

LITTLE CHESTER RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

..... Flood Defence Planning Application

Derby City Council (DCC) have submitted a planning application (DER/02/15/00210) to seek approval for the whole Flood Alleviation and Regeneration project, from Darley Abbey through Chester Green and the City, down to Shardlow in South Derbyshire, covering 13 km of the river Derwent. The planning application is a hybrid of detailed and outline proposals and permitted development works.

DCC report that funding for stage one of the three stages has been secured through Flood Defence Grant in Aid (FDGiA), Growth Funding via the EA & DEFRA and Local Growth Deal funding from the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP). The funding will enable "significant elements" of the scheme to be progressed and subject to planning approval, the commencement of the scheme in earnest.

DCC have uploaded 268 documents onto the e-planning portal (derby.gov.uk), are posting statutory site notices and sending statutory letters to properties located within 15 metres of the Flood defence planning area.

A statutory 21 day consultation period is open till the **22nd March 2015**. Public information sessions are being held at four locations and times in the locality ([see front page for details](#)). It is important that residents make representations either online at derby.gov.uk or in writing to Sara John, Council House, Corporation St. on the proposals within the planning application, as this project will have a major impact on Chester Green & Derby

20 mph Speed Limit

All valid objections and comments have now been considered by the City Council's Head of Traffic and Transportation, in consultation with other officers and Ward Councillors. The council has now decided to proceed with installing signage only, to introduce a 20 mph speed limit in Chester Green in the triangular area from the junction of Old Chester Rd/Mansfield Rd at the Coach and Horses, to the junction of City Rd and Mansfield Rd.

This is at odds with the majority vote by residents who supported a speed hump scheme on City Rd to reduce speeding. It has been confirmed by Council traffic engineers that the traffic volume data used to measure speeding and calculate 'average speeds' and justify the use of signage only, was measured in July 2014. This was when major work on Little Eaton roundabout was underway and during the football off season and resulted in a major reduction in commuter rat running and footballers using Old Chester Rd/City Rd. Volumes of traffic measured in July 2014 were less than half those measured in a previous survey in 2012. The objection that this data was misleading was rejected by Council traffic engineers, who believe the data is representative.

To contact the Little Chester Residents Association please see our web-site: <http://www.littlechester.org.uk/> Or contact: Andrew Meehan 01332 298079

News Letter Articles:

If you would like to submit an item for the News Letter, please send it to lcnewsletter@btinternet.com. Please submit by 19th of the month. Thank you!

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Residents urged to attend one of these forthcoming consultation sessions

Saturday 14th March 2015 - Darley Abbey Village Hall, Abbey Yard - **1:00pm- 5:30pm**.

Monday 16th March 2015 - Room11 Council House, Corporation St., - **12:30pm- 5:30pm**

Tuesday 17th March 2015 - Haslams, Derby Rugby Club - **2:00pm- 6:30pm**

Wednesday 18th March 2015 - **Chester Green Methodist Church Hall, Mansfield St., 2:00pm - 6:30pm**

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Overleaf Charles Hanson of TV fame to do Antique Valuation afternoon in Chester Green on Saturday 14th March

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH "SPONSOR A SLATE" APPEAL

Please help us keep out the rain!

Our Grade II listed Church is an important part of the history of Chester Green and as well as being used for Services, Weddings & Funerals, it is also used for Community events e.g. Concerts, Quizzes, Flower Festivals and Forum Meetings.

The North side of the Church roof (facing the green) is in need of urgent repair (the south side had a complete new roof 2008/2009).



We have had some small leaks in Church and some minor repairs done but now a complete new roof is needed. We have applied to several organisations for funding - we were turned down by the Heritage Lottery Fund, - but we have to 'match fund' to a certain degree.

On Saturday 21st March 2015 we are holding a 'Sponsor a Slate Day'. For just £5 you can sponsor a slate (or more if you wish) in memory of a loved one or just for yourself. Church will be open from 10am – 3pm (refreshments available) so please pop in and sponsor a slate and support your local Church.

If you would like to make an anonymous donation please push through the letter box at 102 Chester Green Road or if you cannot get to Church please ring Marie on 07890 034898 and she will pop round and see you.

This newsletter goes to over 800 homes and if each home donated £5 we would raise over £4000.

Thank you for your kindness *Best regards Marie Meehan (Church Warden)*

First Smile—some Daffinitions

Abundance: A dance held in a bakery	Hiding: A bell you can't reach
Afford: popular type of car	Antelope: To run off with your mother's sister
Automate: a robots best friend	Parapet: An airborne cat
Commentator: an ordinary vegetable	Escapee: The one that falls off your fork
Dramatic: a stage-struck flee	Dialogue: An awful piece of wood
Dictator: A humorously-shaped root vegetable	Stifle: A lot of pigs

CHESTER GREEN COMMUNITY GROUP

CHARLES HANSON of Bamfords Auctioneers and TV fame will be on hand at an Antique Valuation afternoon on Saturday 14th March at the Community Centre, Darley Fields from 1 - 3pm.

Proceeds will go to Derby East Live at Home Scheme who have a regular Lunch Club at the Centre, with admission being £1 per person plus £1 per item for valuation (max 2 per person). *There will also be refreshments, a raffle, tombola and more so raid the attic and bring along those heirlooms!*

Family Quiz and Games night at the Centre last Saturday was great fun and enjoyed by all those who came along. Congratulations to the winners and many thanks to Rhian for hosting the evening once again. Advance notice of our next Kids' Disco on the 18th April - more information to follow.

A little help at our social activities urgently needed

In the last newsletter we asked for help with our entertainment programme but unfortunately had little response. It is increasingly difficult to organise the events we know people enjoy so much due to our volunteers' changing work/domestic commitments. Your Community Centre at Darley Fields, is there to be used for all kinds of social activities and our regular hirers run some very popular clubs and meetings.

However, it is important that the Community Group, based at the Centre, continues to receive support from, and be used by, the local community. We provide a variety of events throughout the year and just a small amount of help from a couple of people would make such a difference - we don't hold lots of boring meetings, its mostly help at our social evenings that is so urgently needed!

If you feel you could offer any time at all please call Allison Prince on 07897 653942 or Julie Wilks on 07527 603057. Our website is www.chestergreencommunitygroup.yolasite.com gives full details of events and activities and we have a Facebook page - Chester Green Community Group

LITTLE CHESTER LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Mary Queen of Scots.

**The Final Journey from Sheffield Castle to Fotheringay
Thursday March 19th 7.30**

All welcome. Admission non-members £2. For further information Tel. 01332 559615.

CHESTER GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

Sun 1 Mar 11am Communion Service with separate children's activities during part of the service

Sun 22 Mar 6.00pm Sankey Songs of Praise Service

Sun 29 Mar Palm Sunday Messy Church 10.30am Breakfast 11am Informal café style service in the hall.

Everyone is welcome to all our services

ST PAUL'S CHURCH - CHESTER GREEN

<http://www.stpaulschestergreen.org/>

Sun Mar 1	10.00am	Soul Breakfast
Sun Mar 8	10.00am	Contemplative Communion
Sun Mar 15	10.00am	Soul Sanctuary – Mothering Sunday
Sun Mar 22	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sun Mar 29	10.00am	Soul Breakfast – Palm Sunday
Sun Apr 5	10.00am	Holy Communion – Easter Sunday



Soul Breakfast – 1st Sunday of the month – is held in the Hall. All are very welcome – a light breakfast ,good music, and a service with a difference, usually involving a couple of film clips. As Easter is on 5th April, we are bringing Soul Breakfast forward by a week.

Dates for your diary

Sat 21 st March 10am	'Sponsor a Slate' Day 10am – 3pm
Sun 5th April	Heritage Centre Reopens 2.00pm-4.00 pm
Fri 24 April 7.45pm	Concert by the Police Choir in aid of the Church Roof fund

Second Smile - some more Daffinitions

Flattery: a worn out source of electricity	Bacteria: Returning more upset than when you left
Square Root: diced turnip	Rumination: Australia
Unicorn: a single blemish on the foot	Lamination: New Zealand
AWOL: Dyslexic owl	Aerobic: A Chocolate Biro