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NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2007

STOP PRESS!

The Byways Open to All Traffic (BOAT) application in respect of Ralph Lane, Marsh Green, Ashover was **granted** at a Derbyshire County Council Committee Meeting held on 18 June 2007. Residents have addressed the Parish Council on their concerns as to the consequences of the application being granted and sought support in an appeal hearing. Whilst the Parish Council is unable to fund such an appeal, it has agreed that the residents could produce a 'flyer' seeking financial support from the community. The 'flyer' is inserted in this Parish Council Newsletter.

Please read the leaflet carefully as other BOAT applications within the parish are to be considered by DCC in the near future.

THIS ISSUE AFFECTS YOU!!

Gas Street Lamps: The Parish Council is looking for evidence of early street lights (they were gas powered) in Ashover Parish. If you have any old photographs dating back to the 1920s, or know of any extant examples please let Christine Brocksopp know either by e:mail on chris.brocksopp@btinternet.com or by phone 01246 590358.

Royal Souvenir Brochure: Entitled "HRH The Prince of Wales Meets the People of Ashover", the Souvenir Booklet contains 24 pages of colour photographs depicting the events of the day -including photos of the schoolchildren. The brochure is £4.50 and may be obtained from Christine Brocksopp (tel. 01246 590358).

New Garden of Remembrance: During the early part of 2007 it became apparent to the Burial Board Working Group that the existing Garden of Remembrance was becoming full to capacity. The existing Garden was therefore closed from 28th February 2007. The Parish Council agreed to allocate a new plot of land below the existing Garden of Remembrance for the interment of cremated remains. Work has taken place in the original Garden to level the plaques and generally tidy up the area.

Spring Clean Campaign: A very big thank you to everyone who contributed to this highly successful campaign. Despite poor weather, 28 volunteers and the Probation service turned out and covered a large part of the Parish. NEDDC supplied the equipment and collected the bagged rubbish afterwards and Parish Lengthman, John Bown, worked with the volunteers and identified areas that needed a superior clean up. Items collected included a lawnmower, a motor cycle frame, a rubber dinghy and dumped asbestos was marked for later recovery as well as builders' rubble.

New Planters now being installed: In response to the Parish Plan, your Parish Council has supplied new planters and these have been placed on many of the approach signs to the Village and Hamlets; a large planter has been placed near The Tuck Shop, with a three tier planter on Narrowleys Lane. Initially these are being planted up by the installer but we need more volunteers from people who live nearby to water them on a regular basis. If you would like to sponsor one and fill it yourself this can also be arranged...a good idea for local businesses. For further details contact Cllr John Wardle.

Ashover Social Car scheme: The scheme which emanated from the Parish Plan and is being sponsored by Ashover Parish Council continues into its second year and for many without the use of a car or currently unable to drive for various reasons, it has proved to be a success. The scheme could also use a few extra drivers especially for the occasional weekend trip; if

you are interested please speak to Wendy Taylor at the Parish Hall phone 590005. If you have any questions about the scheme contact Cllr John Wardle.

Ashover Shopper Bus: The Shopper Bus leaves Littlemoor at 10.10am picks up at the Miners Arms in Milltown, Parish Hall in Ashover and Kelstedge as well as request stops on the way it normally arrives in Bakewell at 10.50am and leaves at 2.00pm stopping at Chatsworth Farm Shop for around 20 minutes on the return trip arriving back in Ashover at 2.50 pm. Attended wheelchairs can be accommodated but pre-booking is essential, phone Cllr John Wardle to book a place. Bakewell buses are scheduled for August 13th, September 10th, October 8th, November 12th, December 10th.

New Interpretation Board at Parish Hall: The new illustrated Interpretation Board is in place to the right of the entrance to the Parish Hall. Developed with a specialist mapping company, the board shows places of interest and two maps, one of the parish and a large scale map of the village itself. The planning for this board which was sponsored by your Parish Council began in March 2006 with a recommendation in the Parish Plan and it aims to provide visitors and residents with a definitive location map.

Ashover Primary School Website: The school website, although still in its developmental stages, is now operational - www.ashover.derbyshire.sch.uk. The site will eventually have a range of pages related to the children and their work as well as other aspects of school life. **Safety Crew:** The Yr.6 children attended North East Derbyshire District Council's health and safety training on the afternoon of Wednesday 20th June. This was a fun packed half day covering issues around health and wellbeing. **Friends of School Summer Fair:** The school summer fair was held on the afternoon of Saturday 23rd June and was well attended.

Communications: If you wish to promote your club, organisation or business or to advertise a forthcoming event on the Community Website, at www.thelocalchannel.co.uk/ashover please contact Mr John Bown on Tel/Fax (01246) 591653 or E-mail: thelocalchannel@jrbown.f9.co.uk. Items of interest in the parish may be submitted to the 'Grassroots' section of 'The Derbyshire Times'. Articles may be e-mailed to grassroots@derbyshiretimes.co.uk or by phoning (01246) 504525.

Ashover Parish Hall, Milken Lane: For details of Chesterfield College Community courses and regular weekly meetings of local clubs and groups etc, held at the Hall, phone the Manager on 01246 590005.

Eastwood Grange: Well done to the students at Eastwood Grange who raised money at the May Day Carnival and with the proceeds donated a video recorder to 'Ashover in Action' youth group.

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USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS:-

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Police – **NON-URGENT** calls to report crime, anti-social behaviour, non-violent crime or general information: 0845 123 33 33

Please note: You **MUST** continue to use 999 where a crime is in progress, for serious crime or where violence is being used.

Consumer Direct – Providing consumer advice, free of charge, on a range of issues or complaints. 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 1pm on Saturday on 08454 04 05 06 or visit the website www.consumerdirect.gov.uk or textphone 0845 128 1384.