



Westbury CAN (Community Area Network) Bulletin May 2012

WestburyCAN is a way to keep in touch with things that are happening locally.

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Area board meetings

The next meeting of the Westbury area board will be held at Heywood village hall on Thursday 14 June. It starts at 7pm but there will be displays to look at and refreshments from 6.30pm. Everyone is very welcome.

Our last area board took place on 19 April at the Laverton. Find out what happened by reading the [minutes](#).

Royal visitors tour Westbury tent



Exhibits from a prehistoric pliosaur to the Bratton community orchard got the Royal seal of approval when The Queen and Prince Philip toured the Westbury exhibition tent on 1 May. The event in the Cathedral Close in Salisbury saw every area board showcase its community's rich heritage within its own medieval jousting tent. It was attended by thousands of people and formed part of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Our tent included a life size white horse model complete with jousting regalia, an exhibition of lute making, performance by a recorder ensemble of music by Handel and Purcell, and a range of artwork from local schools. The Reeves community orchard from Bratton also went on show while young people from the Westbury youth centre served up fresh fruit smoothies. Westbury was one of only eight tents chosen for a Royal visit.



Prehistoric pliosaur pulls in the crowds in Westbury Heritage Centre



Almost 200 people came to view a mini version of the Royal exhibition at Westbury's Heritage Centre on Saturday 5 May. Children were especially interested to find out about the skull of the pliosaur excavated from the clay pits. The sea dragon, which belongs to Bristol Museum, would have been a fierce predator living in the shallow prehistoric oceans that once covered our area. Visitors also got the chance to view an exhibition about the White Horses of Wiltshire and a pictorial history of the



Westbury area. These two exhibitions will be on show again at the Jubilee celebrations in Westbury and the history display is currently on show in Westbury library.

Campus plans begin for Westbury

Local people have been chosen as members of a board which will lead the Campus for Westbury project. The area board meeting on 19 April agreed membership of the shadow Community Operations Board (COB). The COB, which will provide regular updates and progress reports to the area board, will help plan how future services are provided and sited in the town. Chosen as members were: Russell Hawker, Sue Ezra, Toni Brodie, Jonathan Burke, Mike Parker, Brenda Pyne and Tara Huntley. If you would like more information on the campus programme in Wiltshire, or to look at the terms of reference for the COB find out more [here](#).

Westbury Forward and the community plans

Many of you will have attended the Westbury Forward event earlier this year – and thank you again for all your ideas and input. An update on the findings and on the progress so far will be presented by the BA13 Community Area Partnership at the area board meeting on 14 June.

Health fair and information session for the new Primary Care Centre

Want to know more about your new primary care centre and about the facilities it will offer? Or perhaps you would like to have your blood pressure checked or have a chat about healthy lifestyles or quitting smoking? The Health Fair will do all that... and more. Please come along and find out more at the Paragon Hall (Westbury Labour Club) off the High Street, on Saturday 16th June 2012. It starts at 11.00am and finishes at 3.00pm. Everyone welcome.

Recycling Updates – have your say



Changes are planned for opening hours of our household recycling sites. Now all households have the opportunity for green waste collection as well as having cardboard plastic and other recyclables collected from their doorstep, there are plans to reduce the late night opening hours of the HRCs. There are also plans to reduce the number of neighbourhood recycling sites. We are now looking for your views.

To find out more or to comment on these proposals you can complete a questionnaire at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/consultations or by calling 0300 456 0102 to request a postal questionnaire. Please reply by 28 May 2012. Don't forget you can find out more about local recycling and check your collection days [here](#)

Area board grants will help communities celebrate Jubilee

Grants totalling £7,750 were agreed by Westbury area board at meetings in April and May. They included: £1000 for Heywood and Hawkeridge Jubilee celebrations; £1000 for the purchase of new tables for Bratton Jubilee hall; £1000 for Edington Jubilee celebrations; £750 for Dilton Marsh Jubilee celebrations and £3,000 for 1 May Jubilee/Royal visit event in Salisbury Cathedral grounds. A grant of £1000 for Jubilee celebrations in Bratton was also approved at an extraordinary meeting of the area board on 18 May. Could your community group be eligible for a grant from the area board? We have more than £40,000 to spend each year on local projects that benefit our community. Find out more about the rules and how to apply [here](#). If you would like to take a look at the wide range of projects we have funded over the last two years, please visit our grants map on [Google](#).

Consultations

You can have your say on a variety of Wiltshire Council consultations [here](#)

Funding Information

You can get advice about a wide range of funds and grants from the [Charities Information Bureau](#). This organisation is here to help you and also offers funding advice sessions. For more details call 01380 729279.



Also... an event aimed at the Voluntary sector is being hosted by Wiltshire & Swindon Funding Network on Tuesday 3rd July at 9.30am until 1pm at Devizes Town Hall. The theme of the event is Better Funding Applications and will be attended by a speaker from the BIG Lottery who will help you unravel the do's and don'ts of writing applications. A mixture of presentation and practical exercise, this session will equip you to increase your chances of success in applying for funding from charitable trusts as well as the Lottery.

Book your place by going to <http://betterapplicationsdevizes.eventbrite.com/>

News from Wiltshire Council

Take a look at the latest news releases from Wiltshire Council [here](#)

Your area board members



The Westbury area board has four members which represent your community at Wiltshire Council. They are Julie Swabey, Mike Cuthbert-Murray, David Jenkins and Russell Hawker. Find out how to contact your councillor [here](#). Everyone is welcome to attend our area board meetings and you will get the chance to have your say on a variety of local concerns and issues. The meetings are held every six to eight weeks in a variety of locations around the Westbury area. For more information about your area board, to raise a local issue, apply for grants or look at our agendas and minutes please [visit here](#)



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