Update for Corsham Area Board

Name of Parish/Town Council

Corsham

Date of Area Board Meeting

24 July 2019

Headlines/Key successes

- Corsham Railway Station The Corsham Station Town Team is pleased that the Swindon and Wiltshire Rail Strategy includes Corsham Station in its list of priority schemes. Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership have considering the rail study and it is hoped that the recommendations will be approved and then be adopted through the Wiltshire Local Transport Plan and Local Plan. Meanwhile, the Town Team is considering the next steps and is contacting various bodies to gain support for the new station. This includes seeking support from the Mayors of Bath, Bristol and West of England.
- Corsham Neighbourhood Plan The Neighbourhood Plan examination is well under way. The examiner has provided a list of questions and points for clarification which have been answered by the Town Council and Wiltshire Council. A public hearing is unlikely to be needed. Once the final report has been published a referendum will take place to enable the plan to be adopted. This should happen by the end of the year.
- Street Fair Saturday 14 September, 12-4pm. Stalls, food and drink, live music and entertainment, Little Zoo, and lots more in the High Street and town centre.

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Projects

• Summer Holiday Activities – The Town Council will be running two 'trails' in the town centre during the summer holidays. The first, from 22 July – 31 August, sponsored by Automattic Comics and The Corsham Toy Shop, involves 10 LEGO mini figures hiding in the shop windows. Can you find them all? And the second is a Great Corsham Word Search, a StoryTown event, which runs from 12-31 August. Also, on 21 August, from 12-7pm, there's a special event at Springfield Rec involving BMX Displays at 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30 and 4.30pm, parkour (free-running) displays between 1-3pm, and training on the outside gym equipment from 2-7pm.

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Forthcoming events/Diary dates

- Peacock Arts Trail 5-13 October, various venues around Corsham and the local area, including artists' studios. Programme available early September. Visit peacockartstrail.co.uk for more details.
- Corsham StoryTown 18-20 October, various venues. A celebration of Corsham's taletelling talent, featuring story reading, writing and making. More details coming soon. The programme is due to launch at September's Street Fair.

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