

Amesbury 2012 and beyond...

It is the desire of Amesbury Town Council to support and help facilitate a year of community led events in a program that will encourage participation in a variety of games and cultural activities giving participants a chance to compete, have enjoyment, create ideas, concepts and artwork relating to our Town and most importantly a sense of community spirit in the build up to the Olympics.

We seek support of the Area Board by way of a grant to help us promote community involvement of old, young, able and less abled members of our community to sign up to one or more of the long list of activities proposed for the year.

There will be no charge for any of the activities proposed and everyone that gets involved will be invited to the Launch at the Carnival in June and to the grand finale in June 2012, where there may be some surprises in store along with prizes of tickets to the Olympics, certificates and unique 2012 Olympic badges will be handed out.

We wish to utilise as many local facilities as possible to help promote them and support the local economy. The chamber of trade have already signed up to help and schools, clubs, businesses, pubs, restaurants, nursing homes will all be asked to take part.

We want to involve local people in focusing on the Town and what could be done to create a legacy for the future. We would like to arrange classes and offer arts and crafts training to encourage local people to be creative and produce concepts and ideas for the future that could be promoted in a trail around the Town.

We would like a series of challenging sport activities for the youth and set up in contests that will give them something to do, something to burn their energy out on and something that they will enjoy doing, we would expect youth crime figures to reduce as a result of this initiative.

There will be encouragement to those less fortunate, elderly who are now living in assisted accommodation. We will include them in our wishes for community involvement and invite them to the carnival for a "day out" experience and a chance to feel part of the build up.

All sports groups will be encouraged to join in and hopefully budding stars will be borne and new groups formed.

We see the Amesbury 2012 initiative as a catalyst to the future growth of Amesbury and seek your full support.