

Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	ChAP (Chippenham & Villages Area Partnership)
Date of Area Board Meeting	5th July 2010

Headlines/Key Issues

- ChAP held its AGM on 11th May 2010**
 The main task of last year was the update of the Community Plan. The recruitment of a Project Team Co-ordinator was particularly successful in assisting the work of the project teams.
 The focus this year will be on pursuing the Actions in the Community Plan and developing closer links with the public. This is reflected in the Work Plan submitted with the application for core funding.

Projects

- Market Extension**
 The ChAP Town Centre team helped the Town Council resolve a series of issues to allow the market extension down Chippenham High Street on Saturday.
- Community Shop.**
 Both Emery Gate and Borough Parade have offered vacant premises for community use through ChAP starting on July 12th. ChAP will welcome any community or voluntary activity to take advantage of this although the space will have to be shared fairly. Please apply to ChAP chairman Jane Clark on jane.clark39@btinternet.com.
- Chippenham River Festival 2010 – August 28th and 29th.**
 Plans are going ahead well with many new events this year in addition to the Invensys Rail Raft Race.
 Appreciation is given to the generous sponsorship of the Area Board, Invensys Rail, Chippenham Borough Lands Charity, Chippenham Town Council and the shopping centres of Borough Parade and Emery Gate.
 There is still room for a few more raft race teams and help can be provided with flotation barrels!
- Tourist Brochure.**
 The Pocket Guide for the Chippenham & Villages Area (produced jointly with VisitWiltshire) is now in every TIC in England. ChAP is working with the Town Council to have a joint display with their Town Guide at the Railway Station.

Future Events/Dates for the diary

- Next **Steering Group meeting** - Jubilee Buildings, Chippenham at 2.30 pm, 20th July
- ChAP Public Event** at the River Festival, 28th and 29th August

Signed: Jane Clark, Chairman, 4th July 2010