

Update for Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board

Update from	Royal Wootton Bassett
Date of Area Board Meeting	September 2014
Headlines	

- Town Crier Competition 2014 was hosted in Royal Wootton Bassett on Saturday 20th September. Twenty-one Town Criers from around the country competed.
- The next issue of the Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council Bulletin newsletter will be available at the end of the month. Copies can be picked up at various points around the town or viewed online on the Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council website.
- Two members of staff have retired. Lyn Reynolds and John Smart were part of our team for 9 years and 13 years respectively. Our thanks to them for their hard work and commitment. Naomi Coleman joins our Administrative Team and a position is open for in our Grounds Maintenance Team.
- Tesco plans have been submitted to Wiltshire Council. Although in the neighbouring parish of Lydiard Tregoze, this development could have significant impact on Royal Wootton Bassett and surrounding areas. Royal Wootton Bassett Town Councillors will meet on Thursday 25th September 2014 to consider the plans.
- Town Clerk Johnathan Bourne will be away from the office for around two months, returning in December 2014.
- Mayor's recent Charity Cake Stall raised over £300 for The Filling Station, a charity that offers help and support for the homeless. A Charity Dinner held on Sunday 21st September 2014 has also been a great boost to funds. Thank you to everyone who helped and donated.

Projects

- Royal Wootton Bassett's Neighbourhood Plan is in the final stages of drafting.

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- On Thursday 14th May 2014 Town Clerk Johnathan Bourne met with Wiltshire Councillor Allison Bucknell and Campus Transformation Project Portfolio Holder Jonathan Seed. Our sincere thanks go to Councillor Allison Bucknell for her support of the Campus project in Royal Wootton Bassett and we are hopeful, with Councillor Allison Bucknell and Jonathan Seed's assistance, that Jonathan Seed will attend the next Area Board meeting to give an update presentation.
- Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council is working on a project to record, archive and preserve the collection of letters and gifts kindly presented to the people of the town with regard to repatriations.

Events/Dates for the diary

- Mayor's Civic Service, Sunday 19th October 2014 at 3.00 pm.
- Christmas Lights and Shopping Event will be held on Friday 5th December 2014. Stall facilities were extremely well received last year and we will be providing covered and lit stalls again this year. Applications for stalls are now being taken and application forms are available at the Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council office, 117 High Street, by calling 01793 850222 or by visiting our website at www.royalwoottonbassett.gov.uk