



## **Update for Lyneham and Bradenstoke Parish Council July 2023**

### **Wiltshire Council**

#### **Area Boards Meeting**

The next Area Board meeting will be Wednesday September 27<sup>th</sup> 2023 at Cricklade Town Hall

#### **Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG).**

Next meeting July 19<sup>th</sup> 1800.

We will be discussing a new format for prioritizing requests to ensure that funding is committed rather than losing it.

#### **Community Safety Forum**

Next virtual meeting will be Friday July 14<sup>th</sup> 2023 where the main speaker will be Sgt Rob Goacher , Rural Crime Team.

Notes from the meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> have been sent to the PC reps.

#### **Local Plan Review - Help shape the future of Wiltshire**

This month Wiltshire Council will consider the review of the Wiltshire Local Plan. The draft Plan sets out the vision and framework for housing, infrastructure and land for employment growth for the next 15 years. Once adopted, all planning applications will be determined against the Plan, **making it the most important place-shaping document for Wiltshire.**

It also identifies sites for housing and employment development until 2038. Following further work to assess the number of homes needed, the number of planned homes in the Plan has been significantly reduced from its last iteration by almost 9000. When the Plan was consulted on in 2021, it proposed 45,630 homes over 20 years to 2036, but the updated Plan proposes 36,740 homes, of which over 21,900 homes have already been built or are committed.

A number of important policies are included in the draft plan:

- 40% of all new housing on developments of 10 homes or more to be affordable.
- Greater flexibility for rural exception sites to make it easier to provide affordable housing in villages where there is clearly identified demand.
- New developments will have to meet zero carbon standards, including energy generation such as solar panels.
- 20% biodiversity net gain for all new developments, compared to the 10% legal requirement.
- All new developments must also have cycling and walking connections.



Most of the housing development is planned to be in the major urban centres in the county. Due to the amount of housing that Lyneham has already taken, the recommendation in the plan is that there is no residual requirement for homes in Lyneham other than those brought about by the Neighbourhood Plan.

This Local Plan is about providing for a choice of high-quality designed housing, including affordable homes, in the most sustainable locations; maximising development on brownfield sites; supporting town centres; and providing high quality new public open spaces.

A full consultation on the proposals is expected to take place in the Autumn so please do have your say about the plans. To read the full Cabinet report, go to: <https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=141&MId=14748>

## **Local**

### **Lyneham Banks**

No further specific update since the last meeting, apart from the signage review having taken place, some signs have been modified, the barrier at the bottom of Clack Hill has been pulled back across the road to limit access further.

Repairs have been made to Clack Hill.  
The next road survey is due in July.

Works continues on the repairs. The Council is in the process of obtaining the land required to carry out the repairs – this is extensive.

Please use the email address [lynehambanks@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:lynehambanks@wiltshire.gov.uk) for all correspondence..

### **Planning / Development**

Revised plans have been submitted for Green Farm.  
PL/2022/0521- Clack Hill Yard. This was scheduled to go to Strategic Planning Committee on July 19<sup>th</sup> but this is not happening. I am awaiting a new date.

### **Anti Social Behaviour – Lyneham Play Parks**

Concerns have been raised about the level of ASB at Slessor Park, and more recently Pintail Court. Options are being considered as to how to tackle this and may require some Parish Council input in the near future.

A response from the Neighbourhood Policing Team has been shared with the clerk.

### **Bradenstoke Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund**

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

**Councillor  
Allison Bucknell  
Lyneham**



### **Enhancing the look and feel of the villages**

I have been responding to several requests from Parish Councillors and residents regarding weed removal and the state of hedges and grass. These have been shared with the Parish Council where relevant and some progress is being made.

### **Preston**

A resident of Preston has contacted me with concerns about the state of the road . I have passed this over to Martin Cook and copied LBPC Clerk as some issues may well need to go to LHFIG.