

# Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	Chippenham & Villages Area Partnership
Date of Area Board Meeting	8 <sup>th</sup> September 2014

## Headlines/Key Issues

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• **Defibrillators** ChAP would like to thank all the Parishes, groups and individuals who attended the 'One Stop Shop For Your Heart' event which took place at Stanley Park on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2014. The SWAS, Community Heartbeat Trust St John Ambulance, AED Locator & My Skills for Life attended and contributed to a very productive day. Information, First Aid training and planning considerations, as well as individual support and networking, were part of the day. ChAP will continue to be committed to facilitate the availability of defibrillators across the community area and will work with partners to get complete coverage and to inform the general public about locations of AEDs. So far 5 Parishes are working to take on a total of 10 defibrillators. Other organisations taking on AEDs are Castle Combe Colts who have trained 15 coaches in their use, Chippenham Street Pastors (a mobile AED) , and the Beacon Centre. ChAP also hope to facilitate the adoption of a mobile defibrillator for use at community events.

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**Better Use of Open Spaces** ChAP is working with Wiltshire Council to produce a Chippenham Supplement to the WC Public Events Toolkit. This will be available to anyone planning an event in the Community Area

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**Chippenham River Festival 2014** The River Festival took place in Monkton Park on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Despite a stormy start the festival was opened by Mayor John Scragg. The Zip Wire across the river was very popular with all ages of participants. Over 30 swimmers completed the Big Swim in blazing sunshine. The festival would like to thank the following organisations for their support- Chippenham Borough Lands Charity, Chippenham Area Board, Borough Parade, Chippenham Town Council, Chippenham Hospital Radio, Olympiad Leisure Centre, Hatts Coaches, Calne Divers, The Nature of It, Chippenham Sailing & Canoeing Club, Wilts & Berks Canal Trust, Chippenham Air Cadets, Oceanrock Adventure, Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service.

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**Rural Parishes** The ChAP Rural Representative has been working with the parishes and the Area Board. As a result of this work ChAP is pleased that a Parish Forum is being set up by the Area Board . This group will build on the work done by the ChAP Parish Forum.

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**BSO Project** ChAP has made a successful bid to Chippenham Borough Lands Charity which will enable a community music project with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra to go ahead. The project comprises three different programmes and will involve children, young people and adults.

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