

1. Cam Valley Forum – Village Agents

The Cam Valley Forum meeting on the subject of Health in the Community was very interesting.

One of the presentations given was by Chris Head, senior manager of WERN, who provide Village Agents.

A statement was made that there are plans being formed for the provision of Village Agents to the rural villages to the immediate south of Bath – which includes Freshford.

The probability is that this facility will be able to be provided with existing financial arrangements. This implies that there is a chance that a key element of Preventative Health services to our community may be able to be implemented with zero impact on the precept.

This is not guaranteed – but is a significant step forwards as regards the provision of community health services to Freshford.

The Village Agent service will also provide closer links with Virgin Care and Coombe Down practice as the other key Preventative Health service, Social Provisioning, is run from the Practice.

2. Community Asset – The Inn at Freshford

The Inn at Freshford is listed as being an Asset of Community Value. This was defined on 10 February 2016.

The listing for an Asset of Community Value lasts for 5 years, and therefore needs to be renewed should the PC agree that this status should remain.

Request: That the PC resolves to apply for renewal of the status of the Inn at Freshford as an Asset of Community Value.

All details are on the following page: [BANES Assets of Community Value](#).

It is not clear what the renewal process is, or if a fresh application needs to be made. Should a renewal not be requested, then the status of being an Asset of Community Value will automatically be removed.