



Desborough in Europe

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Dear Charter Friends

Desborough Workshop Meeting – Thursday 24th to Sunday 27th November 2011

On behalf of the town of Desborough, and as Chairman of the Desborough in Europe group, I am delighted to formally invite your municipality to take part in the Charter Mini-Meeting in Desborough.

Each Charter municipality is asked to send **two adult delegates** to join us for this weekend, with arrivals planned into the United Kingdom on Thursday 24th November.

We are busy planning the schedule for the weekend and will update delegates with more details soon. In the meantime, please refer to the attached Information Sheet to find out all the details regarding your delegation and suggestions for travel arrangements.

As 2011 is the European Year of the Volunteer, we are excited to be able to host this meeting in Desborough with a theme linked to running successful volunteer groups in our municipalities – the formal theme for the weekend will be looking at Friends of Europe (Twinning) groups and how to encourage involvement from our local communities. We believe that similar challenges exist with many other different kinds of voluntary groups in our municipalities, so we would you to ideally include a representative of another type of voluntary group in your delegation.

In preparation for the meeting we will shortly ask you to send us some information about these groups in your communities. From this information, and the output from the workshop sessions, we will aim to produce a Directory of volunteer groups across all Charter municipalities, which we hope will be useful to encourage others to get involved with people with similar interests across Europe.

For more information on the weekend, travel arrangements and delegate requirements please refer to the Information sheet.

We would ask that due to the number of delegations joining us you send your delegate information to us as soon as possible, and no later than **Friday 14th October 2011**. Please use the form attached to this invitation and ideally return by email using the address provided. A copy of this letter has also been sent by post.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us by email: uk.charter@gmail.com. We are looking forward to hosting your delegates here in Desborough in November.

Yours faithfully,

Ben Murphy-Ryan
Chairman