

Wootton Bassett

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Dear Will

Partnership Anti-Social Behaviour Reduction

It has come to our attention that North Wiltshire District Council is currently sponsoring Partnership Anti-Social Behaviour Reduction meetings, held in Chippenham, for the communities of Chippenham, Corsham and Calne. The meetings are officer based and attract representatives from the District Council, Youth Offending Teams, Police (including Community Police Support Officers) Housing Associations, Parish and Town Councils and so forth. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss ways in which anti-social behaviour can be reduced and the method appears to be by going into great detail and working collectively on individual problems and indeed individual cases.

Having seen the success that this seems to enjoy Wootton Bassett Town Council is requesting that Area 2 Committee consider promoting the establishment of a similar meeting for the Wootton Bassett, Purton and Cricklade area.

It is understood that there was some representation from Wootton Bassett at the early meetings of this group, principally by Police Officers. The difficulty with this is that in many ways Wootton Bassett, and Purton and Cricklade are remote from the Chippenham, Corsham and Calne area, and the effectiveness of the meetings as far as these communities are concerned is therefore in some doubt. It is for this reason it is suggested that a separate meeting needs to be held for these communities to deal with the specific issues in these towns.

Accordingly the Wootton Bassett Town Council is asking if it is possible for the Area 2 Committee to raise an agenda item asking for members of Area 2 Committee to give consideration to this matter with a view to promoting it

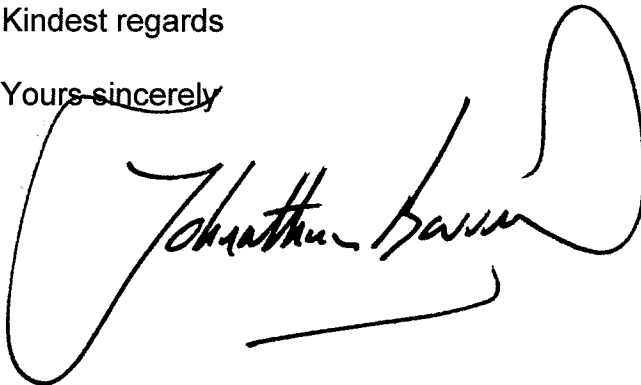
through the District Council and perhaps seeking budget allocation for the 2007-2008 financial year if this is required.

The lead officer for the "3 C's" held in Chippenham is Mark Rippon who I am certain will be only too pleased to tell you about the success of those meetings should you require any further information.

Finally, it is of course anticipated that if the suggestion is successful whilst the District Council would be asked to administer the meeting, as they do for Chippenham, Calne and Corsham, certainly the Town Council would be prepared to offer accommodation free of charge. It may be that a similar arrangement could also be reached with Purton Parish Council and Cricklade Town Council.

Kindest regards

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johnathan Bourne". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'J' and a long, sweeping underline.

Johnathan Bourne
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