

## Village Development Plan: Social Climate

Discussions with residents and visitors to the information evenings have shown that the importance of a good social climate and the well-being of residents are of paramount importance to many citizens.

The importance of "Welcome to Stevensweert" has become the starting point for involving new residents in and interest in village life right from the start.

The welcome folder for new residents will become a fact in 2021. The local businesses, almost all catering entrepreneurs and the museum, including the tourist office, have made an important contribution to filling the welcome folder with heart-warming offers, but also worth knowing.

From August 2021, members of the working group will personally hand out the first folders. The new residents were unanimously pleasantly surprised. What has also turned out to be a nice effect is that villagers spontaneously report where

new citizens have settled, so that they are certainly provided with a welcome folder. In addition to functional information, the common thread is the feeling of togetherness and inviting new residents to participate.

Since the start of the distribution of the welcome folders, members of the working group have visited 48 addresses (currently about 60 addresses). If residents are not at home, the address is visited again 2x.

If it has not yet been possible to deliver a folder within six months after settling in, the new residents are cordially invited to report themselves to the Village Council ([info@dorpsraadstevensweert.nl](mailto:info@dorpsraadstevensweert.nl)) so that they can still be delighted with a beautiful folder .

The folder can be seen as a "growth document". New initiatives by local entrepreneurs, to contribute to further filling the map, are now a given. Future new residents can continue to look forward to a "warm welcome" with a handy signpost to support their integration.

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