

Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Purton Parish Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	Wednesday 30 November 2011

Headlines

- Purton Village Hall kitchen refurbishment is now finished including a complete set of new crockery. We have received several compliments from hall users about this much improved facility.
- New Swings and safety surfacing and fencing have been provided across Purton’s three play areas.
- Purton’s Parish Plan is work in progress.
- Rural Housing Needs Survey – a survey is currently being carried out in Purton. Following meetings and discussions with Victoria Kay from Wiltshire Council the survey details were agreed. Parish Councillors and staff have now delivered the survey forms to local residents. Victoria is hoping to be able to give the Parish Council some feedback on the outcome of the survey in January 2012.

Projects

- Relaying paths at St Mary’s Church Purton. The Churchyard is termed a closed Churchyard and as such the maintenance was transferred to the Parish Council a few years ago. One stretch of the path leading up to the Church from the road is owned by Wiltshire Council however due to money restraints they cannot fund the relaying of the entire path. The Parish Council has therefore agreed with Wiltshire Council that Wiltshire Council will install a dropped kerb and the Parish Council will arrange for the rest of the path to be relayed as well as the paths leading to the South and West gate of the church. The reason the work is required is that the paths have deteriorated significantly over the past two winters.
- Diamond Jubilee Celebrations – Purton is holding a free open air event where people are invited to bring a picnic to our Village Recreation Centre and enjoy a range of entertainment culminating in a grand firework display. The lighting of a beacon is also being considered.
- Extension to Purton Cemetery. The Parish Council is currently considering options for burials in the future. Although we have a few years of burial room left in our cemetery we have recognised that we need to plan for the future as finding a new site or extending our existing cemetery will be costly and will need to be well planned.

Future Events/Dates for the diary

- 17th November – a thank you afternoon tea is being held for all of those who have helped by providing donations for the village hall kitchen refurbishment.