Update From: Malmesbury and the Villages Community Area Partnership. (M&VCAP) - Date of Area Board Meeting: 4th May 2011

Headlines

The Community Safety forum which took place at Malmesbury Town Hall on Thursday 7th April 2011 was well received. Following a meeting with Sid Jevons, Martin Rea, Sgt Martin Alvis and Inspector Chris Martin it was agreed that with local Police Officers regularly attending parish council meetings the need for a major forum meeting every three months is no longer deemed appropriate. Therefore one major quarterly forum will be held which will be in Malmesbury in the autumn. The other three forums will be less formal. Members of the public will continue to be welcome at all forums.

The budget report for 2011/2012 has now been completed and has been presented to Andrew Jack of Wiltshire Council. This together with the MVCAP's Action and Work plan were discussed at a meeting with the Area Board on the 12th April.

Project Planning forms have been introduced through the group who now use these to better describe any suggested future projects.

Issues/Projects

Projects currently on the go are: Rural Broadband, Engagement with Parish Councils, Improving Communications.

Projects that have been taking up a lot of the Group's time have been Reduced Street Lighting, and Speedbumps. Both these projects have left the hands of the Group and are now with Malmesbury Town Council and Wiltshire Council.

Projects to be introduced are:

Cinema Bus - looking at ways of transporting people to the cinema at Malmesbury Town Hall from the villages, Sustainability - a One Planet Action Plan has been adopted to help the Group's work to become more sustainable, IZWE a new social network.

Community Engagement:

- MVCAP Community Hub
- Event Hosting Community Safety Forum, Community Groups Fair
- PR Team e.g MVCAP 'Corporate' identity, MVCAP Newsletter, Publicity, Stalls at events—Alive and Kicking (May 7th.), Sherston Boules (July 16th.)
- Longer Term Malmesbury area newsletter.

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Transport:

- Transport event follow-up
- Malmesbury Tetbury bus service
- Longer Term Scheduled volunteer bus service

Youth:

• Collaborate on Dreamscheme .

If anyone would be interested in becoming involved in any of the above projects we are always looking for volunteers. You would be made most welcome. Please contact Sue Webb on email: <u>dennis.webb01@virgin.net</u>

Future Events/Dates for the Diary:

Dates for Steering Group meetings for 2011 are: 31st May, 6th July, 9th August, 20th September (AGM), 2nd November, 13th December. All meeting will commence at 7pm and venue to be agreed. (Please check on website in case of changes).

Co-coordinator/Administrator for M&VCAP - Dated 13th April 2011