



Newsletter February 2007

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Networking event

Those of you who attended our networking event on the 22nd January will know what a success it was. With over 50 people in attendance at Chartridge Park Golf club the evening was buzzing with conversation and swapping business cards and contacts.

We plan to hold an event like this again as it was so successful and I'm sure those of you who didn't make it will benefit greatly from attending in the future.

Please look out for details of our next event and if you would like to sponsor the next one please get in touch.

Our thanks go to Chartridge Park Golf club for their hospitality and the Newtown Garage for their sponsorship, also a big thank you to Jean – our secretary, and Stella Adams of BPC Magazines who made the event possible.

A big thank you

Now that the New Year is well and truly underway we can sit and re-evaluate the outcome of the Victorian Evening and there are quite a few areas to address and improvement to be made for 2007.

However, the event in December went very well and we should mention here all those who took a very active part in organising and stewarding the event in the run up to and on the night itself.

Particular mention goes to Diane Brackley and her crew at Domestic Services who undertook much of the back office organisation. Also without the Support of the Town Council and in particular the policy officer – Kathryn Graves, the event would not have gone as smoothly as it did.

Finally, we would like to mention all the stewards including Gordon Dixon and Andy Tracz.



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Charity Donation

As many of you know we needed to obtain a complete set of 2-way radios for the Victorian evening and Paul & Hazel at Blue Haze in Market square were kind enough to identify a suitable source for them.

However, the £50.00 for the rental of the two way radios was passed on in whole to the Linda Jackson Cancer Care charity which is based at Mount Vernon Hospital. Once Paul had explained that the Victorian Evening is primarily a fund raising evening, the committee of Middlesex County Automobile Club had no hesitation in passing on the money to LJ which is the clubs adopted charity.

A big thank you to them all.

Mayors Business Award

Chesham's Mayor, Councillor Mohammad Fayyaz, has just launched the 2007 Mayoral Awards. The Awards recognise the contribution of residents and businesses that make a difference to Chesham's community.

The Awards are sponsored by the Buckinghamshire Examiner and Chesham Chamber of Trade & Commerce.

There are three Award categories:

1. The People's Award is for those who have helped the well-being, advancement and welfare of people in Chesham.
2. The Rafe Chiles Young Person's Award was set up to act as an inspiration and in long standing memory of Rafe's good work with young people in the community. This award is open to a young person (or group) aged up to 25, who have made a positive difference to the lives of young people in Chesham.
3. The Business Award is supported by Chesham's Chamber of Trade and Commerce to celebrate businesses/retail outlets in Chesham that contribute to the community.

Councillor Fayyaz said, "As Chesham's Mayor, I have been privileged to meet many people who give their time to helping our community. The Mayoral Awards enable the town to show its appreciation to community-minded citizens, including adults, young people, and members of the business sector. I would encourage everyone to take this opportunity and consider making a nomination."

The closing date for nominations is Friday 30 March. Nomination forms are at the Town Hall (01494 774842) or can be downloaded from the Council News section of the website: www.cheshamtowncouncil.info/forum1.

The winners of the People's and Rafe Chiles Awards each receive £150 for their cause. All the Awards will be presented by the Mayor at the Annual Town Meeting on 17 May.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS ON THE AWARDS, PLEASE CONTACT KATHRYN GRAVES, POLICY & PROJECTS OFFICER, ON 01494 583798

**Chesham Town Council
Mayoral Awards**

Are you a business in Chesham that has helped the community?
Has a local business helped your community group?

Nominations open to any Chesham-based business, retail or commercial organisation



Nomination deadline: **Friday 30 March 2007.**
Contact the Town Hall for a nomination form, or download one from Council News:
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Monthly meetings

We would just like to remind all members that the monthly meetings held in the town hall on the 3rd Wednesday of every month (see dates below) are open to all members and not just the committee.

Please feel free to bring along a guest or two – particularly if they are from non-member companies and are interested in joining us. We would ask though that you inform our secretary if you are attending in order that she can make the necessary catering arrangements.

Reduction in Library hours

Bucks County council are considering a reduction in hours for libraries in the county and have asked various groups to comment on the proposals.

You are invited to consider and respond to it by the deadline of **31 March**.

For the online version of the questionnaire please use the following link.

<http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/bcc/content/index.jsp?contentid=-541984217>

p.s. this consultation has been sent out today to all of CDC members; town/parish councils, revitalisation groups and local mp's

Member profile – Better Prospects

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to Better Prospects. We are a recruitment consultancy in Amersham, where we have over the past 19 years established an unrivalled reputation for quality, personal service, efficiency and attention to detail. Among our clients are Norwich Union, NHBC, Bucks County Council, Motivation Marketing, The National Society for Epilepsy, Chesham Building Society and Chiltern & South Bucks Primary Care Trust.

We have an extensive list of candidates immediately available for both temporary and permanent positions. Their expertise covers all commercial aspects, including:

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| • Administration | PA/secretarial |
| • Reception | Customer service |
| • Sales administration | Purchasing |
| • Marketing | Quality control |
| • Accounts | IT support/helpdesk |
| • Financial services | Insurance |

Skills range from junior through to management level. In addition, we have fully trained Consultants who have between them 53 years experience.

We would welcome the chance to speak with you about your recruitment needs. Please feel free to contact us should you anticipate the need for either permanent or temporary staff in the future. 01494 433346 or call in to meet us at 63-65 Woodside Road, Amersham.



Meeting dates reminder

Chesham Chamber of Trade and Commerce regular meeting is on the Third Wednesday of every month at 12.30 – 13.30 in the Lowndes Room of Chesham Town Hall. All members are welcome to attend all meetings.

Town Consortium meetings are held four times a year at the Town Hall from 6.00pm. Anyone with an interest in Chesham is welcome and the press are usually in attendance.

Our future meeting dates are.....

Meeting type	Day	Date	Time
		2007	
Open committee	Wednesday	February 21st	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Open committee	Wednesday	March 21st	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Open committee	Wednesday	April 18th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Town Consortium	Tuesday	May 1st	from 6.0 p.m
Open committee	Wednesday	May 16th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Open committee	Wednesday	June 20th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Town Consortium	Tuesday	July 17th	from 6.0 p.m
Open committee	Wednesday	July 18th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
		No meeting August	
Open committee	Wednesday	September 19th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Open committee	Wednesday	October 17th	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
Town Consortium	Tuesday	October 30th	from 6.0 p.m
Open committee	Wednesday	November 21 st	12.30 – 1.30 p.m.
		No meeting December	

Information

For more information please contact our secretary at Chesham Chamber Trade & Commerce Ltd. Weylands House, 35 Germain Street, Chesham HP5 1LW or telephone on 01494 791119 or 0800 0273842.

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