

# Partner Update

Update from

Warminster Town Council

Date of Area Board Meeting

14<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Headlines/Key Issues

- The Town Council is likely to invest in a new CCTV system and control room (subject to the tenders received being acceptable and agreement from Westbury Town Council)
- The Town Council has an ongoing request for the transfer of the Community Hub building from Wiltshire Council to the Town Council
- The new Splash Pad in the Lake Pleasure Grounds has been a huge success attracting people in from far and wide, for example from Bath. The splash pad is free to use and an absolute boon for people in during these economic times
- The Pavilion Café in the Lake Pleasure Grounds is open 10am - 5pm – selling refreshments while the splash pad is open
- The Lawn Tennis Association is seeking to refurbish the Tennis Courts and MUGA in partnership with the Town Council – agreement is likely to be reached shortly
- Spring in the Park and Inspire were both very successful – Initial planning is underway for the hundredth anniversary of the opening of the Lake Pleasure Ground in 1924.
- The Christmas Light Switch on and Christmas Market are set for Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- City Dressing in partnership with the Town Council and with funding from Wiltshire Council will be installing giant bunting, flags and pennants to make the town centre seem more cared for.
- The Town Council will be leading work on a town centre action plan as part of the Wiltshire Towns Programme.
- The Town Council has written to all empty business premises in the town centre asking why they are empty and what can be done to bring them back into use.
- The Town Council will be considering its draft budget for 2023/24 in the Autumn. The biggest uncertainty is the exact nature of any devolution from Wiltshire Council.
- The Town Council is reviewing the Neighbourhood Plan and Town Plan and will be setting up task groups to drive the process forward on 26<sup>th</sup> July