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AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Measuring the Need

Details of a proposed affordable housing scheme were outlined at a well-attended meeting in the Village Hall on 19th January. Martin Hutchens, development officer from Cotswold District Council explained that before any scheme could go ahead a clear need would have to be established - the survey undertaken in 2003 was ambiguous.

The scheme would provide low cost housing for those who could not afford to buy or rent within the parish. Legally such schemes are specifically for people with a local connection, which means that they:

- are employed within the parish.
- are EITHER already resident within the parish OR have been in the past.
- have family ties with the parish

It is essential that anyone who could benefit from the scheme registers on the 'home view register' (previously known as the housing list).

You can do this by telephoning 08450 582 099 and asking for a form or you can register online at www.homeview.org.uk. Some explanatory leaflets about this process have been placed in the post office.

Under such schemes normal planning restrictions can be relaxed (e.g. agricultural land may be developed). Although a possible location has been found in Brockhampton (to the west of Gassons Lane, south of the stable buildings by the 'rickyard') it must be emphasised that no application for development has been made and if it is decided to go ahead with the scheme this will be done in consultation with the parish.

Some concern was expressed at the meeting about the location of the proposed site and whether there was a need in the village for such a scheme.

Any update will be reported at the

Annual Parish Meeting To be held on Wednesday March 30th At 7:00pm in the Rhodes Memorial Hall

YOUR CHANCE TO QUIZ THE PARISH COUNCIL ABOUT ANY ISSUE

Grass Cutting

Tenders are invited

for a grass cutting contract at certain locations in Sevenhampton. Details etc from the Parish Clerk, Ann vanRossem 01242 820718

Dark Horses

We have been asked to put in a request for horse riders to wear something light or

also occasionally raise their right foot a little when driving down our country lanes





bright or illuminated. There have been some near misses with dark clothed riders on dark horses recently. Similarly attired pedestrians & cyclists are also at risk. There are some drivers who could

'Local Boy Makes Good'

From Gill Lanfear's Village Voice News of an old `village boy', Desmond Shawe-Taylor, aged 49, youngest of three brothers born in Brockhampton to Brian and Joceylin Shawe-Taylor.

Desmond has been appointed the next surveyor of the Queen's Pictures, one of the largest and most important art collections in

The family lived in the Old Forge and were very much village people. The boys all started school at Sevenhampton School, long since closed. Brian was a well known racing driver, there is a photograph of him in his ERA racing car in the Craven Arms, and Joceylin was secretary of the village produce show, ran the children's clinic in the village hall and was always involved in village activities. We send Des our sincere congratulations.

The affordable housing meeting was pretty lively and left work to do. First to assess the current need and, if shown, to decide a good site. Might be interesting to have a talk by a village with a scheme so we can hear from both residents who bought at market prices and those in the scheme. Find out how it really works out.

Bingo night was a huge success at the Hall particularly for us. We'd given all our fattening Christmas things for prizes, then won Star prize & got the beasties back plus a joint of very special beef and, best of all, a bottle of Tesco's Bucks Fizz - sell by date December 2002! When's the next raffle?

Nevertheless £438 raised for the Tsunami Fund! Well done all!

Copy for next edition:- by 20th March please. Anne & Bill Jenkin - 820338 Email:- villive@sevenhampton.info

Margot Partington

Sheila Potter and her family would like to thank all those who came to Margot's funeral service at the Crematorium on December 23rd.

At Margot's wish her ashes & those of one of her dogs will be scattered in the fields where they often walked. A notice with the date and location will be put in the post office: all welcome, informal.

Thanks also for the donations to the Riding for the Disabled Association & the Border Collie Rescue Service These are much appreciated.

Any additional donations may be sent via W J Wright, Funeral Directors, Well Lane, Stow-on-the-Wold GL54 1DG.

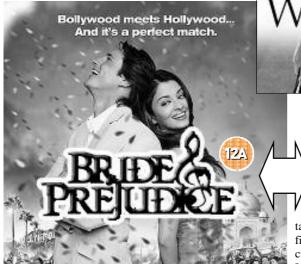


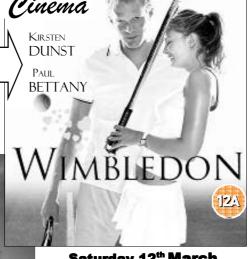
Fox-hunting still goes on. Or not...as the case may be.

Friday 25th February Rural Cinema

at 7:30pm Rhodes Memorial Hall. tickets £2.70.

Set amid the glitz and glamour of Wimbledon, a deliciously witty romantic comedy about chasing your dreams and risking your heart, Wimbledon is fun and a charming story of love across the net.





Saturday 12th March

at 7:30pm Rhodes Memorial Hall. tickets £2.50.

The "Bend It Like Beckham" team re-invents Jane Austen's classic -"Bollywood" style. Music, dance and spectacle merge with love, vanity and social pressures, and transports the tale of a witty young woman trying to find a suitable husband to a crosscultural setting that spans 21st century India, London and America.

'FLEA MARKET' Tsunami Relief Appeal

Sat, February 12th 10.am - 3 or 4.pm

Now is the chance to have an early Spring Clean ... turn out your attic, cupboards or drawers and bring your unwanted treasures to the Village Hall from the beginning of February for a grand Flea Market, BUT please.... NO CLOTHES OR REAL TAT! It is proposed to publicise the event in all the surrounding villages, to serve a Bread & Soup lunch & Teas and have a continual Cake Raffle. SO PLEASE FOR ALL THIS WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! There is a list in the Post Office and you can sign up for an hour (or two!) wherever you think you could help, and please boys, this is not a girl thing, we need you too, the more the merrier. Any queries please ring Rod & Liz 820 678 or Gill 820 862

W.I. Wins County **Skittles Final**

We are pleased to report that our local W.I. skittles team has won the Gloucestershire Federation of Womens Institutes' skittles competition, a

county-wide knock-out tournament which takes place between May and November each year.

To reach the final the team had to beat Blockley, Highnam, Chedworth, Bisley and Twyver. They narrowly defeated Newent Lakeside in the final by 12 pins. The top scorers were Lesley Ball and Thora Corris. The name of the team will now be engraved on the trophy. There was a well earned celebratory dinner at the 'Corner Cupboard' in Winchcombe. Congratulations to all concerned.

WI Diary

The WI meets normally on the first Monday in the month at 7:30 in the village hall.

Next meetings:

Feb 7th: Mrs. Betty Horton, Cotswold Perfumery, all about Perfume

Mar 7th, OPEN MEETING

all welcome:

Speaker: Mr. Brian Bailey, Radio Gloucestershire's Countryside expert

'Source to Sea' the River Severn and its Wildlife.

CHURCH NEWS - Lent & Easter

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 9th.: - 7.0pm. Holy Communion at the Church Centre, Andoversford

LENT COURSE. "New World, Old Faith?" on Thursdays (5 weeks) starting on February 17th, 7.30 -9.0pm. at the Church Centre, Andoversford

MUSIC & NIGHT PRAYER/COMPLINE on Fridays (6 weeks) starting on February 11th, 7.30 -8.45pm. with Carol Norden, at the Church Centre, Andoversford

 $\underline{THROUGHOUT\ LENT}$ - The Bishop of Gloucester's special initiative is that every church in the Diocese should be prayed in daily throughout Lent. So, every day from February 9^{th} until Easter, we hope that in both Charlton Abbotts and Sevenhampton Churches someone will be praying at some time. It could be you! Do call in whenever you can. Further information from Churchwardens, Clem Holland 820318 or Gill Hyatt 820458 or the Rev. John Beckett 820230.

GOOD FRIDAY, March 25th

10.30am. Family Service, Withington 2.0 pm. Last Hour of the Cross, Whittington 7.30pm. Evening Prayers at the Cross, Sevenhampton

EASTER SUNDAY, March 27th

11.0 am. Holy Communion at Sevenhampton (No service at Ch.Abbotts)

SUNDAY AFTER EASTER, April 3rd

6.30 pm. Evensong at Charlton Abbotts (No service at Sevenhampton)



JUMBLE SALE

will be held on Saturday

12th March

Doors Open 2:15

Please bring any items to the hall in the morning.

In aid of W.I. Funds Enquiries to Gill Lanfear 820862

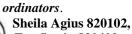
Good Neighbourhood Scheme

no rise in charges

The scheme has just completed its 7th year in action, with 61 journeys having been undertaken during 2004.

The recent AGM decided to keep the charges to cover expenses the same

for any information about the charges and the scheme please contact one of the co-



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