

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2014

Hello again Buxton Town Team members,

Another month has gone and summer is officially over, but the weather is still kind to us and there's still lots going on.

ARTISAN MARKET

SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 10am-4pm, ON THE MARKET PLACE

Don't miss it! There are some great stalls there, please come along to support the market and let us know what you think. Here's a nice little video of the last one to whet your appetite -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SZI 5wkfoIU - thanks Andy!

Also, we have arranged to have a Town Team stall again, and could really do with some extra people to help staff this during the afternoon, from 1-4pm. If you could help for an hour or two, Philip would be delighted to hear from you - treasurer@buxtontownteam.org.

IDEAS & VISION MEETING

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 7:30 PM IN THE BUCKINGHAM HOTEL

Last month we looked at what we'd done so far to beautify the town (Spring Clean, street art, Buxton in Bloom, bottle bunting) and then drew up a list of ideas for what and where next. The most popular ideas were then taken away for further development. So this month we want to follow up how those are progressing, plus there will be updates and closing reports on some of the other summer projects and at least three new project proposals to consider. Then there's the Artisan Market trials - we've the report on the survey work the University did and will update you on the recommendations for future markets. Lastly, but very importantly, Nestle have appointed a new development team for their Station Road site, and have asked the Town Team for our comments - so we'd like your views on that. The Ideas meeting is the monthly 'open meeting' of the town team, all are welcome, do join us if you can.

MORE ABOUT NESTLE

The new developer for the site is a company called CPG - Consolidated Property Group, based in Alderley Edge. They've moved away from the previous proposal for essentially a single big retail store, they're now looking at, yes a biggish food store, but also a hotel, smaller retail units and restaurants. Which may or may not be what the town actually wants or needs! They are currently in consultation and expect to submit a planning application at the end of this month, so now is the time to try and influence things; Town Team directors are hoping to meet the developers to discuss the proposals mid September. There's an artist's impression and more detail here - http://www.buxtonadvertiser.co.uk/news/local/35m-plansfor-buxton-water-site-revealed-1-6808311 and you can see some of their previous developments here - http://www.consolprop.co.uk/developments-retail-durham-dragonville.html As above this will be a topic for discussion at the Ideas Meeting on Tuesday.

MORE ON THE CRESCENT - PUBLIC MEETING WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 6PM, THE OCTAGON

Things are moving, the main contractor has been appointed and work is due to start again soon. Trevor Osborne and team will be giving all the latest news on Wednesday - more here http://www.buxtonadvertiser.co.uk/news/local/public-meeting-to-hear-update-on-buxton-crescent-plans-1-6821167

GEORGE STREET PANELS

We haven't run out of hoardings to paint yet - the latest addition to Buxton's very own outdoor art gallery is here -

https://www.facebook.com/532474296804605/photos/a.604635356255165.1073741829.532474296804 605/795676963817669/?type=1&theater - and there's more on the way! If you know of other places that could do with a bit of brightening up, or you're an artist and would like to do a bit yourself, do let us know.

MARKET PLACE DECORATIONS

We did eventually manage to get all six of the big lamp posts decorated with flower tubes, and these will stay up for about another month then we'll take them down and store them over the winter. We have a plan though to replace them with something a bit more seasonal, maybe stars and snowflakes, again using recycled materials. If you'd like to join the team designing and constructing these please contact Tina - heathcote.foxlow@btinternet.com

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Group are keen to improve how well we communicate with you. To this end we're developing a questionnaire, which we will send out next month - we hope as many of you as possible will participate in this, so watch this space.

Don't forget there's always more information about what the Town Team has been doing on the <u>website</u> and on our Facebook page.

That's it for now, hope to see you soon, Janet, Tina, Andy, Emily and John, Your Town Team Communications Team