

Norton Lees News

the newsletter of the Thorpe House Residents Association



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Warminster Road

The University of Sheffield's basic concept is to develop a synthetic pitch with a new pavilion and car parking all towards the lower end of the site. To support this financially they need to sell the existing pavilion and the associated small car park and land immediately either side of pavilion.

Access will continue through the current entrance a little higher up the road. An initial meeting was scheduled to get some feedback from the public. Read more, including the university's own report from the meeting on our website....

Argyle Road Proposal

We've been informed that leaflets have been distributed around Argyle Road and Meersbrook area relating to a 'Local Building Proposal'. It reads as follows: 'Are you aware of the proposal to build additional properties on the Cook & Beardsley Homes land at the top of Argyle Close. At time of going to print, we hear that this proposal may have been withdrawn. We hope to confirm (or refute!) this in the Christmas issue.

Post Office under threat!

Our excellent PO on Derbyshire Lane is one earmarked for closure. There will be a period of "public consultation" after which a decision will be made.

Sheffield Communities Against Post Office Closures (SCAPOC) is co-

ordinating opposition to these closure plans - please help where you can.



More information on our brand new website.

Meetings

Our next public next meeting will be at

St Pauls Church & Centre Thursday 2 October 2008

We hope you'll all attend and give us your thoughts about current issues, including the planned closure of the Derbyshire Lane Post Office and the proposed development at the University playing fields.

The following meeting will be Thursday 15 January 2009 - please make a note in your diary!

Our Website!

We've launched a website to allow us to present up-to-date news and generally promote the interests and attractions of the estate. Please pop along to

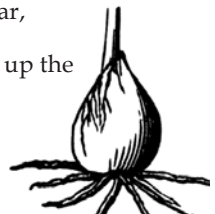
www.nortonlees.org.uk

and have a good furtle around. Comments and contributions of any kind are very welcome.

Bulb Planting!

Rachel is organising bulb planting again this year, a little time now will dramatically brighten up the estate next spring.

No experience or tools necessary! More details on 321 6251





101 is a 24-hour number provided by the police and local council to deal with community safety issues, including anti-social behaviour, low level crime and issues affecting quality of life. The 101 service provides advice, information and action for the following issues:

Vandalism, graffiti and other deliberate damage to property • Noisy neighbours • Intimidation and harassment • Abandoned vehicles • Rubbish and litter, including fly tipping • People being drunk or rowdy in public places • Drug-related anti-social behaviour • Problems with street lighting

101 service has been piloted in Sheffield since June 2006. The service was previously funded by the Home Office who unfortunately withdrew funding in February 2008; however, Sheffield City Council stepped in and provided funding to keep the service operational until at least March 2009. The Partnership is now working to secure the long term future funding for the service and with partners across South Yorkshire see if we can expand this highly successful service to cover Barnsley, Rotherham, and Doncaster.

101 has taken over 125,000 calls since we started and made a real difference to people lives that have used the service. When you call you will speak with one of our highly trained 101 advisers, who will deal with enquiries, 24 hours a day, giving advice and information where needed, arranging for action to be taken when appropriate or by directing the caller to a person or organisation who can help them.

We are able to coordinate the most appropriate response or advice from a number of partners within both the police and the council. This may mean involving both the police and the council to resolve a particular issue and we can do this on the caller's behalf.

Calls to the 101 service will be charged at a fixed rate of 10p per call, whether from a landlines or mobiles. The partnership is currently working on pulling together a business case to secure the services future.

More information about 101 can be found at

www.101.gov.uk

or call the partnership manager

Jacqueline Bland on 0114 2196693

A Star of the Future?

Local lad, Matthew Leger, chosen to join Tommy Steele's new show, Dr. Dolittle shown at the Lyceum Theatre in Sheffield during July

Matthew, of Thorpe House Road was invited to join 8 girls and 3 other boys aged between 7 and 11 to join the cast of the show after successfully passing a difficult dancing and singing audition. The group were split into 2 teams and shared the two week production on alternate days.

Matthew says the show has given him a taste for performing and he intends to continue with the Abbeydale Youth Theatre whilst waiting for the next part to come along.

Details

Het joined the Pied Piper Youth Theatre but was disappointed when they moved to Ecclesfield. He joined the Abbeydale Youth Theatre. About 6 weeks after joining, another members' mother, who helps companies look for youngsters to take part in shows, rang Matthew's parents.

They asked if he would audition for a part in the group of youngsters who would be performing in Tommy Steel's latest show Dr. Dolittle to run at the Lyceum Theatre in July 2008. 2 hours after the audition Matthew had a phone call to say he had been chosen.

He has thoroughly enjoyed being in the show and can't wait to be in another. He is continuing to enjoy being a member of Abbeydale Youth Theatre.



Your Local Councillors

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Advice Surgeries: One of the three local Cllrs will attend the following surgeries: Woodseats Library, Chesterfield Road from 5.30pm. to 6.30pm. on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (15th Oct, 19th Nov and 17th Dec 2008). We are also happy to visit or meet constituents by appointment. Please telephone on the above numbers. One of these above Councillors usually attends the quarterly THoRA public meeting.

Gleadless Valley Ward

Denise Reaney (Lib Dem)

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Email: denise.reaney@sheffield.gov.uk

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Frank Taylor (Lib Dem)

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Address c/o Town Hall, Sheffield S1 2HH

Advice Surgeries: Denise Reaney or Frank Taylor will attend the following surgeries: First Saturday of the month from 10.30 am to 12.00 noon at the Cutlers Arms Function Room, Leighton Road, Herdings. (4th Oct, 1st Nov, 6 Dec). One of the above Councillors usually attends the quarterly THoRA public meeting.



Garry Weatherall (Labour)

Tel: (Home) 245 2446

Email: garry.weatherall@sheffield.gov.uk

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Advice Surgeries : First Friday of the month from 10.00 to 11.30am. at the Gleadless Tenants' and Residents' Area Office at Gleadless Road / Blackstock Rd.

Bishops House

The local group "Friends of Bishops House" have been very active recently, gaining a wide range of positive newspaper articles to further our cause. Our initial aim is to protect the building as soon as possible with a suitable enclosure, then to look at how the resource can be better managed.

Read more on our new website
www.bishopshouse.org.uk



THoRA = NoLRA!

In order to better represent the entire estate your committee would like to update the constitution to increase the number of streets we cover, and change our name to Norton Lees Residents Association (NoLRA). We hope that residents "further up the hill" will feel more included and contribute to improving the estate for everyone. We also hope that this will help us obtain more funding from the council.

A Special General Meeting is proposed for Thursday 2 Oct where everyone present can review the proposals and vote on them. To call this meeting we need at least 10 members to read and sign a letter which has been prepared and can be found at Thorpe House Post Office. Please support your committee by signing this letter, or letting us have your comments.

We have a brand new website which continues the improvements we are putting in place.

www.nortonlees.org.uk

Gardening Tips

Summer is over. Most young birds have now fledged, animals are preparing for winter. Our summer visitors are almost all gone south and autumn visitors start to arrive here such as fieldfare and redwing to finish the hawthorn berries.

Birds flood into gardens to feed on an abundance of seeds such as goldfinch feeding on teasel. There is plenty of wild food available for hedgehogs and bats to stock up. The leaves on deciduous trees start to change colour and first frosts may come.

Tips for the month

- * Plant spring flowering bulbs.
- * Trim back runners on brambles and other flowering climbers.
- * Harvest fruit.
- * Tidy up borders, but leave seed heads
- * Divide / propagate herbaceous plants.
- * Suppress next years weeds by planting ground cover plants like periwinkle, the flowers of which are very good for bees.

Tasks for the month

1. Put food and water out for hedgehogs before they hibernate.
2. Mow selected areas of long grass.
3. Put food on the bird table to attract different species of birds to the garden.
4. Look for mushrooms and toadstools and keep a note of them.
5. Plant evergreen shrubs and trees as winter cover for birds.
6. Put up new bird and bat boxes.
7. Freeze excess fruit to defrost and provide for birds during the cold season.

Old Seth

(Head gardener, Derby City Council)

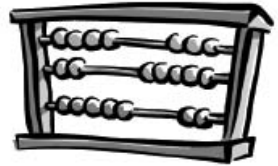


More Say Over Budgets For Our Area

£50,000 worth of budgets spent on libraries, parks and street scene work in every panel area are being devolved to each Area Panel.

This is not extra money but allows the Panel to influence money already allocated to our area. It allows us to prioritise where £50,000 is spent in these three service areas. At our next meeting we have three key options to decide on

- Move budgets between services up to £50,000 - for example spend an extra £50,000 on parks and £50,000 less on libraries OR £10,000 more on libraries and £10,000 less on street cleaning



- Use existing budget allocations within services differently - for example move £5,000 from one park to another, or change library opening hours so they are open at weekends but less hours in the week
- Maintain current budget allocations -after careful consideration of how the money is spent at present and how this fits with local priorities

The Park Heeley Area Panel are keen to have a discussion on how to redistribute this £50,000 within the area. In order to allow as many community members to attend the next meeting will take place at the Town Hall.

The proposals will be discussed in more detail on Tuesday 7th October 2008 at 7-pm at the Town Hall.

If you need support to get to the meeting or would like more information contact the **Park Heeley Area Panel** on 273 6929.

Membership Now Due

Your support is vital! Yearly : £2
Individual, £1 Concessions

The easiest way to pay is to call in to Thorpe House Post Office any day except Friday where Richard will be able to pass your money on to our Treasurer. Alternatively you can pay Pat directly at any meeting. *Many thanks!*

THoRA helps many local people with many issues. All our committee are volunteers, so every penny helps with the cost of this fantastic newsletter & our quarterly meetings. Additionally each paid-up Member helps us obtain extra funding from the Council.

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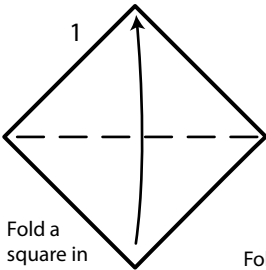
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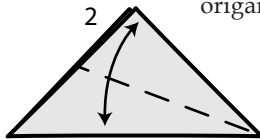
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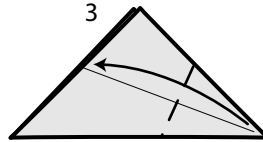
Why not try a simple origami design? This cup can actually be used to drink from! Diagrams from our resident origami black belt at www.origami.me.uk



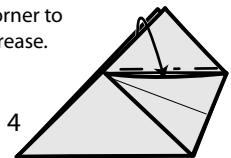
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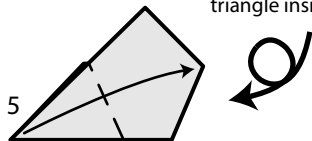
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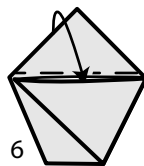
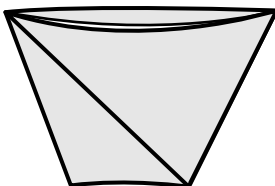


4
Tuck the upper triangle inside



5
Turn over and fold the left corner to the opposite corner

Open out for the finished cup



6
Tuck the flap in again

Do You Care About Our Area?

Give up just an hour a month and become a Street Rep ... absolutely no experience needed! We meet every three months to support each other and exchange ideas on how to solve problems and get things done!

To find out more, please contact Dave on 321 6251

On The Buses

Pam from SYPTA has sent information about how local bus services are organised. Read more on the website - click the "buses" link.

Mobile Library

Monday: Cliffeield Road 12.50-1.15

fortnightly. **Friday:** Hollythorpe Rise/

Crescent 11.55-12.15, Lees Hall Avenue 1.00-1.20, Argyle Close 1.00-1.20

fortnightly. **Saturday:** Mountview Avenue 9.30-10.50 weekly.



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There's always something going on,
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Big kids, small kids, Mums and Tots,
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A lively place it has become,
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Especially for T H o R A,
They sort out all the lot.

Crime in the community,
Bobbies on the beat,
All about 'Old Bishops House
And litter on the street.

Then the group of residents
Some like to have their say,
And once it almost came to blows
Bad language by the way!

But the chair calmed the FURORE,
He pulled his Big Stick out,
And said "Pipe Down You Irate Lot
Or here's a B1 ----- Clout."

Why not come and join us?
Yes, come and have your say!
Should you have a problem,
Why not talk to Richard May.

Beryl Heathcote

Local Knowledge

The secretary of the The Spohr
Society of Great Britain (19th century
composer) lives on Mountview Road!

Readers Top Tips

Don't throw away disposable razors,
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RF of Hollythorpe Road)



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Pubs all around the country are closing down, let's hope someone with some new ideas and imagination will take over this pub.

Committee

THoRA Committee for 2008-2009

Chair	Richard May
Secretary	Dave Holt
Treasurer	Pat Bradshaw
Newsletter Editor	Nick Robinson
Committee	Ken Bower
	Lyn Bower
	Sheila Forshaw
	Andrew Hogan

(Other members of last years committee are entitled to be listed but have not yet indicated that they wish to serve another year). All can be contacted via secretary@nortonlees.org.uk or leave a message on our voicemail 299 8218.

If there is an issue in your area which you want sorting, we will help and support you. Contact us to get involved.

Local history

The local history group meet on the second Tuesday of each month at St Paul's, 7.30pm, £2.00, contact

Vivienne 281 0767 for details.

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