

## ***Update for the Melksham Area Board Meeting***

**Update From:** Melksham Town Council

**Date of Area Board Meeting:** 17 June 2015

### **Headlines/Key Issues:**

- ***Britain in Bloom – South West – Judging Day 15 July***

Melksham is getting ready for its entry into Britain in Bloom South West, including:

- More hanging baskets: Town centre businesses have been approached with regard to sponsoring a hanging basket on their premises.
- Additional planting is taking place around St Michael's churchyard.
- A new portable water bowser has been purchased, which will allow watering of the town plants in-between the current watering schedule by the Town Caretaking Team.
- Various improvements to the Prince of Wales Garden area.

### ***Neighbourhood Plan***

- Melksham Town Council and Melksham Without Parish Council are working together on producing a Neighbourhood Plan and several community engagement events have taken place.
- A draft scoping document has been produced.
- Task groups are being created to cover particular topics: education, health, & wellbeing, education, transport and environment.

- ***Time Credits***

Time Credits are a system of rewarding people who volunteer an hour of time with a credit that can be spent for an hour of activity at participating establishments. For further information contact Miriam Zaccarelli: [miriam.zaccarelli@melkshamtown.co.uk](mailto:miriam.zaccarelli@melkshamtown.co.uk) or telephone: 01225 704187

### **Future Events/Dates for the Diary:**

- 24 June – Berryfield allotments will be visited by RHS judges and later in the day will be participating in a ‘Gardeners’ Question’ time event at the Assembly Hall. There will be a press release shortly.
- 1 July: Melksham in Bloom Competition for local residents.
- 15 July: Judging for Britain in Bloom (South West)
- 18 July: Carnival/Party in the Park
- 29-30 August: ComicCon
- 5-6 September: Food & River Festival – King George V Playing Fields
- 13 September: Gardeners Society Show and Melksham in Bloom Presentation