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Update for Lyneham and Bradenstoke Parish Council January 2024

Wiltshire Council

Area Boards Meeting

The next Area Board meeting will be Wednesday 17th January 2023 in Purton. Unfortunately The Chief Constable of Wiltshire, Catherine Roper can no longer attend, she will instead come to our February Community Safety Group meeting. Police and Crime Commissioner, Philip Wilkinson, should be in attendance.

Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG).

The group met on January 10th 2024. From May 2024 we will be looking at an annual programme of work so any issues should be raised and prioritised by **March 31st 2024**. There is one LBPC issue already on the priority list (Tesco entrance). The request to move the Dead End sign at Preston will be carried out under routine maintenance.

Community Safety Forum

At the January meeting Peter White from the Wiltshire Council Highways Enforcement Manager spoke about fly tipping. The notes will be shared very soon. Peter is more than happy to come and talk about fly tipping enforcement to any Parish Council or community group.

Next virtual meeting will be Friday February 9th 2024 where Chief Constable Catherine Roper will be our main speaker – all welcome.

Banking Hub

The temporary banking hub is up and running in the RWB Post Office. Work on the permanent hub, which is in the front of the former Post Office, is well under way. They hope to open March/April.

Local

Lyneham Banks

December newsletter is out [https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?e= test email &u=2883905f726c9fc694bef8b9e&id=b295cd4cdc](https://us5.campaign-archive.com/?e=test_email&u=2883905f726c9fc694bef8b9e&id=b295cd4cdc)

Tree clearance work has commenced on the Banks and the Construction project is out to tender <https://bidstats.uk/tenders/2024/W01/814088293>

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

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

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Bradenstoke Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund

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

Clackhill Yard

Three parish councillors attended the Strategic Planning Committee for the determination of planning application at Clackhill Yard. PL/2022/05221 which was refused. The applicant has 6 months to appeal the decision.

There has also been an issue with escaping ponies, which is becoming quite regular. The police have identified this as a local priority and are working on a resolution.

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.

The Parish Council will have been notified of two potential assistance schemes (Babet and Henk). Please encourage any property / business that has been hit by flooding to register for help.

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14th January 2024**