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MELKSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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Economic Development & Planning Agenda

Monday 7th April 2026



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CEO Miss Hayley Bell, Assoc CIPD, CertHE, FSLCC

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31st March 2026

Dear Councillors S Rabey, R Cleary, P Alford, P Aves, G Elson, A Griffin and C Stokes,

You are summoned in accordance with the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, Sch 12, paras 10 (2)(b) to a meeting of Economic Development & Planning Committee of Melksham Town Council for the transaction of the business shown on the agenda below.

Tuesday 7th April 2026, to be held at 19.00 in the Council Chamber, Melksham Town Hall, Market Place, Melksham, SN12 7ES.

The quorum for Economic Development & Planning is 4.

Public Participation.

Members of the public and the press may attend this meeting in person or join the meeting on teams via the following link <https://tinyurl.com/8wjfjk9v> . Public participation will take place near the start of the meeting.

Each speaker is limited to three minutes, with a total public session of 20 minutes. Members of the public are requested to send their question to CEO@melksham-tc.gov.uk by noon on the working day before the meeting. You should still attend the meeting, in person or online, to ask your question.

No decisions will be made on matters not already on the agenda. The Council may ask the public and press to leave if confidential matters need to be discussed.

The Seven Principles of Public Life.

All members are reminded of their duty under the code of conduct to uphold the Seven Principles of Public Life: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, and leadership.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Hayley Bell – CEO

Economic Development & Planning Committee

The Committee will meet to consider all planning applications in the town.

Comments will be sent to Wiltshire Council as part of their consultation procedure. The aim is to use guidance contained in the National Planning Policy Framework, the Joint Melksham Neighbourhood Plan, planning legislation, Wiltshire Council's Core Strategy and Local Plan, Policy and Periodic Planning Guidance notes to preserve and enhance the town's character, whilst encouraging its commercial and social vitality. It will also consider the contents and desires laid out in the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan.

Where appropriate, planning applications submitted in the Parish of Melksham Without may also be discussed and commented on if relevant to the Town Council.

Highway issues raised for the Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG), Emergency Planning and Flood Plans will also be managed by this Committee.

1. Membership: Seven elected members.

- 1.1. Invited officers relevant to planning and economic development, who will have no voting rights.
- 1.2. No business may be transacted at a meeting unless at least 50% of the whole number of members of the Committee, rounded up, are present.
- 1.3. Substitution of Members - Substitutes should be nominated by the Member of the Committee planning to be absent and notified to the Proper Officer in writing by 3pm on the day of the meeting.

2. Delegated Business: The Committee has delegated authority to deal with the following matters on an ongoing basis or to conclusion:

Planning

- 2.1 At meetings to consider all planning applications sent for consultation by Wiltshire Council.
- 2.2 To comment on behalf of the Town Council on planning applications having due regard to Town Council policy.
- 2.3 To delegate the power to the Town Clerk in discussion with the Town Mayor or Deputy Town Mayor, to make recommendations to Wiltshire Council on minor revisions to applications for which there is insufficient time to call a planning committee meeting. The exercise of this power should be consistent with established practice and policy of the committee, where defined, and shall be reported to the next planning committee meeting.
- 2.4 To deal with requests for street naming.
- 2.5 To deal with consultation requests for street trading licences.



- 2.6 To deal with any matters pertaining to the Licensing Act 2003.
- 2.7 To refer all highway Issues through the relevant portal for the Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG).
- 2.8 To develop and manage all Emergency Plans.
- 2.9 To deal with Rights of Way, Bridle Ways, and Footpath matters.
- 2.10 To prepare draft comments for any consultations received by the Council.
- 2.11 To engage in pre-application consultations with developers.
- 2.12 To manage equipment within the area of its responsibilities and not under the control of any other committee.
- 2.13 To receive petitions and deputations from the public or any organisation.

Economic Development

- 2.14 To be responsible for recommending to Council key decisions and actions required in relation to the economic development of the town.
- 2.15 Approving and overseeing the delivery of any relevant service strategies which affect:
 - economic development;
 - investment in the town centre;
 - to oversee and implement the Town Centre Master Plan;
 - the establishment of external partnerships where they are relevant to the economic development of the town.
- 2.16 Approving and monitoring funding sources and mechanisms to assist with various initiatives, projects and actions within the remit of economic development.

Budget

- 2.17 To prepare, scrutinise and monitor the budget for the committee.
- 2.18 To approve expenditure within budget and to refer any requests for expenditure over budget to Full Council.
- 2.19 To approve expenditure within Ear Marked Reserves available to relevant projects for this committee.

3. Referred Business: To consider and make recommendations to the Town Council on the following matters:

- 3.1 Any other matters referred to the Committee by the Town Council.
- 3.2 All planning applications of a major strategic nature.
- 3.3 Consultations on any strategic plans produced by the Principal Authority, Wiltshire Council, such as Boundary Reviews, Local Development Framework, Local Plans or any such documents relevant to the town.
- 3.4 Budget estimates, to be prepared no later than October each year and submitted to the Finance, Administration and Performance Committee.



AGENDA

Economic Development & Planning

1. Apologies. 19.00 – 19.01

To receive and consider acceptance for apologies and absences

(Local Government Act, 1972 s.85)

2. Declaration of interests. 19.01 – 19.02

To declare an interest relating to the business of the meeting.

(Melksham Town Council Code of Conduct)

3. Minutes 19.02 – 19.05

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting 17th March 2026.

(Local Government Act 1972, s. 12)

4. Public participation 19.05 – 19.25

To allow public participation, 3 minutes per person, 20 minutes allocation.

(Local Government Act 1972, s. 12)

5. Proposed Lidl Development

To receive a presentation on behalf of Lidl.

6. Planning Considerations

Planning Considerations Members to note that when responding to planning applications consideration should be given to the Melksham Joint Neighbourhood Plan, the Wiltshire Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

7. Planning Applications

To comment on the following planning applications

7.1 **PL/2026/01061**

[PL/2026/01061](#) - prior approval application

Address: Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Road, Melksham, SN12 8AD

Proposal: Application for prior approval under Class MA for the proposed change of use from Class E (commercial) to Class C3 (residential) to provide 17 units

Respond By: 9 April 2026



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7.2 PL/2026/01033

[PL/2026/01033](#) - Consent to display an advertisement

Address: Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Road, Melksham, SN12 8AD

Proposal: Site-wide installation of various signage for wayfinding and commercial purposes

Respond By: 8 April 2026

7.3 PL/2026/01034

[PL/2026/01034](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Road, Melksham, SN12 8AD

Proposal: Change of use of units on first floor of Block D from Use Class Sui Generis to Use Class C3 (4 residential dwellings)

Respond By: 8 April 2026

7.4 PL/2026/01035

[PL/2026/01035](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Rd, Melksham , SN12 8AD

Proposal: Application for external alterations, part demolition of existing structures and hard and soft landscaping

Respond By: 17 April 2026

7.5 PL/2026/01533

[PL/2026/01533](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Manor Farm, Sandridge Common, Melksham, SN12 7QT

Proposal: Change of use of agricultural land to a basic camping site.

Respond By: 13 April 2026



7.6 PL/2024/10345

[PL/2024/10345](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Land north of the A3102, Melksham

Proposal: The construction of 295 homes; public open space, including formal play space and allotments; sustainable drainage systems; and associated infrastructure; with 0.4ha of land safeguarded for a nursery. The principal point of access is to be provided from a new northern arm onto an improved arrangement of the Eastern Way/A3102 roundabout junction, with an emergency access onto the A3102. Additional access points are proposed for pedestrians and cyclists.

Respond By: 13 April 2026

7.7 PL/2026/01884

[PL/2026/01884](#) - Householder planning permission

Address: 44 Longford Road, Melksham, SN12 6AT

Proposal: Proposed Replacement Rear & Side Extensions & Front Extension

Respond By: 23 April 2026

7.8 PL/2026/01093

[PL/2026/01093](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Bowls Club, Melksham House, 27 Market Place, Melksham, SN12 6ES

Proposal: Erection of a 2-metre-high fence to the South, East and West perimeters with the construction of a concrete ramp to provide wheelchair access.

Respond By: 1 May 2026

8. Planning Decisions

To note the following planning decisions

8.1 PL/2026/00259

[PL/2026/00259](#) - Consent under Tree Preservation Orders

Address: 46 King Street, Melksham, SN12 6HG

Proposal: Atlas Cedar - Reduce by 10-15%

Decision Date: 11 March 2026

Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: No objection



8.2 PL/2026/01036

[PL/2026/01036](#) - Prior notification: Demolition

Address: Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Road, Melksham, SN12 8AD

Proposal: Demolition of Block G and an existing free-standing building known as Scouts Hut / Scotts Gym at Avonside Enterprise Park, Melksham

Decision Date: 12 March 2026

Decision: Prior Approval Not Required

MTC Decision: No public consultation.

8.3 PL/2026/00528

[PL/2026/00528](#) - Consent under Tree Preservation Orders

Address: Land to rear of 9 Cicely Grove, Melksham, SN12 6ZS

Proposal: Horse Chestnut tree - reduce crown by 1 metre over garden, and create a 2 metre clearance from shed roof.

Decision Date: 18 March 2026

Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: No objection

8.4 PL/2025/09349

[PL/2025/09349](#) - Full planning permission

Address: Melksham Community Hospital, Spa Road, Melksham, SN12 7NZ

Proposal: Reconfiguration and resurfacing of the designated car parking area for the main entrance at Melksham Community Hospital, and the replacement and installation of associated external lighting.

Decision Date: 26 March 2026

Decision: Approve with Conditions

MTC Decision: No objection

9. Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG) Issues

9.1 Millennial Walk

9.2 Beanacre Road

9.3 Roundpond

9.4 Union Street Parking Survey

10. The Wiltshire Council Parish of Melksham Path No.103 Extinguishment and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2026

To note.

11. Temporary Road Closure

11.1 Spa Road

12. Parish Steward

To consider jobs for the Parish Steward

13. Notes of External Meetings

13.1 Wiltshire Enhanced Partnership Forum March 2026

To note.



Melksham Town Council

Minutes of the Economic Development & Planning Committee

On Tuesday 17th March 2026

PRESENT	Councillor S Rabey	Chair
	Councillor R Cleary	Vice Chair
	Councillor P Alford	
	Councillor P Aves	
	Councillor G Elson	
	Councillor A Griffin	
	Councillor C Stokes	

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor J Oatley

OFFICERS Andrew Meacham Committee Clerk

PUBLIC 13 members of the public were present and 1 member of the public was present virtually

242/25 Apologies

There were no apologies, all members being present.

243/25 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Griffin declared an interest in items 7.4 & 7.5 as the applicant.

244/25 Minutes

The minutes of 24th February 2026, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair Councillor Rabey.

245/25 Public Participation

Resident 1

Owner of 12 High Street. Objects to applications under agenda items 7.4 & 7.5. Comments have been submitted to Wiltshire Council. Proposal to install gates across shared accessway which is sole pedestrian and vehicle access to flats at 12 High Street, a garage block and rear access of a commercial premises. 12 High Street benefits from a registered title for pedestrian and vehicle right of way over the driveway at all reasonable times, which the applicants are seeking to restrict with lockable gates. These applications fail to demonstrate how reliable, unimpeded access will be maintained for residents, emergency services, deliveries and refuse collection and provides no fire safety or emergency access details. Please vote to object to the applications.

Resident 2

The access is already constrained in practice by the obstruction of the accessway. The introduction of gates would materially increase the risk of obstruction and delay. The applicant's own premises is already secured behind a compound style structure, which suggests the proposal is less about security and more about extending control over a shared access that others have a legal right to use. This concern is reinforced by previous comments from the applicants, suggesting that a tunnel should be built for tenants to access their flats, indicating a clear intention to restrict or displace established access rights.

The chair asked for clarification on comments about a tunnel. No such comments had been made in the council chamber and could therefore not be considered by the committee.

Resident 3

The proposal also involves physical intervention into a listed buildings fabric without clear and convincing justification or demonstrated public benefit, contrary to statutory duties and national policy. Although the design has been amended the gate does not enhance the setting as it includes an overhead crossbar that looks ugly.

Residents 4,5,6 & 7

Residents in flats at 12 High Street. Concerned that they will not be able to access their residents, especially at night and difficulties it will cause with refuse bins and post.

Resident 8

Resides in Webbs Close. Exiting from Webbs Close is dangerous due to restricted visibility caused by vehicles parked in Union Street. Is there anything Melksham Town Council can do. The chair suggested the resident speak to Councillor J Westbrook who has submitted LHFIF requests regarding Union Street parking.

Resident 9

On behalf of Melksham Transport User Group on agenda item 9.2

At a previous meeting the Town Council agreed to the request of MTUG to work in conjunction with Wiltshire Council to repaint and bolden the walkway route to the railway station, which is part of designated walking and cycling route MC01 in the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan.

Wiltshire Council have declined because they tell us the road is not a highway, and suggested we ask Network Rail.

Network Rail have declined because they don't own the approach road – it is owned by Wiltshire Council and they suggest we ask them.

A member of MTUG suggested we go out and paint the route ourselves in white with red crosses on it, to see who comes along and removes what they believe to be a political statement.

Having had our request for LHFIG turned down, who does the Town Council suggest we ask to get this issue resolved.

The chair confirmed MTC had been advised that strategic land owned by Wiltshire Council generally comes under the remit of the facilities Management Team and an email contact would be supplied.

Resident 10

On behalf of Wilts & Berks Canel Trust. Spoke at last meeting about entering into a memorandum of understanding. Have the council heard from the Trust? The committee clerk felt there may an item on the next full council meeting. Subsequently confirmed that it was.

Item 7.6, wished to advise on the Melksham Without Parish Council Planning Meeting. The Chair confirmed that the committee had the minutes of that meeting.

246/25 Proposed Lidl Development

This item was deferred to the next meeting as the representatives of Lidl were unable to attend. The chair spoke to a presentation made to Melksham Without Parish Council that she and Councillor Stokes had attended.

247/25 PL/2026/01036

The item was noted.

248/25 PL/2026/01088

It was proposed by Councillor Griffin, seconded by Councillor Aves and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED not to object to the application.

249/25 PL/2026/07044

Members noted that work had been done on flooding issues but previous concerns had not been addressed. Members were concerned about Emergency Access and suggested that there be instore information about exits routes in the event of flooding.

It was proposed by Councillor Elson, seconded by Councillor Alford and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to comment that the development is welcomed but previous comments stand and the comments of Highways are supported.

250/25 PL/2025/09766 & PL/2025/09634

Councillor Griffin left the chamber during these items and took no part in the discussion or vote.

Public participation and the advice of the planning officer were acknowledged. It was noted that that the application would be decided by a planning meeting. There was discussion on the impact on the character of a conservation area. It was noted that access was not a material planning consideration.

It was proposed by Councillor Alford, seconded by Councillor Elson and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to comment on concerns over the impact of the gates on a conservation area and the question of access.

251/25 PL/2025/07391

It was proposed by Councillor Alford, seconded by Councillor Elson and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to support the comments of Melksham Without Parish Council.

252/25 PL/2026/01530

The application was noted but no comment made.

253/25 PL/2025/09561

The decision was noted.

254/25 PL/2025/08141

The decision was noted.

255/25 PL/2026/00500

The decision was noted.

256/25 PL/2026/00501

The decision was noted.

257/25 LHFIG – Funding

The issue was discussed. Councillor Griffin outlined the situation as he understood it.

258/25 LHFIG – Station Road

The response of Wiltshire Council was noted. There was discussion on what other assistance Melksham Town Council could provide. Councillor Alford and Councillor Griffin agreed to speak to the relevant Portfolio Holders.

259/25 LHFIFG – Union Street Parking Survey

This item was deferred to the next meeting so that Councillor Westbrook could have the chance to attend.

260/25 Emergency Resilience Funding

Councillor Alford spoke to the item. It was agreed that there would be some investigation into the provision of grit bins, sand bags etc.

261/25 Premises Licence

Members noted the timely submission of licence and planning applications and the positive feedback to last years event.

It was proposed by Councillor Stokes, seconded by Councillor Cleary and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED not to object to the licence application.

262/25 Eastern Way

The response was noted. There was discussion of installing street name posts but it was also noted that there were no properties facing the stretch of road. The possibility of requesting a renaming of the bus stop was mentioned.

263/25 Temporary Road Closure – Dunch Lane

The item was noted.

264/25 Lime Down

The item was noted.

265/25 Parish Steward

There were no requests, it being noted that the Parish Steward was still allocated to pot-hole work.

The response from Wiltshire Council on funding was noted.

Meeting closed at: 20:30

Signed

Dated

Application No:	PL/2026/01061
Application Type:	Prior Approval Part 3, Class MA: Commercial, business and service uses to dwellinghouses
Proposal:	Application for prior approval under Class MA for the proposed change of use from Class E (commercial) to Class C3 (residential) to provide 17 units
Site Address:	Avonside Enterprise Park, New Broughton Road, Melksham, SN12 8AD
On behalf of:	[REDACTED]



Comments to be received by: 09 April 2026

Plans are available to view on our website at <https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000JelDO>.

If you wish to make any comments please do so by 09 April 2026. You can make your comments via the online facility on our website.

This application is for determination as to whether the prior approval of the local planning authority will be required for the following matters only:

[Class MA - commercial, business and service uses to dwellinghouses]

- (a) transport impacts of the development, particularly to ensure safe site access;
- (b) contamination risks in relation to the building;
- (c) flooding risks in relation to the building,
- (d) impacts of noise from commercial premises on the intended occupiers of the development;
- (e) where—
 - (i) the building is located in a conservation area, and
 - (ii) the development involves a change of use of the whole or part of the ground floor, the impact of that change of use on the character or sustainability of the conservation area;
- (f) provision of adequate natural light in all habitable rooms of the dwellinghouses;
- (g) the impact on intended occupiers of the development of the introduction of residential use in an area the authority considers to be important for general or heavy industry, waste management, storage and distribution, or a mix of such uses;
- (h) where the development involves the loss of services provided by—
 - (i) a registered nursery, or
 - (ii) a health centre maintained under section 2 or 3 of the National Health Service Act 2006, the impact on the local provision of the type of services lost; and
- (i) where the development meets the fire risk condition, the fire safety impacts on the intended occupants of the building.

Highways Improvement Request Form

Contact Details

Name:	phil alford	Date:	16/03/2026
Address:	Melksham Town Council		
Telephone No:			
Email Address:	phil.alford@melksham-tc.gov.uk		

Issue Details

Location of Issue: (please add a location plan where possible)	Millennial Walk from Murry Lane to the park
Community Area:	Melksham
Parish or Town Council:	Melksham Town
Nature of Issue: (Max 600 characters)	
The path has deteriorated significantly and needs replacing/repairing. Unfortunately, whilst the permissive path exists, the land is not in our control. The land owner is unlikely to spend money on this but we have in the past.	
How long has it been an issue?	18 months
What would you like done to resolve this issue? (Max 600 characters)	
I would like us to contact the owner and ask that the permissive path is guaranteed for the next five to ten years and allow the council to maintain and possibly fund a replacement to the path.	
Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	Yes

This form needs to be completed and e-mailed or sent to your local Town or Parish Council.

Town and Parish contact details are available via the link below:

<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx>

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only - Max 600 characters)

Highways Improvement Request Form

Contact Details

Name:	Phil Alford	Date:	16/03/2026
Address:	melksham town council		
Telephone No:			
Email Address:	phil.alford@melksham-tc.gov.uk		

Issue Details

Location of Issue: (please add a location plan where possible)	Beanacre Road opposite McDonalds
Community Area:	Melksham
Parish or Town Council:	Melksham
Nature of Issue: (Max 600 characters)	
off streets and on street parking is extremely limited for residents along Beanacre Road. There is a small layby that is used by residents and not by customers of the businesses on the opposite side of the A350. Parking restrictions exist in the layby that are now being enforced. This is extremely costly for residents.	
How long has it been an issue?	
What would you like done to resolve this issue? (Max 600 characters)	
Since this short section is only of any practical use to the immediate residents of Beanacre Road I would like the TRO changed to a residents only parking area, with no cost or fees for residents.	
Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	Yes

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Highways Improvement Request Form

Contact Details

Name:	Philip Alford	Date:	16/03/2026
Address:	Melksham Town council		
Telephone No:			
Email Address:	phil.alford@melksham-tc.gov.uk		

Issue Details

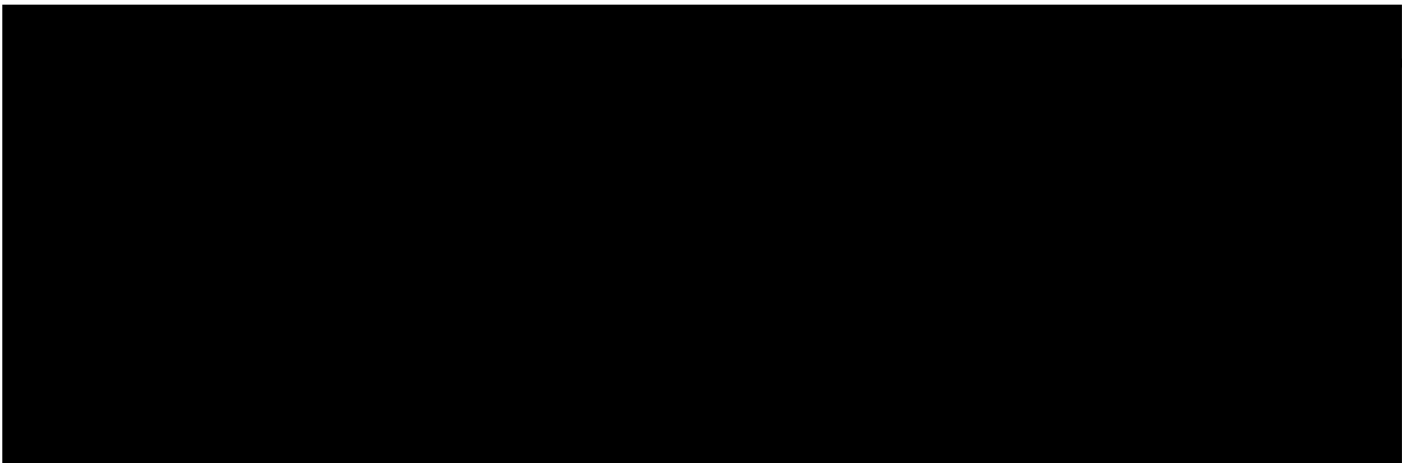
Location of Issue: (please add a location plan where possible)	47 Roundpond
Community Area:	Melksham
Parish or Town Council:	Melksham Town Council
Nature of Issue: (Max 600 characters)	
Roundpond has very constrained on and off street parking. The only people who really park there are residents but recently, staff at the Care Home opposite have started parking in the residential area making it difficult for residents to park and access their homes. Further more, outside of 55 Roundponds and along the road there is very limited access because of the cul de sac but staff have been parking there too.	
How long has it been an issue?	2 years
What would you like done to resolve this issue? (Max 600 characters)	
Possibly a residents only parking area or support asking the care home to instruct their staff to park elsewhere. I have emailed but received no response.	
Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	Yes

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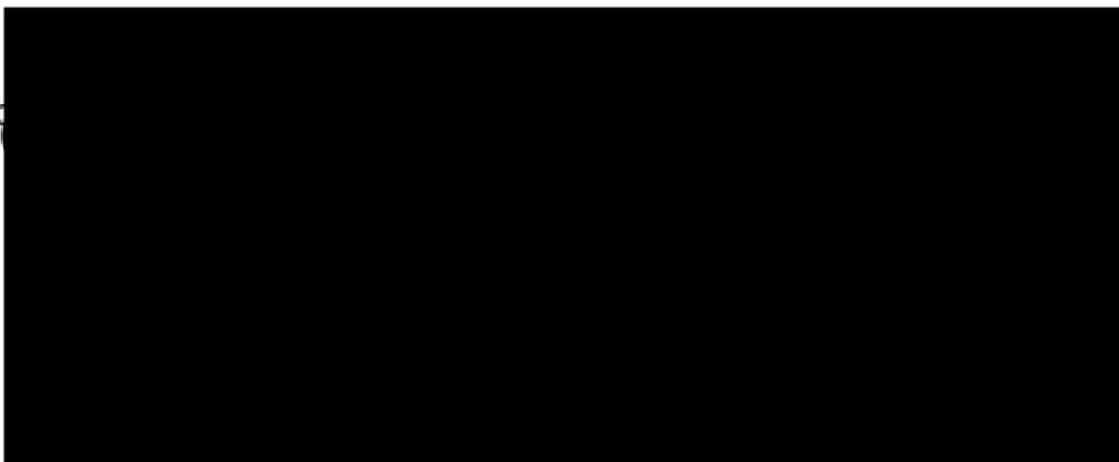
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Please could you provide the request and response in the next Ec Dev meeting.

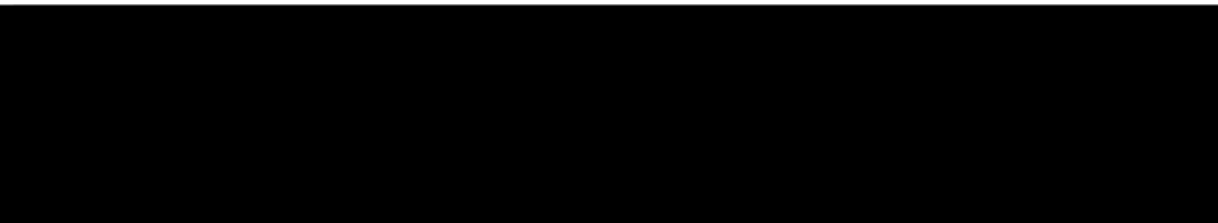
Kind regards,



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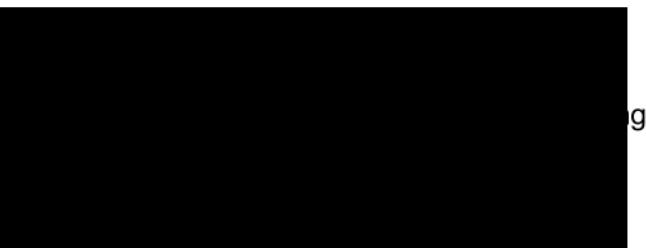
Other than Salisbury and a couple in Devizes and Trowbridge, there are very few residents parking schemes in operation.

With this in mind, I am seeking some advice from a colleague who has recently undertaken a resident's parking questionnaire in Devizes.
Unfortunately, he is currently on leave.

I understand the need to 'get on with things' regarding Union St, but at the present time this issue is some way down my long list of priorities I'm afraid.

I will respond in due course.

Regards



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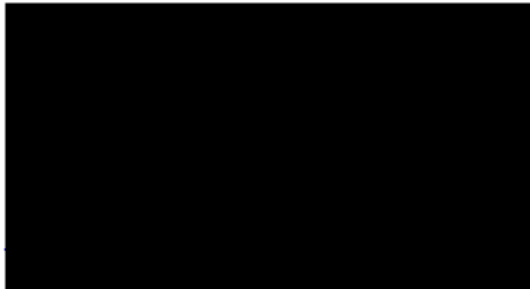
Trowbridge railway station is, approximately, a 10-minute walk from County Hall.



I hope you are well.

Would you be able to let me know a suitable time for us to chat about Westbrook, Jennie’s recent email regarding the street survey?

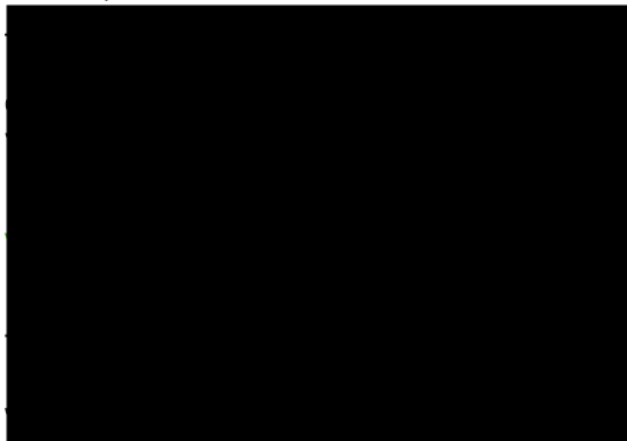
Kind regards,



Hi Both,

I'm not sure if anything has come from discussions or if you've been able to discuss anything but I'm just pushing this up both your inboxes.

Thanks,



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Hi Both,

I hope you're well.

Hayley, as you know, the proposal for the residents' permit scheme in Union Street was discussed at LHFIFG last Thursday, and it was agreed to progress the scheme. Wiltshire Council has very limited capacity, and Marin confirmed that MTC could help with running and collating the survey.

I'm getting in touch because I'd like to discuss the practicalities of the street survey and make sure we have a clear understanding of the process. I'd like this to come to the next Economic Development meeting on the 24th. That said, as this is also Wiltshire Full Council, it's unlikely I'll be able to attend, so I want to ensure everything is prepared properly beforehand.

Martin it would be really helpful to know:

- What the formal steps are for carrying out the survey
- Whether we need to use Wiltshire Council's specific survey format
- What the practical process looks like from our side

I've spoken with you briefly already and appreciate that you're happy to help with this. I just want to make sure we set things up correctly from the start so the scheme progresses smoothly.

I wonder if it's worth trying to set up a call between us all or if Martin you are able to just send over the details.

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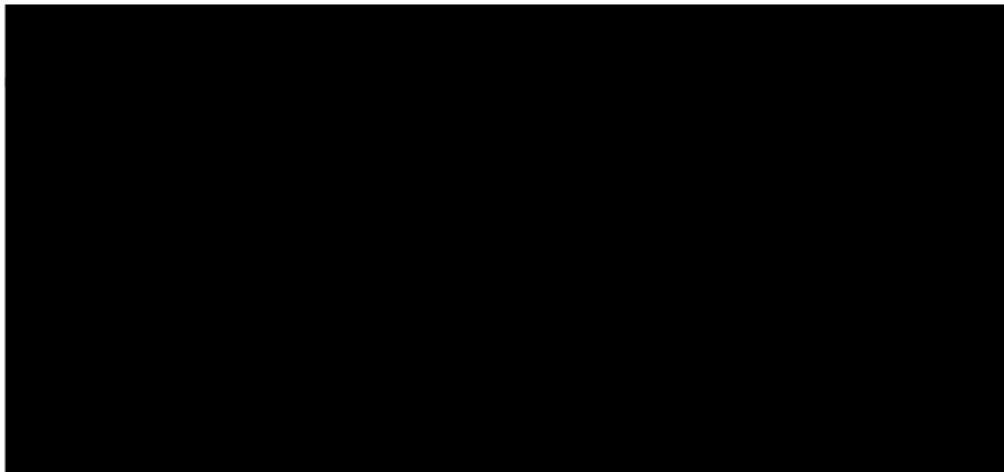
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Can this be shared for the meeting tomorrow night on the union street parking permit discussion please?

Thanks



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Hi [redacted] - I have been advised to contact you as you may be able to help.

I have a longstanding fish and chip shop in Melksham (the fisheries), coming up for 100 years of the shop running.

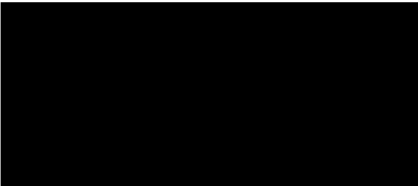
There has been a proposal to add a permit scheme for parking on Union street and remove one of the large car parks around 100 yards away from the shop.

In summary this will destroy trade for my already struggling shop (fish quotas, min wage, utility costs etc) as my older customers will not walk from the other side of town.

I emailed [redacted] with the advice from the [redacted] but she's not acknowledged my email regarding my concerns.

I am working tomorrow evening and so cannot attend the council meeting (unless I close the shop temporarily), but was hoping you may be able to raise my concerns for me if I send you them?

Hope this makes sense.



26th March 2026

Definitive Map and Highway Records
 Wiltshire Council
 County Hall
 Bythesea Road
 Trowbridge
 Wiltshire
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Our ref: P/2024/004

The Wiltshire Council Parish of Melksham Path No.103 Extinguishment and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2026

Western Area Planning Committee Meeting 22nd April 2026

Following the making of the above-mentioned order, I am writing to advise you that Wiltshire Council are in receipt of 3 objections and 63 representations of support or no objection to the order. As objections have been received and not withdrawn the order now falls to be considered by the Wiltshire Council's Western Area Planning Committee, whose members will consider the objections and representations received against the legal tests for the making and confirmation of the order.

The committee members will resolve whether Wiltshire Council supports the confirmation of the order and send it for determination by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State or they may resolve to abandon the order.

The matter is scheduled to be considered by the Western Area Planning Committee at their meeting to be held on **Wednesday 22nd April 2026** commencing at 15:00, the venue is the Council Chamber, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN.

Details of the committee can be found on Wiltshire Councils website at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-committee-meetings-calendar and then navigate to the Western Area Planning Committee and click on the scheduled meeting of 22nd April at 15:00. This link should have the most up to date information regarding the committee meeting.

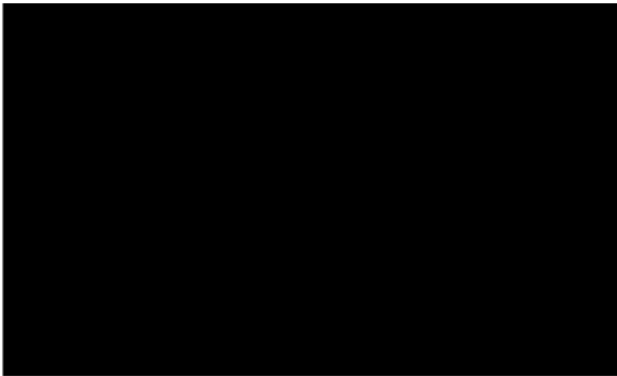
I understand that the agenda and report will be published shortly before the meeting, (generally about 5 days before the meeting) and may be viewed on the Wiltshire Council website using the web address details given in the previous paragraph.

The meeting is open to public attendance and public participation at the meeting is possible. If you would like to register to address the committee, please contact Democratic Services using the email address committee@wiltshire.gov.uk. Registrations to speak at committee will be accepted once the agenda has been published, which in accordance with Wiltshire Council's Constitution is 5 working days ahead of the meeting.

The Chairman will normally allow up to 3 speakers in favour and up to 3 speakers against an item. Each speaker will be given up to 3 minutes to speak. Speakers from the Parish Council are in addition to the above and are given up to 5 minutes to speak.

I hope this information is helpful and please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any further queries.

Yours



Section 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

Urgent Closure of: Spa Road (part), Melksham

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that on 9th April 2026, the following length of road shall be closed to all traffic in the interests of public safety to enable MGroup to carry out carriageway patching and other associated maintenance works.

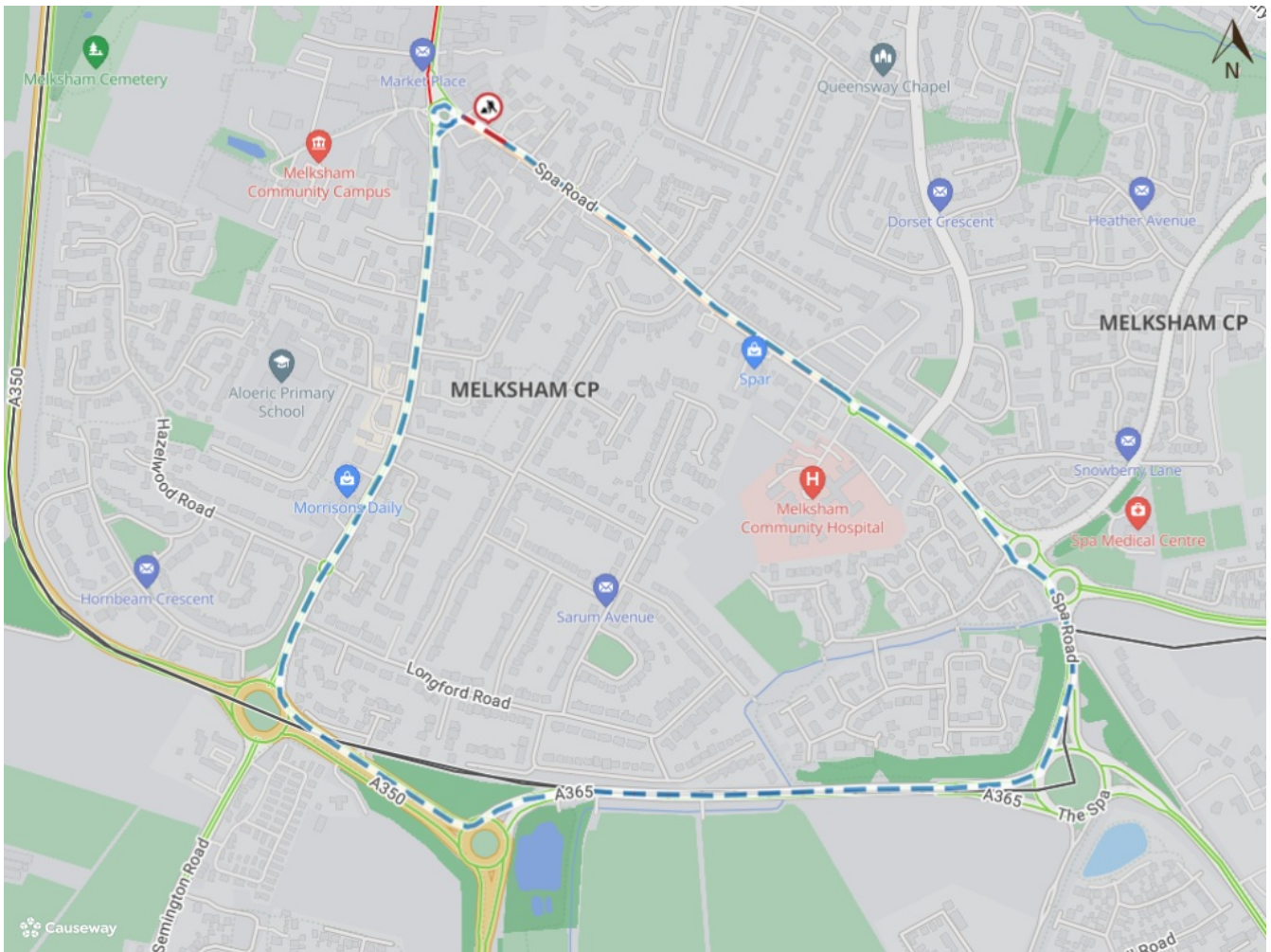
Spa Road (part), Melksham; from its junction with C381 for approximately 50 meters East.

Alternative route: via Spa Road unaffected length, A365, A350 and C381 and vice versa.

The closure and diversion route will be clearly indicated by traffic signs. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses where possible, although delays are likely due to the nature of the works.

These works will commence on 9th April 2026 and are anticipated to be required for 1 night between the hours of 19:00 and 23:59. This Notice will have a maximum duration of 5 days.

For further information regarding these works please contact MGroup on behalf of Wiltshire Council on 07743984583.



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Highways Assets and Commissioning, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN

REF:27BOB24

Wiltshire Enhanced Partnership Forum

12 March 2026

Attendees

Wiltshire Council Highways and Transport

Martin Smith (Cabinet Member)
 Jason Salter (Head of Service)
 Paul Sanders (DRT Manager)
 Rebecca Lockwood Norris (NBS Manager)
 Adrian Full
 Laura Jones
 Tania McCarthy
 Christina Bull
 Phil Grocock (Bus Network Manager)
 Ann Dark
 Ethan Bale
 Martin Watson
 Simon White

Town Council Representatives

Krista Passmore (Amesbury)
 Celia Stevens (Calne)
 Andrew Conroy (Chippenham)
 Alan Brown (Corsham)
 Stuart Pryde (Cricklade)
 Simon Williams (Devizes)
 Phil Exton (Malmesbury)
 Paul (Royal Wootton Bassett)
 Rhianna Cowdy (Warminster)
 Jane Russ (Westbury)

Bus Service Operators

Elizabeth Piner (Community Transport South Wiltshire)
 Daniel Pickford (Faresaver)
 Dan Ashworth (First Bus)
 Robert Sanderson (First Bus)
 Andrew Sherrington (Go South Coast)
 David Lee-Kong (Go South Coast)
 Peter Fairey (South West Coaches)
 George Cooper (Stagecoach South)

Neighbouring Local Transport Authorities

Kevin Brolan (BCP)
 Holly Brogden (Hampshire)
 Natasha Bates (Somerset)
 Louise Martin (West Berkshire)

Other Transport Stakeholders

Chris Hilldrup (National Highways)
 Andrew Ardley (South Western Railway)
 Philip Sears (South Western Railway)
 Edward Hopkins (W of E Combined Authority)
 Michael Meilton (Public Transport Consultant)
 David Redgwell (South West Transport Network)
 David Northey (Severnside Community Rail Partnership)
 Rosa Kell (Somerset Catch the Bus Campaign)

Meeting Overview

The March Enhanced Partnership (EP) Forum brought together Wiltshire Council officers, bus service operators, town council representatives and other transport stakeholders to receive Bus Service Improvement Plan and funding updates, data for supported bus services and passenger growth, progress with the new bus stop infrastructure programme, and updates from operators.

Introduction

- New attendees to the forum were welcomed and given an introduction to the National Bus Strategy (NBS) Bus Back Better and the Wiltshire Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP)
- The background to the varying financial models of bus services in were set out.

Policy, Funding & Programme Updates

- Bus grant allocations confirmed but reduced, requiring review of revenue plans.
- New Enhanced Partnership guidance awaited that will influence future EP Plan/Scheme.
- Policy review recommendations for EP Board review - will feed into EP Plan/Scheme.
- Significant progress made on capital programme with mobilisation underway.

Capital Programme Priorities

- Backlog of shelter repairs (over 500 identified) and replacements being prioritised.
- Chippenham Bus Station resurfacing works underway, passenger improvements planned.
- Service 55 identified as first Key Bus Route upgrade.
- Awaiting DfT Bus Network Accessibility guidance to finalise countywide prioritisation.

DRT (Demand Responsive Transport) Update

- Pewsey Vale DRT continues strong performance with over 70,000 journeys in 2025.
- South West Wiltshire DRT showing early positive growth, linked to leisure travel.
- Royal Wootton Bassett & Malmesbury DRT slower growth; planned promotion campaign.

Operator Updates

- Salisbury Reds: Growth across X4, X5 and Activate corridors; EV rollout underway.
- First Bus: D1X - route to go electric in April; Bath - road closures causing minor delays.
- Faresaver: Enhancements performing well; fleet investment - Euro6 compliance progress.
- Stagecoach South: Continued growth on Activ8; new onboard tech being implemented.

Actions

Action	By	Notes
Wiltshire Council to meet town council representatives over next 3 months regarding shelter ownership and infrastructure programme.	Tania McCarthy and Laura Jones	Meeting slots to be secured and circulated.
Wiltshire Council to continue dialogue with GWR regarding Chippenham Rail Station bus shelters / provision of RTP1 and Trowbridge Rail Station for clearer interchange info.	Rebecca Lockwood Norris and Tania McCarthy	To address at regular meetings with GWR.
Wiltshire Council to liaise with Swindon Borough Council regarding infrastructure improvements to Service 55.	Tania McCarthy and Laura Jones	Meeting to be arranged.
Wiltshire Council to Explore potential promotion of National Express and FlixBus services - informed by work by Somerset and Dorset councils.	Adrian Full and Adene West-Webb	Contact with Somerset and Dorset to follow.
Wiltshire Council to engage with WECA regarding reinstating funding for Service 41 via Chipping Sodbury.	Rebecca Lockwood Norris and Phil Grocock	Contact with WECA to follow.
Next Forum Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 11th June • Thursday 10th September • Thursday 10th December 		



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Forum Meeting

12th March 2026

Please note the session is being recorded for transcription

Wiltshire Council

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions (Jason Salter)
- Background to Bus Service Improvement Plan and Funding (Jason Salter)
- Actions from November EP Forum (Rebecca Lockwood Norris)
- Grant Funding Beyond 2025-26 (Rebecca Lockwood Norris)
- Forthcoming Stakeholder Engagement (Rebecca Lockwood Norris)
- BSIP/BGLA updates (Rebecca Lockwood Norris)
- DRT Update (Paul Sanders)
- Bus Service Operator Updates (Operators to contribute)
- Meeting Dates for 2026 (Rebecca Lockwood Norris)

Welcome and Introductions

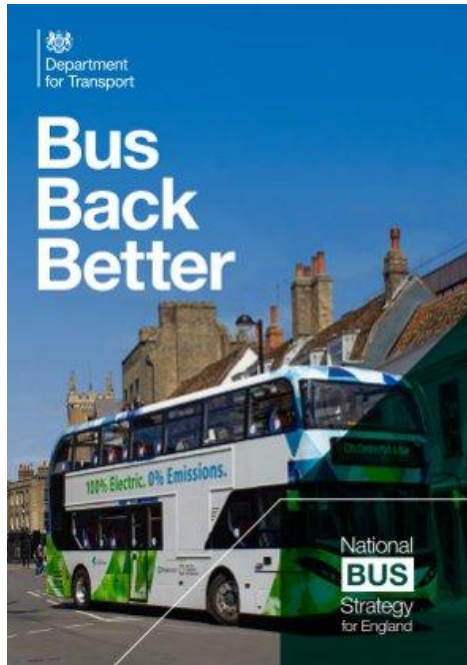
Changes at Wiltshire Council and new attendees since last EP Forum Meeting

- Laura Jones – Service Specialist / Infrastructure Contract Management
- Adene West-Webb – Comms and Marketing Support
- Town Council and Community Representatives – welcome

Dedicated bus stops webpage for programme information and FAQs

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/bus-infrastructure>

Background – BSIP and Funding



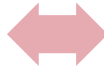
Bus Back Better



Wiltshire BSIP



Bus Service Enhancements



Bus Stop Infrastructure Improvement



- In Wiltshire bus services are: -
- fully commercial
 - subsidised
 - enhanced commercial
 - fully publicly funded

Actions from November EP Forum

Roadworks Policy: Atkins to deliver draft policy before Christmas; Council to share for operator feedback.	Rebecca Lockwood Norris	Share with board members prior to next board meeting.
Bus Stop Notifications: Review permit conditions to ensure advance notice at stops.	Alfie Francis & Bus Network Team	Ongoing.
Infrastructure Tender: Award contract by February; share rollout plan with operators.	Tania McCarthy	Update to follow to EP Forum in March 2026 meeting.
Operator Feedback: Operators to email priority locations for shelter improvements.	All Operators	Ongoing.
Marketing Push for DRT & BSIP Services: Joint campaigns with Visit Wiltshire, NHS, rail partners.	Paul Sanders & Adrian Full	Spring/Summer 2026.

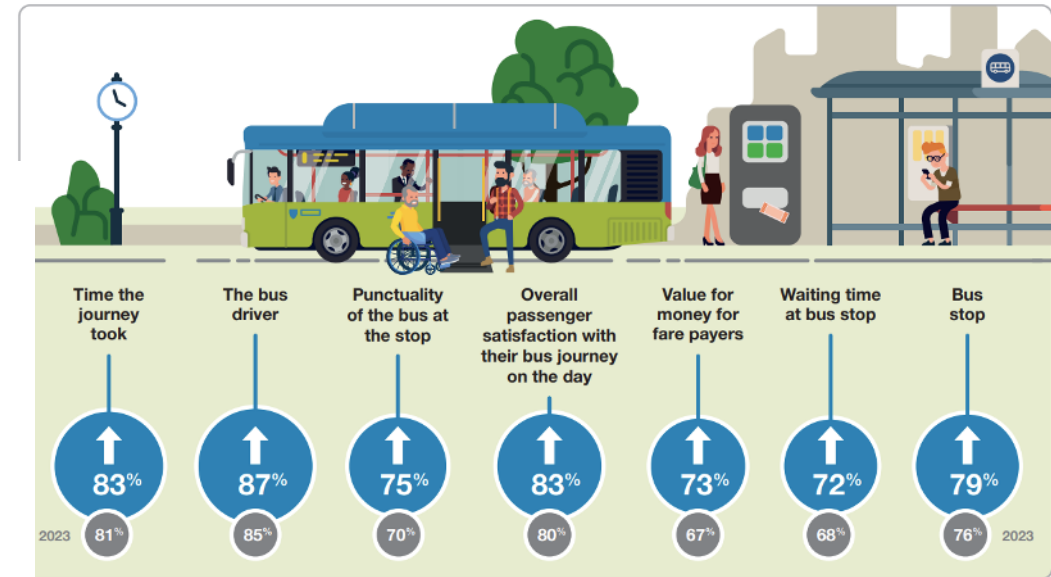
BSIP/BGLA – Grant Funding beyond 2025-26

- DfT Bus Grant - revenue over next 3 years and capital over next 4 years as part of integrated settlement – reduction per annum compared to this year
- Review all current BSIP/BGLA funding and plans for future funds - noting limited revenue available to support service enhancements and other revenue pressures
- Progression of capital (infrastructure) works – survey/prioritise/design/manufacture/install
- Review of RTPI – including existing provision - to reflect position with pressure on revenue funding available for ongoing costs and servicing new installations
- Review of EP Plan and Scheme (awaiting DfT guidance) to access grant in 2027

Forthcoming Stakeholder Engagement

- Your Bus Journey survey to be carried out by Transport Focus annually for 3 years
- Your Bus Journey Survey an established methodology undertaken by many LTAs
- The consistency of the survey has led to a national outcomes framework

Your Bus Journey is Transport Focus’s comprehensive measurement of what it’s like to travel on buses across Great Britain. Through the survey, passengers themselves give structured feedback about all aspects of the bus journey, from waiting at the stop, to being on board, the driver, and overall timeliness. They also tell us what matters to them, in their own words.



Other Forthcoming Requirements for EPs

- Local Transport Authority to maintain baseline bus budget (non-DfT funding)
- Promotion of concessionary bus travel
- All bus services to be promoted by Operators or have a single source of information
- Bus Passenger Charter
- Offering and promoting multi-operator tickets
- Publication of data – patronage, satisfaction and punctuality
- Common timetable changes all Operators across the county
- Bus Network Accessibility Plan
- Protection of socially necessary bus services

BSIP/BGLA Revenue - New/Enhanced Services

We have seen good initial increases in patronage during 2025 - these include:

Weekday service enhancements

- Activ 8 (Salisbury - Andover) - extra 8,000 pax / month
- D1x (Trowbridge - Bath) - additional 5,610 pax / month
- X5 (Salisbury - Marlborough – Swindon) 2675 pax / month
- 44K (New Chippenham town service - 1400 pax / month
- 49 (Trowbridge - Devizes - Swindon) - extra 983 pax / month
- X2 Devizes - Salisbury - Faster service attracting up to 800 extra passengers / month
- 53 (Cricklade - Purton - Swindon) - extra 300 pax / month
- X4 Larkhill - Amesbury - Salisbury - *Extension to Rail Station*
- 10 (Corsham Town service - *started March 2026*)

Weekend enhancements

- Trowbridge – Chippenham (*new Sunday service*)
- 1,030 pax /month
- Chippenham – Bath (*enhanced Sundays*)
- 1,000 pax / month increase
- Devizes – Bath (*enhanced Sundays*)
- 650 pax / month increase
- Chippenham – Castle Combe (*improved weekend service*)
- 541 pax / month
- Devizes – Chippenham (*new Sunday service*)
- 200 pax / month

BSIP/BGLA - Revenue Project Updates

Software Procurement

- Roadside display (timetables) - standardised displays and consistent info at the roadside
- Back-office work required is in progress at present

Policies

- Roadside Information / Buses & Roadworks / Marketing & Publicity / Bus Fares
- Next steps - board approval and action plan/integration with EP Plan and Scheme

Bus Shelter Cleaning and Repairs

- Contract signed in February - planning and programming now in progress
- Bi-annual cleaning of shelters and repairs carried out in accordance with SLA

BSIP/BGLA – Bus Shelters and Bus Stop Infrastructure

2025/Pre-contract

- The 2025 bus shelter condition survey reported half (over 350) require maintenance or repair
- Since then, over 550 requests to maintain/repair bus stop infrastructure have been received

Current Position

- February (2026) – Bus shelter / bus stop infrastructure contract signed
- February to March – Programming of backlog maintenance/repairs
- March to September – Address backlog and design schemes for completion by March 2027
- September – March (2027) – Implementation of first schemes and design of next tranche

Engagement/Information

- Stakeholder engagement & communicating design proposals as the programme progresses
- Updates available on our dedicated webpage <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/bus-infrastructure>

BSIP/BGLA Updates – Infrastructure Programme

Chippenham Bus Station

- Phase 1 - surfacing and associated works to footway and drainage scheduled in March/April
- Phase 2 - passenger information improvements as well as accessibility and comfort enhancements in development with new bus stop infrastructure supplier and operators

Bus Shelters and Bus Stop Infrastructure

- Responding to forthcoming Bus Network Accessibility Plan, the backlog and new requests
- Renewal and upgrading of bus stops across Wiltshire

Key Bus Route Upgrades and Enhancements Starting with Service 55 Route

- Upgrading of bus stops along the key routes and, where feasible, access to stops
- Shelters – poles – flags - bus priority measures – link to real time information - way finding

BSIP/BGLA Updates – 4-year Programme of Works

Workstream 1 Very High Priority Backlog

- Requiring immediate start/works.

Workstream 2 Backlog

- Grouped into Community areas requiring BSI and Shelter works.
- Some require feasibility and design
- Chippenham Bus Station Upgrade.

Workstream 3 Bus Shelters

- Phase 1 – survey those in worst condition first and in likely need of replacement.
- Phase 2 – survey remaining shelters and proposals for shelter replacement.

Workstream 4 BAU Maintenance and Repair of shelters & BSI

- Including reports and requests received via bus.stops@wiltshire.gov.uk mailbox.
- Bi-annual cleaning of shelters.

Workstream 5 Key Bus Corridor Service 55

- Aspiration to upgrade all stops along a Key Bus Corridor, starting with Service 55:
 - upgrade poles, flags and timetable cases.
 - replace approximately 25% of bus shelters.

Workstream 6 (other) Key Bus Corridors

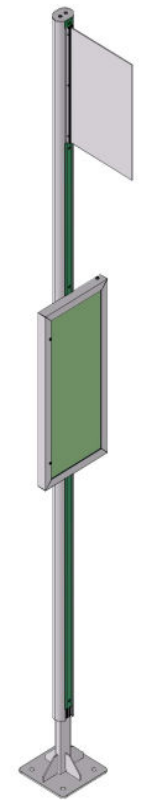
- Prioritise Key Bus Corridors, survey and cost.
- List here is in numeric / alphabetic by route, priority is to be determined.

- 8 Salisbury - Andover
- 49 Devizes - Swindon
- 49 Trowbridge - Devizes
- 51 Swindon - Cirencester (then Cheltenham)
- 55 Chippenham - Swindon
- 99 Chippenham - Malmesbury - Swindon
- 231 Chippenham - Bath
- 271 Melksham - Bath
- 272 273 Devizes - Bath
- D1 Warminster - Bath
- D1x Trowbridge - Bath
- X5 Pewsey - Swindon
- X5 Salisbury - Pewsey
- X31 Chippenham - Bath
- X34 Chippenham - Frome

BSIP/BGLA Update



BSIP/BGLA Update



Pewsey Vale DRT performance

Pewsey Vale Wiltshire Connect patronage 2025



Over 70,000 passenger`s carried during 2025. 6% increase on 24. Ave subsidy between £8-£9. Ave passengers per hour: 4.3 which is higher than the previous supported bus routes.



DRT services launched in 2025

- **South-West Wiltshire:** Good start – Average of 2,500 passengers a month. In growth phase.
 - Expect a seasonal increase in leisure patronage.
 - New Tri-bus vehicles including EV performing well.
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- **RWB/Malmesbury:** Slow to build ridership – Ave of 1,100 passengers a month.
 - Spring promotional campaign planned.
 - Service changes taking place in April. Extended to Cirencester



Bus Service Operator Updates

- Implementation of BSIP/BGLA funded service enhancements
 - Promotion of services and impact on patronage
 - Fleet changes / renewal updates
 - Accessibility – e.g. next stop audio / visual announcements
 - Challenges / opportunities for services / routes
- Salisbury Reds/GSC
 - First
 - Faresaver
 - Stagecoach West
 - Stagecoach South

Enhanced Partnership

Salisbury

27/11/25



Implementation of BSIP/BGLA funded service enhancements

X4

X5

activ8

activ8

Sundays

RED10

Evenings

Reliability has yielded a sustained 14 percentage point increase however passenger generation to the rail station is currently difficult to measure against other investments on the corridor due to abstraction but yoy we are seeing ~1.5% passenger journey increase.

A return to near hourly timetable has seen a growth of ~17% with 20% extra resource. Target is ~20%. Funding is always likely on the service in its current format.

66% extra resource covering both reliability and frequency increase has now generated ~30% passenger growth from start, target is ~40% A yoy comparison we are seeing ~6% growth. Funding threat is both a concern and disappointing given growth continues as expected, but not quite there yet to be sustainable. Reliability has stabilised.

~150% extra resource covering frequency increase to (combined) half hourly has stabilised 65% passenger growth since start, target is ~125% Funding threat is a concern and disappointing given growth continues as expected.

Demand remains at c.6 per round trip

2.34% yoy passenger increase across the Salisbury Reds network

Fleet changes / renewal updates

Total fleet	115*
Euro 3	6
Euro 4	15
Euro 5**	50
Euro 6	41
EV	3

Recent additions:

21 EV buses delivered – driver training underway. Launch on the 20th March.

9 EV single decks due July

Accessibility – e.g. next stop audio / visual announcements



All buses fitted with NSA

55 buses currently fitted with loops. All new vehicles come as standard.



NSA installation cost: £900.00 for a double decker bus and £800.00 for single decker. 60 buses with screens

Challenges / opportunities for services / routes

P&R routes are down yoy.

Emergency roadworks impact the city network punctuality.

Worsening journey speeds in Salisbury are resulting in difficulty completing round trip times, therefore, efficiency & cost – we will be proposing a bus lane to the **full length** of Brown Street in Salisbury where bus speeds are as low as 3.9mph at times.

**temporary inflated - in a transition phase*

*** includes EEV*



Calling all Primary Schools!

take part in our **competition**

- write a poem about electric buses
- design a bus rear

Live train times from Salisbury

Time	Destination	Plat.	Expected
21:56	Chandlers Ford	6	On time
22:11	Bristol Temple Meads	3	On time
22:25	London Waterloo	2	On time
22:38	Portsmouth Harbour	2	On time
22:45	Chandlers Ford	4	On time

R10 to St Peter's Place 21:55

MOTHER'S DAY TREAT

FREE bus travel for mums this Mothering Sunday*
*terms & conditions apply



crafty christmas fun!

Changes to school services

First

Implementation of BSIP/BGLA funded enhancements

- September 2025 – Enhanced weekday evening service on the 231
- September 2025 – Enhanced Saturday service on the 273
- September 2025 – Enhanced Corsham Town Saturday service
- March 2026 – Enhanced Corsham Town weekday service including extra short trips on the 69
- April 2026 – Re-introducing the Sunday/Bank Holiday Summer service to Castle Combe on the 95
- April 2026 – Continued funding for the X33 and X34 Sunday service and enhanced frequency of the 273 Sunday service



Fleet updates

2025 – Investment in 8 new vehicles,

4 double deck E400

4 single deck Volvo Evora

2026 – 2 E400s arriving September.

Focus now turned to making fleet fully Euro VI
currently 5 Optare Solos in this category.

Next Stop Audio/Visual

All new vehicles come fitted with Next stop A/V fitted
this amounts to 20 vehicles over the past 3 years.

Recently had a further 20 vehicles fitted with equipment



Stagecoach West

Stagecoach South

- Activ8 BSIP kickstart plans all continuing, with positive growth across the week both for commercial and concessionary passengers. With £3 fare cap having annualised from January, we're expecting clearer year-on-year growth trends on our interurban routes.
- We remain very keen to work in partnership to promote Activ8, in particular to emphasise the value of the joint service and ticket package including the new Group DayRider.
- No new news regarding fleet changes in the Wiltshire area (our new EVs for Surrey are all delivered and expected in service for May).
- Audio-visual installations ongoing; expecting to fit more vehicles with full colour TFT screens over the next few months including on Activ8.

Forum Dates for 2026 and Contact Details

EP Board Meeting 25th March 2026

Proposed for EP Forum to meet in 2026 as follows

- Thursday 11th June
- Thursday 10th September
- Thursday 10th December

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