

**SUMMARY REPORT FOR MEETING 25 JANUARY 2012  
SENIOR COUNCIL for DEVON (SEATON and AREA)**

**CATEGORY A**

**ACTIVITIES BOOKLET**

**JW** is about to start work on the latest version. **RT** is preparing a bid to the Town Council for a contribution to the cost of production.

**SAFER STREETS**

As a result of the contacts made with DCC Highways recently during the preparation for the Seaton Traffic Management Survey, immediate action was taken when **TT** made contact about the delay for pedestrians at the crossing in The Underfleet. Engineers attended the very next day and corrected the timing. This has saved a great deal of frustration for both pedestrians and drivers.

**WORKING WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

**RT** met with the Town Clerk to continue the progress with local issues (eg. toilets, sea front shelter, cleaning of bus shelters, renewing mosaics etc.) and it was suggested that a short presentation to the Town Council might be helpful.

**RT** gave this presentation on 9 January which appeared to be well received by Councillors. As well as the general appreciation of all the achievements of Seaton Senior Council, there were two great outcomes. Cllr Gaynor Sedgewick volunteered to take charge of the "Meet and Greet" initiative (see also next section) and Cllr Jim Piggot has asked for a Senior Council representative on the "Save St. Clare's Group".

Following on from all the effort that has gone into building better relationships with (mainly) statutory bodies, **RT** is now making an approach to the Chamber of Commerce in the hope that this will also pay dividends.

**TOWN WELCOMING GROUP**

**JW** has obtained a large number of volunteers for welcoming visitors to the Town. This innovative approach, the Town Manager's idea, is a classic example of how the voluntary sector can play a major part in improving things for local communities. Following the resignation of the Town Manager, this had been put on hold. However, this now has the backing of the Town Council and a member of the public, Chris Byrne Jones has said he would be willing to pay for the jackets for the volunteers.

**LINK (Local Involvement Network)**

**RT** has joined a group led by LINK which is aiming to enhance Patient/Public participation in the work of GP practices to ensure effective representation in advance of changes in the NHS. He has now met with the practice manager at

the Townsend Surgery and will also liaise with another member of Seaton Senior Council who is involved at the Medical Center Surgery.

### **CVS (Council for Voluntary Services)**

**RT** and **TT** are preparing an entry for the CVS website aimed at recruiting members who are interested in playing an active part in SCfD.

### **OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT (SECTION 106 MONEY)**

The equipment at Seafeld Gardens continues to be extremely popular. **JW** keeps in touch with any problems arising and deals with/reports them as appropriate. She has identified that some residents have not been able to find the gym and that signs at either end would help. **RT** will take this up with EDDC.

### **HOSPITAL GYM**

The changes in the equipment at the Hospital gym are not yet in place **TT** will continue to pursue this and as soon as these are in place will start to prepare a bid to the League of Friends for further outdoor gym equipment.

### **SCfD FLYER**

Tim Hall has agreed to produce a flyer with a pre – paid membership application form included for Seaton and Area to try to increase membership and to find a way forward for us to obtain more publicity.

## **CATEGORY C**

### **PAYMENT FOR DENTAL CHARGES IN ADVANCE**

**TT** will prepare another letter on this issue and send to SCfD for approval.

### **What do the categories mean?**

**Category A** – Issues we are handling ourselves. **Category B** – Issues we are handling locally but with the help of SCfD directors. **Category C** – Issues we have passed to SCfD directors to pursue.

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