

Update From: Malmesbury and the Villages Community Area Partnership. (M&VCAP) - Date of Area Board Meeting: 29th June 2011

Headlines

Community Safety - The next forum is to take place on Tuesday 28th June at 7.30 pm at Malmesbury Town Hall in the Council Chamber which has already been booked. It is likely that the following forum in September will be a larger meeting the format of which is being worked on. It will take place again at Malmesbury Town Hall. It is intended that there will be one large meeting per year with the other three being 'round table' affairs. PR for the 28th June has already begun via the MVCAP Times.

It is intended to hold stalls at as many local events as possible to raise awareness of MVCAP. A gazebo has been purchased in case of bad weather. A stall is booked for Sherston Boules on Saturday 16th July.

New Project - A new project has been introduced to MVCAP and the Steering Group have agreed to take this on. It is a very enthusiastic group of people from local parishes and Malmesbury and other organisations who are putting together several walks. At the present the project is entitled Malmesbury/Sherston/Luckington walks group. The aim is to put together walking routes incorporating the above villages and Malmesbury. A booklet will be eventually published. MVCAP is structuring this Group and providing the administration. Work is also being undertaken on reissuing the Malmesbury Bridges walks leaflet which is a particular project of the Mayor of Malmesbury Steve Cox

Project Report

Community Hub - The project has been named Malmesbury Area Community Hub (MACH). The first minuted meeting was held on the 24th May. A Project Plan has been developed. The project group is meeting with the YMCA group to explore common ground.

Cinema Bus - This pilot scheme is to be part of what is to be Malmesbury Community Area Transport (M-CAT) but the CAT part will be used in logos/branding.. Volunteer drivers are still required to date three have come forward. Looking at autumn time for the official launch. Risk Assessments etc will need to be organised. A ticketing process is being investigated with the Malmesbury Cinema Group.

Communications - MVCAP 'community event' in Malmesbury Town Hall - we have provisionally booked Saturday 5th November. The idea is to provide a showcase opportunity for all local voluntary groups including some service providers to promote themselves either by straightforward publicity, selling items or giving demonstrations. Costings are in the region of £1200 with the Town Hall hire fee being nearly £800. In view of our budget restraints outside finance has to be sought if the event is to proceed.

The first edition of the MVCAP Times, our newsletter, has been published and has been very well received. Paper copies are also available for those not on email

With the publication of the MVCAP times there is need to both increase and review our database. New additions to the database are being obtained from outside events and a review of the current database is underway with a view to ensuring there are no glaring omissions.

Fundraising - Protocols of funding and fundraising activities for MVCAP have been drafted. Alison Cross-Jones has been officially appointed as MVCAP's Fundraising Co-Coordinator and she is working well bringing a lot of useful information to the table and completing funding application forms.

Communication with Parish Councils - It has been suggested that a report similar to that of the reports submitted to the Area Board be circulated to all local Parish Councils.

IZWE - A new social network is on hold until further notice from the Area Board.

If anyone would be interested in becoming involved in any of the above projects we are always looking for volunteers. You would be made most welcome. Please contact Sue Webb on email:
dennis.webb01@virgin.net

Future Events/Dates for the Diary:

Dates for Steering Group meetings for 2011 are: 6th July, 9th August, 20th September (AGM), 2nd November, 13th December. All meeting will commence at 7pm and venue to be agreed. (Please check on www.mvcap.org.uk in case of changes).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Webb', with a small horizontal line at the end.

Co-coordinator/Administrator for M&VCAP - Dated 14th June 2011