## Partner Update

Update from	Corsham Town Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	14 March 2017
Headlines/Key Issues	

- Free Parking Fridays are back for April. The Town Council and the Martingate Centre are funding free parking every Friday next month, from 9.30am. It is the latest in a number of initiatives to help town centre businesses.
- Above and Beyond, the exhibition commemorating the Red Cross hospital based at the Town Hall during WW1, formed part of a larger display Roads to Recovery that was held at the Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution during half-term. It was of great interest to a number of visitors and certainly helped to put Corsham on the map again. So successful was the display, which was put together by a number of local organisations including The Natural Theatre Company, that the event was extended by a week.
- Plans are well underway for Festival Fortnight, which will incorporate the Walking Festival (9-11 June, <a href="www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk">www.corshamwalkingfestival.org.uk</a>), The Pound's Blue Sky festival, (15-18 June, <a href="www.blueskyfestival.org.uk">www.blueskyfestival.org.uk</a>) and the Town Council's first ever Taste of Corsham food festival (17 June, <a href="www.corsham.gov.uk/visit">www.corsham.gov.uk/visit</a>). Lots more details coming soon.
- The Town Council is delighted to announce that the town centre is now home to a community defibrillator. The machine has been installed on the exterior wall of the public toilets in the Newlands Road short-stay car park. The Town Council has worked with The Community Heartbeat Trust to ensure the right type and site has been chosen. The defibrillator is completely self-explanatory and easy to use, although it is hoped that no one ever needs to use it.
- The Town Council's Annual Town Meeting will take place on Thursday 6 April, 7pm for 7.30pm, at the Town Hall. Everyone is invited to listen to reports on the Town Council's work over the previous year, as well as Arts-related talks by our guest speakers.