

BA13+ REPORT to AREA BOARD

The most recent BA13+ Partnership Meeting was a very well attended event which took place at the Laverton on Wednesday 11th November, with guest speaker **Claire Thomas** from **Alzheimers Support** who are a Wiltshire based charity working with people with Dementia. Claire asked what people thought a Dementia Friendly Westbury might look like – what shops might do, what businesses might do, what clubs and societies might do. The BA13+ Partnership are meeting with an advisor from Dementia Support to discuss the re-launch of Dementia Friendly Westbury this Spring.

Chris Heaphy then spoke about the Wellbeing Programme in relation to the **Wiltshire Wildlife Trust**. He is a volunteer worker with the organisation. They work at various sites across the county, notably Middleton Down and Smallbrook Meadow. **Peter Biggs** finally gave a presentation on **Healthwatch**.

The subsequent Steering Group meeting took place on Tuesday 1st December at Crosspoint in Westbury. Partner updates were received from Wiltshire Forum for Community Area Partnerships, the Health sub-group, the Community Safety sub-group and the Town Council.

It was decided that the theme of the next Partnership meeting on **Wednesday 17th February 2016** is to be **Economy, Jobs and Skills**. Guest speakers have yet to be appointed at the time of writing. The meeting is to be held in Westbury Parish Hall with a start time of 7pm.

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