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Dear Friends

Yep, we're getting excited. Again! We've just received news that the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has endorsed *Hope08*. Cohesion Minister Parmjit Dhanda says he considers *Hope08* to be 'a true example of what can be accomplished when we all work together towards a shared goal'.

This development is brilliant! It means that churches everywhere can confidently approach their local government agencies and ask for their support, as they make plans for next year. There's a good chance that local authorities want to get involved, and there *may* even be funding available.

Another amazing thing that's happened this month is that our *Hope08* resource publication has sold in far greater numbers than we expected! More than 15,000 books went out within the first month. If you haven't seen it yet, it's available from STL on 08704 208188, and from all the major festivals and Christian bookshops. It only costs £2.99, so grab your copy now!

Last – but not least – the Christians In Motorsport racing car driven by Hector Lester and carrying the *Hope08* logo, won at Silverstone last weekend!

Do keep sending in your stories - we love hearing from you.

Yours

Fritha, on behalf of the Hope08 Team

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