

## **Corsham Area Community Partnership**

### **Report: January 2009**

Corsham Area Community Partnership (CACP) has appointed Cllr Nicholas Keyworth as its 'Convenor' until 31 March 2009. This is to allow the CACP to maintain a sense of direction and continuity, and provide a point of contact. From April, CACP plans to elect a Chair from one of the member community organisations rather than a representative of a local authority.

CACP has conducted an internal review of the Corsham Area Community Plan 2005 -2015. A report has been sent to David Maynard at WCC. The content of this report will be combined with the results of the Big State Roadshow and Wiltshire County Council's State of the Area Debate to develop an updated Community Plan which will be presented to the area board later this year.

CACP has now set up its own bank account and all funds held by NWDC have now been transferred to this account. CACP has made a grant from its funds to support the development of Transition Community Corsham – a newly constituted non profit-making community group.

CACP believes this is a particularly exciting initiative at the present time, the aim of which is to work towards creating a more sustainable Corsham Community Area. This would benefit all those who live, work or visit the Area by actively engaging local people to develop local solutions which contribute to addressing the global challenges of climate change. The official launch of Transition Community Corsham will take place at The Pound Arts Centre in Corsham on Saturday 24 January.

The next stage for CACP will be to:

- produce an updated community plan
- develop a budget for 2009/2010
- create a workplan arising from the updated Community plan
- communicate effectively with the network of community organisations within the Community area
- stage a public event to coincide with the formation of the new Unitary Authority.

All members of the CACP look forward to engaging with and working closely with the new Corsham Area Board in the year ahead.

Cllr Nicholas Keyworth  
9 January 2009