

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD  
**Place:** Marlborough Town Hall, 5 High St, Marlborough SN8 1AA  
**Date:** 26 January 2016  
**Start Time:** 7.00 pm  
**Finish Time:** 9.15 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Jemima Milton (Chairman), Cllr Stewart Dobson (Vice Chairman) and Cllr James Sheppard

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Andrew Jack, Marlborough Community Engagement Manager  
Jan Bowra, Community Youth Officer  
Adam Brown, Democratic Services Officer

### **Town and Parish Councils**

Marlborough Town Council – Margaret Rose, Marian Hannaford Dobson  
Aldbourn Parish Council – Alan Phizacklea  
Baydon Parish Council – A. Prior  
Berwick Bassett & Winterbourne Monkton Parish Council – Tony Iles  
Broad Hinton & Winterbourne Bassett Parish Council – George Horton, Alex Laroette  
Froxfield Parish Council – Claire Costello  
Fyfield & West Overton Parish Council – Ruth Lamdin, Jenny Gould  
Mildenhall Parish Council – Brian Devonshire, Rob Bailey, Deirdre Watson  
Ogbourne St George Parish Council – C. Ramsey  
Ramsbury & Axford Parish Council – Diana Bassett  
Savernake Parish Council -

**Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Nick Mawson, Clive Barker

Marlborough Area Development Trust (MADT) – Martin Cook, Geoff Brickell

Transition Marlborough – Alexandra Wax

Healthwatch – Paul Lefever

Local Youth Network – Peta O'Brien

**Total in attendance: 46**

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<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited the Councillors and Officers present introduce themselves.</p> <p>The Chairman also noted those parish representatives who were in attendance.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from the following:</p> <p>Nick Fogg  Sheila Glass – Ramsbury and Axford Parish Council  Richard Pitts – Transition Marlborough  Sam Page – Transition Marlborough</p> <p>It was noted that Sheila Glass had been awarded a British Empire Medal (BEM) for her hard work within her community.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p><b>To write a letter to Sheila Glass from the Area Board congratulating her on the awarding of a British Empire Medal</b></p>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p><b>The minutes of the meeting on 24 November 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</b></p>
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <p>a) Public Transport Review</p> <p>The announcement was referred to in the agenda pack.</p> <p>b) Your Care Your Support Website</p> <p>The announcement was referred to in the agenda pack.</p>

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Partner Updates

**a) Wiltshire Police**

A written update was included in the agenda pack.

**b) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue**

It was noted that Mike Franklin would no longer be attending Area Board meetings and providing updates from Wiltshire Fire and Rescue.

**Resolved**

**To write a letter of thanks to Mike Franklin from the Area Board for his work representing Wiltshire Fire and Rescue at Area Board meetings.**

**c) Healthwatch Wiltshire**

A written update was included in the agenda pack.

Those present were urged to pass on any relevant information Care Quality Commission (CQC) regarding the forthcoming inspections of the Royal United Hospital in Bath.

**d) Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)**

A written update was included in the agenda pack.

**e) Marlborough Area Development Trust (MADT)**

A written update was circulated at the meeting and a copy is attached to these minutes.

**f) Transition Marlborough**

No update.

**g) Town/Parish Councils**

No update.

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Legacy for Wiltshire 2016

Andrew Jack, Community Engagement Manager, was in attendance to introduce the item.

It had been four years since the London Olympics had been held, along with the successes of the Olympic torch procession and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Wiltshire Council was trying to build on this success through the Big Pledge

initiative to get people more active physically and within their communities.

This year the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday would be celebrated. The Area Board had a small amount of funding available to help people arrange events. Details were available from Andrew Jack.

Other events included Clean for the Queen and the Road to Rio. Equipment would be made available for people to take part in Clean for the Queen events. Distance challenges would be held for the Road to Rio in an attempt to cover the distance to Rio de Janeiro. Gold, silver, and bronze awards would be available for those taking part.

More information and booklets were available from Andrew Jack.

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#### Police and Crime Commissioner - Precept Consultation

Clive Barker, Chief Finance Officer, was in attendance to deliver a presentation.

It was noted that there had been an increase in crime; however this was expected as a result of people having been more effectively urged to report crime. Confidence levels in Wiltshire were at 83.7% which was much higher than the national figure which was at around 73%.

PCC funding was explained as being 62% grant based, with 38% coming from council tax. There had been a slight reduction of £334,000 in funding, however it was noted that there were also still challenges from historic cuts and pressures.

The current cost to Wiltshire residents was £163.98 annually, which was the lowest in the region. The PCC were consulting on an annual increase of £3.12 (1.9%). This increase would provide a total budget of £105.695million. A portion of the reserves would be used to cover the £2.6million funding gap and retain officers.

Consultation details were available online.

A question was asked if a combination of all three emergency services centres had been considered. It was explained that the fire and ambulance services had each decided to have their own centres.

Freeze grants were explained following a question. Previously if there had been a 0% increase in council tax then the government would provide 1% funding. This was no longer available and would be consolidated into another grant.

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#### Local Youth Network Update and Applications for Youth Funding

Jan Bowra, Community Youth Officer, was in attendance to provide an update and introduce youth funding applications.

The Marlborough Local Youth Network (LYN) had been established one year

previously. Two groups were established as a result: the Local Youth Network Management Group, and the Wider LYN. It was explained that stakeholders were still being sought to get involved with both groups.

Peta O'Brien, Chair of the LYN Management Group, explained that the group had held several meetings and successfully funded 9 applications. The applications ranged from a variety of topics including a golf club and a music festival. There was £13,000 still available in grant funding, people were encouraged to come forward and apply if they had any projects in need of assistance. An evaluation of the funded projects would take place over the next few months to look at how they've helped.

Sasha, Chair of the Wider LYN, informed those present that after a consultation with young people last year it was discovered that they wanted to hold a music festival to bring people together. The dates for the festival had been set for 04 September 2016 on the green site at Marlborough College, which had capacity for 1000 people. The event would be free to attend and local youths would be encouraged to come and play at the event.

The applications for youth funding were introduced. It was noted that all successful applicants should return in 6 months to provide an update presentation to the Area Board on how the grants had been used.

#### **Resolved**

- 1. To award Marlborough Golf Club Youth Committee £1660 toward the Marlborough Junior Golf Initiative.**
- 2. To ringfence £5000 for the Wider Local Youth Network Sub Group to use towards a music festival for young people.**

#### Community Area Grant Scheme

The Area Board considered two applications for Community Area Grant funding. A representative of each application was given an opportunity to give a brief overview of their project to the Area Board.

It was noted that the application from Chilton Foliat Primary School for a new community minibus for Chilton Foliat had been withdrawn until there was more community support available.

#### **Resolved**

- 1. To award Kennet Valley Hall £1225 for a new ride-on lawnmower.**
- 2. To award Marlborough in Bloom £1066 minus the amount requested in the application for the planting of apple tree.**
  - a. For Andrew Jack to work out how much the amount requested for the planting of apple trees is and subtract from the awarded amount.**

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11	<p><u>Proposal for Funding of a New Shopmobility Scheme for Marlborough</u></p> <p>Andrew Jack introduced the funding proposal.</p> <p>The Shopmobility Scheme would be a volunteer-run enterprise based out of the premises on George Lane car park. It would provide shopmobility scooters and wheelchairs so that those who required them could access Marlborough town.</p> <p>Marlborough Town Council had agreed to provide the running costs. It was explained that Marlborough Area Board could provide the capital to fund the wheelchairs, some changes to disabled parking, and dropped kerbs.</p> <p>Cllr Jemima Milton noted that this would be a great opportunity to improve the accessibility of Marlborough's town centre, as it was currently hard for some people to get around.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. To provide £6,510.63 for the Shopmobility Scheme as described in Option 2 of the report.</b></li> <li><b>2. To provide £800 for the building of a new dropped kerb.</b></li> <li><b>3. To provide £500 for two new disabled spaces.</b></li> </ol>
12	<p><u>Any Other Questions</u></p> <p>A question was asked on air quality and the process following a letter from Transition Marlborough. It was explained that a public meeting would be arranged by Transition Marlborough in mid-February to discuss potential solutions.</p> <p>A cessation of funding for Little Crickets Pre-School was queried. Cllr James Sheppard would liaise to help investigate the conditions under which the funding was stopped.</p>
13	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p><b>Community Area Transport Group (CATG) Report</b></p> <p>Cllr Sheppard introduced the CATG report of the 17 December 2015.</p> <p>The new funds for 2015/16 were confirmed as £13,615. Combined with the £4,680 remaining from 2014/15 would provide a total budget of £18,576 for the 2015/16 year.</p> <p>Villages were being asked to put forward contributions for 20mph schemes, with an average cost of £3000 per village.</p> <p><b>Resolved</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. To note the discussions from the CATG meeting of 17 December</b></li> </ol>

14	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>2. To agree £2,250 each to implement 20mph limit at Ramsbury &amp; Ogbourne St Andrew</b></li><li><b>3. To agree £900 for white gates on C6 at Mildenhall</b></li><li><b>4. To agree £1,500 for raised kerbs at Broad Hinton</b></li><li><b>5. To agree £1,875 for 20mph assessment at Lockeridge</b></li></ol> <p><u>Evaluation and Close</u></p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. It was noted that the next meeting of the Marlborough Area Board would be on Tuesday 22 March 2016 at Marlborough Town Hall.</p> <p>Following the Area Board an Emergency Planning Workshop was held for those in attendance.</p>
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