

South West Wiltshire Area Board - Priorities and Projects 2016/17

UPDATE

Priority set	Theme	Latest update (15 May 2016)	Area Board Project?	Lead Councillor	Funding committed	Brief outline
Lack of transport to outlying villages and threat to current transport provision	Children and young people	Area Board members have secured agreement by WC Fleet team for use of minibuses previously used by Wiltshire Council youth workers to continue for future youth activities in the community, and have also been trained to drive minibuses themselves.	Youth and community transport		£20,000 (2015/16)	Funds allocated to purchase community transport vehicle(s), primarily to support the delivery of youth activities across South West Wiltshire but also for other local community needs.
Changes in youth service could result in loss of important skills, relationships and leadership	Children and young people	Local Youth Network management group established, with aim of setting priorities into the future. Maintaining contact and communication with existing youth activity providers in the community. Specific youth grant funding available through Area Board. LYN/Area Board have commissioned series of 'Anybody Can Cook' workshops across the area.	Delivery of local youth work	Cllr Wayman	£60,000 (LYN funding) (2015/16)	Funds allocated to procure 2-year service according to specification as agreed by SWW Local Youth Network Management Group. Enhanced Seeds4Success open access youth service launched in January 2016.
Explore local initiatives to tackle child poverty issues	Children and young people	Child Poverty workshop held on 11 May 2016. Actions to be prioritised at Area Board meeting on 25 May 2016.				

Improve the number of first aid trained people in Towns and Villages and access to lifesaving equipment such as community defibrillators.	Community safety	New community-led first aid training initiative being piloted in Teffont. Community Area Manager is liaising with group to encourage scheme to be rolled out across community areas. Public defibrillators already available in Mere. Tisbury and Wilton have explored the possibility but currently rely on first responders. Area Board project proposal funding agreed at AB meetings on 10.12.14 and 4.2.15. Other parishes also being proactive with a local plan including; Tollard Royal, Dinton,	Local first aid project	Cllr Green	£3,450 (2014/15)	Four essential first aid training sessions took place in April 2015, with over 40 attendees. Defibrillator demonstration event took place in June 2015, 24 people attended. Three further sessions in October 2015 also had over 40 attendees. Further sessions held in May 2016 with over 40 people booked on.
Development of cultural activities for young and older generations to do together instead of by specific age ranges	Culture	Youth Advisory Group previously had this as their main priority, leading to an intergenerational quiz event and cricket fun day. The Area Board is also keen to engage local groups who want to link with the younger generation - approached by Tisbury bell-ringers who would like to offer a trial session for young people. Community Youth Officer led on bowls initiative in summer 2015 that brought together regular club members and young people. Further initiatives being considered for when Nadder Centre opens in Tisbury.	Inter-generational quiz event	Cllr Wayman	£415 (2013/14)	Event took place at Nadder Hall, Tisbury in June 2013 bringing together mixed-age teams for a social activity.
Better promotion of culture and arts activities to communities	Culture	Salisbury Museum and CC&WWD AONB linking up re. a Beaton walking route that will be added to 'Discover Chalke Valley' website. Exhibition launched on 23 May 2014 and ran until 19 Sept 2014. Widely promoted throughout community areas. Reviews in both local and national media have been very positive.	Cecil Beaton exhibition	Cllr Deane	£5,000 (2013/14)	Supporting Salisbury museum by contributing towards the cost of marketing the exhibition, in return for a specific focus on promoting tourism and supporting local businesses in the Chalke Valley and the South West Wiltshire area

		Pageant took place at Salisbury Cathedral on Monday 15 June 2015 as part of Magna Carta 800 years celebrations. Baron now on display in Wilton Community Centre.	Magna Carter celebrations	Cllr Edge	£1,000 (2014/15)	Baron and banner created to take part in community pageant, representing South West Wiltshire.
Develop apprenticeship opportunities in the area.	Economy	Corporate aspiration for Nadder Centre is that one third of 'staff' will be apprentices. Advertising local apprenticeship opportunities through the three business chambers and local communities.				
Continuing support for businesses in the area	Economy	2 year funding project completed in Spring 2015. Business Chambers are able to apply for community area grants in future for suitable projects.	Joint working initiative with local business chambers/ association	Cllr Wayman	£42,000 (2012/13)	Series of projects and activities delivered over a two year transitional period, after which they expect to be financially self supporting.
		Supported AONB to launch new websites, content continues to be added. Promotional campaign ongoing. www.discovernadder.org.uk and www.discoverchalkevalley.org.uk	Discover Chalke Valley and Discover Nadder	Cllr Wayman	£9,800 (2013/14)	Funding used to populate the sites which contain local walking/cycling/riding routes, details of local B&Bs, businesses, things to do etc.
		Business Incubation Units will be made available through Nadder Centre. Final offer being agreed.				
		AONB ran an event for local food/drink producers at the Larmer Tree Gardens in April 2016. Community Engagement Manager assisted to involve local businesses.	Local food producers event	Cllr Wayman	£400 (2015/16)	Area Board agreed funding at meeting on 9.12.15 to hire venue to enable event to run in April 2016.
Focus on education in the area to develop and improve skills required for the local jobs market and attract businesses.	Economy	Provision for education (further education and adult community courses) is an option for Nadder Centre; have liaised with Yeovil/Wiltshire College about potential future delivery.				

Area Board project	Environment	Finger post renewal schemes promoted and funded by the Area Board	Finger post funding	Cllr Deane	£4,000 (2014/15) + £5,000 (2015/16)	Parish and Town Councils able to make one application in the financial year for a replacement finger post, up to £400 can be requested
Local community litter picking	Environment	Area Board wishes to provide local parishes with equipment to enable local litter picking, possibly culminating in a 'big clean up' week/weekend across the area in 2016 linking in with 'Clean for the Queen.'	Community litter picking scheme		£2,510 (2015/16)	Funding agreed at Area Board meeting on 9.12.15. Every Parish Council able to apply for a free community litter picking kit including litter pickers, tabards and handihoods. 19 out of 38 parishes took up offer.
Keeping local facilities open to help social networks develop and to combat social isolation	Health and Wellbeing	Public Rights of Way Launch event held on 16 January 2014; 97 people attended. 'Stage 1' funding agreed by Area Board on 26 March 2014. 18 parishes have responded so far, providing an audit of local footpaths and setting local priorities. All who responded have been offered a scheme as part of Stage 1. See separate spreadsheets for progress report. Stage 2 funding agreed by the Area Board on 8.10.14, widening the types of schemes available. Currently exploring initiative with CPRE to provide signage for local circular walks.	Public Rights of Way Improvement Programme	Cllr Green	£7,500 (2013/14) + £7,500 (2014/15)	Joint initiative with Public Rights of Way team (WC) and local parishes/volunteers. To enhance the local rights of way through improving accessibility; schemes could include replacing stiles with kissing gates, new stiles, linking existing rights of way, new surfacing etc.

		<p>Training for snow wardens and those using the tailgate spreaders took place in October 2014 to ensure pilot scheme is completely live for winter 2014. Final routes determined and salt to be delivered to agreed locations. Purchase of push-along devices complete, relevant Parish Councils have been contacted to arrange delivery. Master plan presented at Area Board meeting on 10.12.14 and will be reviewed each year.</p>	Community Winter Weather Response Scheme	Cllr Deane	£11,894 (2013/14) + £5,000 (CATG 2014/15)	6 tailgate spreaders and 14 push-along devices to be used in a strategic way to cover all of the parishes within the Mere, Tisbury and Wilton areas that do not have their own devices and do not already have roads/areas cleared by Wiltshire Council, in order to enable people to still access services in times of bad weather.
		<p>Area Board grant funding to support local facilities - Bishopstone Village Hall awarded £1,400 on 4 June 2014 towards heat pump for hall. Quidhampton Village Hall awarded £600 on 4 June 2014 towards new kitchen equipment and £1,450 on 10 Dec 2014 towards refurbishment of toilets. Mere & District Railway Modellers awarded £2,000 on 4 June 2014 towards restoration of Mere Band Hut. Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall awarded £2,864 on 25.3.15 towards audio/visual/hearing equipment and wi-fi. Fovant Village Hall awarded £2,575 on 3.6.15 for flood prevention works.</p>				
Reaching out to older people who are isolated to provide community support and access to services.	Health and Wellbeing	<p>Health Fair event took place on 8 October 2014. Special emphasis on showcasing local groups/organisations that promote social interaction and activity. Special Area Board meeting focussing on the needs of older people and carers took place on 3 June 2015.</p>				

	<p>Local memory groups invited to promote their work at Health Fair event. Seven new Dementia Friends completed session in Mere on 5 November 2014. Dementia Awareness presentation to businesses in Wilton took place in March 2015 and in Tisbury in May 2015, leading to ten new Dementia Friends in Tisbury. Dementia Friends session delivered to Wilton Town team in Feb 2016, leading to nine more Dementia Friends. Our Time project awarded community area grant of £4,500 on 23 July 2014 towards residency workshops for 65+.</p>				
	<p>Area Boards will have devolved funding from April 2016 to support older people and carers.</p>				
	<p>Area Board funded project on 8 October 2014 to purchase plaques for grant recipients, to raise awareness of the grants scheme and engage more groups to come forward for funding.</p>	<p>Area Board plaques</p>	<p>Cllr Green</p>	<p>£2,300 (2014/15)</p>	<p>A supply of plaques that can be given to grant recipients, in order to provide a permanent feature that promotes the work of the board and encourages other groups to apply in future</p>
	<p>Digital Literacy scheme promoted and supported. Grant funding provided to enable internet provision in community buildings - South Newton Village Hall awarded £2,000 on 4 June 2014 towards digital equipment. Wilton Community Centre awarded £964 on 4 June 2014 towards wi-fi and equipment.</p>				

Work with the council and housing associations to encourage more developments in villages per se to protect rural services that will disappear unless more people live in our villages	Housing	Area Board members holding regular briefings with Housing officers to progress new build bungalow schemes in local communities, as part of Council housing new build programme. Scheme in East Knoyle has been given planning permission, scheme in Mere set to be considered.				
Improve transportation and parking links across the community in order that people can access facilities and opportunities	Leisure	Parking has been carefully considered for new campus in Tisbury, which will include an improved leisure facility. Public transport consultation currently being held by Wiltshire Council.				See transport project in youth section.
Maintain and enhance public and community transport services especially for the elderly	Transport	Public transport consultation currently in process.				See transport project in youth section.
More innovative and sustainable forms of community transport to help people access services, activities and jobs	Our Community	Public transport consultation currently in process.				See transport project in youth section.

