

MINUTES

Meeting: BRADFORD ON AVON AREA BOARD

Place: St Margarets Hall, St Margarets Street, Bradford on Avon BA15 1DE

Date: 16 September 2015

Start Time: 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 9.00 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Rosemary Brown, Cllr Trevor Carbin, Cllr Magnus Macdonald and Cllr Ian Thorn

Wiltshire Council Officers

Peter Dunford – Community Engagement Manager Kevin Fielding – Democratic Services Officer Emma Coombs - Community Youth Officer

Town and Parish Councillors

Bradford on Avon Town Council - Pam Hyde Holt Parish Council - Andrew Pearce

Westwood Parish Council – Julie Adcock, Dave Adcock and Alan Wheals

Partners

Office of the Wiltshire Police & Crime Commissioner – Naji Darwish Local Youth Network – Alysha Green & Nathan Walker

Total in attendance: 24

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Welcome
	The Chairman welcomed everybody to St Margarets Hall.
	The Chairman introduced the Area Board members and the Wiltshire Council officers present.
2	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from Matthew Midlane – Monkton Farleigh Parish Council.
3	<u>Minutes</u>
	The minutes of the Bradford on Avon Area Board meeting held on 15 July 2015 were signed as the correct record with the following note:
	Agenda Item No.8 Westwood Issues
	John Bishop – Chairman of Westwood Parish Council & Alan Wheals – Westwood Parish Council.
	The minutes of the Local Youth Network Management Group held on 20 August 2015 were signed as the correct record.
4	Declarations of Interest
	There were none.
5	Chairman's Announcements and Updates
	The following Chairman's Announcements were noted:
	School Place Planning Strategy.
	Re-design and re-commissioning of Childrens' Centres.
	Art competition to increase awareness of autism.
	Transfer of Colonel Llewellen Palmer Educational Charity.
	The following Updates contained in the agenda pack were noted:

- Wiltshire Police written update.
- Healthwatch Wiltshire written update.
- Holt Parish Council.
 That the Holt Neighbourhood plan had now been accepted by Wiltshire Council.

The Chairman thanked everybody for their updates.

6 Local Youth Network

Emma Coombs and members of the LYN gave a brief update.

Points made included:

- That over 50 young people had enjoyed two days of Active Trowbridge sports activities.
- Thanks for Cllr John Potter for organising a twenty mile bike ride for the young people.
- That LYN members had been on a bowls taster session.
- Various youth projects were now happening thanks to the Area Board's youth funding.
- Good work on-going at the Holt youth club.

The Chairman thanked Emma Coombs and the members of the LYN for their update.

7 Police and Crime Commissioner- Annual Report

Naji Darwish – Office of the Wiltshire Police & Crime Commissioner gave a presentation that outlined the Annual Report on the outcomes of the previous Police and Crime Plan and to present the new Plan for 2015 - 17.

Points made included.

Achievements: 2014/15

- 2.7% reduction in crimes (885 fewer than last year).
- 4.2% reduction in anti-social behaviour incidents.
- Wiltshire Police rated Good by HMIC in PEEL.
- 95% of people feel safe during the day.

Aim

 Keep Wiltshire and Swindon as one of the safest places in the country.

Three commitments to the public

- Neighbourhood teams are at the centre of policing in Wiltshire.
- Neighbourhood policing will be protected by shifting resources to the front line.
- Any increase in police element of council tax will be used to reduce the impact of central funding reductions on neighbourhood policing.

Four Priorities

Priority 1: Prevent Crime and anti-social behavior.

Priority 2: Protecting the most vulnerable in society.

Priority 3: Putting victims and witnesses at the heart of everything we do.

Priority 4: Secure high quality, efficient and trusted services.

The Chairman thanked Naji Darwish for his presentation.

8 Child Sexual Exploitation

Blair Keltie - Child Sexual Exploitation Manager Early Help, Wiltshire Council gave a presentation on the reality of Child Sexual Exploitation and discussion on how it should be tackled in Wiltshire.

Points made included:

What are we doing about CSE in Wiltshire?

- A multi-agency strategy and action plan is in place led by the WSCB (Prevent, Protect, Pursue).
- The WSCB CSE sub-group includes the nominated leads from each Agency.
- Dedicated Multi Agency CSE Team located in MASH.
- The Council and Police employ missing co-ordinators to oversee data and return interviews inc 'Missing People'.
- CSE handbook and tool-kit for practitioners.
- A multi-agency risk management group, WRMG.

- Single agency and multi-agency training in place.
- Ongoing operational development (Oxford and Rochdale visits).

What more do we need to do?

- Increase awareness (general public, parents/carers, hoteliers, taxi drivers, park wardens, shopping centre staff, GPs, Area Boards, Town and Parish Council, fast food outlets, supermarkets).
- Continue to engage all schools.
- Use all available powers, eg abduction notices.
- Commission a multi-agency peer review related to CSE.
- Acknowledge that this is everyone's business

The Chairman thanked Blair Keltie for his presentation.

9 Julia's House - building a children's hospice for Wiltshire

Liz Froud – Julia's House gave a short presentation to raise awareness of the charity and how it could be supported in its bid to open a Hospice in Wiltshire.

The Chairman thanked Liz Froud for her presentation and wished the Hospice project well.

10 Community Area Grants

The Wiltshire Councillors were asked to consider one application seeking 2015/16 Community Area Grant funding and one Councillor led funding application.

Decision

Bradford on Avon Museum - Restoration of Iron Duke Rubber Calendaring Machine awarded £3,400 with the conditions that the full amount of funding would be returned to the Area Board if the project was not fulfilled, and that £500 would be put towards community benefit costs related to the project.

Reason

The application meets grant criteria 2015/16.

Decision

Councillor Led application by Councillor Macdonald: tourism development and branding - £5,000

Reason

	The application meets grant criteria 2015/16.
11	Community Area Transport Group (CATG)
	It was agreed to defer the signing off of the 7 September 2015 CAT-G meeting notes until the Area Board members had been given the opportunity to study them in detail.
12	<u>Urgent items</u>
	There was none.
13	Future Meeting Dates
	The next meeting of the Area Board is to be held on Wednesday 11 November 2015 at St Laurence School.