

# Newsletter

Parish Newsletter – w/c 15 October 2018

## Boots UK pharmacy in Amesbury has been cleared as safe

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Boots UK has today confirmed with Defra and Wiltshire Council that its pharmacy on Stonehenge Walk has been [cleared as safe](#), following extensive testing by specialist teams.

A Defra spokesman said: "Thorough clean-up work by specialist military teams has been successfully completed at Boots in Amesbury and Defra has now handed the site back to Wiltshire Council.

"Like all the other sites in the South Wiltshire area affected by the incidents in March and June, government scientists have carefully examined the clean-up operation and are fully satisfied that the store is safe to return to public use."

While the Boots Stonehenge Walk Store was closed, Boots colleagues in Amesbury have been working hard to make sure of the continuity of pharmacy services for patients hasn't been affected.

Sian Wilton, Head of Customer Experience for Central Region, Boots UK, said: "It's been a real team effort for everyone involved to make sure that during this time, patients have been able to access their prescription medicines and speak to a pharmacist when they needed to. We really appreciate all of the support we've had from the local community and for the work that Defra have done to make sure that the store is safe."

During the closure, the Boots team introduced new pharmacists and dispensing teams into the remaining store, and extended its opening hours until 8pm, also opening on Sundays so patients would have more time to be able to pick up their prescription medicines.



## Affordable homes bid for Wiltshire

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A bid for additional funds to [create 49 new affordable rented council homes](#) across Wiltshire has been endorsed by councillors.

Wiltshire Council has submitted a bid to Homes England for £610k grant funding and also for £7.51m additional borrowing approval to build the homes.

At cabinet today (9 October) members endorsed the application which, if successful, will ensure one to six homes will be built in 16 areas across Wiltshire.



The homes could also be boosted with funding from the use of £1.36 million Right to Buy capital receipts. The overall development is likely to cost around £9.48m

## Clamping down on rogue traders

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A [week-long operation](#) to clamp down on rogue traders in Wiltshire took place this week, to prevent Wiltshire residents, particularly those who are vulnerable, from becoming victims of crime.

Wiltshire Council officers from trading standards and environmental services launched national campaign Operation Rogue Trader locally, a national campaign, with Wiltshire Police and other partner agencies.

Activities included roadside stop checks and conducting intelligence-led patrols in areas where older or vulnerable people live.



## Everleigh Household Recycling Centre will close

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Following a public consultation and careful consideration of the responses and other factors, Wiltshire Council has decided to close [Everleigh Household Recycling Centre](#) (HRC).

A number of factors influenced the final decision, including the amount of investment required to ensure the site continued to meet environmental standards, the fact the centre received significantly fewer visitors compared with all other Wiltshire household recycling centres, and the need to make savings. The availability of alternative sites also means the closure will impact fewer residents than closing any of the other sites.

The tonnes of waste and recycling collected at Everleigh, and the amount diverted from landfill is also the lowest of all 11 sites in Wiltshire.

National best practice guidance produced by the Waste Resources Action Programme

(WRAP) states that the majority of residents should be able to access a site within 30 minutes if living in a rural area and 20 minutes in an urban area. The majority of Wiltshire residents are able to access sites within these times, and would be able to continue to do so when Everleigh HRC closes. There are three neighbouring sites Marlborough, Devizes, and Amesbury, which residents who previously used Everleigh HRC could access.

## Draft Housing Site Allocations Plan – focused consultation to support the examination

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The draft Housing Site Allocations Plan sets out proposals for new sites for housing to help maintain a five-year housing land supply in each of Wiltshire’s three Housing Market Areas up to 2026.

Housing growth is a government priority and all local authorities must prepare plans to identify sites for such development. The draft plan builds on the framework already provided by the Wiltshire Core Strategy for where development should take place.

In July 2018, following wide consultation, the draft plan was submitted with a “schedule of proposed changes” and supporting evidence to the [Secretary of State for independent examination](#). Details of all the documents submitted can be found on the Council’s website at the following address: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-whsap>

In August 2018, the council received a procedural letter from the Inspector. In response to that letter, the Council is undertaking consultation on the ‘Schedule of Proposed Changes’ to the Plan and associated supporting evidence documents.

This further round of focussed consultation will take place for six weeks from **9am Thursday 27 September to 5pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November** to give all interested parties the opportunity to comment on the published materials before the Inspector commences the formal public hearing sessions.

The Schedule of Proposed Changes should be read in conjunction with the [Wiltshire Housing Site Allocations Plan - Submission Draft Plan July 2018 \(WHSAP/01\)](#).

Representations are invited on the ‘soundness’ and legal compliance of the Proposed Changes only and should not seek to introduce new matters. Once the consultation has ended the Inspector will consider the responses received on the proposed changes and assess whether they raise any issues of ‘soundness’ or legal compliance.

The council has also produced a Revised Sustainability Appraisal (SA) (EXAM/02A, EXAM/02A.1, EXAM/02B and EXAM/02C) and an Update to the Addendum to the ‘Wiltshire Housing Site Allocations Pre-Submission Draft (June 2011) Assessment under Habitats Regulations’: September 2018 (EXAM/03). Comments can also be made on these during the consultation period.

We have produced a number of evidence documents, which can be referred to in commenting on the Schedule of Proposed Changes. These documents are listed in the final column of that Schedule.

### **Location of documents**

Copies of the consultation documents can be viewed and downloaded at the following addresses:

- The council’s dedicated [Consultation Portal \(viewable under the Add Objective website under ‘Supporting Documents’ tab\)](#); and

- from the Council's website at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/wiltshsgsiteallocationsplan>.

They can also be viewed during normal opening hours at Wiltshire Council Libraries and the Council's main offices at:

- Monkton Park, Chippenham Wiltshire SN15 1ER;
- Bourne Hill, Salisbury, SP1 3UZ; and
- County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN.

### **How to respond**

Comments are only invited on the above matters and should not repeat any previous representations that you have made during the draft Wiltshire Housing Site Allocations Plan consultation (14 July 2017 to 22 September 2017), as these have already been sent to the Inspector.

A guidance note, is available for download under the '[Supporting Documents](#)' tab of the Consultation Portal.

We welcome your comments via the following means, although direct input via the portal / email is the preferred method of communication:

- Online via this [consultation web site](#);
- by email using the specific representation form under Supporting Documents below and returned to [spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk); or
- by post in writing to: Spatial Planning, Economic Development & Planning, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8JN.

Please note that copies of all comments will be made available to the public to view and therefore cannot be treated as confidential. Anonymous representations cannot be accepted.

### **Next steps and further information**

Following the consultation, the council will collate the responses received and provide the inspector with the full responses together with a summary of the main issues raised.

Should you require further information on the consultation, please email: [spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk) or telephone 01225 713223.

## What's on

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If you would like to promote an event in your area to staff and the wider public why not use the [events calendar](#) on our website. You can find the link to the calendar on the home page under ["What's on"](#).

Check what else is on at Wiltshire Music Centre in Bradford on Avon:

[www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk](http://www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk) and City Hall in Salisbury: [www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk](http://www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk)

## Quick links

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Area Board information - [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areaboards.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areaboards.htm)

All the latest news releases - [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/latestnews.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/latestnews.htm)

A blog for the heritage community of Wiltshire - <https://heritageinwiltshire.wordpress.com>

Community virtual notice boards - [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/ourcommunitymattersblogsites.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/ourcommunitymattersblogsites.htm)

Recycle for Wiltshire - [www.recycleforwiltshire.com](http://www.recycleforwiltshire.com)

Roadworks - [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/roadshighwayspavements/roadworks.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/roadshighwayspavements/roadworks.htm)

Tree wardens for Wiltshire - [www.wiltshiretreewardens.co.uk](http://www.wiltshiretreewardens.co.uk)

What's on in Wiltshire - [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandrecreation/whatson.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandrecreation/whatson.htm)

What's on at City Hall in Salisbury - [www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk](http://www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk)

A blog for Wiltshire's arts community - <http://theartsinwiltshire.wordpress.com>

The latest news from the council is available on the [full newslisting](#) pages of the website