

Corsham Area Board Project – Cllr Alan Macrae

1. What is the project?

Supporting Legacy events during summer 2016

This initiative is to ring fence £3k to support activities related to the legacy events. Agreeing to this will allow expenditure up to this amount to take place without the need for the request to wait up to 2 months to be brought to the next Area Board meeting.

The Wiltshire Legacy Steering Board set up after the huge success of the 2012 Olympics and Diamond Jubilee events, continues to encourage and support us to get involved. Its focus for 2016 is upon bringing communities together and getting people more active.

The big 'hooks' for 2016 are the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations in June and the summer Olympic Games in Rio, Brazil. Communities are invited to participate in the following ways:

- Hold street parties around June 11th – Several are already being planned within the Corsham area
- Clean for the Queen – Around 7 clean ups have or are taking place around the area during March and April
- Wiltshire's Big Pledge from 2nd May – Signing up to a sporting challenge to make a real difference to your health and wellbeing. This includes the 'Road to Rio' challenge for teams (Virtual journey to Rio)
- Get involved with walking and cycling (e.g. Corsham Walking Festival and Cycle Wiltshire)

2. Where is the project taking place?

This is a Wiltshire wide project but the funding will only be used within the Corsham Community Area

3. When will the project take place?

The project will take place between now and September 2016. Some key dates are:

June 11th and 12th – Queen's 90th birthday celebrations
 May 2nd onwards – Big Pledge
 June 17th-19th - Corsham Walking festival
 From 5th August - Olympics and Paralympics

4. Who is the project aimed at?

The project is aimed at everyone in the whole Corsham Community Area

5. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/desired outcomes?

The benefits of the legacy events include:

- Increased community cohesion and support
- Boost economy and tourism
- Improve health and wellbeing
- Provide positive activities to be involved in

6. Who will manage/be responsible for this project?

Richard Rogers (Community Engagement Manager) working with the elected Members will oversee the project.

7. Costs/quotes/ match funding?

It is unclear at the moment what funding will be required for the legacy events. However it is anticipated that some will be needed to help provide activities for the large celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday at and around Springfield Health and Wellbeing Centre. In addition, we may receive requests for funding from other villages or neighbourhoods wishing to run their own events

Agreeing to this initiative allows the Community Engagement Manager working with the Elected Members to spend up to £3k without the need to take the requests back to the next Area Board meeting, which is likely to be too late. All expenditure will be reported back to the Area Board and if the funding is not spent then it will return to the Area Board funding pot to be used for other items