Update From: Malmesbury Villages Community Area Partnership. (MVCAP) - Date of Area Board Meeting: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012

## Headlines

<u>Community Safety</u> - The next Forum will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall. All welcome.

<u>Steering Group Meetings</u> - The next meeting of the Group is 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and will continue to meet regularly. A calendar of meetings is to be decided on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

MVCAP Times - Is continuing to be a success and its distribution has grown.

MVCAP will where possible provide assistance to other groups with existing community projects as well as to groups and individuals with ideas for new projects.

## **Project Reports**

**Malmesbury Area Community Hub (MACH):** MACH is up and running. It is building relationships with partner organisations, developing a business plan, and starting to investigate the options for premises in the centre of Malmesbury. We are continuing to seek public opinion regarding the MACH project and, as part of this, Westlea Housing has very generously offered to survey a large number of its residents. In addition, MACH survey forms will be available at Area Board meetings, so please fill one in and drop it in the box at the MVCAP display.

MACH's first Newsletter has been circulated and it has its own internet domain and email address: <a href="mailto:www.malmesburyhub.org.uk">www.malmesburyhub.org.uk</a> info@malmesburyhub.org.uk - or you can phone 01666 390110.

**Walks group:** This project has gained significant local support. One of its aims is to launch various walks in Malmesbury and the surrounding area .The first of these is White Walls Walk from Malmesbury to Luckington. Funding is currently being sourced and with some early success. The next meeting of the Group is the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30pm in Malmesbury Town Hall. This will include information on all the archaeological and historical buildings along the Malmesbury to Luckington walk.

**Malmesbury Community Area Transport (M-CAT)** - 5 fully trained drivers have now been appointed to this project. The aim is to bring people in from the villages to the Malmesbury cinema and other local events. The team will be meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> January to decide on their first service.

**Reduced Street Lighting report**. MVCAP has again been working with local councils on this scheme. We will be presenting the results at this Area Board meeting. St. Paul Without Malmesbury Parish Council and Malmesbury Town Council have proposed about 150 lights in total for conversion.

**Supporting other organizations** - MVCAP has identified four volunteers to join the Malmesbury Community Cinema project and has offered assistance and advice for communications and online ticketing.

Other projects are continuing.

If anyone would be interested in becoming involved in any of the above projects we are always looking for volunteers. We have opportunities for regular roles and for people who only want to volunteer occasionally. If interested, phone 01666 390110. web: www.mvcap.org.uk

## **Future Events/Dates for the Diary:**

Future dates of Steering Group meetings to be confirmed.

The next Community Safety Forum will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall. A Community Showcase Event is to be arranged. Date and venue to be agreed.

Sue Webb

Co-coordinator/Administrator for M&VCAP - Dated 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012