

# ***Partner Update***

<b>Update from</b>	<b>Warminster Town Council</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2024

## **Headlines/Key Issues**

- The 99-year lease for the Community Hub building between Wiltshire Council and the Town Council at a peppercorn per annum was signed at a Full Council meeting on 25 March 2024.
  - The Town Council has agreed the Heads of Terms for the Central Car Park Public Conveniences with Wiltshire Council at a peppercorn per annum which will be signed at the next Full Council meeting.
  - The contract will be awarded shortly to the successful tenderer for the installation of solar panels on the Hub Building, once surveys have been carried out.
  - A Valuing Volunteering event is being held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024. This has been organised by the Health and Wellbeing Group and funded by the town council with the aim of investigating the Vision for Volunteering in Warminster.
  - The Town Council is working in partnership with the Health and Wellbeing Group referencing the JSNA; a volunteering workshop will be held in the autumn. A council representative has been nominated as a member of the Group.
  - The new Under-5s Multi-Play equipment in the Lake Pleasure Grounds has been installed and is being well-used.
  - Coaching sessions are being organised on the refurbished Tennis Courts.
  - The first two days of free canoe lessons and free tennis taster sessions funded by the Town Council as part of their Youth Activities Programme were well attended with a waiting list in operation.
  - Planning is well underway for the hundredth anniversary of the opening of the Lake Pleasure Ground which will take place on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024 with tribute acts Beatles with an A and Forever Elton performing.
  - The first quarterly market was held on 24<sup>th</sup> March in the Civic Centre and the town centre, in conjunction with the Warminster Business Network. Figures demonstrated a 171% increase in footfall year on year. The second market will take place on 29<sup>th</sup> June.
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- The finger posts and CCTV columns in the town centre will be painted in May/ June using funding from Wiltshire Council's Wiltshire Towns Programme.
  - Warminster's Community Litter Pick on 23 March 2024, which was organised as part of the Great British Spring Clean, was a great success.
  - Warminster and Westbury Youth Club will be providing the services of youth outreach workers for the Town Council from the end of June 2024.
  - The Town Council has applied to Wiltshire Council for a road closure from 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025 during the toad migration season on Smallbrook Road, following a representation by Sustainable Warminster.
  - The Town Council has approved a grant of £5,000 to Selwood Housing towards the installation of CCTV cameras on the Westleigh Estate in Warminster.
  - The Town Council is continuing its work to update the Neighbourhood Plan and is now issuing a call for sites.
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