

# **Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board**

<b>Update from</b>	<b>Royal Wootton Bassett</b>
<b>Date of Area Board Meeting</b>	18 May 2016
<b>Headlines/Key Issues</b>	

- Councillor Mary Champion was inaugurated as Mayor on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016. Her Mayoress is Miss Alice Davey and Consorts Peter Davey and Alfie Hussey. Deputy Mayor is Councillor Steve Bucknell and Deputy Mayoress, Councillor Allison Bucknell.

- Royal Wootton Bassett's Town Crier and Swordbearer, Mr. Owen Collier won the trophy for best dressed Town Crier at the South of England Town Crier Championship at Blandford Forum in Dorset on Monday 2nd May 2016.

- Former Mayor, Councillor Ian Ferries and Mayoress Mrs Judi Ferries hosted a very successful Charity Race and Fun Run in April to raise money for Help for Heroes. Over £1,800 was raised. Ian and Judi are grateful to their sponsors, Wootton Bassett Hounds Running Club and Royal WB Rugby Club for their invaluable help.

- Shoppers said 'ciao' once again to the Italian traders whose charming 'ambiance Italian' returned to Royal Wootton Bassett for a one-day market on the High Street on 29<sup>th</sup> April.

- Royal Wootton Bassett Community Together launched the town's entry into South West in Bloom on 9th April 2016. This year includes:

- A Food for Free Garden at Jubilee Lake – The Cubs and RWB TC are working together to create an edible garden of peas, herbs and tomatoes for visitors this summer
- Queen's Birthday Celebrations Children's Painting Competition, to be judged by the Mayor, Councillor Mary Champion, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June
- Best Kept Industrial Estate Competition, to be judged by Mayor, Councillor Mary Champion and Councillor Linda Frost on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- Together with volunteers, Royal Wootton Bassett Community Together will be creating a sensory haven and memory garden for residents of Royal Wootton Bassett Care Home.

- The Love Your Market campaign runs from May 17<sup>th</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup> and Royal Wootton Bassett will hold its own Love Your Market event on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. George the Lion will be there, along with a balloon modeler and face painter for the children.

- Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council officers will once again be taking part in

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WIG Wednesday on 25<sup>th</sup> May to raise money for the children's charity, CLIC Sargent. We will be wearing wigs and selling cakes.

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- There will be a dedication ceremony for the stone poppy sculpture, 'Forever', on-site at Marlowe Way, Royal Wootton Bassett on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016. Full details to be confirmed.