



Chalk & Cheese Local Action Group News

April 2014

Thank you to everyone who has taken part so far in preparing our Local Development Strategy and application for the next round of LEADER funding.

The first round of consultation had finished and we will report the key issues and priorities for this Local Action Group Area shortly. In the meantime news about the strategy, reports, events and opportunities to take part will be published on our website. <http://www.chalkandcheese.org/index.php?page=transition-chalk-cheese>
We may not have grants available at the moment but do check out the Dorset AONB and the Bridport Community Fund below, for more information about funding for community projects.

We hope you like our new newsletter layout and find the information useful but please let us know if you have any news or information you would like to see included.

We have recently had some excellent press and radio coverage about our consultation meetings. We are also delighted to report that **Broadwindsor Community Stores** is a feature article in the Dorset Magazine this month.

We have been taking advantage of social media, particularly Twitter to tell people about the LAG. Most of our 90 followers are not LAG members so Twitter is helping us spread the message further afield.



Camera - Action!

You may spot Sarah out and about with a film crew this month. We are making video case studies about the programme and some of the projects. With 39 very different projects to choose from it has been difficult selecting just 8 to film. We want to tell some of stories behind Chalk & Cheese and to promote the next programme, offering rural businesses and community groups inspiration for project ideas. The films will be finished in May and available to view from our website.

Many thanks to everyone at **Broadwindsor Community Stores**, Portland Sculpture and Quarry Trust and Junio Geo for the warm welcome last week. Our next projects are Crafty Camping, Care Farming For All and Liberty Orchards with filming at the Purbeck Mineral and Mining Museum and Swanage Sea Rowing Club at the end of April. We are hoping for more sunshine.