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EVENTS

Fri 6 Mar: Women's World Day of Prayer - 2pm: Bradwell Methodist Church. Speaker: Mrs Howell from Cliff College

Wed 11 Mar: Rebellion Knoll WI - "Belly Dancing"

Fri 13 Mar: BAGS2SCHOOL COLLECTION - Junior School

Tue 17 Mar: Historical Society - 7:30pm: Memorial Hall - "Aspects of English Church Architecture" - John Riddall

Sat 21 Mar: Methodist Church Women's Network - Coffee Morning: 10 to 11:30am - Memorial Hall

Sun 22 Mar: Mothering Sunday Service - 9:15 am - St Barnabas Church: Holy Communion by extension

Sat 28 Mar: FOBS TABLETOP SALE - 10am - 12 noon: Bradwell Junior School

Teddy Bear Club: Every Tuesday & Friday: 9:30-11:30 in the Methodist School Rooms.

For Your Diary: St Barnabas Church Spring Fayre.

Sat 4th April - 10 - 11.30 am: Memorial Hall. Variety of stalls, refreshments served.

SEND US YOUR NEWS

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Deadline For Next Issue: 27th March
Next Issue Out: 2nd April

GARDENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Bradwell Junior School has recently received a generous grant to enable us to enlarge our vegetable garden at school. We have exciting plans for the garden, including installing a greenhouse and growing a range of fruit and vegetables. Most of the food we grow will be used in Food Technology lessons, and some will be included in school meals. School staff will co-ordinate the project, and the children will do a lot of the work, but we need adult volunteers as well, to be involved from planting to harvest. If you have gardening skills or knowledge and would like to help us with this ambitious project, please contact us as soon as possible, either by calling in during school hours or telephoning the school on 620473. The work will start in late February and will involve as much or as little time as you can give. We will be organising a rota for children and adults to ensure that everyone has a turn. In order to ensure the safety and protection of the children, we will need to

arrange for volunteers to have a criminal records check, so when you contact us you will be asked for your name, address and date of birth. Hopefully, the project will be great fun as well as hard work for everyone involved.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ESENS

The new Bradda News team has published their first edition, and we are pleased to publish this message from Mike and Joyce, who did so much over the years to bring us to this point.

With funds in the bank and new help on hand the prospects for *Bradwell News* look good. As we retire we would like to record our appreciation of all those who have helped us with the not so glamorous jobs which kept the paper going through the first 79 issues. Thanks to the delivery team - Mary lea, Dorothy Ollershaw and Peter Senior who have done their stints, stalwarts Jeanette Pembleton, Annis and John Shaw and Andrea Slater, and our newer recruits Liz and John Boyle, David Quince and Keith and Molly Brett, who are continuing the good work, come rain or shine. Thanks to Ursula Adler, Peggy Attwood and Chris Furness who have turned hand-written contributions into e-mails which have reached Paul in far-away places. Particular thanks to Walter Rowland who suggested to Joyce that we should include obituaries, and has painstakingly produced them ever since. From rocky beginnings *Bradwell News* has become a financially sound and genuinely local news outlet which is read by Bradwell folk all over the World. This is due to your support. Many of our regular contributors, sponsors and advertisers have family ties to the village which go back generations, and newcomers have also shown that they want to be involved. We shall miss working with you all. Thanks to all the new volunteers who answered Peter's appeal. We wish the new team every success. Joyce and Michael Emsen

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Newburgh Development

At our February PC meeting, councillors voted unanimously to object to the Newburgh planning application. Our main concern is the sheer scale of the proposal and its potential effect on the village. A detailed response letter is being drafted for submission to Peak Park and an appendix will be attached listing all the comments made to Councillors by the 30 residents who attended our surgery on February 13th. Councillors agreed in principle to hire a bus to transport electors to the Peak Park Planning Committee meeting, which will take place in April or May. Anyone wishing to use this service should contact the Parish Clerk (620329). Meetings are usually held on a Friday and start at 10am.

Peak Park meeting

About 80 residents attended the Peak Park Planning Officers' presentation and consultation in the Memorial Hall on Friday February 6th. Head of Planning, Bob Bryan and Northern Team Leader, John Keeley described the planning process and invited questions.

I made the following notes at the meeting -

Bob Bryan said that the purpose of the meeting was to describe the planning process and the policies to be applied in considering this application.

John Keeley explained that this is an outline application which has to establish a principle of need and whether that principle could be accepted. Precise design details are not necessary at this stage - they would be included in detailed applications at a later date. He said the committee would consider the application in April or May depending on the speed of response from the developer. If the planning committee makes a decision not supported by planning policy it could go to the full authority to decide, or it could be called in by the Secretary of State. If the application is refused, the applicant could appeal to the Planning Inspectorate.

Key - Q = question, A = answer, R = response

Q - What importance and weight do you attach to the referendum result ?

A - It will be considered as evidence of village opinion

Q - What is the importance of a conservation area ?

A - It gives an extra level of control to planners

Q - How can someone be allowed to raise an application on land they don't own ?

A - Planning law does not consider land ownership as long as notices have been served on the owners by the applicant

Q - Has there been an environmental impact survey ?

A - Yes, the applicant has provided a statement which runs to 900 pages

Q - Who conducted the survey ?

A - A specialist company commissioned by Newburgh

Q - What are the rules on car parking space provision ?

A - maximum 2 spaces per dwelling. We will decide if those provided on the plan are adequate.

Q - How many accesses are there ?

A - 4 in total but just one main access.

Q - What about the impact of an enlarged Coop on the existing retail businesses ?

A - That will be considered

Q - Will you consider the impact of population increase on schools and other facilities ?

A - We have discussed this and have asked the education, crime prevention and primary care authorities for their opinions - but it isn't a precise science.

Q - Most of the village is related to five major primary families (not revealed). New people will have no connection. It's about people not numbers. A psychological impact assessment survey is required ?

A - Don't know the answer to that but will make enquiries about psychological aspects.

Q - What is the PP policy on affordable housing permission ?

A - It's based on need. We will be asking for the survey evidence - which we understand indicates that 27 are needed for current Bradwell residents

R - I work with Rob Cogings and he says he has doubts that 27 affordable houses are needed - even for the whole Hope Valley.

Q - What about the scale of this application - could PP decide it's too large ?

A - yes we could.

Q - Who is going to employ the occupants of these 150 new homes - will they all be commuters ?

A - Yes it's quite likely they will be mostly commuters

Q - What about the noise and traffic impact on the houses close to the main factory building ?

A - We will be taking that into consideration

Q - Two doctors have said that there is no need for increased medical services in Bradwell ?

A - Yes we have heard that, but it will be up to the primary care trust to decide.

Q - Fifty people voted yes to the development in the Referendum. Will their views be considered ?

A - Yes - if they write or email them to us.

Q - Why do we have to have such a big increase in houses - is it to pay for the affordable homes ?

A - We will be asking for a business case to justify the volume. If it is simply based on the provision of 27 affordable homes it may be unacceptable.

R - The scale is too great. It will destroy the village.

Q - What happens if the houses can't be sold or the developer goes bust ?

A - The development rights would transfer to the new owner.

Q - We've heard this described as a Brownfield site, which I understand gives it greater priority for development. Is it all Brownfield ?

A - No, just the industrial area - much of the site is Greenfield

Q - Severn Trent know that the main sewer to the treatment works is inadequate, that's why they built the tank in the playing field. Will

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they agree to put in a complete new main if this goes ahead ?

A – We will be discussing this with Severn Trent, but it will be their decision.

Q - Who will control the site and sort out problems ?

A – We will want to see a comprehensive site management plan before construction commences.

Q - There appears to be nothing in this plan to prevent the regular flooding down Softwater Lane.

A – I believe there is something in the plan but cant recall what it is. (reinstatement of the old mill-race)

Q - John, you have said that in view of the scale of this application and the public interest in it, that it might be decided to hold a special planning committee meeting just for this application ?

A – That is an option which we will discuss with the chair of planning, who could make that decision if it's deemed necessary.

Concluding remarks by Bob Bryan:

The village benefits proposed in the plan will be balanced against the number of open market houses. People should write in with their views – emails accepted. He added that he was pleased a referendum had been held. Apologies for anything missed or mis-heard.

Chris Furness

FOBS NEWS

BAGS2SCHOOL COLLECTION - Friday 13th March. It's time for that long awaited clear out. Unwanted clothes, shoes, bags, bedding, soft toys and belts should be bagged up and left at Bradwell Junior School on 13th March by 10.30am. No bags before the day please as we don't have storage for them.

TABLETOP SALE - Saturday 28th March 10am -12noon at Bradwell Junior School. Missing the hustle of a good Car Boot sale? Then come along to our tabletop sale. As well as items for sale, the morning will include a raffle, tombola, cake stall and refreshments. Donations to these will be gratefully received. To book a table at a cost of £10 please contact Mel Seymour on 623907. We look forward to seeing you there! Joanna Green

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Every year, on the first Friday of March, women meet in Churches and Chapels all round the world in special service of prayer. This year the service has been compiled by Christian women in Papua New Guinea, and in it we will remember the problems and possibilities faced by the people of that country and in other parts of the world. Do come and join us on March 6th at 2.00 p.m. at the Methodist Church. D Hawkins

ERRATA

We try hard not to make mistakes, but our apologies to Denis Avey for mis-spelling your name a couple of editions back. We hope you had a memorable 90th birthday.

PDNPA NEWS

Measures to tackle the impact of climate change and to help residents make planning applications are at the centre of the Authority's budget for 2009/10. The Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) has increased the grant they give the authority by 2.8 per cent, increasing the overall budget to £8.292 million. Most of the budget will be spent on maintaining the quality of existing services. In addition the authority has been given £200,000 to distribute to local community projects that benefit the environment through its Sustainable Development Fund. The extra investment in climate change issues will see £15,000 spent on delivering the Peak District Climate Change Action Plan. A copy of the plan can be seen by visiting www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/climatechange

A WARM FEELING IN THE COLD

Dealing with the snow has been tough for everyone, but it's been particularly difficult for the elderly. So we have been delighted to hear from at least one resident that they have received numerous phone calls asking if everything is OK. If you are one of those who have been checking - thank you!

SATURDAY WASTE SKIP DATE

28th March

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ALLOTMENTS AND COMMUNITY ORCHARD

At the village meeting with the National Park re the proposed Newburgh development, we asked whether now was a good time to request allotments and a community orchard for Bradwell. We believe that a green growing area would make a great addition to Bradwell by enabling villagers to grow their own vegetables, potentially saving money and trips to the supermarket and enhancing the already strong community spirit of Bradwell. Who knows: we might even be able to make use of a cider press! We know several villagers support the idea, but to take it further we need to hear from as many interested people as possible.

If you'd like an allotment or would support the idea of a community orchard, please contact Ellie Dunn (01433 621672) or Colette Holden (colette@cooindacommunications.co.uk).



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HOPE VALLEY RAIL USERS' GROUP 2008 Progress and Plans for 2009

The Hope Valley Rail Users' Group has grown quickly since September 2008 and we now have over 60 members in the Hope Valley and beyond. We aim to secure improvements to our rail service, in particular a better timetable.

Key activities in 2008 included:

Lobbying for improvements to the line. Our response to Network Rail's 10-year plans for the line focused on the need to bring forward infrastructure changes that may help to increase capacity on the line.

Raising our profile. Our engagement with key transport bodies such as Passenger Focus and the Passenger Transport Executives and with local MPs has helped raise our profile. Nick Clegg, leader of the Liberal Democrats and a Sheffield MP, publicly supported our response to Network Rail. We had our first radio interview at the end of 2008 and hope for more in 2009.

Building alliances. We are developing strong relationships with key organisations, including freight companies, to try to develop solutions that work for all users of the line.

Plans for 2009

Now we have a built a solid foundation of knowledge and members, our focus in 2009 is to engage with Northern Rail and to generate the political support to secure timetable improvements. The current franchise will be up for renewal in either 2011 or 2013, depending on whether Northern Rail meets performance targets. We will start lobbying the Department for Transport now to ensure that the conditions of the new franchise include an improved service on the Hope Valley line.

How you can help

Join! The more members we have, the more seriously we are taken. We are aiming for at least 100 members in 2009.

Use your influence. Perhaps you, or someone you know, have contacts in the National Park Authority, with local employers who might support our aims, or with a board member of the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive. Please encourage them to use their influence to support our objectives. Contact your MP to raise the issue up their agenda.

Help us with publicity and ideas. If you can build us a simple website, design a great poster or have ideas about how we can make change happen, get in touch.

Contact Colette Holden on 623838

ALLOTMENTS

The National Trust have just announced that they going to release some of their land for use by the public as allotments. What do Bradda folk think about the Council doing a similar thing in Bradda? Credit crunch and all that, it would be nice to have home grown veg. and save money by not going to the Co-Op. I believe that if a number of residents (six I heard) request allotments the Council would have to act, but I may be wrong. Anyhow, put me down for one. Charlie Dimmock

NUGENTS OF STONEY MIDDLETON

I am researching my family who came to Derbyshire from Ireland in the 1800s. I am particularly interested in finding out more about my cousin, George Nugent who was church warden for 60 years at St Martins and also sang with the Peak Singers. I would appreciate any information or stories about him as well as any photographs of George, his wife Phyllis (Nee Slater) or his parents Francis and Ellen (Nellie) Nugent. I also have a Bradwell connection. Ann Bradwell was born in 1825 to George and Hannah Bradwell. I believe they may have lived on Netherside at some time. Ann married Matthias (Matthew) Maskell, a shoemaker in 1865 and moved to Manchester. Their daughter, Gertrude Maskell was engaged to my second cousin John Nugent of Craigstead, Stoney Middleton but he died before marrying her. John, with his brother Francis and two nephews ran a successful shoe and boot business from Craigstead. I believe she returned to Manchester after his death. Gertrude was said to be a distant cousin of John and I am trying to find out the link between these two.

Any information would be most welcome. I can be contacted on 078 248 191 24 or by email – darryl.nugent@yahoo.co.uk

CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

The Carnival Committee are looking for 2009 Royalty. Queen, Junior Queen, Princess, Rosebud and Petal. Please contact: Emma :- 620621

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