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### Vicar's letter

#### Harvest

I write in the midst of Harvest celebrations and churches look stunning with colourful arrangements of flowers, berries, marrows and sheaves of corn. The Harvest loaf has been baked by Datchworth 'Tweenagers', shared lunches enjoyed, farmers have partaken in church services, and children have filled both churches for school celebrations. It's a glorious time of year.

For me, coming from a town parish, Harvest has gained a new depth of meaning. Watching throughout the year the work in the field from my study window – ploughed, sown, grown and harvested – I have gained a new attachment to the relationship between human hands and created soil. Harvest is indeed a time to give thanks for both.

But, in my last parish, Harvest had a different significance. The church was decorated less with home grown produce and more with tins of soup and packets of tea. Our connection with the soil, the wonder of nature and the farmer was far less but that doesn't mean that Harvest was insignificant.

For in that parish, only a few miles away down our country lanes, there is great need all around. Wandering into church during the week it would not be unusual to find people in need of clothing or food. And just a couple of hundred yards from that Church is the Haven, a shelter working with the homeless. We may have had a lesser connection of where food came from – but certainly there was understanding of where it was needed.

It is alarming to see the ever increasing need for food banks – individuals and whole families relying on charitable donations for something as basic as food. At the heart of Judeo-Christian harvest tradition is the call to show our gratitude for what we have been given by sharing with those who have less.

Recently I was talking to Liz Wood who leads the Stevenage Salvation Army. They're a small church but, she thinks, sole provider of emergency food parcels in the whole town. A daunting task with only two or three people to help to deliver. I write this in case you might offer your help before she sinks under the need. Please contact me if you're able. We're planning to have food donations boxes in the back of both churches so we can deliver to her each month – contributing to them might be something you feel you could do.

### Susannah

### **Churchwardens' Notes**

Last month started with the last of this years' Summer Evensongs at St.Peter's. It was well attended and made all the more special with the contributions of our choir.

The following weekend we had a beautiful warm day for the wedding of Richard and Louise and the annual sponsored 'Hike and Bike' event to raise funds for the Herts and Beds Historic Churches Trust. Half the money collected is returned to the participating churches and the remainder used for grants for repairs to churches in the two counties. We had lots of visitors who thoroughly enjoyed the refreshments provided.... hopefully our reputation is intact! Our thanks go to all those who manned the checkpoint, provided the cakes and to those who 'hiked' and 'biked'.

Sadly we have to say 'good-bye' to Helen Pinkney and Mike Read who, to use Helen's own word, are 'escaping' to the New Forest. We thank them for all they've done at St.Peter's over the years, especially as stalwarts of the spring cleaning gang and wish them all the best in the future.

Congratulations go to Sue Whitbourn who has clocked up 20 years of distributing the *Tewin Parish News* around the village. We are very grateful for her dedication over such a long period.

A big 'thank you' to Ivor Williams for organising the churchyard and drive hedges to be trimmed. This coincides with Stuart Kirkham (on behalf of the Parish Council) mowing all the grass and strimming the difficult bits. The churchyard definitely looks at its best. We are hoping that the work put into clearing the area around the felled Red Chestnut tree can be kept neat and tidy now we have at last got it under control.

It would not be an exaggeration to say that the Harvest Festival was a huge success. The church looked magnificent due to the hard work of all the flower arrangers - we are most grateful to them. Also to those who provided flowers, produce, pot plants and the distributors of the produce around the village on Monday.

After the Family Service we held the Harvest Lunch in a marquee, kindly provided by Bruce Carley, in the churchyard. Nicky Hadley and Pauline Brown did a grand job, well aided by their support team. Once again, thanks go to the generosity of the pudding and cake makers.

After lunch it was the Teddies' turn. Those who were brave enough (over 50 in total) parachuted off the top of the tower, aided and abetted by Mark Swann and Tegun Swann. We were able to donate £114 to the Children's Society as a result of their bravery!

The Harvest Family Service was well attended with lots of children, and even more arrived on the following morning when the School came for their own Harvest Service at St.Peter's.

Next month, our **All Souls** service will be during Evensong at 6.30pm on 4<sup>th</sup> November when we remember departed loved ones. A list will go up at the back of the church later so that names can be collected for those you wish to be mentioned during the service.

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On **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November** we will assemble around the War Memorial at 10.50am for the Act of Remembrance followed by a Remembrance service in church.

Other dates for your diaries include:-

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Market Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Service Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Childrens' Activity morning

Also on the evening of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December there will be a service of **Compline** at St. Peter's. This is a new Team initiative where the usual weekly Advent Compline services will be rotated around the Team. The service is preceded by a talk from Rev. David Munchin.

It is always a pleasure to welcome new members to the Church Family. We welcomed Amelie and Archie Chisholm on the occasion of their Baptism on 19<sup>th</sup> August and look forward to seeing them in church in the future.

Pete and Mike

St Peter's will be floodlit on the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> October to celebrate the Golden Wedding of Menna & Geoff Searle St Peter's will be floodlit on
Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> October
in memory of
William Arthur Chalkley
from his loving wife Joan,
Susan, Carol, Kevin & family

# Bike 'n' Hike Saturday, 8/9/2012

Thank you to all who helped with the annual 'Bike 'N' Hike' event in aid of the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust. This includes the check-in people and cake makers, as well as the cyclists from St Peter's - Mark Hall and Nicky and Hector Hadley.

The final amount raised will be published in the November edition of the Parish News.

# Ladies' Lunch - Saturday 13th October

Our speaker will be **Sheila Barlow** 



'Stepping through my Nightmares — a Hostage in Kuwait'

Lunch will be served **promptly** at **12.30pm** followed by the talk.

Tickets available from Pete Johnson at St Peter's at £9.00 each – no cheques please.



The next **Welwyn Team Men's Breakfast** will be on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November**, the day before Remembrance Sunday.



Topically, the speaker will be **Lt Col Kevin Fitzgerald**, who is Chairman of the Hertfordshire Branch of the Royal British Legion, although he is also a director of the local branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE Hertfordshire). The subject of his talk will be advised later, in both Parish News and Pew Slips.

Why not make a note in your diary .... NOW?



# St Peter's Christmas Market — Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 12—4pm

This year's Christmas Market at the village hall is fast approaching and once again needs your help. Have you been saving those presents that were never sent or those that you were given but which you have never used? Please be on the lookout for things that we could sell at the market and keep them ready for the 24<sup>th</sup>! Second-hand jewellery has always done well at the market. If you have donations or items for the raffle or tombola, ring Nick Whiting on 01438 717230.

If you would like to help, get in touch with either Nick Whiting or Clare Rawlins.

There will be stalls for gifts, Christmas decorations, books, plants, jewellery, toys, 'collectables', tombola, preserves and cakes and more. Refreshments, including a light lunch, will be available from 12 noon.

Mark the date in your diary. The market is good fun and enjoyed by all the family. Many find it a useful source of Christmas presents and the decorations are always a good buy.





TEWIN STORF

# Announcing a Jazz Concert at St Mary's Church, Hitchin, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm

Performers are Andrei, Thomas and Elaine who played to a full house in St Peters Church in May, plus Ben on guitar and Chris on drums

Tickets priced at Adults - £12, Students under 18 - £4

are available from Ruth & Ted Sharp, 60 Orchard Road, Tewin AL6 0HN 01438 798 594 or edward.sharp@zen.co.uk

Manager: Bev Barraclough 01438 717929

The children are now back at school and holidays are nearly a thing of the past so at last the volunteers' list has nearly gone back up to full strength but we now need helpers on a Sunday morning.

The shop now closes Saturday and Sunday afternoons at 12.30 and will not reopen full time until Easter 2013. Teas etc are still available in the café during normal opening hours.

We are trying to get a rota for Sunday mornings and, with enough helpers, it could be once every couple of months. We welcome any time you can spare so please look and see if you could help.



# Friends of Tewin

Thank you to everyone who helped with the very successful 'Classic Car & Craft Show'. We had one of the hottest days of the year, which helped the takings for the Bar and ice cream. Our overall takings were £4,727.51 which, as you know, will gradually be filtered back into Tewin. Last year we helped every active group in the village with a donation and I'm sure we will find good causes again this year. So again 'thank-you' if you helped in any way or just came and supported us. We cannot put on these events without you.

We need you again to come to our annual 'Coffee Morning' held in Tewin Memorial Hall on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 10am till 12noon. This is free to all Tewin residents but we welcome everyone with a small donation. There will also be a 'Bring & Buy' sale including cakes and possibly a craft and book stall. We look forward to seeing you.

Linda Crawford, Chairman, Friends of Tewin

### Tewin Memorial Hall Supporters Club — Registered Charity no. 308158

Results for the August 2012 draw

1st £63 Leigh Clements, Orchard Road
 2nd £38 Keith Bradley, Firs Walk
 3rd £13 Sue Haden, Godfries Close
 3rd £13 Adrian Hill, Tewin Hill

Membership forms from Lisa Bove [Tel 798546] or lisa.bove@btinternet.com Tewin Stores or any member of the Hall Committee



# 'Screen on the Green' Tewin presents .... Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45pm, Tewin Memorial Hall 'Tea with Mussolini' 1999 PG [1hr 57 mins]



... starring Judi Dench, Maggie Smith and Cher. This is a coming-of-age tale set in prewar fascist Italy, about an illegitimate child who struggles to assert his independence and find his way into a life of art.

Doors open at 7pm for tea/coffee and biscuits - included in the price. Sweets, soft drinks, ice-cream and snacks will be on sale, or bring your own wine - and glasses please!

Tickets £4, from Tewin Stores or reserve on line from sotatw@hotmail.co.uk

# Tewin Memorial Hall Jumble Sale – Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> October: 2 – 4.30pm



Autumn is on the way – and so is our October Jumble Sale, which means that we are again relying on support from everybody. As always, we are calling on your generosity to donate any unwanted gifts, clean clothing, linens, bric-a-brac, toys, books, furniture, photographic

equipment, electrical goods etc. In addition, computers and printers are also welcome, as are modern televisions but we have to stress again that certain items are not saleable. For example **we can't accept** old beds, old bulky television sets and second-hand

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Many thanks.

underwear – people don't want them! However, everything else would be most welcome.

Please note that we have to PAT test all electrical goods (ie that means anything with a plug!) so we would need to have them by **Monday**, 8<sup>th</sup>

**October** to allow time to do this. We can collect these on **Friday**, **5**<sup>th</sup> **October** by arrangement. Other jumble can be collected throughout the day on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October, although heavy goods, such as large furniture items, can only be collected on the evening of **Friday 12**<sup>th</sup>.

If you wish to arrange for a collection, including electrical goods, please phone Todd Canton on 01438 717395. However, if it is possible for you to deliver non-electrical goods to the Memorial Hall on Friday 12th October, from 7.30pm – 9pm, or on the Saturday morning - before 12 noon please, that would be most helpful.

As always, we need as much help as possible at the Jumble Sale and would be most grateful if you were able to spare time to sort on the Friday evening and Saturday morning, or help man a stall on Saturday afternoon. In addition, we always need help setting out tables etc. Also, if any men are available to help with the collection of goods on the Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, that would be most welcome. Please ring Todd or Jean on 717395 if you can help in any capacity.

Finally, we would underline the warning given in the last Parish News by the Friends of Danesbury and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, who reported on the collection of unwanted clothes by bogus agents purporting to represent charities. We have also come across this practice. Leaflets have been distributed about the time of our Jumble Sales and, having checked on some, we have found them to be from fake charities. So please be aware and check first if you are tempted to donate to any organisations.

Todd Canton, on behalf of The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

### What's happening to the River Mimram?

Come to an Open Meeting and find out the latest news on:

# 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30pm in Digswell Village Hall

Over 4000 people signed the petition, which was presented to Grant Shapps for submission to the Environment Secretary. Thank you for your support.

A letter from the Agriculture Minister tells us that Veolia have been asked to plan on closing the Fulling Mill pumping station, but as yet, the plan has not been agreed.

However, the Water Framework Directive may yet provide a 'Sir Humphrey-like' opportunity to delay the decision.

Watch this space ....

Come to the meeting or catch up on the website www.friendsofthemimram.co.uk

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### THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY



# Saturday 27th October - Art & Crafts Fair and Sale - 10am- 4pm Tewin Memorial Hall

Back by popular demand!

There will be over 20 stalls selling locally produced arts and crafts, from painting, photography, ceramics and traditionally made Teddy Bears and Teddy Hospital to knitted gifts, silver jewellery, guilting, felting, wood turning and home-baked cakes.

There will be demonstrations of jewellery making from Home Beads of Knebworth and spinning by Sarah Brace of Reflections in Felt.



Entry is free and refreshments will be served all day.

Come and join us and get that Christmas shopping done early!

# Tuesday 27th November - Visit to Queen's House, Greenwich

THACS has organised a visit to the Queen's House in Greenwich which is home to some of the country's finest art works. The collection consists of contemporary art, miniatures, oil paintings, photography, prints, drawings, watercolours and sculpture. It also includes paintings by Gainsborough, Lely, Hogarth, Reynolds, Hodges and van de Veldes. The house also boasts some magnificent architecture, also well worth viewing.



The site at Greenwich hosts many other attractions such as the Cutty Sark, the Royal Observatory and the National Maritime Museum to name a few. In particular, the National Maritime Museum has two restaurants (Paul's Café and Sammy Ofer Wing Café) which will be suitable for lunch. There are a number of other areas of interest at the Greenwich site but if you just like to shop, there is the world famous Greenwich Market just a few minutes' walk away.

The coach will leave the bus stop opposite the Rose & Crown at 9:00am sharp, leaving Greenwich at 3:30pm for the return journey.

The prices for this trip are £11 for THACS members and £12 for non-members. Entry to the Queen's House is free, so these prices are just for the coach fare covering return travel to the Queen's House.

Although entry to the Queen's House is free, other attractions may have an entry charge. If you wish to visit them, you are welcome to apply for a seat on the coach but you will need to make your own arrangements once you reach the Queen's House.

We anticipate that this trip will be very popular, so please fill in the booking form as soon as possible and send it, with your cheque (payable to THACS) to:-

Jim Hall, 5 School Lane, Tewin, Welwyn, Herts AL6 0JR by Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2012. Booking forms from Jim Hall (07731 381734 or email to jimjhall@o2.co.uk) or from the THACS page on the Tewin web site www.tewinvillage.co.uk



Headteacher: Mrs A Simpson

email: admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk

Tel: 01438 717378

### Our News, September 2012

We are back! A new school year, new reception children and several changes.... especially for our class teachers as they have had a major shuffle round and changed year groups. Mrs Wright brings her skills and expertise to her new role as Deputy Headteacher. Mr Morgans, our caretaker, has spent many hours moving furniture, painting walls, cleaning and making our environment welcoming. The teachers have spent many hours of the 'holiday' reorganising the rooms, resources and organising planning to ensure the term has started as efficiently as possible.

We have made a change to the start of our day with parents saying 'goodbye' to the children at the gate and they are going straight to their classrooms instead of lining up in the playground. This has been very effective ensuring a calm, prompt start to learning.



We have also introduced 'House teams', each house is named after a person who had a significant impact on the school in the past: 'Applegate' (green), 'Walters' (blue), 'Cowper' (yellow) and 'Watson' (red). The children will be finding out more about the significance of the people behind the house names; every term, the house with most points will be awarded the 'house team of the term' trophy. This will underpin our behaviour policy, which has been revised accordingly, as children are encouraged and rewarded for being good citizens and role models in keeping our 'golden rules'.

House Captains and Vice Captains have been elected from our year 6 pupils. Sports Ambassadors and Leaders, as well as School Councillors and Eco Councillors have also been elected from each class.



At the time of writing, we are looking forward to our Harvest celebrations and the THACs show. Due to pump failure resulting in swimming lessons missed last term and the good weather we are currently experiencing, we

have extended swimming to the first two weeks back to make this up. The annual swim, barbeque and camp-out was held on the weekend of 15<sup>th</sup> September as this had to be postponed. This is always an exciting event for the many families who make the most of the opportunity to have a fun weekend as well as raise money for the upkeep of the pool.



Each class teacher is running an after-school club this year and so we have a range of activities on offer, including drama, sports, dance and crafts; plans are also underway for a church-linked club to begin.

The Staff Team

### Welwyn Floral Group - 2012 Programme

3<sup>rd</sup> October - Stevenage Ladies remember!

7<sup>th</sup> November Gill McGregor - 'Winter is Nigh'

5th December Lesley Sturdy - 'Christmas is Coming'

We meet 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month, The Civic Centre, Welwyn AL6 9ER at 7.30pm Visitors/new members always welcome. Enquiries/Tickets 01438 798611 — Visitors £5



### **Operation Christmas Child 2012 Shoe Box Appeal**

Last year Operation Christmas Child were able to send nearly 1.1 million wrapped shoe-boxes to needy children in 14 countries across the world where parents struggle to feed and clothe their children. Tewin sent 186 of them. Toys and toiletries are in very short supply, some children can't attend school without pens and paper. A woolly hat can cause such delight or a small car played with for years, even when the wheels fall off! If you are interested please contact me for a leaflet, complete with instructions. You can also donate and gift aid securely on-line at <a href="https://www.samaritanspurse.co.uk.com">www.samaritanspurse.co.uk.com</a> Thank you for your continued interest.

Jackie Beadle. jackie@jbeadle.plus.com 01438 798 247

WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT

'Black & White Ball'

17<sup>th</sup> November Time TBA

**Tewin Bury Farm Hotel** 

WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT

...... a night of champagne, dinner and dancing to help us raise money. £70 per head. Please contact Janet Wright direct at janet.wright@hotmail.com

### FRIENDS OF DANESBURY & QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

This month is the Friends Annual General Meeting where we present the final accounts for 2011 and, as importantly, report on the charity's activities so far this year.

Each year presents its own new challenges. The work of both Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital and Danesbury Neurological Centre is as vital as ever and with increasing pressure on NHS finances our support is critical. Our major funding project this year was the creation of a new reception area for QVM at a cost of around £48,000. At Danesbury increasing activity in the therapy clinics has put great strain on the treatment space. Reviewing the situation the Management team decided that two new treatment rooms were needed and with no likelihood of NHS funding the Friends provided £12,000 to enable the work to proceed.

In addition to our major projects the Friends have made a variety of smaller, but no less worthwhile, purchases for both hospitals – from therapy equipment to TVs for patients.

We receive occasional, and much appreciated, donations but the lion's share of our money is generated by the Friends' shops in Knebworth and Welwyn. The success of the shops is a direct result of our supporters' generosity.

To find out more about our work we'd be delighted to see you at the AGM, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 5.30pm at Danesbury Neurological Centre. All will be very welcome.

Friends of Danesbury and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital 01438 840514

E-mail: danesburygvm@btconnect.com www.danesburygvm.co.uk



# ISABEL HOSPICE — Welwyn Hatfield Forthcoming events supporting your local Hospice



Any queries please ring Gill Macdonald on 01707 382500

Tues. 9<sup>th</sup> October; 30th Anniversary Lunch, 12.15-3pm, Brocket Hall

Thanks Jan Leggetter for organising this celebration Lunch. For tickets and details call fundraising on **01707 382500**.

Sat. 13th October; 'Bridge Day'

Organised by Potters Bar Bridge Club. Details from Diana Beaumont on 01707 276781

Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> October; Charity Golf Day: 8am-6.30pm, Brocket Hall

Entry fee is £500 for a fourball, including coffee and bacon baguettes on arrival. Shotgun Start with a Team Stableford Competition followed by a meal, prize giving and auction. To book your place or for more information call Fundraising on **01707 382500** 

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> November; Christmas Market at the Riding School, Hatfield House 50% of proceeds to go to Isabel Hospice. More information to follow.



# **Tewin Parish Council**



### PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.

**Agenda:** Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores 3 working days before the meeting. All Parishioners are welcome to attend and are invited to make comments at the start of the meeting.

**Minutes:** These are displayed at Tewin Stores, the Memorial Hall, at the bus shelter at the top of Desborough Drive and on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

**Newsletters/Meeting Dates:** These are published on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk

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East Herts District Councillors - South Ward: Cllr Linda Haysey Tel: 01992-582151

Herts County Councillor: Cllr Bryan Hammond Tel: 01438-798298

Police Community Team – 01707-354192 - For non-emergency purposes

Highways Fault Line: - 0300 123 40 47- For reporting potholes etc

East Herts District Council: 01279-655261 or www.eastherts.gov.uk

For reporting smoke & noise nuisance, fly-tipping, flyposting, dead animals on the road, stray dogs, dog fouling, abandoned vehicles, Environmental Services, Environmental Health, Pest Control, Waste Services, Planning Tree Preservation Orders, Parking Warden for parking offences.

# Tewin Parish Council



### **Development of Garages at Grass Warren**

On 21<sup>st</sup> August 2012 Tewin Parish Council ("TPC") met East Herts District Councillor and Riversmead Housing Association.

The various issues and objections highlighted in TPC's letter to East Herts Council ("EHC") in response to the planning application were explained in detail and the site visited. Riversmead expressed their willingness to accommodate TPC's requests where possible and their responses to the various issues were as follows:

**Access:** A new Access & Parking Study/Traffic Survey has been commissioned to assess the turning circle and access issues. Riversmead agreed to raise TPC's concerns about the low quality of the existing Access & Parking Study. Riversmead agreed to consider the widening of the first part of the proposed access road from Grass Warren to just before 26 and 27 Grass Warren so that two cars could pass without going on the grass and reduction of the brick wall along the access.

**Boundaries:** Simon Camp agreed to submit new drawings to EHC showing the boundary treatments in more detail. These are on the amended drawings submitted and reviewed below in Paragraph headed "Planning Applications Received".

**Parking:** Riversmead agreed to consider widening the bungalows' parking bays to meet disabled parking bay requirements and confirmed that a path will be provided across the grass strip, despite this being absent from the plans. They also agreed to consider widening the parking spaces either side of the semi detached houses to accommodate vans.

**Design:** Riversmead agreed to consider TPC's request for a better match of brick and white framed windows in the development.

**Tree Survey:** Riversmead advised a new tree survey has now been commissioned.

**Grass Strip:** Riversmead agreed to discuss with EHC the possibility of a reduction of some of the grass strip in order to provide tarmaced access and parking from Grass Warren but with no access to Cannons Meadow. However it may involve a separate planning application. Riversmead indicated that the current timetable is very tight as the development is based on Government funding which has a deadline of April 2013.

**Affordable Housing:** Riversmead advised that the scheme will comprise 2 shared ownership properties, the southern most semi detached properties, and the rest will be rented.

Riversmead have submitted amended drawings to show how a fire appliance can turn inside the site, but TPC is concerned as it is not clear whether 2 or 5 parking spaces have been lost. TPC would also like to know how Riversmead are going to ensure that the turning circle is not used for parking. The plans have not been updated to show that the development site includes the section of the access road immediately adjacent to Grass Warren, which will need to be rebuilt to handle 18 tonne fire appliances. TPC continue to have concerns about the low quality of the submission and the poor quality of the tree survey. TPC's objections to the current planning application remain.

#### **SEVENACRES**

The high wooden fence across the front of Sevenacres is a temporary measure while issues with the land levels are resolved with EHC Planning. Current options appear to be reducing the land levels, or building a higher brick wall than there was originally.