Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Recycle for Wiltshire Joint Venture
Date of Area Board Meeting	10 January 2018

Headlines

- We ran workshops with the Wildlife Watchers afterschool club at St Mary's CE School Purton, doing a litter pick and making bird feeders for the school grounds.
- Aisling attended the RWB Christmas lights switch-on to announce the winners of the 'Drop the Rubbish Attitude' litter and recycling campaign competition we'd run with students from the Royal Wootton Bassett Academy, supported by RWB Town Cllr Sue Hughes. The winners went on stage and performed a poem! The final designs are with the printers and hopefully should be up in the town over the next few weeks.
- We came to the end of our sessions with Lyneham Primary School, all classes have had a waste workshop, encouraging them to reuse and reduce their rubbish and we ran the Waste Watchers Rewards Card scheme at the school.
- We've been in touch with other local Primary and Secondary Schools in the Area and are keen to work with them so please let us know if you can help us to book in our fun, free sessions.
- Jess visited Cricklade Gardening Club to make sure their members knew what could be recycled at home and to answer their questions about waste and recycling in Wiltshire.
- We ran a couple of fun Toiletries & Gift Sets workshops in Cricklade and RWB giving residents an opportunity to make their own Christmas presents and produce toiletries in reusable and recyclable packaging which don't contain any plastic microbeads.
- We also ran a couple of free Christmas crafts workshops in Cricklade and RWB making cards, recyclable wrapping paper and decorations out of waste.
- We took part in the Cricklade Christmas Tree Festival, decorating a tree on the theme of the 'First Noel' carol with upcycled decorations!
- In December Jess went to Cricklade Country Market and had a stand at RWB Farmers'
 Market where we spoke to over 100 people one cold, Saturday morning before
 Christmas to answer their questions and make sure they knew what could be recycled
 in Wiltshire household collections.
- We joined the Cricklade Bloomers for a fun, sociable wreath-making session where we made upcycled Christmas decorations.
- We ran a lovely Christmas craft session with residents at Bassett House, making reuse decorations and recyclable wrapping paper.
- During December we were on BBC Wiltshire three times talking about how to reduce waste and recycle more at Christmas and encouraging presenter Marie Lennon with her Plastic-free Christmas challenge.
- Chelsie's run waste workshops with children at Sunny Days Nursery in Lyneham and did a staff training session to share our reducing rubbish, increase recycling tips.
- We attended the Thames Pre-school Christmas Fayre in Cricklade making zero-waste Christmas cards