



## CALNE COMMUNITY AREA PARTNERSHIP

### Calne Area Board Update for Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010

#### General

- The Energy Efficiency event in the Town Hall on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>. October attracted a good number of families and those that came went away with a better understanding of the help and support to improve the energy efficiency of their houses and how to save money spent on energy. This was by The Partnership and Wiltshire Council organised the event with Age UK Wiltshire, Sure Start, the Energy Saving Trust and Calne Twinning Association. It is hoped to support this initiative in Calne Library and the Hub in the New Year.
- The Community Plan update is being distributed to the village parish households through their parish council clerks.
- The Calne Community Partnership Steering Group met in November and adopted a change in the Terms of Reference and welcomed Lynne Sergeant as the new Treasurer who has taken over from Francis Bosworth. Malcolm Gull and J R Dawson have joined the Steering Group Officers as Hub Project Leader and Hub Manager respectively and Emmy Butcher has joined as Culture theme group chairperson.

#### Calne Community Hub

- Refurbishment of the Hub is now complete providing an improved small kitchen area and a disabled accessible toilet.
- CCAP has paid £6000 towards the cost of this refurbishment.
- The CCAP business plan is nearly complete with assistance from Angela Madin of Wiltshire Council Regeneration Team and Jane Vaughan.
- The lease for the Community Hub for the one year pilot starting from 1<sup>st</sup>. November will be signed shortly with Wiltshire Council, providing the former shop for one year for community use at a peppercorn rent.

The Hub is available for voluntary and statutory organisations and groups to use. It has a good display of "what's on" and information about local groups. It is staffed on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10.00 to 4.00 (Telephone JR Dawson 01249 813747 or [thehub2010@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thehub2010@hotmail.co.uk) )

If you want to find out about the Community Partnership contact the Administrator - Bridie Nelson ([info@calnecap.org](mailto:info@calnecap.org) ) or look at the website ([www.calnecap.org](http://www.calnecap.org) ) or call in the Community Hub in the High Street in Calne centre.

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#### Friends of Abberd Brook

Thanks to Francis Bosworth for this report. Improvement of the spring fed pond is still in the negotiating stage and three quotes have now been received for the removal of the crack willow. As soon as it is removed we will proceed with the boardwalk and steps up the bank.

Negotiations are in place with Priestly School, Calne Artists group, Wiltshire and Town Councils to enhance the underpass of Prince Charles Drive with the children designing the enhancements as well as helping with the ceramics. The aim is to improve the underpass so

that the children will have a sense of ownership. We are keeping Wiltshire councillors and planners in touch with what we are doing so that it will be completed in a sensitive manner.

Some 600 Daffodil Bulbs around the Doctors Pond Area have been planted using our volunteers in conjunction with the Town Council's Grounds staff, which should give an attractive display in the Spring.

Fly tipping is still an issue particularly around the bridge near the Coleman's farm estate flats. On Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> November, there were three community bins complete with rubbish pushed into the brook which council staff promptly removed early on Monday morning.

For more information about the **Friends of Abberd Brook** contact Francis Bosworth ([fbosworth1@hotmail.com](mailto:fbosworth1@hotmail.com)).