

COLLINGTREE NEWS

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News flash - Park & Ride for Watering Lane ? see back page

IT'S THAT PLAN AGAIN !

After several months in the long grass, the Expansion Strategy promoted by the West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit (WNJPU), has resurfaced for a new round of consultation.

The Strategy backed by Northampton, Daventry and South Northants Councils, calls for 40,000 new houses on mainly Greenfield sites around the edges of Northampton.

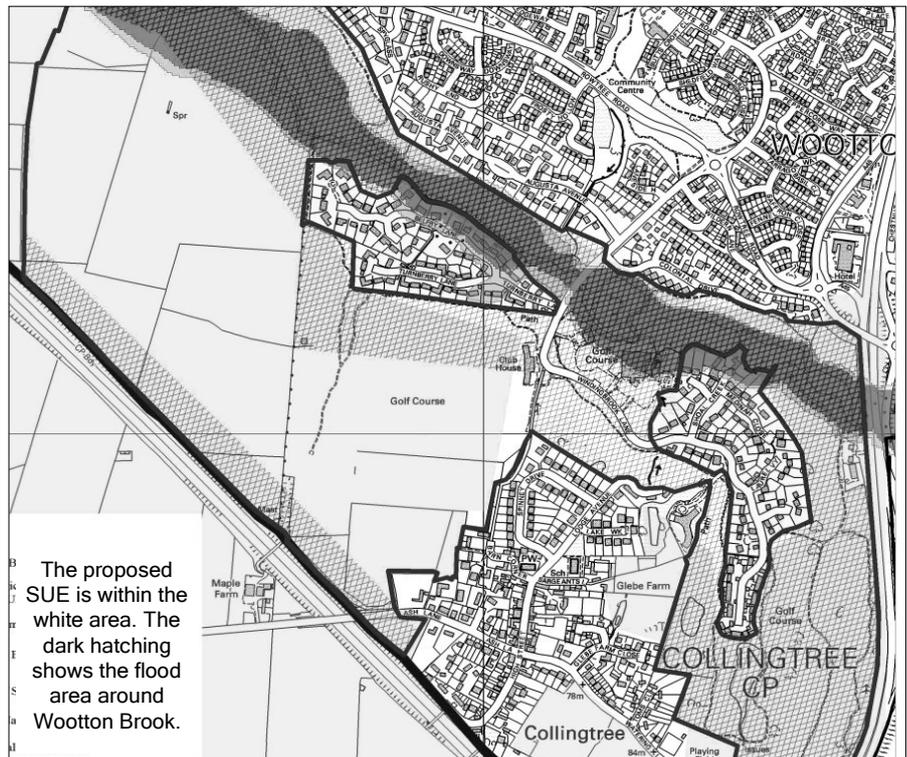
These areas are known as Sustainable Urban Extensions and SUE No.5, on land between Collingtree and East Hunsbury, is allocated for 1,000 houses and related development. This is in line with an earlier proposal by Bovis for new housing on farmland adjoining Collingtree Park Golf Course.

The number of houses in the Collingtree parish has doubled in the last 20 years.

During the last consultation stage in February 2011, the Hunsbury and Collingtree Residents Alliance (HCRA) raised concerns over flood risk at Wootton Brook, traffic congestion along Rowtree Road and the impact on the A45 and Junction 15.

For these reasons the HCRA called for the site to be withdrawn from the Expansion Strategy.

A further 189 representations were made on the SUE No.5 site of which 185 were negative.



Much of the concern was over the lack of infrastructure and questions about where the funding would come from to overcome the traffic and environmental problems.

However, despite these objections, SUE No5 remains part of the expansion strategy and yet another consultation period runs from July 31st until September 23rd.

After that the Strategy will be passed to the Government and a Public Inquiry is expected in early 2013

The link for comment to the WNJPU is:
www.westnorthamptonshirejpu.org

The HCRA will continue to raise its concerns with local MP Andrea Leadsom and with County and Borough Councillors. The link for HCRA is:

<https://www.hunsbury-collingtree-ra.org.uk/H-C-R-A-Community-Views.nsf>

'JUST COLLINGTREE'

There is now a new website for anyone with a special interest in Collingtree village and parish

<http://www.justcollingtree.co.uk>

ST COLUMBA'S +

Paying our way

A priority for the Church Wardens and the PCC is to look after the physical structure of the church building for future generations. Over the years this duty has been successfully fulfilled and now with the help of the 'Friends of St Columba's' group (see below) the work will continue.

However, there is also a duty for the Collingtree church community to provide its share of the running costs of the Peterborough Diocese and its Anglican Ministry.

Raising funds for this work is less understood than a more visible restoration project — but just as vital.

The fact is - without a viable Diocese and an active Ministry, there would be no church in Collingtree.



Church Wardens

John Green 6 Watering Lane 763468

Peter Skinner 'Lynton' Barn Corner 768394

Deputy Warden

Chris Wright 8 Watering Lane 761930

The Share Magazine carries Benefice news every month and costs only £7 per year. Contact Irene Skinner 768394

Services for August

5th August

6pm Evening Prayer

12th August

9am Parish Communion

19th August

10am Morning Praise

26th August

10.30am Family Service

Church Flowers

August 4th - 11th

Mrs Gosling (A) Mrs P Wright (M)

August 18th - 25th

Mrs Edmunds (A) Mrs Clamp (M)

SALCEY BENEFICE MINISTER: REVEREND MIKE BURTON 862284

Each Tuesday at Roade
9.30 am
Holy Communion

	Ashton	Courteenhall	Hartwell	Roade
5th August	9.30am Morning Prayer	9.15am Parish Communion	10.30am All Age Service	10.30am Lighthouse
12th August		10.30am Morning Prayer	10am Morning Praise	10.30am All Age Service
19th August	10.30am All Age Service		9.15am Parish Communion	10.30am Morning Praise
26th August	8.15am Holy Communion	10.30 am Informal Service	10am Morning Praise	9.15am Parish Communion

Friends of St Columba's Fundraising Committee

Mary Brown - Catherine Thompson

Fay Tennet - Selina Smith

Pam Jackson (Treasurer) - Martin Grosse

Bruce MacCullum - Richard Evans

Mick Marsh - John Green

Peter Skinner - Rod Sellers

Andy Tennet (Chairman)

For more details about events call

875955 or 769407 or 765742

Friends of St Columba's - Forthcoming Events

- * **9th September** - Traditional Afternoon Tea. 3pm Collingtree Village Room (see back page for more details)
- * **29th September** - 'Big Quiz & Bingo Night. Evening includes nibbles and a raffle. Tickets £5 per head.
- * **13th October** - a 'Mexican Evening' Authentic food, drink and mariachi music. Tickets £15. 'See you there Amigos'
- * **25th November.** Classical Spectacular at the Albert Hall (only a few tickets left so hurry) *Courtesy Collingtree Coaches*
- * **8th December** - Christmas Coach Trip to London. A whole day out for £15 per person. *Courtesy Collingtree Coaches*

VILLAGE ASSOCIATIONS & SOCIAL GROUPS

Allotment Association

We are lucky to have a thriving allotment facility for residents of the parish. Vacancy opportunities may become available very shortly. *For details of plot availability contact Graeme Joll 767277*

Women's Institute

This months meeting is on 23rd August and is a visit to Delapre Abbey which includes a tour and Tea at £3.20 per head. Members and friends are all welcome and we meet in the Abbey Car Park at 2pm.

More details from Ann Marsh 766060 or Barbara Brice 764723

Adult Painting Group

The group now has 16 members and meets at 10am each Thursday in the Village Room. Various exhibitions are planned and new members whether experienced or a complete beginner, are warmly welcomed.

Call Agnes Barfoot on 762389

Neighbourhood Watch

NW coordinator : Fay Tennet 765742



Medicine Collection for August

Weeks commencing:

July 30th - August 6th

Philippa Bowden 769713

August 13th - August 20th

Joanna Edmunds 761759

August 27th

Irene Skinner 768394

The Collection Service for medicines from Roade and Blisworth Surgeries has operated on a voluntary rota basis for many years. Additional volunteers are urgently needed and if you are able to help please contact:

Coordinator: Shirley Flight 764433

SPORTS CLUBS

Cricket Club

Over the last few weeks the club has been fortunate with the weather being able to complete all our games, and successfully winning each match. We have been supported at these games by our number one fan, Samuel Hull and to honour Samuel's enjoyment of the game, the team have presented him with a cap and shirt.

During August the team have a run of away games around the county. More details from Karen Hopkins kahopkins66@yahoo.co.uk or call Mark Underwood 07834 518760



Samuel and friends with team members. *Back Row:* Chris Pedel, Tom Pedel, Terry Rhodes, Neil Battison, Hannah Pedel, Grant Jones, Richard Green. *Middle Row:* Kevin Hopkins, Mark Underwood. *Front Row:* Stewart Hull, Samuel Hull. Tamar & Isaac Hopkins.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS PARISH CLERK: TESS TAYLOR 07729 784653 tess.taylor@virgin.net

Parish Councils are the most local tier of governance and in Collingtree the PC has direct responsibility for services such as some street lighting and management of the Playing Field.

It must also be consulted by County and Borough councils on a range of

planning and highway proposals that affect the parish and is able to raise money through a local precept for projects that benefit its residents.

Meetings are held every two months and are open to all residents to attend although they can only speak if invited

to do so by the Chairman. Minutes of meetings are displayed in the noticeboards outside the village Room and at the end of Turnberry Lane in Collingtree Park.

The next meeting is on 12th September at 7.30pm in the Village Room.

Parish News is produced by Collingtree Parochial Church Council, on behalf of community groups within the parish.

The financial support of the Parish Council, and the Women's Institute is gratefully acknowledged. We also appreciate the support of our regular Sponsor Central Foods.

If you have a local community or charity event to promote contact:

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News FlashNews Flash ...

It has emerged that a proposal is being actively considered by the County Council to tarmac over the whole of the land bounded by the Hilton Hotel, Watering Lane and High Street South and make it a Park & Ride facility for Silverstone Race Days. The land is owned by the County Council.

The only land excluded would be the Allotments and Cemetery.

No further details are yet available but a plan has been drawn up showing a new entrance off Watering Lane.

Additional uses for the surfaced area are said to include a Lorry Park and /or accommodation for Travellers.

The Parish Council will obviously be investigating this startling proposal together with local County and Borough Councillors.

Watch this space.

NEW HOPE FOR VILLAGE SPEED LIMITS

Back in 2001, the Parish Council, as part of the development of Glebe Farm Close, argued for a 20mph limit along the whole of Watering Lane and Ash Lane as this only route through the village, is a residential area. In the event the speed restriction was only applied to Watering Lane on cost grounds and meanwhile through traffic has greatly increased.

New guidelines issued to local councils, will give greater freedom to bring in 20mph schemes to improve road safety. The Department of Transport says it is giving traffic authorities more flexibility and reducing the need for costly signage and ineffective road humps.

Under the new guidance, councils will be encouraged to expand 20mph zones and limits where it can be shown they benefit safety and quality of life.

The Friends of St Columba's present:

Sunday 9th September at 3pm



Traditional English Afternoon Tea

Enjoy the elegance of a classic afternoon tea, with sandwiches, scones and a selection of delicious home made cakes. All accompanied by waitress service, soft music and a relaxing atmosphere'

Tickets are £7.50 and booking is essential

Please contact Catherine Thompson on 761368

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