

## Partner Update for Warminster Area Board

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**Name of Parish/Town Council:** Warminster Town Council

**Date of Area Board Meeting:** 13 January 2011

### Headlines/Key Successes

- Co-Location Project with Wiltshire Council at Warminster Assembly Rooms to provide Hot Desks and personal care room. Work to start at the end of January.
- Warminster Christmas Lights Committee held its 2<sup>nd</sup> Christmas Fayre in the Market Place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November. The Committee of eleven volunteers, supported by students from Kingdown School, arranged the all day event which attracted big crowds who shopped, listened to local school choirs performing Christmas Carols and local bands who provided all day entertainment and children visited the new Santa's Grotto which had been purchased by funds raised through the Area Board. In addition the Christmas Trees decorating local businesses benefited this year from new LED lights again purchased with assisted funding from the Area Board.  
The festivities were opened by Dr Andrew Murrison MP and the day culminated in the switching on of the lights by three primary school children. They had won a competition organised by Kingdown School to decorate a Christmas card and their prize was to switch on the lights with the Mayor Councillor Sue Fraser and the Town Crier, Phil Seddon.  
Before the crowds dispersed the public sang carols together which was led by Warminster Community Radio and Barry Mole.  
The weather stayed crisp and dry which proved to be a bonus but a fresh film of snow greeted the volunteers and Wiltshire Council Market team who arrived in the Town Centre at 7am on the day. Apart from Santa Claus being a big draw on the day, an old Fair Organ also attracted many visitors who were able to speak to the owners about the intricate workings of the organ whilst playing many different songs.  
The day was a success and the lights were switched on and remained lit up during the Christmas period and on into the new year.

Projects

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Diary Dates

- Civic Service at St Deny's Church Warminster on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2011  
10am All welcome
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Signed: Heather Abernethie

Date: 22nd December 2010