

Update for Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Cricklade Town Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	Wednesday, 28 th November 2012

Headlines

Town Plan – A draft Town Plan was presented to the Town Council at its meeting on 22nd October. Thank you to the Steering Group of volunteers who worked hard to put this together and all those who responded to consultation exercises.

It can be viewed at http://www.cricklade-tc.gov.uk/Final_CrickladeTownPlan.Oct_2012.pdf

Cricklade Campus – Wiltshire Council's Cabinet has approved enhanced funding for a split site Campus at the Leisure Centre and at a High Street location. This allows for a choice of High Street site (Ockwells or the Police Station) and is dependent on conditions surrounding the buildings and more input from the local community and stakeholders. The Town Council will be working closely with the SCOB on this.

Remembrance Day – The Town Council welcomed the Royal British Legion and wreath bearers to its offices for refreshments ahead of the parade on Sunday, 11th November. Again many local people came along to pay their respects at the War Memorial in the High Street and at Blakehill.

Projects

Neighbourhood Plan – Following on from the Town Plan, a Working Party is now working towards a Neighbourhood Plan. An application has been submitted to Wiltshire Council to designate our own Neighbourhood Area to be set within our parish boundary. The Town Council looks forward to working with the community area and all our neighbouring parishes on various common issues.

Path at Long Close – With grant funding through the PIG Scheme and possibly under S106, the Town Council is liaising with English Heritage about building a path across Long Close linking Gas Lane to Whitehorse Road.



Benchmarking – The Town Council and the Business Association has collected all data needed for this Wiltshire Council funded exercise. Action for Market Towns will then produce a bespoke report about Cricklade's economic performance early next year.

Tourism – The Tourism Working Party is liaising with the Cotswold Water Park and will looking at ways of helping to raise the profile of this important local area in which Cricklade sits.

Community Awards – A new scheme has been introduced inviting local people to nominate volunteers for awards to recognise their achievements in the community. There are 3 categories - Young Person of the Year, the Cricklade Community Award and Community Group of the Year. Awards will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting.

Future Events/Dates for the diary

A full list of events in Cricklade can be found at our Events Diary at www.cricklade-tc.gov.uk

- 1st December – Christmas Lights Switch On 6.30pm. Father Christmas arrives at 7pm
- 11th December – Cricklade Cinema - The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, 8.15pm  

Signed: Shelley Parker, Town Clerk

Date: 16th November 2012