

CORSHAM COMMUNITY AREA NETWORK: 2009-2010 REVIEW

<p>To establish a Partnership, Steering Group and Thematic Groups, as necessary</p>	<p>Corsham Community Area Network was launched in April 2009. It has a Steering Group of 8, which met 6 times in 09/10. Action Groups have been set up on Transport and the Environment – the high priority areas in the Community Plan Update 08/09. A Working Group also addressed setting up a Youth Club in Colerne.</p>
<p>To engage stakeholders within the community and to maintain a contacts register of key organisations and volunteers</p>	<p>We have a distribution list of over 60 organisations across the community area and access to the Community Manager database of over 400 contacts who have expressed an interest at various events. We have a legacy list of contacts from the inaugural launch of the Partnership and work is underway to update and re-organise the information, and add e-mail addresses. Two Newsletters (2,000 copies) have been sent out and made available in local libraries, etc</p>
<p>To consult widely on a range of socioeconomic issues including the holding of regular public engagement events</p>	<p>CCAN organised public engagement events (using a street theatre group) to reach over 2000 people across the Community Area - as the basis for updating the Community Plan originally issued in 2005. A public event in March 2009 to re-launch the Plan also doubled up as an AGM and a further consultation exercise.</p>
<p>To prepare and regularly review an assessment or plan of the major economic, social and environmental issues facing the community area, together with an action plan for addressing the identified issues. This will help to shape and respond to the Community Strategy and Local Area Agreement for Wiltshire as well as the priorities for Area Boards</p>	<p>See above for review exercise.</p> <p>In 2009/10 the emphasis was on developing Action Plans for Transport and the Environment which were considered the most important issues by the consultees. Reports from the Action Groups presented to the Area Board included a proposal for an Integrated Transport Strategy and a Bus Stop Audit.</p>
<p>To work with the Community Area Manager to feed issues from the Partnership to the Area Board for consideration, or to host joint meetings of the Board and Partnership where appropriate.</p>	<p>The Area Manager has attended Steering Group meetings and supported partnership working with Transition Community Corsham on transport & environment issues. The Area Board has helped to set up meetings with appropriate points of Officer contact within Wiltshire Council</p>
<p>To champion local issues and help with the project planning and delivery of priority projects, including fundraising where appropriate.</p>	<p>CCAN is championing the work identified in the Transport and Environment Action Group and is actively seeking to obtain funding for the delivery of this work.</p>
<p>To contribute to the services and activities provided by the Wiltshire Forum of Community Area Partnerships, including attendance by members at relevant networking and training events</p>	<p>CCAN has been represented at WFCAP meetings, conferences and training events. A SG Member also attended a workshop on improving partnership working held by Wiltshire Churches Together.</p>
<p>To engage a Project Officer /Community Agent, as necessary, to run and administer the Partnership, closely working with the Community Area Manager for the area</p>	<p>CCAN's Administrator retired at the end of March. The newly appointed Co-ordinator will work to an expanded brief, including more direct engagement with the local community.</p>

