

AGENDA

Meeting: CALNE AREA BOARD

Place: Calne Town Hall, Bank House, The Strand, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 0EN

Date: Tuesday 26 October 2010

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Calne South and Cherhill, Calne Rural, Calne North, Calne Central and Calne Chilvester and Abberd.

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 6.30 pm.

Please direct any enquiries on this agenda to Alexa Smith (Democratic Services Officer) on 01249 706612 or: alexa.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk

or Jane Vaughan (Calne Community Area Manager), on 01249 706447 or jane.vaughan@wiltshire.gov.uk

All the papers connected with this meeting are available on the Council's website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Press enquiries to Communications on 01225 713114/713115.

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Alan Hill, Calne South and Cherhill (Chairman)
Cllr Christine Crisp, Calne Rural (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Chuck Berry, Calne North

Cllr Howard Marshall, Calne Central Cllr Anthony Trotman, Calne Chilvester and Abberd

	Items to be considered	Time
1.	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions	7.00 pm
	The Chairman will welcome Councillor Jane Scott, Leader of Wiltshire Council.	
2.	Apologies for Absence	
3.	Minutes	
	To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 24 August 2010.	
4.	Declarations of Interest	
	Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
5.	Chairman's Announcements	7.05 pm
	The Chairman will provide information about the gypsy and travel site consultation, community flooding, the Wiltshire Intelligence Network, mobile phone safety, consultation on Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011-2026 and adverse winter weather.	
6.	Partner Updates	7.15 pm
	To receive an update from the partners listed below: a) Wiltshire Police b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service c) NHS Wiltshire d) Calne Community Area Partnership – including progress on the community hub and the Abberd Brook project e) Calne CAYPIG (Community Area Young People's Issues Group) f) Town and Parish Councils.	
7.	Transfer of Assets Regarding the Castlefields Canal and River Park	7.30 pm
	The Area Board will be asked to consider an application for the transfer of Castlefields Canal and River Park to Calne Town Council in accordance with Wiltshire Council's Community Asset Transfer Policy.	
8.	Leisure Facilities Review	7.45 pm
	To consult on the review of leisure services in Wiltshire.	
	Feedback on Community Area Grants Received	8.05 pm

The Friends of Abberd Brook will feedback on the grant awarded towards a clean up day on the Abberd Brook.

10. Community Area Grants

To consider four applications made to the Community Area Grants Scheme, as follows:

- a) The Mill Race Activity Club, seeking £806 towards the provision of a creative music project for young people with learning/physical/mental health difficulties and the wider community.
- b) Cherhill Parish Council, seeking £5,000 towards new equipment for the Tommy Croker Memorial Playing Field.
- c) Calne Community Area Partnership, seeking £298 towards an event to be held in Calne on October 30.
- d) Calne Area Transport, seeking £2,100 towards a community led study and production of a Safer Cycling routes plan/map for Calne, conditional upon all other funding being in place.

11. Your Local Issues

8.30 pm

Councillors will provide an update on community issues and progress on Area Board working groups. This will include:

- a) Skate board park working group
- b) Cycle network working group
- c) Highways working group.

12. Highways Winter Maintenance

8.40 pm

To prioritise the allocation of new grit bins.

13. Car Parking Strategy Consultation Feedback

8.45 pm

To provide Calne Area Board with feedback on the consultation undertaken.

14. Cabinet Representative

8.55 pm

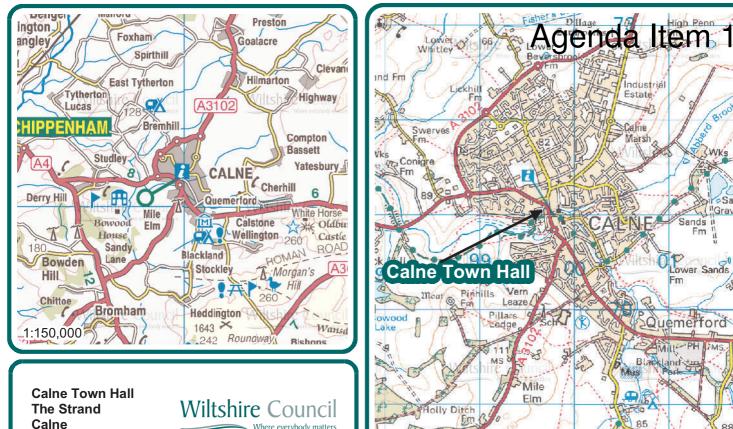
There will be the opportunity to ask Councillor Jane Scott questions regarding her role as Leader of Wiltshire Council.

15. Any Questions and Close

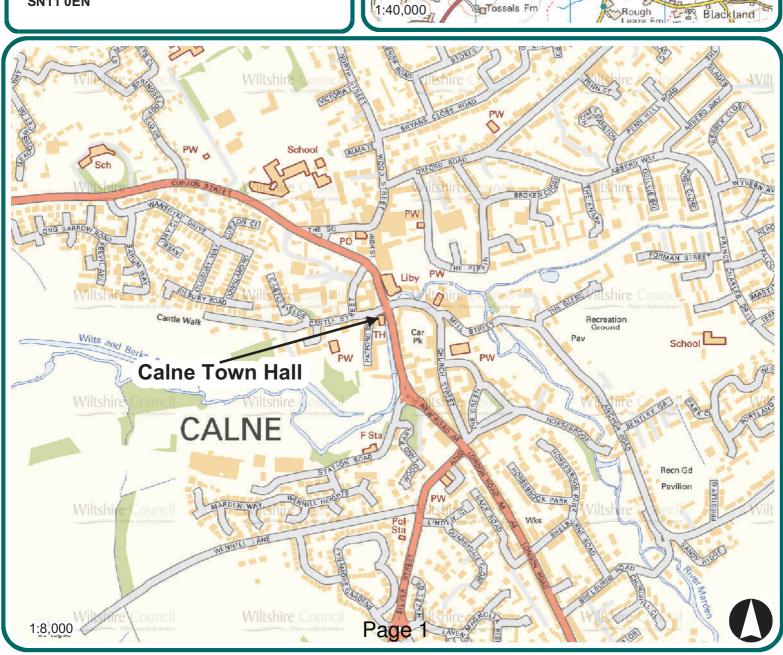
9.00 pm

The Chairman will address any questions and comments from the floor and then set out arrangements for the next meeting.





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MINUTES

Meeting: CALNE AREA BOARD

Place: Lansdowne Hall, Petty Lane, Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9QY

Date: 24 August 2010

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

Please direct any enquiries on these minutes to:

Alexa Smith (Democratic Services Officer), on 01249 706612 or alexa.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Chuck Berry, Cllr Alan Hill (Chairman), Cllr Howard Marshall and Cllr Anthony Trotman

Councillor Dick Tonge (Highways and Transport)

Wiltshire Council Officers

Martin Cook (Area Highway Engineer), Deborah Farrow (Service Director Business Transformation and ICT), Will Kay (Youth Development Co-Ordinator), Alexa Smith (Democratic Services Officer) and Jane Vaughan (Community Area Manager).

Town and Parish Councillors

Calne Town Council – C M R Boase
Calne Without Parish Council – Richard Aylen and Edwin Jones*
Cherhill Parish Council – Shauna Bodman* and David Evans
Heddington Parish Council – Geoff Dickerson* and David Tyler
Hilmarton Parish Council – Mel Wilkins

^{*} Denotes nominated representative

Partners

Wiltshire Fire and Rescue - M Franklin

Calne Community Area Partnership – Francis Bosworth, Malcolm Gull and Anne Henshaw CCSF – Ross Henning

James Gray Member of Parliament

Members of Public in Attendance: 12

Total in attendance: 36

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision	Action By
1.	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions	
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to Calne Area Board and introduced the Councillors and Officers present. Richard Aylen (Calne Without Parish Council) welcomed Calne Area Board to Lansdowne Hall in Derry Hill.	
2.	Apologies for Absence	
	Apologies were received from Councillor Christine Crisp (Vice Chairman, Calne Rural) and Inspector Kate Pain (Wiltshire Police).	
3.	<u>Minutes</u>	
	The Chairman approved and signed as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2010.	
4.	Declarations of Interest	
	There were no declarations of interest.	
5.	Chairman's Announcements	
	The Chairman drew attention to the written announcements included in the agenda pack. The Chairman highlighted that the Area Board had been asked to identify schemes they wish to progress under the Local Transport Plan Funding Allocation Scheme using the discretionary highway budget.	
	Decision To set up a working group led by Councillor Crisp to identify schemes in the Calne Community Area for the Local Transport Plan Funding Allocation Scheme.	
	Wiltshire Council's car parking strategy was under review to reflect the move to a unitary Council and to ensure that parking charges and standards were broadly consistent across the whole county. Consultation was open from 12 July to 3 September 2010 and the preferred method of communitation was for comments to be submitted online at: http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal . Paper copies of the consultation were also available from libraries and the community hub in Calne.	
	Calne Area Board had been asked to call for 'Grot Spots', local areas which need clearing or community facilities which need decorating, litter picking or graffiti removal. These could be referred	

to the Community Payback Scheme through the leaflets available at the meeting or via submitting an issues sheet marked 'Grot Spots'. Issues sheets were available online at: http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areaboards/calneareaboard.htm, from Calne Library and the community hub.

Consultation on potential sites for sand and gravel extraction had commenced on 5 August 2010 to run for a period of eight weeks. The Chairman explained that the only site in the Community Area referred to was the existing site at Lower Comption. He had been assured there were no plans for major changes to be made at this site.

6. Partner Updates

- a) The written report from Wiltshire Police was noted.
- b) The written report from Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service was noted.
- c) The written report from NHS Wiltshire was noted. A representative would be invited to the Area Board meeting on Tuesday 7 December 2010 to explain the full range of services in the Community Area.
- d) Malcolm Gull provided an update on the Calne Community Area Partnership. Arrangements for the lease of the community hub were being finalised. The hub was closed for refurbishment and would be open by 27 August 2010. 13,000 copies of the community plan were about to be delivered to households in the Community Area. The Partnership were involved in an energy efficiency campaign to promote practical measures and behavioural changes to make energy savings. The Partnership had been important to bringing Moviola to Calne at Beversbrook Community Hall in an extension of the provision of up-to-date films for the Community Area. Friends of Abberd Brook had decided that the best way forward would be to commission specialist assistance as and when it was needed. Links between Abberd Brook and the community via schools were being developed and the next step would be to start work on the pond.
- e) Will Kay, Youth Development Co-Ordinator, explained there was little to report because the schools were on holiday, although the summer programme of events was underway.

f) Cherhill Parish Council thanked Wiltshire Council for the signs being put up regarding parking at the school. Their energy forum was working with a Government consultant with success.

A question was asked regarding highways work on the A4 and how far notification to households affected extended. The consultant Mouchel notified only those households immediately affected who would have to move their cars for the road to be resurfaced. Wiltshire Council's policy was to put up signs well in advance rather than letter box drop. The work was due to commence on 6 September 2010.

7. <u>Performance Reward Grant Scheme</u>

The Chairman set out that unfortunately the application for Calne to become an alternative sports hub had been turned down, however there was the potential to modify the application and reapply.

Councillors had been asked to approve a Wiltshire Voices initiative aiming to involve more of the hard to reach groups in the Area Board process. This was a county wide bid that would go to all 18 Area Boards. A project was already in progress in Calne to improve the accessibility of Area Board meetings for all.

An expression of interest had been received by all 18 Area Boards from the Wiltshire Climate Change Officer seeking £12,566 towards energy monitors available for free hire in all libraries across Wiltshire. The energy monitor allows the user to see clearly how much energy their appliances use and how their behaviour impacts on their energy use. The householder/user can then make simple changes to their behaviour to reduce their energy consumption. Reducing energy will save money off their energy bills and reduce their carbon footprint.

Decision

Calne Area Board would endorse the Performance Reward Grant Scheme bid from the Wiltshire Climate Change Officer seeking £12,566 from all 18 Area Boards towards energy monitors available for free hire in all libraries across Wiltshire.

8. Feedback on Community Area Grants Received

Will Kay, Youth Development Co-Ordinator, provided an update on the kite project after a grant was received by Calne Community Area Young People's Issues Group. The kite project was one part of the beginnings of an alternative sports hub, with parkour,

	climbing and mountain biking taking place. Funding had been spent on a range of top end kites. The project was being staffed by Youth Services and managed by a core group of young people. There was a display available to look at before the meeting.	
9.	Community Area Grants	
	Consideration was given to three applications made to the Community Area Grants Scheme.	
	Decision Calne Community Area Partnership were awarded £2,328 towards the design, print and distribution of a community focussed publication of a revised community area plan for each household in the Community Area.	
	<u>Decision</u> Calne Tennis Club were awarded £983 towards providing indoor mini tennis coaching for junior beginners and junior improvers.	
	<u>Decision</u> Calne First Responders were awarded £2,450 towards the provision of equipment for volunteers to extend the reach of the project to a wider part of the Calne Community Area.	
	The following comment regarding the Calne First Responders was read by the Chairman after it had been received via the Community Area Network from a local person who was unable to attend the meeting: "Having recently had the misfortune to call upon their services, I think that every assistance we can give them to expand their services would be money well spent. It is not until you require the assistance of the First Responders do you realise what a first class voluntary job they do and one should never think that you will never need them. I did and I was amazed by their professionalism."	
	The Chairman reminded the meeting that the deadline for the next round of funding applications was 20 September 2010. Please contact Jane Vaughan (Calne Community Area Manager), on 01247 721447 or jane.vaughan@wiltshire.gov.uk , if you would like to submit an application to the Community Area Grants Scheme.	
10.	Your Local Issues	
	Councillors provided an update on community issues and progress on Calne Area Board working groups.	
	a) Councillor Marshall had been involved in several meetings	

regarding the skate board park working group. The group had visited skate parks in Salisbury and Trowbridge and had been particularly impressed with the Trowbridge site. A local company were looking into the problem of paint on the current skate bowl.

- b) Councillor Berry and the cycle network working group had been working on establishing key routes for cyclists on maps and good places for shared cycle paths with the general agreement of users. This was hoped for on the A3102 too.
- c) Councillor Hill expressed his hope that the Curzon Street congestion issue would be considered by the new Local Transport Plan working group. The best option appeared to be diverting traffic away from the area using signage and a review of signage was taking place. Councillor Tonge explained that £15,000 was available to the Area Board for small highways projects. He emphasised that the highways budget was limited and had recently been reduced. The department had a list of 600 projects in Wiltshire to be completed and funding available for approximately 60 of these projects. The Local Transport Plan scheme would work to prioritise highways projects in the Community Area.
- d) Highways Officers responded to the community discussion held at the Calne Area Board meeting on 27 April 2010 regarding the A3102 at Hilmarton and the A4 at Derry Hill. Martin Cook, Area Highways Engineer, stated that using the highways prioritising system, Studley Crossroads was deemed to be a low priority. There had been no major incident since changes were made to the crossroads approximately four years ago. The Chairman had received the following comment via the Community Area Network from a local person who was unable to attend the meeting: "I believe the road has become safer since the road changes were made as part of the Bowood housing development, the islands have certainly made the road much safer to cross and the turnings into Derry Hill and Studley have been significantly improved. My main issue is with the speed of the vehicles, and would like to see a reduction in the speed to say 40mph 100 yards or so before and after the new pedestrian crossing islands. This not only benefits pedestrians (who are often forgotten about when discussing road safety at such cross roads), but also a lower speed limit would help to reduce accidents."

In Hilmarton there was scope for a traffic island outside the

Duke Hotel. Unfortunately this would have to compete on the list of 600 projects in Wiltshire to do. The need for traffic lights on the A3102 was also commented on.

Councillor Dick Tonge, Cabinet Member with responsibility for Highways and Transport matters, was present and responded to the petition presented to the Area Board in April regarding the traffic congestion in Curzon Street, Calne. He stated that £1.2million had been taken away from this year's highways budget by central Government and that the budget for the next few years would be reduced as well. Consequently, some projects that had already been agreed would not go ahead and there were no funds available to take on new projects anywhere in the county. However, he suggested that the highways department would need to know when funding did start to increase what the priorities across the county were in terms of highways projects. Councillor Tonge suggested that Calne Area Board should ask our Highways Working Group to investigate the highways related issues in our area and prioritise them so that the department would be able to assess the relative importance of each problem to the local people. This the Board resolved to do

11. Cabinet Representative

The Cabinet Representative Councillor Lionel Grundy OBE was unable to attend the meeting and the item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.

12. Any Questions

A question was raised asking how many speed limits were changed by Wiltshire Council after the speed limit review. Councillor Tonge clarified that the speed limit review was mandatory and a requirement from the Government.

<u>Decision</u>

Councillor Tonge would provide an answer on how many speed limits were changed by Wiltshire Council after the speed limit review.

James Gray MP was asked if he would feed back the highways issues raised at the meeting and pertinent to many rural communities to Government. He commented that Communities Secretary Eric Pickles had made clear that as rural communities were very different, highways decisions such as the ones discussed at the meeting were best made by listening to local people through forums such as the Area Board.

13.	Close	
	The next Area Board meeting would be held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 26 October at Calne Town Hall, with refreshments available from 6.30 pm. Councillor Stuart Wheeler, Cabinet Representative for Leisure, Sport and Culture would attend this meeting to discuss the leisure review that was taking place, with consultation open until 31 October. If you would like to feed into the review, information was available in leisure centres, libraries, Council offices and online from the Wiltshire Council website: http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandculture/leisureandsportscentres/leisure.htm .	

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Calne Area Board 24 October 2010

Item No. 05

Chairman's Announcements

Gypsy and Traveller Site Consultation

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

Reminder to Parish Councils regarding Community Flooding Consultation

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

Derby Court White Horse Business Park Trowbridge BA14 OXG.

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

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

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

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

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

Wiltshire Intelligence Network



New Research Website Launched

A new website has been created to provide access to a wide variety of information and research for Wiltshire. The new site, www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk, is available to all and aims to support planners and policy makers, community leaders and politicians, voluntary groups and the general public in using accurate data to make informed decisions. A broad range of information is available, organised into the following topic themes:

- Consultation
- Local Area Profiles
- Population & Census
- Health & Wellbeing
- Education & Skills
- Economy
- Crime & Community Safety
- Community
- Plnning & Housing
- Transport & Communications
- Environment, Climate Change, Waste & Recycling
- Culture, Leisure & Tourism

The content of the site will continue to grow over the coming months and the research team is keen to hear any suggestions for content that people would like to see on the site. The site was developed by Wiltshire Council's corporate research team in the Department of Public Health and Wellbeing, in conjunction with the South West Observatory and working in partnership with NHS Wiltshire and Wiltshire Police. For more information, or to give your views and feedback, please contact Sally Hunter on 01225 713289, or email sally.hunter@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Mobile Phone Safety

Immobilise, the UK national property register, are running a scheme to help protect your mobile phone and other property in the future. Please visit their website, www.immobilise.com, to register your mobile phone for free. This will help Wiltshire Police to recover your property and to catch the thief. If you would like a poster to display or further information about this scheme, please see the Immobilise website.

Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026

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

The Wiltshire Local Transport Plan is made up of:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Adverse Winter Weather – Call for Partnership Working

Wiltshire Council is looking to expand its partnership working with the city, town and parish councils should problems be caused by adverse winter conditions.

Wiltshire Council is encouraging local Councils to record their interest in working with us to help provide services during adverse weather conditions. This could involve being a local agent for storing salt, or refilling salt bins, or mechanical salting of footpaths and roads.

This partnership working will help us jointly to provide a better and more extensive coverage at a time when resources will be fully stretched. The local councils are asked to register their interest via their Community Area Manager before 30 November 2010.

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WILTSHIRE COUNCIL
CALNE AREA BOARD
26TH OCTOBER 2010

AGENDA ITEM NO.07

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER Castlefields Park, Calne (Deed Packet No. CA68 & CA152)

Executive Summary

This report deals with an application for the transfer of Castlefields Park to Calne Town Council in accordance with Wiltshire Council's Community Asset Transfer Policy.

Proposal

The Area Board is asked to consider an application submitted by Calne Town Council for the transfer of Castlefields Park located between Station Road and Castle Street (see map attached at Appendix 1). The applicants' proposal is set out at Appendix 2.

Reasons For Proposal

This proposal supports and implements Wiltshire Council's Community Asset Transfer Policy.

Recommendation

The Area Board is recommended to authorise the Solicitor of the Council to execute all documentation needed to implement the transfer subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The existing use will be maintained for the benefit of the community.
- 2. A standard 'reverter' clause is included in the title, which will ensure that if the land stops being used as public open space, for the benefit of the community, Wiltshire Council will have the option to repurchase the land for the sum of £1.
- 3. The existing community 'vision' that has been developed by Castlefields Canal and River Park Association in conjunction with Wiltshire Council Officers will continue to inform the management of the land for its lifetime, and residents from across the wider Calne Community Area will continue to be encouraged to enjoy the amenity.
- 4. The Solicitor to the Council to review any completed section 106 Town and Country Planning Agreements in the vicinity of the Castlefields site, to determine whether any part of the contributions towards open space and amenity provision can be allocated to Calne Town Council

Jane Vaughan

Calne Community Area Manager

CALNE AREA BOARD 26TH OCTOBER 2010

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER

CASTLEFIELDS PARK, CALNE (Deed packet no. CA68 & CA152)

Purpose of Report

1. The Area Board is asked to consider an application submitted by Calne Town Council for the transfer of Castlefields Park located between Castle Hill and Station Road, Calne (see map attached at Appendix 1). The applicants' proposal is set out at Appendix 2.

Background

- 2. Wiltshire Council is supporting the principle of the transfer of community assets in order to empower and strengthen local communities. The Council believes that transferring appropriate public assets to communities leads to more responsive services that better meet local people's priorities.
- 3. Transfer of an asset can also provide the opportunity to lever more resources into a community and provide a more accessible and responsive base from which to deliver local services.
- 4. A community group or organisation can benefit from greater financial stability and build confidence through having ownership (or long term security through a lease) of a physical asset. This financial sustainability can help the organisation become less dependent on grants, provide security for further borrowing and opportunities for further growth.
- 5. Typically, organisations that would be considered appropriate are Voluntary and Community Groups/Associations, Town or Parish Councils, Trusts or Charities, or Social Enterprise Groups.

The application before the Area Board

- 6. The application from Calne Town Council is attached at Appendix 2 and relates to the transfer of Castlefields Park.
- 7. The application was submitted in accordance with the Council's application process and meets the requirements for consideration by the Area Board.
- 8. The Community Area Manager has consulted with Strategic Property Services, who have undertaken appropriate consultation with service departments across the Council. Local consultation has been undertaken by the applicant in accordance with the application checklist and the outcome of the consultation is included within the application.

The views of Council officers

- 9. On behalf of the Council, Strategic Property Services (who have overall responsibility for the Council's estates and property) fully support the Transfer of Castlefields Calne from Wiltshire Council to Calne Town Council on the terms and conditions stated in the report,
- 10. It should be observed that Public footpaths no.2 and 18 cross the site and also the Sustrans National Cycle Route no.4.
- 11. Transfer of the 'routine' maintenance to Calne Town Council does not present any particular problem but there are specific considerations for both Wiltshire Council and Calne Town Council to consider.
 - 1) The Canal and River Park Association (CARP) receives development and training support from Wiltshire Councils Countryside team of officers experienced and qualified in managing and improving access to natural habitats, improving biodiversity (including wildflower meadows and wildlife habitats and, as such is valuable in achieving national targets.-It is considered important that this relationship is maintained after transfer.
 - 2) The Castlefields Canal and River Park Association (CARP) has successfully worked and drawn down external funding over the past 20 years to develop and achieve the phased implementation of a vision for the site. It is considered important that Calne Town Council should sign up to this vision and develop its relationship with CARP in line with furthering and implementing the existing vision.
- 12. Castlefields is a valuable community amenity, which is enjoyed by a broad range of people from across the community. Younger and older people from within Calne town regularly use the space and, with the existence of the National cycle route and footpaths across the site, it is also utilised and enjoyed by people from the wider community area and beyond.
- 13. The popularity of the park can be evidenced in the mass support that the community group received in winning a local television 'phone in' to identify community projects to receive Big Lottery Funding.
- 14. It is important that links to the Community beyond the town boundaries are not lost and that its focus does not become overly town centric.
- 15. It is expected that Calne Town Council will apply to Wiltshire Council for part of any section 106 contributions that may be received for open space and amenity provision, following the implementation of the permitted development at Station Road Calne. The Solicitor to the Council will determine whether any allocation can be made.

Main issues for consideration by the Area Board

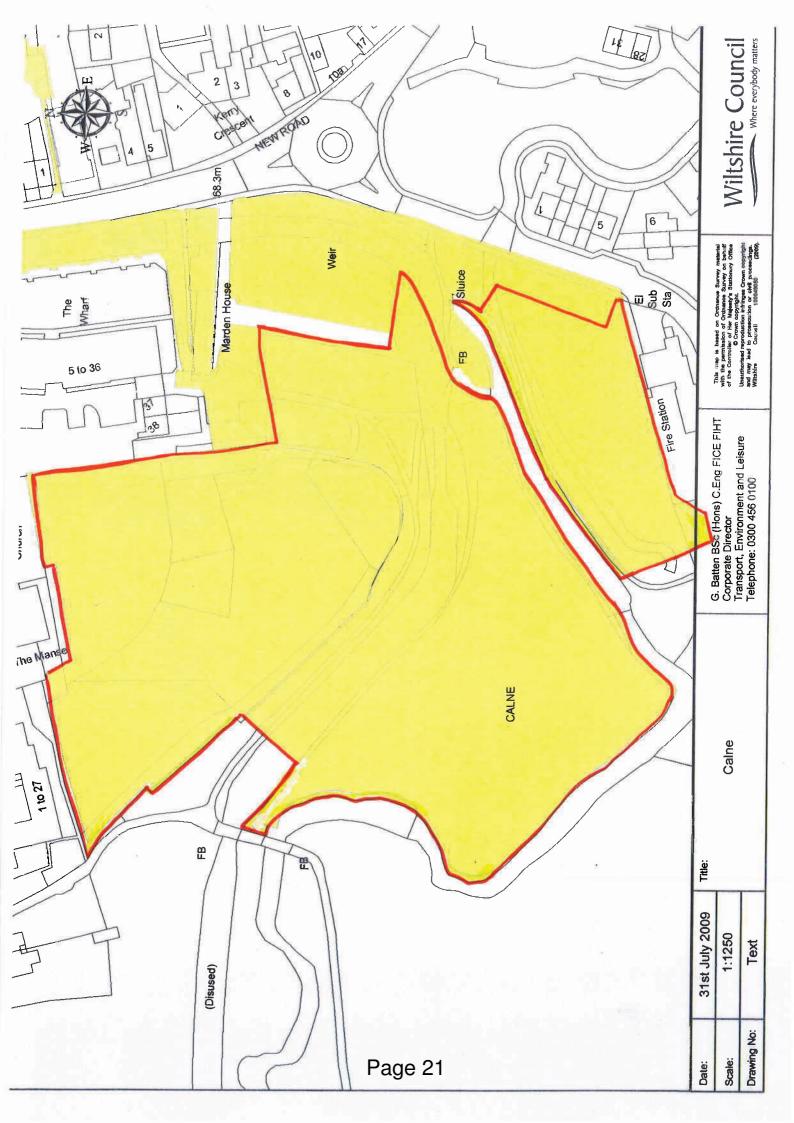
- 16. The Town Council has secured letters of support from a wide range of local community groups and organisations, including Castlefields Canal and River Park Association and has received local newspaper coverage.
- 17. It is a requirement under Wiltshire Council's Asset Transfer Policy that there must be a clear link between the asset transfer request and local community priorities.
- 18. This is a valuable amenity for local people. It is important that the existing community vision that has been developed by local people over many years is embraced under the new arrangement and that the park continues to be recognised as an amenity for the whole community area.
- 19. It is a requirement that a 'reverter' clause is included in asset transfer arrangements. This means that, if the site stops being used for Community Public Open Space purposes, Wiltshire Council will have the option to repurchase the land for the sum of £1.00.

Recommendation

- 20. Having carefully considered the application and the views of Council officers, the Area Board is invited to approve the transfer subject to the following conditions:
 - 1) The existing community 'vision' that has been developed by Castlefields Canal and River Park Association in conjunction with Wiltshire Council Officers will continue to inform the management of the land for its lifetime, and residents from across the wider Calne Community Area will continue to be encouraged to enjoy the amenity.
 - 2) The existing use will be maintained for the benefit of the community
 - 3) A standard 'reverter' clause is included in the title, which will ensure that if the land stops being used as public open space, for the benefit of the community, Wiltshire Council will have the option to repurchase the land for the sum of £1.
 - 4) The Solicitor to the Council to review any completed section 106 Town and Country Planning Agreements in the vicinity of the Castlefields site, to determine whether any part of the contributions towards open space and amenity provision can be allocated to Calne Town Council.

Jane Vaughan

Calne Community Area Manager



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Form CAT01 APPENDIX 2

Community asset transfer: application

Your details

Your Organisation Calne Town Council

Contact name Linda Roberts

Position held Town Clerk

Bank House

Address The Strand

Calne Wiltshire

Postcode SN11 0EN

Telephone 01249 814000

Email <u>lroberts@calne.gov.uk</u>

Your proposal

Details of asset

Please include exact location, address, postcode, size, boundaries, access points and a map if possible

Summary of proposal

Why do you want the asset and how will this benefit the local community?

(please complete Checklist CAT02 before filling in the following form)

Castlefields Park including the Skatepark Station Road Calne Wiltshire SN11 0EA

Castlefields Park is an essential green lung in the town centre of Calne, a valued asset to the local community, the skate park provides a free recreational activity for young people. Owning the asset would enable the town council to introduce resources to enhance the current routine maintenance arrangements and enable a quicker response to vandalism and littering problems which is an ongoing concern to the Castlefields Canal & River Park Association (CARP) the community group who maintain and continue to develop this country park . The town council already works very closely with CARP and have in the past grant funded the group with at least £50,000.00. The town council also works closely with the young skate park users and has aspirations to enhance and improve the site working alongside the young people.

Community use

Please explain how the asset will be used (Please refer to questions 5-8 in the checklist - CATO2) Both areas will retain **their current use** as open space where the whole community can have free and open access at all times.

Suitability for purpose

Please explain why this asset is suitable for the intended purpose (Please refer to questions 5-8 in the checklist - CATO2)

It is a long established open space and recreation area which the community of Calne has enjoyed for many years. The Town council are committed to preserving the great work that has been carried out to date and would wish to continue the links with Wiltshire Wildlife and the countryside officers from Wiltshire Council.

Community support and consultation

Please set out who you have consulted about your proposal and how you have addressed any concerns raised (Please refer to questions 9-14 in the checklist - CATO2)

Through a direct approach we have the support from CARP, local schools, Lord Lansdowne an adjoining land owner (who has written to Jane Scott with his support for the transfer), Quemerford Wood Trust, Calne Music & Arts Festival, Calne Civic Society, Calne Community Transport, Calne Artists Group, Calne Badminton Club, Calne & District Twinning Association, Calne Gardening Club, Calne Scouts, Calne Townswomens's Guild, mid wilts Ramblers group (Devizes), Calne Heritage Centre Trustees, Lions Club of Calne, Calne Chamber of Commerce, The John Bentley School, St Mary's School, Calne Fire Station, Marden House, The Wharf Sheltered housing.

Legal issues

Please set out how you will address any legal, planning, insurance and health and safety matters associated with the asset (Please refer to questions 15-18 in the checklist - CATO2)

The Town Council has public liability cover of £10 million, with a work force of 25, and income of 1.5 million the asset will be managed as the other properties and open space/recreational areas in the town owned by the town council. Bentley Wood is a fine example of a magnificent woodland area which is maintained by the town council in close liaison with the Quemerford Wood Trust.

Financial matters

How will you fund running costs and maintenance? Are you willing to pay for the asset? (Please refer to questions 19-23 in the checklist - CATO2) The town council have included within this year's budget enough funds for the employment of a new grounds person, so in return for the asset the town council will maintain it. This also gives the opportunity for the town council to employ a local person.

Future management

How will you manage the asset and ensure that it continues to contribute to the wellbeing of the local community in the future?

(Please refer to questions 24-27 in the checklist - CATO2)

As the town council currently does with all property and open space in its ownership by forward planning, careful management and budget planning and forming a stronger partnership with CARP and any professional officers from Wiltshire Council with an expertise in wildlife and countryside maintenance.

DECLARATION

I confirm that the details included in this application are correct

Signed: LA Roberts

Name (please print): Linda Roberts

Date: 19 July 2010 Page 24

Form CAT02

Community asset transfer: checklist

Community use

Question	Yes	No	Note
1. Is the asset to be provided for a public purpose?	X		Other than in exceptional circumstances, the Council will only dispose of assets for private or commercial use by way of open market sale
2. Will the asset be hired or used by third parties?		X	If 'yes' your application should set out how this will work
3. Will your organisation supervise use of the asset?	X		If 'no' your application should explain how use will be supervised
4. Will the public have access to the asset?	X		If 'yes' your application should set out how your liabilities will be covered

Is the asset fit for proposed use?

Question	Yes	No	Note
E la it his anaugh?	X		The Council will only transfer assets
5. Is it big enough?	Λ		that are fit for purpose
6. Is it in the right location?	X		The Council will not transfer assets that
6. IS IT III THE FIGHT IOCATION!	Λ		increase unnecessary car use
7. Is it safe?	v		The Council will not transfer assets that
7. IS It Saler	X		are unsafe
8. Does it have utilities?		X	If 'no'- your application should explain
(Water, electricity, drainage, etc)		Λ	if they are needed

Community
Support and
consultation

Que	estion	Yes	No	Note
9.	Have you consulted nearby residents?	X		If 'no'- please consult before submitting your application
10.	Have you consulted adjoining owners?	X		If 'no'- please consult before submitting your application
11.	Have you consulted others affected by the proposal?	X		If 'no'- please consult before submitting your application
12.	Have you consulted the local Wiltshire Councillor?	X		If 'no'- please consult before submitting your application
13.	Have you consulted the local Parish Council?	X		If 'no'- please consult before submitting your application
14.	Is there community support for the change of use?	X		If 'no' - consider carefully whether you wish to proceed with your application

Legal

Question	Yes	No	Note
15. Are there any covenants or other legal constraints?			If 'yes' your application should explain implications
16. Does the proposed use require planning consent?		X	If 'yes' your application should explain implications
17. Have you considered insurance cover?	X		If 'no' your application must explain implications
18. Have you assessed health and safety liabilities?	X		Your application must explain how you will deal with risks and liabilities

Finance

Question	Yes	No	Note
19. Can you meet all conversion costs?	X		If 'no' your application should explain how funding will be provided
20. Can you meet all capital maintenance costs?	X		If 'no' your application should explain how funding will be provided
21. Can you meet all day-to-day running costs?	X		If 'no' your application should explain how funding will be provided
22. Will you use the asset to generate income?		X	If 'yes' your application should provide further details
23. Will any third party be assisting with the costs?		~	If 'yes' your application should provide further details
24. Do you have any contingency funds?	X		If 'no' your application should set out how you will deal with contingencies
25. Are you prepared to pay for the asset ?		X	If 'yes' your application should set out your offer

Management

Question	Yes	No	Note
26. Will you manage the asset?	X		If 'no' your application should set out who will manage the asset.
27. Will a management committee be set up?	X		If 'yes' your application should set out how this will work
28. Will users of the asset be involved?	X		If 'yes' your application should set out how this will work
29. Will someone be employed to manage the asset?	X		If 'yes' your application should set out how this will work

Where everybody matters

Agenda Item No. 10

Report to	Calne Community Area Board	
Date of Meeting	26 th October 2010	
Title of Report	Community Area Grants	

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 4 applications seeking 2010/11 Community Area Grant Funding

1. The Mill Race Activity Club - requesting £806 towards the provision of a creative music project for people with learning/physical/mental health difficulties and the wider community.

Officers recommend that a grant of £806 is awarded to this project.

2. Cherhill Parish Council – requesting £5,000 towards new equipment for the Tommy Croker Memorial Playing Field.

Officers recommend a grant of £5,000 is awarded conditional upon confirmation that an award linked to the central government play builder scheme has been withdrawn and upon all other funding being in place.

3. Calne Community Area Partnership – requesting £298 towards an Energy Efficiency event to be held in Calne on October 30^{th.}

Officers recommend that a grant of £298 is awarded to this project.

4. Calne Area Transport – requesting £2,100 towards a community led study and production of a Safer Cycling routes plan/map for Calne, conditional upon all other funding being in place.

Officers recommend that a grant of £2,100 is awarded to this project, conditional upon the balance of funding being in place.

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. In addition to the applications being considered in this report one other application has been received. This did not meet the deadline for applications for this round of funding and will be considered at the next Area Board meeting on 7th December. Other groups that have approached the Community Area Manager with a view to putting in applications which do not meet funding criteria have been referred to The Charities Information Bureau (CIB) for advice on other streams of funding that would enable match funding. 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. Following awards made and councillor led initiatives implemented so far in the current year the Calne Area Board has a budget of £14,490 for the remainder of the 2010/2011 financial year for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. (see appendix 1 for further details)
- 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.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report

- Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11
- Calne Community Area Plan 2004-14 (and 2006 update)
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/music/parents/ why_musicmatters.shtml

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. The funding contained within this report forms the 4th of 6 rounds of funding during 2010/11. The remaining funding rounds will take place on;
 - 7th December 2010 (deadline for applications: 1st November 2010)
 - 8th February 2011 (deadline for applications: 3rd January 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 Calne Community Area Board
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, the Calne Community Area Board will have a balance of £6,286.

5. Legal Implications

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

6. HR Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

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

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1 078	The Mill Race Activity Club	The provision of a creative music project for people with learning/physical/mental health difficulties and the wider community.	£806

- 8.1.1. It is recommended that the Mill Race Activity Club is awarded a grant of £806 towards providing a creative music project for people with learning / physical / mental health difficulties and other people from the local area.
- 8.1.2. Officers are of the opinion that this application meets grant criteria for 2010/11.
- 8.1.3. Family Action Wiltshire supports the Mill Race Activity Club. Family Action has previously received funding from Wiltshire Council. However, officers are of the opinion that, this application represents a separate, specific project and does not contravene 'double dipping' criteria.
- 8.1.4. The club aims to provide a wide range of activities for vulnerable adults that encourage independence, provide opportunities to develop social and practical skills. It also provides support for carers and a break from caring responsibilities.
- 8.1.5. The club now wishes to run a creative music project which will involve members in developing new skills and will aim to involve the wider community to encourage opportunities for broader participation and interaction.
- 8.1.6. Recent research emphasises the benefits of music in 'developing higher levels of social cohesion and understanding ... and for developing social skills like empathy'. (Dr. Alexandra Lamont, Lecturer in the Psychology of Music at the University of Keele).
- 8.1.7. An award to this group will provide 26 professionally facilitated sessions for approximately 20 individuals over the course of a year.
- 8.1.8. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund this project it will be delayed while alternative funding is sought and may then run less frequently. This would have a detrimental effect upon the value of the project to the Activity Club members.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2	Cherhill Parish	Regeneration of the Tommy	£5,000
079	Council.	Croker Memorial Playing Field.	

- 8.2.1 It is recommended that Cherhill Parish Council is awarded a grant of £5,000 towards the regeneration of the Tommy Croker Memorial Playing Field (TCMPF), conditional upon confirmation that the previous award from the Wiltshire Playbuilder scheme has been withdrawn and upon all other funding being in place.
- 8.2.2 Officers are of the opinion that this application meets funding criteria.
- 8.2.3 The TCMPF is a charity that was started in 1964 when the Croker family donated the field to the village in memory of their son Tommy. It has been managed by a management group for many years but last year was brought under the wing of the Parish Council to try to ensure and secure its' future as an amenity for local people.
- 8.2.4 Maintenance and enhancement of the play area represents a direct link to the Cherhill and Yatesbury Parish Plan while 'activities and facilities for young people' and 'facilities in the villages' is an issue in the Calne Community Area Plan.
- 8.2.5 The project will provide a range of equipment suitable for a wide range of young people and children in the village.
- 8.2.6 Cherhill Parish Council has been successful in drawing down significant external funding and had hoped not to approach the Area Board for support in implementing this scheme.
- 8.2.7 Anticipated cuts linked to the comprehensive spending review due to be announced on 20th October 2010 may result in the withdrawal of an existing 'Wiltshire Playbuilders' award to this project. This would result in a shortfall in identified income for this project.
- 8.2.8 In order to accommodate the withdrawal of Playbuilder funding and in order to be able to use moneys awarded from other sources (in the region of £36,000) within the current financial year, the Parish Council has revised and slightly reduced its proposed scheme and is asking the Area Board to match fund its own contributions.
- 8.2.9 Failure to receive an award from the Area Board will result in it being further revised and implemented at a reduced level.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested	
8.3 080	Calne Community Area Partnership	Energy efficiency awareness event.	£298.40	

- 8.3.1 It is recommended that the Calne Community Area Partnership is awarded a grant of £299 towards an energy efficiency awareness event.
- 8.3.2 Officers are of the opinion that this application meets Community Area Grant funding criteria.
- 8.3.3 The project links directly to the Community Area Plan (2006 update) by attempting to increase the number of homes which reach energy efficiency standards and encourage more environmentally sustainable practices.
- 8.3.4 The event is being designed to ensure that the local community has free access to advice, funding information and support to save energy and money.
- 8.3.5 The Community Area Partnership is working closely with Wiltshire Council Climate Change Officers to deliver this event.
- 8.3.6 Older people and families of young children are at greater risk of fuel poverty as they often struggle with fuel bills in the colder weather. The Partnership has gained the support of Age UK and Sure Start among the partner agencies that will support the event.
- 8.3.7 It is hoped that the event might also help to identify more local people who would be interested in joining CCAP's Environmental Theme Group.
- 8.3.8 This event is not covered by the Community Area Partnership Agreement funding having arisen since the business plan for the current period was agre ed and signed off.
- 8.3.9 Failure to fund this project will result in alternative funding being sought and may result in the event being postponed or cancelled.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.4	Calne Area Transport	Safer Cycling Routes Community Survey and production of a	£2,100
082	Παποροπ	comprehensive plan and map.	

- 8.4.1 It is recommended that Calne Area Transport is awarded a grant of £2,100 towards a Community Survey and the production of a plan and map of \Safer Cycle Routes in Calne, conditional upon all other funding being in place.
- 8.4.2 Officers are of the opinion that this application meets Community Area Grant funding criteria.
- 8.4.3 The project links directly to issues and aspirations identified by the Calne Area Board working group looking at Safer Cycling Routes in the Calne Area and to issues raised by the Community through the Area Board issues process, the Calne Community Area Plan and Parish Plans.
- 8.4.4 Calne Area Board gave formal support to this project following a presentation by the Chair of the group at the Area Board meeting held at Hilmarton Community Hall on 27th April 2010.
- 8.4.5 The project will be undertaken by a team of community volunteers and will provide valuable, accurate information that will inform the Community Area Partnership, Calne Area Transport and the Area Board working group in their attempts to move toward the implementation of a co-ordinated, meaningful safer cycle network.
- 8.4.6 Although this project is concerned primarily with Calne town in the short term, there is an aspiration that it will progress to include the whole Community Area in future phases.
- 8.4.7 This project is concerned with the development of a cycle network, however it should be noted that it will also take into account the requirements of pedestrians and users of pushchairs and mobility scooters.
- 8.4.8 An award made to this project will provide equipment and software that, following the completion of the work outlined in this application, will be used to capture data and information relating to future phases of the project in the wider Community Area.
- 8.4.9 It is hoped that, in order to gain greater community awareness and inclusion in the project it will be co-ordinated and run from the Community Hub.
- 8.4.10 Calne Area Transport has already secured a significant sum of external funding towards this project. These funds must be used by the end of the financial year.
- 8.4.11 Failure to fund this project would result in its delay while further alternative funding

streams are sought. This delay may present a risk to funds already secured.

Appendices: Appendix 1 Calne Community Area Grants Summary 2 Appendix 2 Grant application – Mill Race Activity Cent Appendix 3 Grant application – Cherhill Parish Counci Appendix 4 Grant application – Calne Community Area Partnership. Appendix 5 Grant Application – Calne Area Transport.	re I
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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APPENDIX 1: Calne Area Board 2010/2011 - Community Grants to October 26th 2010

Budget Type	Carry Forward 2009/10	Budget for 20010/11	Total Budget 2010/11
Community Area Grants	£232	£42,852	£43,084

Name of Applicant	Project	Approval Date	Amount Committed	Running Balance
Calne Community Day Centre	Calne Community Day Centre Equipment to stimulate physical activity and social interaction and sport for people aged over 60 through developing opportunities to play new age curling		£685	£42,399
Calne Community Church	Children's Village Project' as part of Calne Summer Festival	27-Apr-10	£995	£41,404
Summer Fun in Calne Play Scheme	4 week programme of inclusive activities for young people and children during the summer holidays	27-Apr-10	£1,070	£40,334
Calne Partnership of Churches	Weekly drop in activity sessions for young people delivered from 'Open Blue Bus' in town centre	27-Apr-10	£2,000	£38,334
Area Board Initiative (refer to Area Boards Minutes 16.2.10)	Make a Stand for Cycling project	16-Feb-10	£8,181	£30,153
K. Scott	Calne Bike Event sundries (reimbursement)		£8	£30,145
Calne Community Table Tennis Club (Calne TC)	Equipment and training to pump prime a new table tennis club aimed at young people on low income	29-Jun-10	£1,425	£28,720
K. Scott	Calne Bike Event sundries (reimbursement)	16-Feb-10	£4	£28,716
Calne Area Partnership	Provisional partnership funding to be approved	27-Apr-10	£8,465	£20,251
Calne Community Area Partnership Design, print and distribution of community publication of revised community area plan		24-Aug-10	£2,328	£17,923
Calne Tennis Club	Indoor mini tennis coaching for junior beginners and junior improvers		£983	£16,940
Calne First Responders	Equipment for volunteers to extend the reach of the project to a wider part of the community area	24-Aug-10	£2,450	£14,490

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CALNE AREA BOARD

Date	Cabinet Member Attending	Location	Area Board Agenda Items (including officer contact details)
7 December 2010	Cllr Keith Humphries - Health and Wellbeing	Heddington Village Hall	Community Items:
			Partner items:
			Corporate items:
			Census 2011
			Results of community flooding
			Outcome of leisure facilities review
			Dog control orders
			Street trading
			Community Area Grants will be considered.
8 February 2011	Cllr Fleur de Rhe-Philipe – Finance, Performance and	Calne Town Hall	Community Items:
	Risk		Partner items:
			Corporate items:
			Budget consultation
	<u> </u>		Community Area Grants will be considered.
27 April 2011	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	Community Items:
			Partner items:
			Corporate items:
			Community Area Grants will be considered.

Community area manager: Jane Vaughan (jane.vaughan@wiltshire.gov.uk) Democratic services officer: Alexa Smith (alexa.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Service director: To be confirmed



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