

# Update for Pewsey Area Board

Update from	Pewsey Community Area Partnership
Date of Area Board Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> July 2016

## Headlines/Key Issues

- **Spice Time Credits** – The decision by Wiltshire Council to remove leisure centres in Wiltshire from the spend options has impacted the Spice Time Credit community, as it has been the place where most people use their time credits.
- The Youth Groups can continue as they have earn and spend opportunities within their set up. For other groups, such as Children’s Centre, Pewsey Primary School and the Army Welfare Service it is not the case and so following a meeting with these partners, we are now looking at ways of raising funding in order to support spend opportunities in the area. Our Partners are in the process of surveying their time credit earners to identify how they would like to spend their time credits so that we can focus our activities in those areas.
- If any Parishes would like to offer their village hall hire as a spend opportunity for Spice Time Credits, we would be interested in speaking to you. Conditions (such as only weekdays or other times when the hall is not used) can be attached to the offer in order to limit time credit use.
- Spice have asked Dawn Wilson (in her role at Wfcap) to contact other Wiltshire hubs regarding Spice. An audit of Wiltshire spend options leaves very little for the national/regional brochure, but this does not include our local spend options. Depending on the outcome of my discussions with other hubs Spice will either pull out of Wiltshire altogether but Spice give PCAP permission to use the model for a local version unconnected to Spice; or we join with other Wiltshire Hubs to form a hyperlocal hub that will remain with Spice but unsupported unless funds can be found. A final decision will be made in July.

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- **Pewsey – Devizes Bus Consultation** – Changes to the timetable to accommodate the changes in hours at Pewsey Vale School have been made. There is sufficient budget for the launch in August.
  - The monitoring of the service cannot be undertaken currently due to the unreliability of the bus fleet. This will be done later in the year.
  - Liam of community transport fund has given PCAP permission for the monitoring and evaluation to be delayed and funds held over to pay for this to support strategic decisions on Public Transport going forward. Dawn sent the PTU a list of companies that could supply replacement vehicles which was passed to Fleet at Wilts Council for review.
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- **Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership** – New Partners are continuing to join the PVTP. We would welcome any assistance in getting more businesses to join the Partnership as the more funds we have available enables us to do more promotion work.
  - The latest public newsletter – [Summer time in the Pewsey Vale – is now available online.](#)
  - There are a number of initiatives we are currently looking at or are underway including an offer/discount leaflet, working with Pewsey Parish Council on the refurbishment of the Swan Corner kiosk into a Tourist Information Centre, canvassing opinion from Parish Councils on presence on the website, signboards and revamping walking/cycling leaflets.
  - We have a number of local attraction/things to do/event type leaflets available for distribution to partners and parish councils – contact [info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk](mailto:info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk).
  - With PCAP have completed an application for substantive funds for work on Walking and Cycling leaflets, an App and other visitor information including transport links from the stations in our area. A decision will be made as to whether this can move forward by the end of the summer.
  - The website is [www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk](http://www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk), the Facebook pages are Visit Pewsey Vale for visitor information, Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership for business information and the Twitter account is @visitpewseyvale.
  - Any organisations wishing to become a partner of the Partnership should email [info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk](mailto:info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk) – just £50 per annum – details of benefits and application form are available on the website or email [info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk](mailto:info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk).
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- **Pewsey Vale Dementia Awareness Group (PVDAG)** – [The future schedule for Memory Cafes can be found on the website.](#)
  - If you would like to volunteer to help at the Café, please get in touch with PCAP tel 07802 444022 or email [pcap@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pcap@hotmail.co.uk) . The Memory Café is a Spice Time Credit earning opportunity for those who don't normally volunteer – email [pcap@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pcap@hotmail.co.uk) for more information.
  - The 2016 cafes have been very successful, particularly since the purchase of the keyboard, kindly supported by the Pewsey Area Board grant.
  - PVDAG is talking to the AB about support for an afternoon trip for the Memory Café in September and ongoing printing costs.
  - The Memory café celebrated its first birthday along with the Queen in June.
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- **Highways Meetings** – On hold.
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- **Pewsey Area Crime & Community Safety** – The regular meeting took place on 16<sup>th</sup> June and the minutes are on the website.
  - **Safe Places was launched on 19<sup>th</sup> May** – this will be rolled out across the Pewsey Community Area, but initially focused on businesses in the centre of Pewsey and at Woodborough. It is a scheme in which public places or businesses can sign up to be a Safe Place for people to go to in times of distress when they are out and about. For more information, please contact [pcap@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pcap@hotmail.co.uk).
  - Dawn is to present a Safe Places intro to young people at Pewsey Vale School on 4<sup>th</sup> July.
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- **Pewsey Youth Group** – The BMX track fence is now complete, with the gates being completed at a future date.
  - We say goodbye and best wishes to Karen Brown after many years working with Pewsey Area Youth and welcome Nicola Sage as the new Locality Youth Facilitator for
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- All 3 Youth groups are offering trips and activities this summer at which time credits can be spent with the support of youth funding.
  - Dawn has arranged for the cheerleading group to perform during Pewsey Carnival and thanks Nick Wood the Carnival Chair for his support in this project.
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- **PCAP values the support given by the parish councils and asks that financial consideration be given to supporting it during 2016/17. Your contributions have allowed us to continue the work on all of these projects for the benefit of residents across the community area.**
  - **Next PCAP meeting** – The next PCAP meeting is on **Thursday 14th July 2016** at 7pm at the Memorial Hall, Great Bedwyn.
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