

Partner Update for Warminster Area Board

Name of Partner: Warminster and Villages Community Partnership (WVCP)

Date of Area Board Meeting: 8 November 2012

Headlines/Key Successes

- Len Turner and Michael Mounde are acting Chair and Vice Chair respectively until WVCP's next AGM in January 2013.
- Enterprise Warminster sub-group set up in partnership with Warminster Town Council and includes members from the retail sector.
- Warminster Benchmarking activity completed with online surveys for visitors and businesses followed by event in June.
- Shona Holt replaces Debra Leslie as Coordinator for WVCP.
- Partnership working links strengthened by WVCP with Area Board and others through sub-groups, committees, panels and forums.
- Signage survey completed in Warminster by Economic and Tourism Group and report recommendations passed onto the Town Council.
- A consultation survey for the updated Community Plan is going to all households and businesses within the WVCP area and is available online via <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3RTJYJF>. Closing date is 7th December.
- Analysed survey results to be presented by WVCP at a consultation event on 26th January 2013 at Civic Centre for further discussion to finalise priorities under the eight community plan pillars/themes. New Community Plan to be published end of March 2013.
- 2nd tranche of core funding for 2012/13 is therefore requested for release by the Area Board.

Projects

- Youth Transport scheme is ongoing and enables youngsters from rural villages access to Warminster Town facilities.
- Warminster Benchmarking event held in June.
- Warminster in Bloom was successful over the summer and looking to continue next year.
- Economic and Tourism Group – signage survey report completed and monitoring of town scene and empty buildings ongoing. A business confidence survey is being carried out and 'Welcome to Warminster' and 'Buy Local' leaflets are being developed.
- Warminster Community Radio's Saturday morning slot continuing to highlight the work of the Partnership/ Area Board/Voluntary organisations etc.

- Sport 4 Warminster – the rural schools sports initiative that supports the continuation and sustainability of a jointly held annual Sports day and Thursday club is ongoing. This helps to integrate Primary school youngsters prior to moving to the senior school.

Diary Dates

- WVCP Committee meeting every 4th Tuesday of the month
- 7th December – closing date for Community Plan consultation survey
- 24th January – WVCP Community Plan event and AGM

Signed: Shona Holt, Coordinator, WVCP

Date: September 2012