

East Area Committee 27th March 2008

Community Development - Update

Unit Development Manager – Cathy Hackett

- **Area East has one new permanent member of staff and is currently now recruiting for another 1 to join the team.**
- **Raynham Way Centre's Programme continues to improve and the staff are now looking to include a Homework Club to run 2 hours after school twice a week. Volunteer Teachers in training will come in and help the children with their homework. The interest in this has been very positive so far.
Also Football coaching for boys and girls between the ages of 6-11yrs will be held during April – July, with fully qualified Football Coaches, again this had drawn a lot of interest.**
- **An open day is planned in April, where the Centre will be open to the community. This will not only give people a chance to come and see what the Centre currently provides, but will also give them access to other agencies and partners who will be here on the day. Such as: Job Centre Plus, Various benefits agencies, Citizens Advice Bureau, Age Concern as well as LBC departments i.e. The recycling unit, Youth Service, Adult Education, Libraries, Children's Services, Museums. Further information on this will be available nearer the time.**
- **Staff are now in the process of preparing for the Annual Summer Festival which will be held on Saturday 21st June 12.00 –4.00pm.**