

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** Stonehenge Area Board  
**Place:** Online  
**Date:** 16 December 2021  
**Start Time:** 6.30 pm  
**Finish Time:** 7.50 pm

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## **In Attendance:**

### **Wiltshire Councillors**

Cllr Graham Wright (Chairman), Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling (Vice-Chairman),  
Cllr Dr Monica Devendran, Cllr Mark Verbinnen and Cllr Robert Yuill

### **Wiltshire Council Officers**

Jacqui Abbott (Community Engagement Manager), Dominic Argar (Assistant  
Multimedia Technician) and Tara Shannon (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

### **Town and Parish Councils**

Amesbury Town Council, Berwick St James Parish Meeting, Durrington Town Council  
Enford Parish Council, Figheldean Parish Council Fittleton Cum Haxton Parish Council  
Netheravon Parish Council, Shrewton Parish Council, South Newton Parish Council  
Stapleford Parish Council

### **Partners**

Wiltshire Police – Inspector Tina Osborn and Sgt Steve Jolly  
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner – Deputy PCC – Russell Holland  
Community Speed Watch – John Derryman

**Total in attendance: 26**

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<u>Minute No..</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Stonehenge Area Board.</p> <p>At the Chairman's invitation, the Councillors and Parishes present at the meeting introduced themselves.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Kevin Daley</li> <li>• Matthew Maggs of the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</li> </ul>
3	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were considered and it was,</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><b>To approve the minutes of the meetings on 23 September 2021 as a true and correct record.</b></p>
4	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>Cllr Graham Wright declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 10, Community Area Grants. In particular the grant application from Durrington Town Council, as he was Chairman of the Town Council. Although Cllr Wright would be entitled to vote on this application, he declared that he would not vote on that item.</p>
5	<p><u>Chairman's Announcements</u></p> <p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Procedural Note</b> The Chairman announced that all decision recommendations (such as grant awards) at the meeting would go through the Leaders Decision Making process following the meeting. This was to comply with legal requirements as the meeting was being held online.</li> </ul> <p>For the following announcements the Chairman referred the meeting to the written details included with the agenda and agenda supplement.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes to Wiltshire's Taxi Tariffs (pages 11 – 14)</li> <li>• Update on Leisure Centres transferring to Wiltshire Council (page 15)</li> <li>• Youth Council update (pages 17 – 19)</li> <li>• Healthwatch Wiltshire update (page 21)</li> <li>• B&amp;NES, Swindon and Wiltshire CCG update (page 23 – 26)</li> <li>• National Highways A303 Stonehenge update (Supplement 1)</li> <li>• Fisherton Tunnel Works (Supplement 1)</li> </ul>
6	<p><u>Open Floor</u></p> <p>The Chairman invited partners, parishes and attendees to give updates or ask questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service</b> Matthew Maggs, DWFRS representative had sent apologies, so the Chairman referred attendees to the written update at pages 27-31 of the agenda.</li> <li>• <b>Wiltshire Police</b> Inspector Tina Osborn gave an update to the meeting stating her written report was available in supplement 1. The Inspector highlighted priorities such as rural crime and hare coursing. Rural patrols were continuing, some proactive operations had been undertaken and the force were looking to undertake more proactive operations.</li> </ul> <p>There had been some anti-social behaviour, but the perpetrators had been identified by CCTV and dealt with. There had been an increase in burglaries, including theft from outbuildings, where items such as power tools and bikes had been stolen and house burglaries where items such as tablets and jewellery were stolen. Attendees were reminded to keep buildings secure, not to leave possessions out on display and to report anything suspicious.</p> <p>Operation Sceptre was a nationwide awareness week on knife crime, school visits had been undertaken to highlight the dangers and risks of carrying knives and metal detectors used. A nationwide campaign on drink and drug driving had also been underway.</p> <p>Sgt Steve Jolly gave an update on anti-social behaviour in Amesbury's night-time economy, which had been increasing and the force were working in partnership with the MOD and trialling the Royal Military Police and Police patrolling together. On 4 December a targeted operation had been undertaken with patrols on foot giving a high presence and undertaking a zero-tolerance approach. Premises were also reminded of their responsibilities as licenced venues. The operation had positive outcomes with no disorder present and venues refusing entry to patrons if already over intoxicated. Further such operations would be undertaken. The police were working closely with licensing, premises and pub watch</p>

which was working well.

Shrewton Parish Council highlighted issues faced with vehicles and in particular military vehicles ignoring the weight limit and transiting through Shrewton. Cllr Iain Blair-Pilling as lead on military civilian liaison had been working on the issue and Russell Holland, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner explained that he would feed the issue back. Steve Jolly of the Police explained that they were aware of the issue and would raise this with high level army contacts and trading standards, he encouraged attendees to send pictures or details to the Amesbury Community Policing Team.

- **Community Speed Watch (CSW)**

John Derryman of Community Speed Watch gave an update to the meeting. Mr Derryman explained that he had undertaken a voluntary role, working with the PCC as a county co-ordinator for CSW. He was trying to pull together the 115 CSW teams with over 1,000 volunteers, who ran around 10-15 sessions a day supporting the police in their road safety strategy. A meeting had been held on 15 November with around 50 CSW team leaders and the PCC which covered hot topics, proactive suggestions and ways to make CSW more efficient. He had attended a follow up meeting with several lead police officers to discuss the ideas and how the impact of CSW on road safety could be improved. Each of the Wiltshire Community Policing Teams would have one point of contact, known as area co-ordinators for CSW going forward.

Quarterly themed meetings were to be held with CSW team leaders and the area co-ordinators, where there would be guest speakers present. The objective of Mr Derryman's involvement was to make sure the volunteers were as efficient as possible. Road safety was firmly on the agenda for the PCC and he could also liaise with parish councils and give consistent messaging to all involved. Hot spots could also be highlighted, and actions taken. The Chairman thanked Mr Derryman for his dedication.

In response to a question regarding a bottleneck at the police end on issuing letters to speeders Mr Derryman stated that processes were efficient, the police had a service level agreement of 14 days and usually responded much more quickly.

In response to a further question on statistics regarding Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS) versus CSW teams, Mr Derryman explained that one of his aims was to collate all data from CSW teams, SIDS and auto speedwatch.

- **Parishes**

Richard Harris of Shrewton Parish Council in addition to their update on

	<p>lorries stated that Shrewton Village Hall’s management committee was continuing to make considerable efforts to improve the hall and grounds as a community facility and work was progressing on the Community Garden. He also highlighted issues with things which had been reported on MyWilts but where no action had been taken. The Chairman recommended that refence numbers were passed to him to chase up.</p> <p>The Chairman was pleased to announce that there would upcoming parish cluster meetings scheduled for clerks and chair’s for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Netheravon, Enford, Fittleton-Cum-Haxton-Milston</li> <li>○ Amesbury, Durrington, Bulford</li> <li>○ North of A303 - Shrewton, Orcheston, Tilshead</li> <li>○ South of A303 – Berwick St James, Winterbourne Stoke, South Newton, Great Wishford, Woodford</li> <li>○ Dates would be communicated on to all</li> </ul> <p>Christian Lange of Berwick St James Parish Meeting gave a brief update regarding a village meeting on climate change they had held what they could do as a community. A survey had also been undertaken on what actions they could take. There had been a 45% return rate, about 70% of people were either extremely or very concerned around climate change and 90% of respondents thought they should try to do something together as a village to help address the issues. They would also hold a couple of information sessions where films could be shown to provide further information. The Chairman stated there would also be a session in February on mitigating climate change.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Paths4All</b> Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling announced that there would be an online Paths4All meeting on 3 February and encouraged people willing to work proactively on projects to join. There were funds available to support projects.</li> </ul>
7	<p><u>Local Youth Network Update and Youth Activities Grant Applications</u></p> <p>Cllr Mark Verbinnen as Chairman of the Local Youth Network (LYN) gave an update on LYN and youth activities.</p> <p>It was stated that there had been a well attended LYN meeting on 30 November 2021. There was a rural youth project event coming up on 16 February 2022. A comprehensive youth survey had taken place with 380 responses from the Stonehenge Community Area, the results would be available soon and those results would be used to deliver projects in 2022. Work was also underway with local and Wiltshire wide youth councils. There was still £16,000 available for youth grants so people with youth projects in mind were encouraged to make contact. Healthwatch Wiltshire had produced a guide to mental health and wellbeing services you children and young people which was available here: <a href="https://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/young-healthwatch-wiltshire">https://www.healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk/young-healthwatch-wiltshire</a>. Bulford Army Cadets had recently moved into new accommodation and Cllr Verbinnen</p>

	had attended the opening.
8	<p><u>Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</u></p> <p>The Chairman gave an update on the CATG, and on how projects were progressing. He highlighted that it was a successful meeting and he was disappointed that Shrewton Parish Council were not successful in their substantive funding bid.</p> <p>The Chairman proposed that the board approved the top priorities and funding recommendations of the CATG as detailed in the agenda pack (page 50), which was seconded by Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling and it was,</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><b>That Stonehenge Area Board approve the top priorities and funding recommendations as follows:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>1-20-15 Durrington 20mph speed limit assessment £2,500 (CATG £1,875, Durrington PC £625)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Funding already approved, project in progress.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>1-21-3 Amesbury, London Road bus shelter replacement £6,600 (CATG £4,950, Amesbury TC £1,650)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Funding already approved, project in progress.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>1-21-5 Winterbourne Stoke/Berwick St James B3083 signing improvements £2,000 (CATG £1,750, Winterbourne PC £250)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To confirm the funding recommendation of £1,750 .</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>1-21-8 Amesbury, Redworth Drive bollard installation – £1,000 (CATG £750, Amesbury TC £250)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To confirm the funding recommendation of £750.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>1-21-10/12 Woodford Valley C42 speed limit assessment £2,500 (CATG £1,875, Woodford PC £625)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Funding already approved, project in progress.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>1-21-17 Netheravon A345 speed limit assessment £2,500 (CATG £1,875, Netheravon PC £625)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To confirm the funding recommendation of £1,875.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Durnford speed limit assessment £2,500 (CATG £1,875, Netheravon PC £625)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To confirm the funding recommendation of £1,875.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The Chairman announced that the next CATG meeting would be held online on 2 February 2022 at 10.00am.</p>
9	<p><u>Health &amp; Wellbeing Group</u></p> <p>Cllr Dr Monica Devendran as Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Group (HWBG) gave an update to the meeting. There had been a well attended HWBG meeting on 17 November 2021. An older people’s survey had been undertaken by Silver</p>

	<p>Salisbury and some of the results from that were fed back at the meeting. There were still HWB grants funds available, so groups were encouraged to make contact regarding projects. Particularly if they fitted within the Area Board priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support for Mental Health,</li> <li>• Digital Inclusion,</li> <li>• Climate Change / Environment,</li> <li>• Opportunities for Young People,</li> <li>• tackling Isolation and Loneliness</li> </ul> <p>Social prescribing was now up and running in Amesbury. Some really useful information regarding Health and Wellbeing could be found online at: <a href="https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/">https://adults.wiltshire.gov.uk/</a>. My Black Dog Mental health support, located at the (Bowman's Centre) had given an update on their important work.</p> <p>Cllr Devendran introduced a HWB grant, from God Unlimited Outdoor Therapy, for £1,500 towards supporting the mental health of frontline workers. This had been considered by the HWB group at their meeting and had been recommended for approval.</p> <p>A representative of God Unlimited spoke in support of their application. The Board considered the application, and it was,</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>To grant God Unlimited Outdoor Therapy, £1500, towards supporting the mental health of frontline workers affected by COVID.</b></li> </ul>
10	<p><u>Community Area Grants</u></p> <p>Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, as lead Member for grants introduced the Community Area Grant applications, explaining that all applications had been scrutinised and met the grant criteria. Representatives of the organisations applying for grants spoke in support of their applications. It was,</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>To grant Netheravon Parish Council, £5000, towards adult outdoor exercise equipment.</b></li> <li>• <b>To grant South Newton Parish Council, £3750, towards South Newton recreation ground.</b></li> <li>• <b>To grant Shrewton Parish Council, £753 towards bus shelter repairs.</b></li> <li>• <b>To grant Durrington Town Council, £5000 towards Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations bring the community together</b></li> <li>• <b>To grant Community First Responder for South West Ambulance Foundation Trust, £3000 towards a Razor chair for use by the</b></li> </ul>

	<p><b>Netheravon Community First Responder group.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>To grant Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council, £1728.15 towards a Fittleton cum Haxton Speed Indicator Device.</b></li> <li>• <b>To grant Enford Parish Hall and Reading Room, £2000 towards developing a community garden and three parking spaces.</b></li> </ul>
11	<p><u>CEM Update</u></p> <p>Jacqui Abbott (Community Engagement Manager) highlighted the top 5 priorities of the Area Board and that meetings would be held to focus on groups working together on the priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Positive Activities for Young People</b> The officer stated that she would be setting up an online workshop on 16 February 2022 which would build on the results of the youth consultation and surveys. There was still funding available so it was hoped that groups could come forward and apply for funding to plug gaps in provision.</li> <li>• <b>Improving Mental Health</b> The officer was working to develop a log of activities coming up under this priority and a directory of groups available for support so that she could help promote them.</li> <li>• <b>Digital Inclusion</b> Grant funding was available to support digital inclusion, so groups were encouraged to contact her for details.</li> <li>• <b>Climate Change</b> Highlights included the Greener Durrington project and that 420 trees had been planted recently at Avon Valley College with support from military A local toolkit was being developed. There would also be an Area Board drop-in on 6 February 2022 on Mitigating Climate Change.</li> <li>• <b>Loneliness and Isolation</b> Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Silver Salisbury / Amesbury – which had been a great success and there would be more next year! Thanks were passed to Irene Kholer.</li> <li>○ Celebrating Age - ongoing</li> <li>○ Various events (Covid limiting now)</li> <li>○ Paths4All</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Home   Your care Your support Wiltshire</a></li> <li>○ Plus an Older People's activity directory was being developed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12	<p><u>Urgent items</u></p> <p>There were no urgent items.</p>

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The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and wished them a very Merry Christmas.

The next meeting of the Area Board would take place on 28 March 2022.

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