

Partner Update

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| Update from | Warminster Town Council |
| Date of Area Board Meeting | 12 th September 2024 |

Headlines/Key Issues

- The Heads of Terms for the Central Car Park Public Conveniences at a rent of a peppercorn per annum for the period to 22nd May 2030 were signed at the meeting of Full Council on 28th May 2024.
 - The contract has been awarded to the successful tenderer for the installation of solar panels on the Hub Building. It was hoped to instal the solar panels in August, but the need to install a new three phase meter has caused delays.
 - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) money has been awarded as follows:
 - Warminster Community Radio - £28,858 – purchase of equipment
 - Warminster Cricket Club - £6,000 – renovation of the club’s toilet facilities.
 - A grant of £2,800 was awarded towards the costs of setting up a parkrun at Thoulstone Park.
 - A Lake Pleasure Grounds Lottery Bid Working Group has been set up to bring forward proposals to inform a bid to the National Lottery Heritage Fund.
 - Further free canoe lessons and tennis taster sessions were funded by the Town Council as part of their Youth Activities Programme during the summer. These have proved to be extremely popular!
 - The event celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the opening of the Lake Pleasure Ground, with tribute acts Beatles with an A and Forever Elton, took place on 26th July 2024. The event was very successful, attracting three thousand people.
 - Warminster’s Lake Pleasure Grounds have been celebrated by the BBC as one of five ideas for free summer activities across Wiltshire.
 - Quarterly markets were held on 29th June and 1st September in the Civic Centre and the town centre, in conjunction with the Warminster Business Network. The final market of the year will take place on 30th November to coincide with the Christmas Lights Switch On event. The markets have increased footfall into the town and attracted both new and returning visitors.
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- As part of the council's partnership working with the Warminster Business Network Warminster Town Centre, newsletters providing useful updates for local businesses are being produced and circulated.
 - A Warminster promotional map and leaflet have been created and distributed around the local area to attract more visitors to Warminster.
 - Youth outreach workers from Warminster and Westbury Youth Club are providing detached youth work services three times per week, building relations with the young people in Warminster.
 - PS Joe Sadowski joined Warminster's Neighbourhood Policing Team in July and is providing regular updates to the council about issues and priorities in the town.
 - The call for sites as part of the council's work to update the Neighbourhood Plan has generated 15 responses which will now be assessed and allocated for potential development.
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