

Update for Chippenham Area Board

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Update from	Chippenham & Villages Area Partnership (ChAP)
Date of Area Board Meeting	9 May 2011

Headlines

Projects

- The Chippenham River Festival 2011 has been launched - theme "Wind in the Willows - Messing About on the River."

50 swimmers are already registered and we are hoping for 40 rafts in the Invensys Rail Raft Race this year. Also planned are a demonstration rowing boat parade (Steve Redgrave's boat in static display), sailing on the 'lagoon' between the Town Bridge and the radial gate, and an appearance by the White Helmets Motorcycle Display Team, for which 50% funding is sought from the Area Board.

Invensys Rail have again generously offered a gold sponsorship for their raft race, and Borough Parade and Emery Gate have pledged silver sponsorships. Further announcements of donations and sponsorships are expected soon.

ChAP will again be holding their annual public event at the 2011 Festival, with free medical checks, further opportunities to sample public opinion on the future of the whole Community Area, and involvement in new projects in partnership with other agencies..

- **Health & Social Care**
All 19 primary schools in the area have expressed an interest in being involved in the project on Healthy Eating for Young Children. The Area Board and the Town Council have both generously supported the project by a grant of £962.
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- **Chippenham Area Pocket Guide**
All 35,000 copies of the much-acclaimed 2009 leaflet have now been distributed, and a project is planned to update and reprint a new version

- **ChAP-PERFORUM**
ChAP-PERFORUM resources for local performing groups have been much in demand in recent weeks by both town and village groups. ChAP-PERFORUM is supporting the Town Council to bring the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra to the area.

- **Other projects.**
ChAP continues to be part of the Skate Park task force, and the Chippenham Area Transport Group. ChAP attended the Town Council's Planning sub-committee's meeting on Streetpride, and has been invited to the Neeld Hall Working Party.

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Future Events/Dates for the diary

- AGM, 10th May 2011 at the Jubilee Rooms, Chippenham Market Place. All public welcome. Nominations for Officers to janmorgan@dsl.pipex.com please
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- Chippenham River Festival 2011, 27th - 28th August (see details above)

Signed: Jane Clark

Date: 20th April 2011