LITTLE CHESTER RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Aida Site on City Road

OCOR (Our City Our River) have submitted an offer to Aida to buy the City Road site and are awaiting a decision. The council's Estates Dept. has confirmed the offer price is based on a 'residential' valuation, as OCOR envisage housing being built on the site in the future.

There is concern that a high 'residential' valuation of the site could mean that the only financially viable option for a developer would be to build a high rise, high density apartment development on the site.

The responses to the questionnaire we distributed to residents earlier this year, showed that 99% of residents who responded, do not want to see high rise apartment blocks built on the ex factory sites on City Rd.

77% of respondents supported family housing being built on these sites.

We have sent a letter to Martin Rawson, the City Council's elected Cabinet member for Regeneration, with copies to the Council's Head of Planning, our MP, three Ward Councillors, Conservation officers and Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage site. The letter has been sent to make all parties aware of Chester Green's residents' responses on the matter and details reasons why a high rise, high density apartment development would have a detrimental impact on Chester Green i.e.

- that numerous recent high rise developments of hundreds of apartments in Chester Green have not addressed the need for family housing to create a balanced, more sustainable community, which is an objective of the Derby Local Plan and strongly supported by residents.
- that the volume of vehicles generated by a high density apartment development would significantly increase traffic congestion, air pollution and existing parking problems.
- that a high rise apartment development would be out of character in a Conservation area and World Heritage Site buffer zone.

We will keep you informed of any responses or updates on this issue.

To contact the Little Chester Residents' Association see website at www.little chester.org.uk or ring Andrew Meehan 01332 298079

Make someone smile!!

- Let the person behind you at the supermarket checkout with one or two items go ahead of you.
- Pick up some litter from the Green.
- Cook a meal or do a load of washing for a friend who has just had a baby or is going through a hard time.
- Let someone into your lane in the rush hour traffic.
- When everyone around you is gossiping about someone, be the one to butt in with something nice.
- Don't interrupt when someone else is speaking. (I've not mastered this one yet! Ed.)
- Smile at someone on the street . . .just because.

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Peter and the Wolf - Professional Puppet Show

Saturday 15th October 2pm

St Paul's Church Hall Seale Street Chester Green

Tickets Adults £5, Children £3,

Suitable for all ages, 2 to 92!!

Please ring Marie 07890 034898 to book. Entry by Ticket Only

All proceeds to the Church Roof Fund



Smile @

- What do you call two witches living together?" "Broommates
- Do zombies eat popcorn with their fingers? No, they eat the fingers separately.
- Where do fashionable ghosts shop for sheets? Bootiques.
- What do you call a ghost with a broken leg? A hoblin goblin"



HALLOWEEN DISGO

Saturday the 29th October Community Centre, Old Chester Road

Come along to our Halloween Disco for some spooky fun and games if you dare!!

Everyone is welcome - put on your favourite frightful Halloween costume as there will be prizes for the winning adult, boy and girl outfit, the more original the better!

Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 start; the bar and tuck shop will be open and some refreshments are available at moderate prices. There will be a raffle with some good prizes to be won (donations would be gratefully accepted of course).

Admission on the door is the same as last year: adult members only £2 and £4 for non members, £1 for member children and £2 for non members with under 5's free (please bring your membership cards).

NEW SCHOOL COMES A STEP CLOSER

We're excited to learn that Derby Cathedral and Derby Diocesan Academy Trust (DDAT) has had its application to open a new Secondary School in the vicinity of the Cathedral approved by the Department of Education.

This is great news for Chester Green, an area that had a number of issues with schooling provision due to increased birth rates across the city in the last 10 years. A nearby secondary school option is much needed and welcomed! More details at http://www.derbycathedralschool.org.uk/approved/

Bruce Wiggins

CHESTER GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

Services

- Sunday 2nd October 11am Church Anniversary Service
- Sunday 16th October 10.30 Breakfast 11.00 Messy Harvest Festival all in the hall, suitable for all ages. Donations of Tinned/Dried goods etc gratefully received

Chester Green Chums

Friendly parent and baby/toddler group Mondays 10-12. No Chums on Monday 24th October (half term) or Monday 31st October (Inset day for many local schools)

ST PAUL'S CHURCH - CHESTER GREEN

http://www.stpaulschestergreen.org/

- October 2nd 10.00am Soul Breakfast
- October 9th 10.00am Contemplative Communion
- October 16th 10.00am Soul Sanctuary
- October 23rd 10.00am Holy Communion
- October 30th 10.00am Holy Communion & Baptism of Connie

Saturday 15th October 2pm

Professional Puppet show in the Church Hall. Suitable for all ages, 2 to 92!! Tickets Adults £5, Children £3, please ring Marie 07890 034898 to book.

Thank you to the Coach and Horses

We are so grateful to all at the Coach and Horses who raised £147 at their August Bank Holiday Raffle for the Church Roof Appeal. Your kindness is MUCH appreciated.

Second Smile @

News From the Churchdown Parish Magazine:

"Would the Congregation please note that the bowl at the back of the Church labelled 'For The Sick', is for monetary donations only."

Advertisement from the Federation of Small Businesses

"Wanted for a Regional Organiser - Leicestershire, Northamptonshire and Rutland; a person with business acumen, self-motivation and management skills. The ability to speak Welsh would be an advantage."

Children's Disco at St. Paul's Pre-School Friday 21st October 2016 All Welcome

A special Disco at St. Paul's Church Hall 6pm – 7.30pm. Dancing – Tuck Shop – Fun



St Paul's Pre-School - Small School, Big Family

Thank You

On behalf of the LCRA, Marie would like to thank the kind person for the anonymous donation of £40 towards the printing of the newsletter.

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted"

Aesop

LITTLE CHESTER HISTORY GROUP

October 20th at 7.30pm in Chester Green Community Centre, Old Chester Road, Derby .

A Talk by Alan Hiley

'Trent Motor Traction - a Hundred Years of History'.

Learn about the history of the buses we use every day and which give us sterling service. Admission non-members £2. For further information Tel. 559615.

LITTLE CHESTER HERITAGE CENTRE

St. Paul's Church, Seale St. Open Sundays 2-4pm.

Come and see our **display depicting life in Victorian Derby** following on from Joan D'Arcy's talk on Victorian Chester Green. You are very welcome to join us. Refreshments available. For further information Tel. 363354.

NB The Centre closes on Sunday 30th October until Sunday April 2nd. We would like to thank the many people who have supported us during 2016 and we hope you have found our work interesting and informative.

More from the Community Centre

Pocket Panto

It was packed at the Centre for our annual Panto, "Jack and the Beanstalk" performed by Pocket Panto. Once again it was a brilliant show with lots of laughs, often at the audience's expense!! Thanks again to Darren, Jeremy and our own Becky Little; they will all soon be rehearsing for their professional pantos at various venues (Becky is at the Nottingham Playhouse)

Charity Live Music Night

SAVE THE DATE - our first live music night at the Centre with Derby group "Just for Kix" is on Saturday 26th November - more details to follow!