

MINUTES

Meeting: CHIPPENHAM AREA BOARD

Place: Council Chamber - Council Offices, Monkton Park, Chippenham,

SN15 1ER

Date: 15 January 2018

Start Time: 7.00 pm **Finish Time:** 8.42 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Ashley O'Neill, Cllr Bill Douglas, Cllr Andy Phillips, Cllr Nick Murry, Cllr Ross Henning, Cllr Peter Hutton (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Howard Greenman (Chairman), Cllr Melody Thompson and Cllr Clare Cape

Total in attendance: 23

Agenda Item No.	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Chairman's Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman, Councillor Howard Greenman, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the councillors and officers present.
2	<u>Apologies</u>
	Apologies for absence were received from Baroness Jane Scott.
3	<u>Minutes</u>
	Resolved
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2017 were agreed a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
5	Chairman's Announcements
	The Chairman drew the meeting's attention to the following announcements in the pack:
	a) Supporting those with SEND into employment b) Public Space Protection Orders
	c) Work Wiltshire d) Eat Out Eat Well
	e) Real Change – Supporting the homeless
	It was also noted that Wessex Water had shared information on their community activities prior to the meeting, and could possibly invited to come to future meeting.
6	Police Commissioner - Precept Consultation
	Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC), Angus McPherson, attended the meeting to discuss the plans for his budget and the impact that had on the council tax precept.
	Matters highlighted in the course of the presentation and discussion included: the relative low level of funding given by central government; the option to raise the precept by, on average, a pound a month; how the police share resources with partners to save money; that the PCC encouraged people to put their views via the website; the good performance of the force; the wish to protect the number of officers in the force from further reduction; that initial results of the

consultation would be fed back to the Police and Crime Panel; that the increase would cover the pay increase to existing to staff; and how community messaging could be developed and promoted.

The Chairman thanked the PCC for his presentation.

7 Station Hub Update

Matthew Croston, Strategic Programmes Manager, presented the update on the Station Hub project.

Matters highlighted in the course of the presentation and discussion included: the background and initial ambitions for the project; the development of the business case submitted, the preapplication advice sought and consultation undertaken; how the project was split into different phases; how the concept master plan was developed and would be defined further; that over a 100 people visited the consultation event; the positive feedback received and the issues of concern raised by the public; that phase one is due to complete in March 2018; the aspirations of the phases 2-7; the next steps to be undertaken in 2018/19; how the project is linked to other developments in the area to minimize possible disruption; the impact of the project on the number of parking spaces and the impact on traffic; the connections between the project and the wider development projects; and the need for involvement of private partners to fulfil the scope of the project.

The Chairman thanked the officer for the update.

8 Community Updates

The meeting noted the written updates received and the following additional verbal updates:

a) Wiltshire Police

It was noted that: the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) for Chippenham, made under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act, required all current Designated Public Places Orders (DPPO) to be renewed.; the police had wanted to review the size of the area affected but this will only be possible when the order itself if reviewed in three years.

In response to a question from Cllr Thompson, it was noted that some community police officers were trained in the use of handheld speed cameras and could be deployed to areas of reported significant problems.

Other issues discussed included: the possibility of imposing 20mph outside all schools; and the importance of engaging with communities to combat rural crime.

	b) Community Engagement Manager:
	It was noted that: there had been a good response to WW1 Commemorative Tree Planting project; that 1c200 trees had been requested for the area; and that planting would be undertaken in November.
	c) A303 Stonehenge Local Community Forum
	It was agreed that it would not be necessary to send a representative to this forum.
9	Wish Lanterns
	The meeting received an update regarding the progress for investigating how the Council could mitigate against the impacts of wish lantern and balloon releases. Officers stated that discussions with the relevant officers and councillors proved positive and that the possibility of including a revised wording in the licenses given for the use of council land to exclude the release of these devices would be explored further.
10	Health & Wellbeing Update
	The meeting received a verbal update regarding recent activities including the Senior Moment engagement event for which the staff and volunteers were thanked for their efforts in organising.
11	Youth Update and Grants
	At the invitation of the Chairman, the meeting received feedback from the Rag and Bone Theatre regarding their project funded by the Area Board. This included information from two young people who relayed their experiences at the Rag and Bone Theatre including the importance of performance and design in building confidence and resilience.
	Cllr Peter Hutton and Richard Williams, the Local Youth Facilitator, presented the update report and the application request. In the update, it was noted that the Woodland Youth Café and coffee shop would now open from Thursdays and Fridays; and that the Blue Bus project was up and ready and would be available in Yatton Keynell and in Stanley park.
	Resolved
	To allocated £4,666 to the Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team for the recommissioning of the ropes course for the summer.
12	<u>Funding</u>
	The Area Board considered the following applications to the Community Area

	Grant Scheme.
	The applicants were given an opportunity to present their application and answer any questions.
	Resolved
	1. To award £5,000 to Sevington Victorian School for new toilets with disabled access;
	2. To award £3,495 to Castle Combe Parish Council for the instillation of three heart defibrillators;
	3. To award £5,000 to Bybrook Benefice for Community Audio Visual system in the Church; and
	4. To award £750 to Chippenham Sea Cadet Corps for Security Fence
13	<u>Urgent items</u>
	There were no urgent items.
14	Evaluation and Close
	The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The next meeting of the Chippenham Area Board would take place on 19 March 2018.

