

## **Chairman's Announcement**

### **Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board**

#### **Community Enterprise Funding for Royal Wootton Bassett Post Office**

Rita Patel from the Royal Wootton Bassett Post Office has been successfully awarded a grant to establish a new internet club for local residents.

The Royal Wootton Bassett Post Office is one of 25 Post Office branches across England chosen as recipients of a grant worth up to £10,000 from the Community Enterprise Fund for their outstanding plans to support local people and businesses, and to tackle isolation amongst the elderly.

The winning scheme in Royal Wootton Bassett will provide Wi-Fi and tablets to establish an internet club for older people to address the lack of IT skills, financial barriers and social exclusion.

Royal Wootton Bassett Post Office will use the grant to enhance its support of older people in the community, who may have a lack of IT skills or do not have access to the internet. The Post Office will work closely with Wiltshire Council to use 'Digital Champions', who are local volunteers who provide assistance in branch with the IT facilities.

For further information on how you can get involved as a Digital Champion, please contact:

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