

# Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Cricklade Town Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	9 May 2018

## Headlines/Key Issues

### Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April in the Cricklade Town Hall, with over 80 residents attending. There were 3 community speakers:

**Cricklade Rugby Football Club** – sharing their plans for the future of the Club and the development of the children's section.

**Jenner Hall Committee** – sharing the history of the building with an update on their renovation plans

**Swindon and Cricklade Railway** – sharing the history of the Trust's history and their new project 'Target Cricklade'. 'Target Cricklade' is to try and bring the railway and a new station to Cricklade, the Trust is applying for a grant to enable them to achieve this.

**A Town with a Heart** - The Council presented a training defibrillator to Jeremy Anderson and Sarah Standing who are providing free CPR sessions to members of the Community, to give confidence when performing CPR and in the use of defibrillators.

### Community Awards

The Young Person of the Year was awarded to **Amberley Taylor**. Amberley is a Scout, she has amassed more than 40 badges and awards, she has also achieved her Chief Scout's Gold Award. Amberley makes lots of handmade products and has raised over £550 which has all been donated to the James Hopkins Trust – a Trust that provides respite care for life limited and life threatened young children.

The Cricklade Community Award was presented to **Paul Hewer**. Paul has been an active member of the The Cricklade Band for 52 years, he is now the Music Director and he conducts the band at community events. He is a key member in teaching those who wish to learn to play an instrument, young or old at Band Academy.

The Community Group of the Year Award was presented to the **Cricklade Fun Run Committee**. A group of volunteers, who for a considerable number of years has organised the Cricklade ½ Marathon, 10k and Fun Run Event, which is held on the first Sunday in October. The event brings the community together and the funds raised provide a major contribution to local charities.

### Photography Competition

The theme for the 2017 competition was 'People at Work and Play in Cricklade, the winner this year was Steve Forrester with his photograph entitled 'Two Bookends'.

