

Charlton Marshall

News

Charlton Marshall Youth Bus

For several months a rather battered minibus has been appearing in Charlton Marshall on Thursday (or more recently Wednesday) nights. Those who have dared to take a closer look will have found in or around it youth workers Sue and Tom, and a bunch of young people from the village – and what a great bunch of young people they are.

In early July Parish Council Chairman Ian Rodd presented certificates to many of them, in recognition of their achievements in the past year. If this work is to continue (with or without the bus!), funding will have to be generated and more helpers will be needed.

This work has made a real impact on the lives of these young people, and on the quality of life in Charlton Marshall. If it doesn't continue we shall all be losers.

Internet Access

We now have 4 computers with internet access in the Church Room; they are available for public use. You can also do word processing (typing) and send/receive emails. Hopefully there will be some training sessions for those who are terrified of computers or those who just need a bit of help. Sessions are currently Mondays 9.00 – 11.00 and Thursdays 11.00 – 13.00. There is a session for the youth group Wednesdays 19.15 – 21.00. For more information or to offer help contact John.

Information Pack

An A4 information pack, contained in a binder, has been distributed to all household in the Parish. This will provide a first reference point for detail of what happens in Charlton Marshall, including contact telephone numbers. Also in the pack is information to cover emergencies, a street map of the village centre and detailed walks in our surrounding countryside. It is intended that the pack be regularly updated and residents have been asked to notify the Parish Council of any new residents, moving into the village, in order that the pack can be delivered with a welcome letter.

Trailway

At last, the trailway through the village, following the old railway line, is completed. Beyond Charlton Marshall, it has reached a point just short of the roundabout where the A350 and A354 meet. This has encouraged many people to use this route as a cycle path into Blandford, avoiding the dangers of the A350.