

Manton

Newsletter



Manton Community Alliance

Award Winning Pathfinder

November 2010

Working In Partnership for Manton

BRINGING CHANGE WHERE YOU LIVE



Rainbow Park



Crime levels DOWN



Working together

What is MCA doing now?



Below are a few things MCA is doing in Manton right now. If you want to know more, check out Manton Community Alliance facebook, or our website at www.mantoncommunityalliance.org.uk for details, or call into the office next to the post office on Edinburgh Road.

MCA is working with local people, Bassetlaw District Council and our Councillors to re-open local allotments – See page 6 for more details!



MCA is talking to people about a new idea of having different locally run services for our children and young people. These will be services for all that live locally. Many young people choose not to use current services, why's that? Can we make services more acceptable?



MCA is listening to young people learning how they spend their time outside school. This will help MCA support groups to respond differently. A big thank you to Ryton Park, Portland, Holy Family and Priory schools for helping to make this happen.



Fighting crime is important to MCA. You voted in Voice Your Choice to fund new services (see pages 4 & 5 for details). Because of many people working together: local councillors, residents, police and other agencies, crime in Manton is falling quicker than any other area in Bassetlaw or Newark and Sherwood.



MCA is looking to the future, setting out plans that will make sure that Manton will continue to have MCA.



MCA has been speaking to groups of residents who took part in Voice your Choice to find out what you think of local services. MCA has now met with the service providers to let them know what you think and what you would like to be changed. The agreement is between residents in Manton and the organisations that provide services in your community. The updated Neighbourhood Agreement will be coming out to you in January 2011, so keep your eyes peeled!!

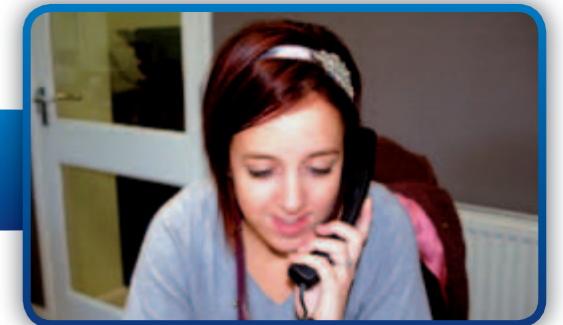


MCA launched a new feature of its website called Chatterbox, get chatting about what matters to you!

Manton's 'Voice your Choice' led by MCA were finalists in national award's this month. Congratulations to the winners, Balsall Heath Forum and its residents for 30 years of hard work to improve that neighbourhood, simply inspirational.



Busy ringing round Manton People to see what you thought of 'Voice Your choice', we may be calling you soon!



Great News that the steps and wall have now been fixed near Edinburgh Road shops! This only happened because of local residents letting us know and us making the link to the right people!

Outside Manton: Due to the success of Voice Your Choice, MCA was invited by Sandy Lane Forum to support them in designing and delivering a similar process, which has been called Sandy Lane Lotto. Already loads of people in Sandy Lane have taken part to choose and influence what they would like to see happening. This is a great example of how partners of MCA have been able to benefit other areas because of what you have done in Manton!



Voice Your Choice Keeping You Informed

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Amount allocated to project: £4,000
Number of votes: 435



48 children and young people have taken part in trips and activities to:

- Twin Lakes Family Theme Park
- Clipstone Pine Forest Pond Dipping
- Shelter Building and Team Challenges
- Twycross Zoo
- Basic Climbing Experience and Art
- Pleasure Island Theme Park

Age range: 9 to 13 (15 boys, 33 girls)

Benefits: Children took part in positive activities outside the area, new friendships formed, time keeping, teamwork, co-operation, improved confidence and self esteem.

What they said:

'Its been an ace summer'
'My best summer ever'
'I've never been to a theme park before'
'I made it to the top of the climbing tower, I was scared at first but I did it! Can we go again?'

DOGS, DOG MESS AND OTHER ANIMAL PROBLEMS

Amount allocated to project: £9,000
Number of votes: 824



- 72 dogs have been micro-chipped, with good dog ownership packs given out.
- One vet has already signed up for the neutering scheme; another is considering the proposal.
- New bins sited where YOU wanted them.
- Incidents of dog fouling to be measured by inspections of sample streets

Through the monitoring process, 'hot spot' areas have been identified. Additional dog fouling signs and nearby properties to be leafleted to inform about new bins.

Good news or what?

"A Manton resident found a lost Labrador which she took home and reported to the dog warden. Luckily, the dog had been chipped as part of the Voice Your Choice scheme, at one of the surgeries in June. This allowed the dog warden to contact the owner, and the dog was reunited with his owner within two hours of being found. Mr R, of Kingston Road, was delighted with the efficiency of the scheme."

What they said:

'Absolutely brilliant, and perfect timing' Mr Bevan, Shrewsbury Road

The dog belongs to his daughter who had just lost her job through an illness that has left her partially blind, and she couldn't afford to have it done. She took part in the VYC process and was happy with the projects, and that this project received the funding.

DRUG DEALING - ARREST MORE DRUG DEALERS / USERS

Amount allocated to project: £12,000
Number of votes: 467



- 27 drug warrants and address searches conducted
- £43,000 of drugs and equipment recovered
- DARE at three local primary schools (102 children engaged)
- Further event in January 2011
- Prison Me No Way taken place at Portland School (258 children took part)
- Working with FACE IT and aiming for 15% rise in referrals
- Promotional materials distributed
- Linked with Sherwood Project for better engagement with ex offenders working on the project

The police have over achieved on targets set within the project



SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE - TELEPHONE BEFRIENDING SERVICE

Amount allocated to project: £4,659.15
Number of votes: 488



- 19 referrals, 11 women, 8 men, ages 69 to 90
- 7 volunteers recruited
- All volunteers had CRB checks and reviews
- Letting user of the service know of other beneficial services
- House adaptations and referrals to community falls team
- Face to face 'door knocking' introductory service
- Weekly calls to people using the service
- Brass band concert attended

Case Study - Bill Mills

Mr Bill Mills joined the service in May after Claire Staley, the service co-ordinator, called and told him about the free befriending service.

Bill lives alone in A1 housing, and manages independent living with the help of his family. His health problems include arthritis and diabetes, and he has a mobility scooter which allows him to get to town and local appointments.

Through the 'First Contact' scheme, we were able to refer Bill to:

- The Falls Team based at Retford PCT who give advice and support to people who have fallen or feel at risk of falls.
- The Community Car Scheme, if unable to get to an appointment on his scooter
- The Retford Action Centre, to get information on any local groups and clubs.

Bill's telephone befriender is Anita Durham. She has volunteered for WRVS since September 2009, and started doing telephone befriending in May 2010.

FREE ACTIVITIES AT MANTON YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE (CSL)

Amount allocated to projects: £3,000
Number of votes: 397



Sessions provided over the half term:

- Table Tennis and raquet sports
- Zumba Tonic Dance (under 11s)
- Zumba Tonic Dance (over 12s)
- Pool competition
- Dance (under 11s)
- Halloween Costume Workshop
- SportsCool Coaching
- Football coaching
- Dodgeball
- Wii Olympics



Manton Allotments Update

Great news for Manton – the Spur Crescent allotments **WILL** be re-opened!

Good news for all of you out there who are looking for 'the good life' and thinking of growing your own fruit and vegetables, or just looking for additional space to increase your garden's potential.

Local councillors are working hard to try and bring allotments back into use.

Bassetlaw District Council responded to this by asking Manton Community Alliance to be the link between them and us Manton People to find out if we wanted them back in use!

From MCA speaking to 67 residents 100% said yes we want The Spur Crescent allotment back open! 22 people have already got their plot, most of them (73%) did this through MCA.

The plan is for the allotments to be open for April 2011. The land is to be cleared of weeds, waste and rubbish that has been dumped there over the years, and will be rotivated in preparation for cultivation.

By working with MCA, local people helped to designed the allotments and what will be available. A water supply and improved access to the site will be provided from Spur Crescent. There will be space for car parking, as well as a 'community garden' where local groups can work together, should a full allotment be too much for one person to



manage. It is also hoped to provide a 'wild garden' area, to encourage wildlife, and where local people can enjoy a bit of peace and quiet in pleasant surroundings. The picture shows the condition of the allotment site at the present time.

Because Manton people told us what was needed, Bassetlaw District Council are listening to this and are working with us to provide what you have asked for. So Thumbs up to John Foster and his team!

A few plots are still remaining so if you want one, you better be quick!

You can collect a form from our office, or email Kelly.white@mantoncommunityalliance.org.uk and we can send you one.

For regular updates, visit our website at www.mantoncommunityalliance.org.uk

Have you tried Chatterbox yet?



The MCA website now has an updated feature – Chatterbox – making it so much easier for visitors to the site to share their thoughts and ideas with others. It's where you can have your say about just about anything that may be of interest to other users of the site, and although it is designed to be mainly Manton focussed, there are also many national issues that directly affect everyone.

Its easy to use, log onto www.mantoncommunityalliance.org.uk - just click on the topic on the home page to read each article in full. If you would like to respond to a post, or start one of your own, you just need to register yourself as a user.

So if you want others to know – share it on **Chatterbox**.

New School Build Ahead of Target



I'm fine

Had a cough for more than 3 weeks? Does your chest feel different? Or noticed any blood in your phlegm? If you have any of these symptoms, then visit your doctor as you may need a simple chest X-ray. It may be something more than just a cough. The sooner it is diagnosed, the sooner - and easier - it can be treated.

www.bassetlaw.nhs.uk **WE'RE WAITING, YOU SHOULDN'T** **NHS**

We're Waiting, You Shouldn't – Bassetlaw early interventions in lung cancer

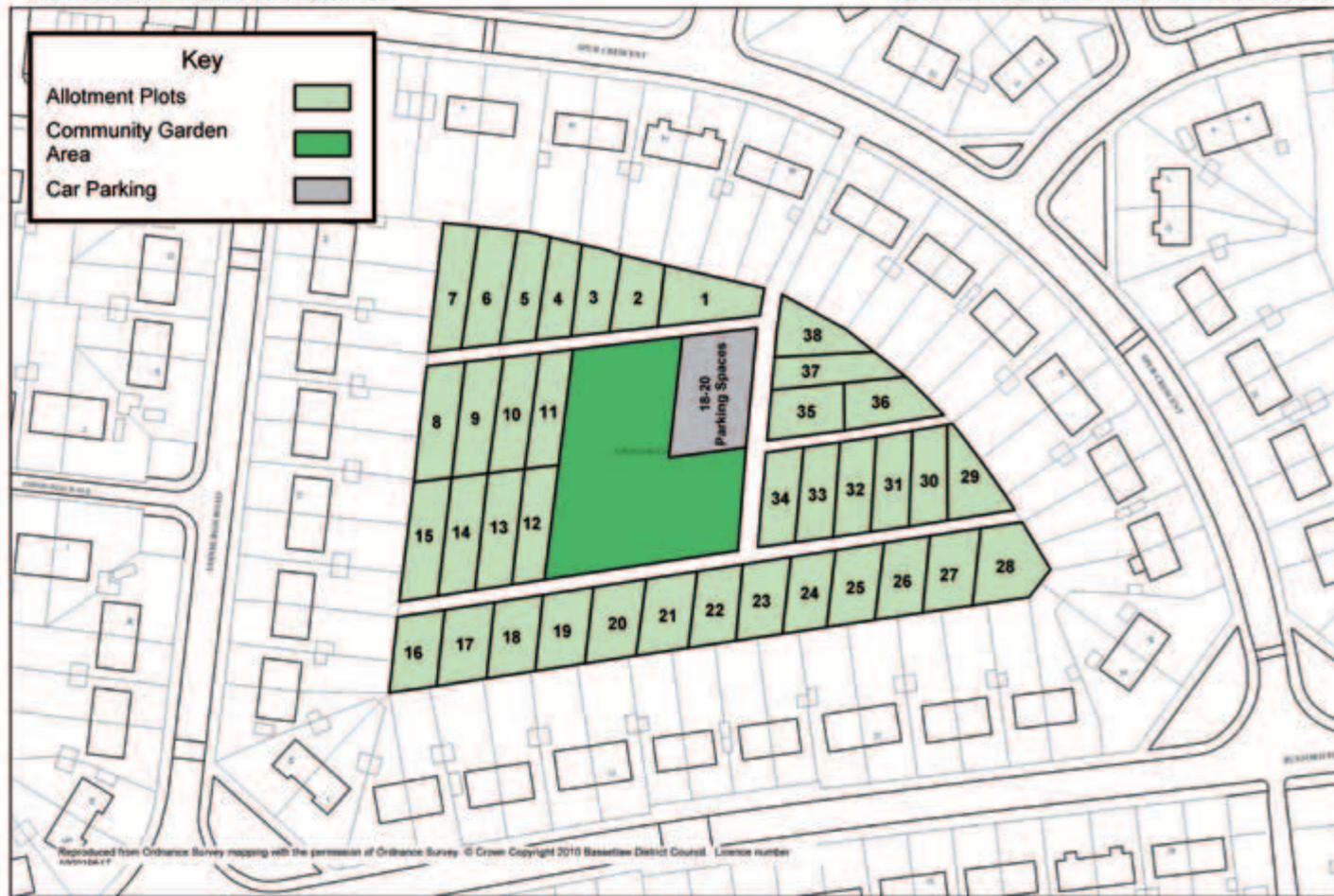
NHS Bassetlaw has launched the 'We're Waiting - You Shouldn't' campaign, which commenced across the locality on 13th September 2010. The campaign aims to educate the public about the symptoms of lung cancer, and recommends that if an individual has had a persistent cough lasting 3 weeks or more, or a change to an existing cough, they should consult their GP and request a chest x-ray. Other symptoms include the chest feeling different to normal, coughing up phlegm or blood, weight loss and tiredness, wheezing and breathing difficulties.

The campaign focuses on the earlier diagnosis of the disease, and encourages people with any of the symptoms mentioned to visit their GP for a chest x-ray in order that diagnosis can be made at a stage where treatment is possible.

For any further information please contact:
Victoria Brogden, Health Improvement Practitioner, Retford Hospital. 01777 274400.

Bassetlaw District Council

Spur Crescent, Worksop - Allotment Site



Manton Creepy Crawl Great Success!

Open Letter To Manton Residents

Dear Manton Resident

On 9th September 2010 a group called the LSP (it represents all organisations delivering services across Bassetlaw) asked MCA to be the lead organisation to develop ways of supporting some other neighbourhoods across Bassetlaw.

At a meeting the following week the partners of MCA agreed to work with the LSP.

What does this mean for Manton?

MCA will continue to work in Manton supporting the residents and organisations very much like it has done over the last 5 years for example:

- ✔ Organising local events in Manton
- ✔ Helping individual residents with their problems
- ✔ Talking to the council and others on resident's behalf
- ✔ Encouraging organisations to deliver better services
- ✔ Generally giving residents a voice that gets things done
- ✔ Work with local schools
- ✔ Continue to successfully reduce crime in Manton

The MCA team will continue to work from the office next to the post office on Edinburgh Road.

Manton's Voice Your Choice money will still be spent in Manton as decided by local residents who voted in Voice Your Choice.

Apart from some staff time, MCA's money can't be spent in other neighbourhoods

because there is hardly any spare money. So MCA will try and find new money if neighbourhoods need it.

So what will be different?

This is an expansion of the work MCA does: MCA team will continue to work in Manton but there will be times when the team will support workers in other organisations to do things in other neighbourhoods. For example to encourage other residents to participate in their own neighbourhoods very much like MCA has done in Manton.

Why is MCA doing this?

Firstly MCA has developed the experience to help neighbourhoods to improve, to encourage people to get involved and help agencies and residents to work better together.

Secondly MCA is planning to continue to work in Manton well beyond MCA's current funding and working with the LSP will help to do this. MCA's funding is already reducing and will finish in December 2011. We therefore must plan for a future beyond that time if Manton is to continue to have MCA.

You tell us that things are better in Manton because of MCA's approach, but MCA plans to work for many years to come in Manton as there's much more for us to do.

Watch out for more information in future Manton Newsletters or call into the office and talk to us. 

From the Chair and Members of the Manton Community Alliance Board

USEFUL NUMBERS

A1 Housing Head Office	01909 534484
A1 Housing Repairs Call Centre	0800 590542
Age Concern Money Maze	01623 488216
Bassetlaw District Council	01909 533533
Bassetlaw Hospital	01909 500990
Bassetlaw MIND	01909 476075
BCVS	01909 476118
Benefits Agency	01909 537200
Bookstart	01909 506517
Carers' Federation	01909 500483
Centre For Sport and Learning (Manton youth and Community Centre)	01909 473078
Centre Place	01909 479191
Citizens Advice Bureau	0844 856 3411
Community Development Team	01909 476111
Connexions	01909 473165
Clr (County) Glynn Gilfoyle	0115 977 4121
Clr (District) Brian Hopkinson	01909 482245
Clr (District) John Shephard	01909 540310
Clr (District) Josie Potts	07880 788 089
Credit Union	01909 500575
Double Impact	01623 602640
Face It	0800 5877878
Focus on Young People	01909 531504
Framework	01909 475799
Hetty's (helpline)	08000850941
Holy Family School	01909 473917
Hope	01909 531294
Jobcentre Plus	08456 043 719
Manton Children's Centre	01909 511321
Manton Athletic Club	01909 478687
Manton Athletic Sports Facility	01909 552323
Manton Community Alliance	01909 535193
Manton Family Worker	07834 008 092
Manton Gala Group	01909 535193
Manton Metro (St Paul's)	01909 501138
MIND	01909 476075
North Nottinghamshire College	01909 504504
Nottinghamshire County Council	08449 808080
Police team for Manton	0300 300 9999 ext 8077516
Portland School	01909 471010
Priory School C of E	01909 478886
Probation Service	01909 473424
Ryton Park School (both sites)	01909 534060
Race Equality Council	0115 9586515
Social services	01909 533533
Social Services Children's Services	01777 716161
Victim Support	01909 500999 ext 7153
W.A.M. (What about me)	01623 635330
Welfare Rights Advice	0845 601 5943
Westwood 8 to 8 Health Centre	01909 509010
Workshop Library	01909 535353
Youth Services	01909 500219

JOHN MANN

Member of Parliament for Bassetlaw



Advice Surgeries will be held in Worksop library on the following dates:

Friday 03 December at 15.00 pm

To make an appointment please contact:
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Community based articles for publication in the newsletter should be emailed to:
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For advertisements, please email us for details of charges

PHOTOCOPIES AT MCA

We are now offering a photocopy service at the MCA office on Edinburgh Road. Prices are as follows:



Size		Per copy/ side		Each additional copy / side
A4	Black and white	10 pence	Up to 100	£5.00
A4	Colour	20 pence	Up to 100	£10.00
A5	Black and white	5 pence	Up to 100	£3.00
A5	Colour	10 pence	Up to 100	£6.00
A3	Black and white	20 pence	Up to 100	£10.00
A3	Colour	30 pence	Up to 100	£20.00

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