

Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	ChAP (Chippenham & Villages Area Partnership)
Date of Area Board Meeting	November 2 nd 2009

Headlines/Key Issues

- The 2009 Update to the Community Plan was issued at the beginning of August and sent to all Area Board Members, Parish and Town Council clerks, and other interested organisations and individuals. The Plan will be updated as more information becomes available.
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- Recruiting and retaining active volunteers for project teams and steering group. Parish Councils are under-represented on the steering group, as are rural organisations.
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- A key issue is how best to support the work of the Area Board where it is consistent with the Community Plan, maximising in particular the synergy between the town and the surrounding villages in the Area.

Projects

- The 2009 Chippenham River Festival was successfully held on the 29th and 30th August. Many events were held on the river and in Monkton Park. About 3,000 people attended and the Festival will be held again next year at the same time.
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- ChAP will focus for the rest of this year on progressing actions from the Plan. We will recruit a part time (paid) project team organiser to allow the volunteer teams to focus on the project activity.
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- The Chippenham & Villages Pocket Guide project will be extended to publish walks and cycle routes on the web-site, and on laminated cards as funds allow.

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Future Events/Dates for the diary

- Next steering group meeting will be at the Jubilee Rooms at 2 pm on 17th November

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- River Festival 2010 will be on the 28th and 29th August

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- ChAP will exhibit at the Core Strategy event on November 6th in the Neeld Hall

Signed: Jane Clark, Chairman

Date: 21st October 2009