

Southern Wiltshire Area Board

Community Area Network

Alderbury, Britford, Clarendon Park, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Firsdown, Grimstead, Landford, Laverstock, Ford and Old Sarum, Odstock, Pitton and Farley, Redlynch, West Dean, Whiteparish, Winterslow

Southern Wiltshire *Just a Minute* is a way to keep in touch with things that are happening in the Southern Wiltshire community area. I will be sending this out after every area board meeting to keep you updated. If you have received this from a friend or colleague you can join **Southern Wiltshire**CAN by clicking on this link. [Sign Up!](#)

Foreword from the Chairman

At our last Area Board I was able to report on the progress being made towards establishing a Youth Area Board. I am proud that the Southern Wiltshire Area Board is pioneering this proposal to involve our young people in the affairs of the Community Area – especially in view of the large number of important schools in our ‘patch’. On behalf of the Board I would like to pay tribute to the work of our Community Area Manager in pushing this idea forward. Tom, together with Emma Procter, has arranged for a workshop for 46 children between the ages of 4 and 16 to be held on 5 November in order to explore what sort of issues they would want to raise at an Area Board. We hope to hold the first formal Youth Area Board on 14 February but have yet to decide on its content and format. Hopefully we shall get a steer on this from the workshop event. This is a really important development which, if successful, can be rolled out across the County.

Our Previous Meeting: 14 October 2010

It was a busy agenda at Pitton Village Hall which saw the Board allocate funding for switching off unnecessary lighting in Firsdown and Landford, allocate 5 new grit bins, and consider community and performance reward grants. The Board endorsed the Winterslow Parish Plan, backed the Southern Wiltshire Community Plan and put a call out for members of the 5 tasking groups which will bring the community plan to life. The Board also heard from Cabinet members Cllr Dick Tonge about the Car Parking Strategy for Wiltshire and Cllr Stuart Wheeler about the Leisure Review which will have an impact on the Downton Leisure Centre. [Read more about the meeting in the full minutes \(when published\)...](#)

Also, catch up with your local Police, Fire and Rescue and NHS updates [here](#).

Community Area Transport Group Meeting - 11 November 2010

The area board is holding a Community Area Transport Group meeting at [Old Sarum Community Room](#) on 11 November 2010 where the group will discuss the local transport schemes which have been put forward over recent years by the community. The group will prioritise the spending of £13,767 which will then go onto the 16 December Area Board meeting to be signed off.

Current Consultations - keep an eye out for the things that affect you: See all past and present countywide consultations: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/consultations.

[Feedback on Community Speed Watch...](#) It has been a year or so since the CSW process has been set up and we would like to hear your views about it, along with any practical suggestions for how the process could be improved for your community. To do this please use the [contact form](#) and put your comments in the box provided. Remember you can report any speeding problem using our [online issues system](#) and metrocount data will be collected to start to build up evidence.

[Community Grants Available and other sources of funding](#)

Community grants: The next deadline for community area grants is 12 November. The board has **£18,761** left this year for community grants which bring real community benefit to the area. To check if your bid might be eligible and to apply please see our [website](#) or contact Tom Bray (details below).

Performance Reward Grant scheme: See our [website](#) for more information including ideas for the type of project that might be suitable as well as the scheme's eligibility criteria.

Other grants available (not through Wiltshire Council) visit [Charities Information Bureau South and West](#) they can give free advice and help identify other sources of funding.

Get involved and get in touch:

Contact your councillor: [Richard Britton](#) - (Chairman of the area board) Alderbury and Whiteparish, [Chris Devine](#) - Winterslow Division, [Julian Johnson](#) - Downton and Ebbles Valley, [Ian McLennan](#) - Laverstock, Ford and Old Sarum, [Leo Randall](#) – (Vice-Chairman) Redlynch and Landford

Raise a community issue - [Click here to fill out an online form](#). Once you have raised your issue you will be automatically notified when the issue is updated. Your issue will also be online for you to track progress and access whenever it suits you. [Click here for to view the issues already raised](#).

Contact your Community Area Manager - Tom Bray, Community Area Manager, tom.bray@wiltshire.gov.uk or 01722 434252

Get involved in the Community Plan Steering Group and Tasking

Groups - The community plan steering group is a group made up of parish councils, members of the public and key partners working in the area. Be part of implementing the plan and [get involved in one of the 5 tasking groups](#).

Get in touch with your Parish Council - Your parish council might be dealing with your issue already so it is worth getting in touch with them to see how to take it forward. To find the contact details for your parish council click here - [Parish Councils in Wiltshire](#).

Attend meetings of the area board - The Area Board meets approximately 6 times per year.

Next meeting: 16 December 2010, Trafalgar School, Downton starting at 7pm
For all the future date visit our [website](#)

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