

## Agenda item 9

### For information: Volunteer Frome Update

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Following the decision to support the development of a Volunteer Base for Frome at the Town Matters meeting on 28 September 2016, this report provides an update on progress to date and the key dates over the coming months.

'Spark' have been contracted to provide the database and staff a drop-in information service for local people at Frome Town Hall every Tuesday. Their Community Groups Development worker will also be on hand once a month for more detailed support for local organisations, also in Frome Town Hall.

The branding for the initiative is complete and complements the new FTC branding. A new website to host the portal to the database and a range of information for local organisations, volunteers and other interested parties is currently being built. The main logo and strapline are below and a full and comprehensive set of images and guidelines are being developed.



Community organisations, charities, CIC's, schools and other groups are being invited to attend an information session on Tuesday 14 March at either 2pm or 5pm to find out more about registering their organisation on the database and how 'Volunteer Frome' will be able to help them recruit volunteers to support the work of their projects.

Volunteer Frome will launch on the 29 March 2017. In addition, there will be a digital launch, a presence at the Frome Town Hall Launch party and at other events in the run up to National Volunteers Week and Voluntea in the Park at the beginning of June.