketing • Knowledge of Employer Supported Volunteering scheme by local employers • Successful Community Challenge Events |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will you ensure that the improvement continues after the end of the initiative? | <p>The intense amount of work involved in acquiring the quality accreditation will provide a solid foundation for future development and the continuous improvement of a comprehensive volunteering service. Gaining the accreditation enables eligibility for opportunities arising to apply for external funding from other sources that relate to different strands of volunteering.</p> <p>Other sources of funding to complement the work of the Volunteer Centre and further development work will be sought.</p> <p>The Wiltshire Infrastructure support tender funding is secured until 2013 to provide a basic brokerage volunteering service, funding is likely to continue on an ongoing basis after that date.</p> <p>The awareness of Employer Supported Volunteering will encourage other employers to get involved. Community Challenge Events will be well publicised and promoted and experience of running events will continue to support future initiatives.</p> <p>The two workers will have produced Information Fact Sheets, Guide Packs and Tool Kits to support volunteering in the future. This support information will be available both in hard copy and downloadable from the website maintained by GROW.</p> |
| <p>Who will benefit from this initiative?</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone! • Voluntary Organisations who rely on volunteers to deliver their service • Voluntary Organisations looking for Trustees to run effectively and professionally |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory organisations who use volunteers to enhance delivery of their service • Community Areas undertaking community challenges, local community projects and addressing local needs • Individuals who need help and support to access employment or return to work • Young people seeking experience to get into employment • Retired professional people wishing to 'give something back' to the community • Mums returning to work and wishing to gain confidence • Isolated and lonely people looking for social contact and a purpose in life • Employers and staff |
| <p>Confirm no unfunded commitments from this initiative</p> | <p>Please delete the statement that does not apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I confirm that there will be no unfunded financial commitments arising from this initiative. |
| <p>What are the key risks to success and how will these be managed?</p> | <p>The failure to meet the six quality standards for accreditation.</p> <p>It is unlikely this will occur if suitably experienced workers are appointed to oversee and undertake this project work and works as part of the 'GROW' team.</p> <p>Monitoring of individual work plans, supervisions and appraisals will ensure delivery of targets.</p> <p>Knowledge and experience of volunteering of both Chief Officers currently managing the team will enhance the development of the Volunteer Centre accreditation.</p> <p>Employers may find it difficult to participate in the Employers Supported Volunteering scheme due to the recession. We would work with employers to highlight the benefits to staff and the organisation and give them as much information and professional support as possible.</p> <p>Reporting to Trustees of 'GROW' on a regular basis.</p> |
| <p>Who will manage the initiative</p> | <p>'GROW' the new voluntary sector infrastructure service managed by DEVELOP/VAK Contact: Janice Fortune, Chief Executive Officer c/o DEVELOP, 3-4 New Road, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 1EJ Tel: 01249 65409 email: janice@developecs.org.uk</p> |

Signed: *Mollie Groom*

Dated: *10th March 2010*

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**WILTSHIRE VOLUNTEERS
A Bid for PRG Funding - Summary**

Bid Submitted by:

Janice Fortune, Chief Executive Officer, DEVELOP Enhancing Community Support, 3-4 New Road, Chippenham, Wilts SN15 1EJ

Amount requested: £55,694

Summary:

The new Wiltshire Infrastructure Support Service – ‘GROW’ *Enhancing Community Support* includes a countywide Volunteer Service for Wiltshire for the first time. This application, if approved, would both build on the basic service and develop an accredited volunteer centre for Wiltshire. At present the nearest accredited centre is in Swindon. The proposed service would offer the six core functions of a Volunteer Centre as prescribed by Volunteering England. The benefits to all community areas in Wiltshire will include better access to volunteering opportunities and support to individuals, Employer Volunteering scheme, specialised support, information and good practice services, access to draw down further funding via Volunteering England to support volunteering, and access to support and information as part of a national framework.

What the bid will fund:

- One part time Development Worker post to focus on achieving the six core functions of an accredited Volunteer Centre for Wiltshire, at the same time supporting the team to increase opportunities for volunteering and supporting organisations to attract volunteers.
- One half-time Development Worker post to develop an Employer Supported Volunteering scheme working with local employers to actively encourage and support staff to volunteer in their community. Promote opportunities and arrange local Community Challenge Events.
- Laptop computer with remote access; mobile phone; display boards; promotional materials; signage; accreditation fees

Outcomes to be delivered:

- Increased volunteering opportunities both formal and informal for potential volunteers
- Increased awareness of volunteering opportunities through promotion and marketing
- Knowledge of Employer Supported Volunteering scheme by local employers
- Successful Community Challenge Events

Beneficiaries:

- Voluntary Organisations who rely on volunteers to deliver their service
- Voluntary Organisations looking for Trustees
- Statutory organisations who use volunteers to enhance delivery of their service
- Community Areas undertaking community challenge and community projects
- Individuals who need help and support to access employment or return to work
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- Retired professional people wishing to ‘give something back’ to the community
- Mums returning to work and wishing to gain confidence
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- Employers and staff

THE BOARD IS INVITED TO LEND ITS SUPPORT TO THIS BID AND RECOMMEND THAT THE PRG PANEL APPROVES THE WILTSHIRE VOLUNTEERS PROJECT

Additional Information for PRG for Volunteer Centre Wiltshire

Background

The council's Commission for the new VCS Infrastructure Support service includes the 5 Core Functions for an infrastructure support agency, with the addition of training, some additional support for BME groups and critically a volunteering service. Clearly, whilst it is an aspiration of Wiltshire Council to have a fully fledged Volunteer Centre there is insufficient funding to achieve this within the existing resources. This is recognised and acknowledged by the funder and to enable GROW to work towards this it was always understood additional funding would need to be acquired.

Within the GROW team, there are two very part time workers and two volunteers concentrating on providing a basic brokerage service and support for groups to attract volunteers and develop opportunities and advertise. There is no other spare capacity within the team as the commission has other targets to meet.

One way of opening up increased funding opportunities is to enable GROW to gain national accreditation as a Volunteer Centre. To do this there are 6 Core Functions that will need to be evidenced and developed:

1. Brokerage
2. Marketing volunteering
3. Good practice development
4. Developing volunteering opportunities
5. Policy response and campaigning
6. Strategic development of volunteering

Answers to Questions

1. How will the posts and the project be sustained beyond the end of the funding?

To enable GROW to gain the national accreditation there needs to be a dedicated one-off piece of work to build the required evidence and knowledge.. Once this is achieved the day to day work will be maintained by the current (core funded) staff. Becoming an accredited Volunteer Centre will open up opportunities to apply for funding specifically ring fenced for Volunteer Centres. GROW will be working closely in partnership with the Charities Information Bureau to identify funds to support sustainability and continually looking for funding to support volunteering opportunities in the future to build on the accreditation.

2. Are there any baseline figures for the improvement targets given?

DEVELOP only holds limited data around base line figures for North Wiltshire. As there has never been a Wiltshire Volunteer Centre in operation, only district based support through the previous CVSs, it is not possible to provide base line figures.

We have contacted the Economic and Social Research Council-OTS Third Sector Research Centre, who have carried out work on reviewing volunteering statistics but

there is little that is reliable at a local authority level. National surveys like the Citizenship Survey only have a few hundred responses for regions, and therefore any statistics at a County level would not be stable. There is the Places Survey of local authorities, but because of the survey method (postal, not addressed to a specific individual in a household) responses cannot be standardised against other population data so it is not known whether variations between authorities reflect the social mix of the people who live there or not. Also, because of the question used (it asks about "unpaid work" as opposed to "unpaid help") it probably underestimates levels of volunteering.

Building a Volunteer Centre for Wiltshire would give us the hands on ability to start building a picture of the value of the volunteering in Wiltshire.

3. Re. premises costs - Is there an option to utilise existing premises (i.e. perhaps Wiltshire Council)?

The budgets are worked out on a full cost recovery basis and a contribution towards premises is always included in all bids. We will be utilising existing premises and using our outreach offices in Pewsey and Salisbury. DEVELOP would wish to ensure that the local independence of the sector is seen to be maintained and that services are delivered from neutral venues. Furthermore we would not anticipate that use of council premises would be available completely free of charge.

4. What is the Management fee of £7,265 for?

It is proposed to employ two workers dedicated to undertaking and delivering this piece of work. This will require line management, supervision and direction on a one to one basis, managing the budget and reporting to funders ensuring targets are met and employment law is adhered to. Again budgets are worked out on a full cost recovery basis which is recommended and accepted as best practice and forms part of the Wiltshire Council's new Funding Framework for the voluntary and community sector.

Additional Information

Volunteering matters because:

1. Essential to the economy (worth £40 billion)
2. Essential to individuals providing mental and physical wellbeing
3. Essential to public services both internally and working alongside
4. Essential to social wellbeing – building social capital
5. Essential for the future and democratic wellbeing – volunteers are more likely to vote and be involved in their community

Volunteering adds value but it is not free and in the current economic crisis volunteers have an important role to play. A Volunteer Centre provides support for organisations and development of volunteering opportunities that enable people to try new things and make a difference to people's lives. Research show that for every £1 invested in volunteering there is a £7-£10 return. 22 million people volunteer equating to £40 billion.