

Partner Update for Warminster Area Board

Name of Partner: Warminster and Villages Community Partnership (WVCP)

Date of Area Board Meeting: 5th November 2015

Headlines/Key Issues:

- Warminster Community Hub The Hub has been operated since 3rd August, by a first-class team of volunteers. It is open to the public Monday to Saturday mornings from 10.00am to 1.00pm and three afternoons Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Warminster Town Council has generously provided a grant to help meet the first year's operating costs. In addition to providing information to local residents and visitors to the town, the Hub is extending support for local organisations by compiling a database of local clubs, associations, voluntary organisations and charities. We provide a box-office service for local events and a base for non-commercial organisations wishing to conduct surveys and consultations. Much needed improvements to the Hub building will be undertaken over the next six months, with particular emphasis on making it fully accessible to people with disabilities. We are maintaining the former ShopMobility hire service for users of the town centre.
- Annual General Meeting, September 2015 The audited finances for WVCP were accepted; all members present agreed to continue as part of the management committee; officers were re-elected: Len Turner as Chair, Michael Mounde as Vice Chair and Pip Ridout as Treasurer. The Partnership is open to all who live or work in the Warminster community area and new members are always welcome.
- Your Community Plan 2013-2026 The 2015 update of the Warminster and Villages
 Community Plan and appendices can be viewed and downloaded from the
 Partnership's website via this link: http://www.westwilts-community-web.com/site/Warminster-and-Villages-Community-Plan.htm.

Future Events/Dates for the Diary:

• WVCP Management Committee meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at the Organ Inn, Warminster in the meeting room upstairs.

Ongoing projects:

- <u>Economic and Tourism Group</u> monitoring of town scene and empty buildings; benchmarking; media contact list.
- <u>Health and Social Care Group</u> monitoring and information sharing with organisations and the community.
- Current volunteering opportunities in the Warminster area can be accessed via the website www.volunteercentrewiltshire.org.uk/