



Update for Lyneham and Bradenstoke Parish Council March 2024

Wiltshire Council

Area Boards Meeting

The next Area Board meeting will be Wednesday 13th March 2024 at Lyneham Primary School. This is the final Area Board of this financial year.

We will be hosting the Highways Matters event, so would encourage people to come along to gain a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities faced by the Highways Team at Wiltshire. This will be followed by a short business meeting primarily to determine grant funding applications.

Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG).

The next meeting will be **22nd May 2024**, location to be determined (please note change of date).

All LHFIG requests for the next Council Year to be in by May 8th please.

Community Safety Forum

The meeting on March 8th was scheduled to be a speaker from the Burglary Unit who did not turn up. Instead there was a presentation from CrimeStoppers Wiltshire. Notes to be circulated separately.

Next virtual meeting will be Friday 12th April 2024 - speaker to be confirmed

Banking Hub

The temporary banking hub in RWB Library has closed. The permanent hub, which is in the front of the former Post Office, is scheduled to open any day now..

A3102 Safety Works

A number of residents have contacted me with questions about the tree removal along the A3102. Details of the project may be found here:-

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/8458/A3102-Safer-Road-Scheme#:~:text=We%20have%20been%20granted%20nearly,been%20awarded%20%C2%A36.98m.>

This is ring-fenced money. The Council is responsible through it's Highways Maintenance budget for road maintenance outside this project. The Bobcat has been around filling a few potholes on the A3102. Plenty more to go though!

In response to a resident query regarding the amount of litter along the road, I managed to get an additional litter pick carried out so it looked beautiful for a short time (until the Costa Coffee cups were chucked out of a car window).



Local

Lyneham Banks

Tree clearance work has commenced on the Banks. The project tender date closed on March 7th and 9 tenders were received.

A planning application is due to be submitted in March. A short meeting was held with the lead officer and local parish representatives to update. Further information is on the Lyneham Banks web page. Once a contractor has been selected there will be a further public webinar and “meet the contractor” events.

Clack Hill road surface has taken a battering with the recent bad weather. I am awaiting further information as to what Highways can do to improve. Unfortunately the whole county highways system is affected and all councillors are demanding that their roads are high priority. Some patching works are to be carried out on March 14th with a temporary road closure.

Please use the email address lynehambanks@wiltshire.gov.uk for all correspondence..

Bradenstoke Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund

Details of all grants and the application process can be found on the website <https://www.bradenstokesolarfund.org/>

Flooding

Wiltshire Council Drainage team is working its way through all the flooding reports recently submitted. On site meetings will be arranged for local people to explain their flooding issues directly to the team. This is being done on a priority basis based on the number of properties flooded.

**Councillor Allison Bucknell
14th January 2024**