

The Parish Council has come in for a fair bit of criticism recently for its alleged failure to act decisively over the wind turbines issue. Maybe this would be a good time to remind readers that letters to this organ on local issues are always welcome. Letters sent to the parish council on this matter can be read in the post office.

The recent fall of snow has produced some horror stories of abandoned cars, closed roads and people trudging home from as far a field as Charlton Kings. It also enabled the editors of this journal to update some of the pictures used year on year to illustrate Christmas Church Services and refuse collections (p2).

Please let us have any items for inclusion in the next edition by 20th January. Meanwhile we wish you

a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 2006





#### www.sevenhampton.org

is the website provided by the Parish Council primarily for the residents of the villages. You will find basic information like what's on in the village hall; who runs the various clubs and when they meet; when the post office open etc. If you think you have some information which should be included please contact the webmaster on 820338 (or email nospamwebmaster@sevenhampton.org).

#### PARISH COUNCIL

#### Wind Turbine Poll

The parish council is conducting a poll to establish the local opinion on the proposal to erect two wind turbines in the parish.

The 56 metre (183ft) turbines would be on Elsdon Bank at a point near Elsdon Barn.

Ballot papers were sent by second class post on Friday 25th November to all residents entitled to vote. If yours has not arrived and you think it should have, please contact any parish councillor or the vice-chairman, Bill Jenkin on 820338.

Papers must be returned in the pre-paid envelopes provided to be received by the ballot organisers - Electoral Reform Services - no later than 2 p.m. on Friday 9th December 2005

The result will be posted on notice-boards and on sevenhampton.org on 12th December 2005.

All letters received on this matter have been placed in the Post Office.

#### **Affordable Housing**

The Parish Council was surprised to learn that a site meeting had been held without their knowledge as the Chairman had on numerous occasions requested such a meeting in order to discuss a number of points. A strong letter has been written to CDC pointing out that the parish council should have been consulted and insisting that it is kept fully informed of any further developments.

It appears that the architect for Gloucestershire Housing Association has been asked for further plans to be drawn up to consist of 2 one bed, 3 two bed and 1 three bedroom properties. No provision has been made for garaging but there will be curtilage car parking. Some members of the Parish Council consider that the land opposite Chapel Cottages would be a more suitable site. This point would also be pursued with CDC

#### **Energy Saving & Alternative Energy**

Several letters received on these issues will be considered at the next regular meeting which is

#### Rural Cinema in Brockhampton



# Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore Helena Bonham-Carter

in a much acclaimed adaptation of the Roald Dahl classic.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December in Rhodes Memorial Hall at 7:00 (the show will be over by 9:00) all tickets £2.50 from Brockhampton Post Office (01242 820966) or at the door. information - 01242 820338

Dates for 2006:- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January; Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February; Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

# Local Christmas Church Services



Please see the monthly Magazine of the Coln River Group for details of all services in the Benefice and for any variations in times etc

Sunday 4th December 3.30 pm Whittington 'All parishes' Evensong
Sunday 11th December 11.00 am Sevenhampton Holy Communion
Sunday 18th December 11.00 am Charlton Abbotts Holy Communion

6.30 pm Sevenhampton Carol Service

Christmas Eve 11.30 pm Sevenhampton Holy Communion

(Saturday 24th December)

Christmas Day 10.00 Charlton Abbotts Holy Communion

(Sunday 25th December)

The Annual Boxing Day

## DADS and LADS FOOTBALL MATCH

will be held on
Monday 26th December 2005
at 11.00 a.m.

in The Lanfears' Field, Gassons Lane Refreshments available

OPEN TO DADS AND LADS OF BOTH SEXES AND ALL AGES

Players, Officials Helpers and Spectators needed FOR DETAILS: EMMA LANFEAR:820 552



# CHRISTMAS REFUSE COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

Cotswold District Council

Collections will be one day late during Christmas week, but will go back to the normal days in the following week.

Christmas week...

Mon 26 Dec: collected Tues 27 Dec Weds 28 Dec: collected Thurs 29 Dec And the following week...

Mon 2 Jan: collected Mon 2 Jan
Weds 4 Jan: collected Weds 4 Jan

Tewkesbury Borough Council

Collections will be on Wednesday as normal for both weeks.

#### Tea Party Makes over £600 for Cobalt Unit

A big thank you to all who supported the tea party on Saturday 5th November at the Village Hall. Organised by Cherrie Handy and her sister Pam, Carol Cann and several other helpers the sale of mouth-watering cakes, Christmas cards, plants and other goodies made a wonderful total of over £600 for the Cobalt Unit Crack Cancer Campaign.

A big thank you to all involved.

## The annual Christmas treat of $% \left\{ 1\right\} =\left\{ 1$

# Mince Pies,



Punch &



# Christmas Carols

Monday 19th December 2005 at 7pm for 7.30pm in Rhodes Memorial Hall, Brockhampton Donations of pies and Raffle Prizes also suggestions of readings please to Georgina Oldham (820423) all proceeds to charity

# DON'T FORGET THE MILLENNIUM WALL-HANGING

will be revealed in situ for the first time on Wednesday 14th December at 8:15 p.m. in The Rhodes Memorial Hall Mulled wine and mince pies will be on hand to help you appreciate all the hard work that has gone into it

Please Come along

## Good Neighbourhood Scheme

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2006 at 7:30

in the Reading Room
Meanwhile if you need a helping
hand or someone to pick up your
prescription or transport for you to
do your Christmas shopping give
one of the coordinators a ring.

They are:

Sheila Agius 820102

**Fav Swain 820402** 

**☎** Di Brown 820271

