

LITTLE CHESTER RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Micro Pub – Licence Objection

The Micro Pub to be called Little Chester Ale House at 4a Chester Green Rd was granted Change of Use planning permission by Councillors on the Planning Control Committee (PCC) despite a significant number of objections by local residents. Permission was granted subject to conditions aimed at controlling noise, opening hours and reducing public nuisance.

A Licence application has now been submitted by the landlord, *which we believe is in breach of conditions set by the PCC e.g. requesting a licence for live music and longer opening hours.* The LCRA have submitted an objection and have notified local residents who objected to the Planning Application and residents in the close vicinity, to give them the opportunity to comment about the Licence application before the closing date of 8/10/12.

If relevant objections are submitted, a public hearing will be held, at which an LCRA committee member is planning to attend to voice objection.

76% Rent Increase for City Road Council Garages

The City Council have sent letters to tenants who rent the City Rd council garages stating that they are raising rents from £265 per year to £468 per year from January 2013 after an interim increase in September 2012.

Having raised the issue with our Ward Councillors, Martin Repton, Darley Ward and Cabinet Councillor has responded and confirmed that the Labour Cabinet of which he is a member, have approved the 76% rent increase for City Rd council garages. The council's justification for this increase is that rents have not been increased for many years and due to cuts to council budgets it is necessary to increase rents by this amount.

The LCRA have requested confirmation that it is legal to apply a 76% increase and are still awaiting an answer. We have also argued that these garages are a special case because the garages were primarily provided, after the council pedestrianised streets and householders lost their on street parking. This is particularly the case in Marcus St. and Camp St where there are approximately 75 houses and only 25 parking spaces. We have also queried the council's statement that there is waiting list in excess of the number of garages that were recently repaired, after many years standing empty and losing potential revenue. It appears now that 60 to 70 % of the garages are empty (we have asked the council to confirm occupancy). The waiting list seeming to have disappeared after having announced a 76% price increase!

Neighbourhood Forum

The next Neighbourhood Forum is at **Landau Forte School on Wed 10th Oct at 7.00pm.** The Forum is a public meeting attended by Ward Councillors, Neighbourhood Police and other agencies. This is a chance to ask questions and hear about what is happening in Darley Ward.

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The next Darley SNT surgery is being held at Rivermead House at 10am on the 2nd October, call in to report any issues or to just meet a member of your local Safer Neighbourhood Team. Darley Safer Neighbourhood Team—Sgt Rob Wilson, PC Rob Singleton, PCSO Linda Ball, PCSO Matt Clark, PC Dalbir Janagal (DJ)

Allestree Office: 01332 552135

Derby Police: 101

Crime Stoppers: 0800 555 111

Anti Social Behaviour : 0333 2006981

Council Parking Services: 01332 715027 Environment Enforcement Response: 01332 642020

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CHESTER GREEN COMMUNITY GROUP

POCKET PANTO

Once again "Pocket Panto" did us proud with their production of "Jack and the Beanstalk" - it was great fun and enjoyed by everyone who came along. Thanks to "Pocket Panto", Becky and all who helped on the night to make this another great night's entertainment.



HALLOWEEN:

Our very popular Halloween disco is on **Saturday 27th October** from 7.30 so **get out those scary costumes and come along to the Centre for a great family night out** with games, bar and tuck shop as usual.



Admission is £1.50 adult members, £3 non members, 50p member children to 16, £1 non member children and under 5's free (please bring membership cards). There will be a prize for the best adult and best junior outfits and also a raffle (donations gratefully

accepted)

Look on our website www.chestergreencommunitygroup.yolasite.com for all Community Centre information.

LITTLE CHESTER LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Talk on Chester Green history and flood events

Last chance to hear local historian Joan Darcy's fascinating account of Chester Green history with special reference to the history of flooding in the area.

- Date: Sunday 14 October
- Time: 2.00—3pm
- Place: Little Chester Heritage Centre, St Paul's Church, Mansfield Road
- No charge! Refreshments available.

The Heritage Centre is open every Sun. 2-4pm until the end of October. Admission free. On display at present are many photographs of the area under water in both 1931-2 and in 1965, some on show for the first time.

Shipley Country Park - Shadows and Shades

- Talk by Mrs Mu Stubbs
- Date: Thursday October 18th
- Place: The Chester Green Community Centre, Old Chester Road
- £2 charge for non-members, Annual Membership £6.00

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CHESTER GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

7th Oct – 11am Communion Service (with separate children's activities for part of the service)

14th Oct – Church Anniversary – 11am Service with Rev Ian Mead followed by Church Birthday Party lunch with jacket potatoes and cake!

21st Oct – Messy Harvest Festival – 10.30am Breakfast 11am Informal service in hall suitable for all ages. Donations of dried/tinned/packet goods welcome which will be donated to the Derby Refugee Centre and the Padley Centre.

28th Oct – 11am Service

Please join us for any of our services – a warm welcome awaits you!

Regular happenings:

Mondays 10-12 Chester Green Chums Baby and Toddler Group – bring your little one for a play, coffee and chat.

Tuesdays 10.30 – 12 Messy Play – come and do all those things you wouldn't want to do at home – paint, gloop of all kinds, sand, water etc – you name it, it's probably there!

Fridays Baby Sensory Classes – contact derby@babysensory.co.uk for more information



Advance Notice:

Our annual fair this year will be on Sat 24th Nov from 10.30-1.00 with all the usual festive stalls and attractions plus of course 'Aunty Rita's' hot jacket potatoes for lunch! Stalls available for £5. We will also be having the usual nearly new sale of children's clothes, toys etc as part of the fair so if you would like to sell or donate any items please contact Abi on 01332 722488 for more information

Darley Safer Neighbourhood Team Beat report September

This has been a busy month with the re-opening of the West End youth club, cycle security engraving sessions and work to tackle Anti Social Behaviour. Several ABC (Acceptable behaviour Contract) meetings have been held to tackle the more persistent offenders. There have been several vehicle breaks-in the beat area, on some occasions where the vehicles have been left insecure. Please remember these 3 steps when leaving your car:-

- Keep doors locked and do not leave windows open
- Remove Sat Navs from display and wipe the mark from the window where it has been secured
- Do not leave valuables on display

With metal thefts still being one of the fastest rising crimes across the UK please be mindful of derelict or empty properties in your area that could be targeted by offenders. We continue to tackle any offending scrap collectors, our partner team Allestree having seized an offending vehicle earlier in the month.

(for more on the Beat report—see back page)

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ST PAUL'S CHURCH, - CHESTER GREEN

Sunday 7 th Oct	Soul Breakfast (Church Hall)	10.00 am
Sunday 14 th Oct	Harvest Holy Communion (with special Collection for Fountain of Life Ministries and produce for Padley Centre)	10.00 am
Sun 21 st Oct	Soul Sanctuary Evensong`	10.00 am 6.00 pm
Sun 28 th Oct	Contemplative Communion	10.00 am

Soul Breakfast returns on 7th October. All very welcome – a light breakfast, good music, Sunday papers, a service with a difference, usually involving a couple of film clips. There is a supervised craft table for children.

A Special Soul Café! Yes, Soul Café is back for one special evening on Sunday 7th October at 8 pm at St. Paul's. The evening will feature live music from Rosie Meek and The Open Road, together with thoughts and Reflections on Michael's new book. "Dreaming of Home".

St. Paul's Pre-School Playgroup is weekdays (not Wednesdays) from 9.15 to 3.15 in the Church Hall. The Playgroup offers excellent facilities.

Please let friends know about the playgroup! Contact Jo on 07803 246488 or email stpaulspspg@googlemail.com or visit <http://stpaulsplaygroup.co.uk>



Balloon Race – Saturday 13th October 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm and opening of the Playgroup Garden.

Advance Notice of the Preschool Playgroup Christmas Fair on **Saturday 1st December in the Church Hall.**

St. Paul's Church Chester Green - Invite you to a concert of acoustic pop classics from "Redemption" - Friday 19th October 2012. 7pm - 9pm.

Entry £5 including one free raffle ticket. For entry tickets contact – Bev Hunter on 349420, Marie Meehan 298079, Dave Pearson 07801 444649 Refreshments available.

Forthcoming events at St. Paul's for your Diary

Rolls-Royce Ladies Choir – Fri 7th Dec 2012 – Further details nearer the date

Smile - Thinker's Corner

Confucius he say "Man with no garden is always looking forlorn".

Confucius he also say "Budgie with no teeth is born to succeed".

(With apologies to Confucius, great philosopher and teacher, who undoubtedly said no such thing!)

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