

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL CALNE AREA BOARD

7th February 2017

CALNE 'Our Community Matters' Local priorities for action

1. Purpose of the Report

To ask Members to consider priorities emerging from the 'Our Community Matters' Joint Strategic Assessment event held on 30th November 2016 to form Calne Area Board priorities for action in 2017/18.

2. Background

The Calne 'Our Community Matters' event was held on 30th November 2016 at the Calne Community Hub and Library. Over 100 members of the public and partner agencies registered for the event, which focused on the data set out in the *Community Area Joint Strategic Assessment 2016-17.*

The JSA brings together the results of research conducted by the major agencies and public sector bodies in Wiltshire over the last six months. The project was initiated by the Wiltshire Health and Wellbeing Board and the Wiltshire Assembly. These bodies will use the priorities emerging from the events to focus and support strategic projects, activities and services across Wiltshire.

Participants at the events used the data to inform themed roundtable discussions and to identify local priorities underpinned by the research. All participants had the opportunity to vote on the priorities and the results were adopted by the Calne Area Board on 6th December 2016 and it was resolved to work to facilitate local actions that would address those priorities.

At that time the Board wished to have further discussions about those priorities and deferred considering whether it wished to:

- champion a particular theme or priorities
- earmark funding to promote, initiate and support community-led action around the selected priorities
- appoint a lead member to champion any priorities adopted.

3. **Priorities identified**

The top community priorities identified at the Our Community Matters event were:

- Children & Young People Mental and Emotional Health
- Community Safety Anti Social Behaviour
- Culture Diversity and Social Inclusion
- Economy Training and Skills
- Environment Protecting the Landscape and Countryside
- Health, Wellbeing and Leisure Mental Health
- Older People Social Isolation and Loneliness
- Transport Access to Public Transport
- Our Community and Housing Affordable Housing

The following recommendations have been made following discussions at the Area Board Coordinating group and subsequent meeting of the Chair of the Area Board and Community Engagement Manager.

Recommendations 4.

(1) That the Board considers championing the following priorities:

Economy - Training and Skills Health & Wellbeing – **Mental Health** Culture - Diversity & Social Inclusion

- (2) That the Board asks the Local Youth Network to encourage and prioritise projects that address young people's **Mental & Emotional Health**.
- That the Board asks the Older People/Carers Champions to encourage (3)and prioritise projects that address Social Isolation.
- (4) That the Board earmarks funding to promote, initiate and support community-led action around the priorities outlined in 1 and 2 above in 2017/18.
- (5) That the Board appoints a lead member to champion the priorities adopted when it meets on 6th June 2017.

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