

Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

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Public participation and Questions from Councillors Item 11 - Delivery of the Campus Programme - Position Statement

Question from Mr Jonathon Brown

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In the Bradford on Avon Community Area, we have over the last three years undertaken a huge amount of work to obtain community views to identify the service needs and facilities required and partners to join a campus development. We have a compelling need for improved leisure, arts, heritage and community facilities. Public expectations have been raised by consultations in the town encouraged by your Council. There is no mention in the Campus Position Statement of the work of the Bradford on Avon Community or that of a number of other Communities developing campuses. Now it appears there is no funding and little prospect of the facilities we have been encouraged could be developed.

Can you please advise us what future there is for a campus in the Bradford on Avon Community Area and where do we sit in the Councils priorities?

Response from Cllr Jonathon Seed, Cabinet Member for Communities, Campus, Area Boards, Libraries, Leisure and Flooding

Response

The cabinet report presents a position statement on the first approved phase of the campus programme. It does not preclude future proposed schemes coming forward from communities for a community campus or hub that best reflects their community needs.

Each proposal will be considered on a case by case basis. It is expected that any proposed scheme will include funding contributions from partners, developers and other sources (as appropriate).

In the case of Bradford on Avon, if the COB presents a proposal for a campus model in the town, I will consider the proposal as part of the ongoing campus programme.