

## DEVELOPMENT ANARCHY IN GREAT HORWOOD?

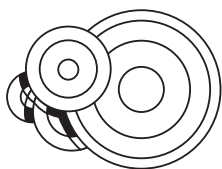
Is building development in Great Horwood going to be a free-for-all with competing developers submitting independent proposals that, when put together, could alter the village beyond recognition?

It's starting to look that way...



Firstly, **Taylor Wimpey** is planning to build 40-48 new homes on 6 acres of land off Weston Road of which, under current Government regulations, 35% would have to be 'affordable'.

*Taylor Wimpey* held a public consultation session in the Village Hall on the 30th of January. Feedback from that meeting was taken into account in drawing up further detailed plans which were presented at a second public meeting on the 27th of February. It is likely that a formal planning application will be submitted to AVDC in the near future. A petition has been sent to AVDC signed by over 80 residents, asking that they delay considering planning permission to *Taylor Wimpey* until Great Horwood's Neighbourhood Plan has been completed.



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Secondly, a private developer in partnership with the **Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust** – a not-for-profit Landlord providing affordable homes – **is considering building 46 houses on land at Five Penny Farm** (2 Little Horwood Road) with access via Willow Road. Again, under current legislation, 35% of these homes would need to be 'affordable'. They have made an initial approach to AVDC, though no public consultation has yet taken place.

In addition, *Gladman's*, - a developer that submitted a proposal for inclusion in Aylesbury District's 'Local' plan for 1200 houses extending from Winslow into Great Horwood – has put in a legal challenge which has had the result of delaying the adoption of, and potentially nullifying, Winslow's Neighbourhood Plan. At the heart of the challenge is whether a Neighbourhood Plan can be adopted in the absence of a 'Local' Plan. For Great Horwood, the recent rejection of the 'Vale of Aylesbury Plan, means that there isn't a 'Local' Plan in place, so even if we were to complete our Neighbourhood Plan, it may not be possible for it to be legally adopted.

All of this, the ad hoc planning applications and the uncertainty of the status of a 'Neighbourhood Plan' could well mean that development within Great Horwood becomes no more than a free-for-all. The result is likely to be housing developments far larger and more intensive than the local community have shown their support for in all recent consultations and surveys.

So can we do anything about this?

**YES!** We can do a number of things:

1. Complete our Neighbourhood Plan. Despite the legal uncertainty, it is vital this is completed if Great Horwood is to be heard with one voice and carry weight with any of the planning bodies. A team is currently working on this. Please support them.
2. Everyone in the village should complete the HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY that is included within this copy of 'Focus'. This is YOUR CHANCE to influence what development happens in our village. The more people who respond, the greater the chance of us collectively shaping the outcome.
3. Write/e-mail to our local MP, John Bercow, Speaker of The House: (e-mail → john.bercow.mp@parliament.uk) and to the Housing Minister, Nick Bowles: (e-mail → nick.boles@communities.gsi.gov.uk) to seek reassurances about the importance of Neighbourhood Plans so that local communities have a voice in the Development of their village.

## The future of your village is in your hands...

*John Gilbey & Dean White*

### Benefice Service



The Benefice Service on **2nd March** held at St Lawrence Church, Winslow, will be Rev Belinda Searle-Barnes' last service with us in our Benefice. Everyone is welcome to join us on this occasion where refreshments will be served after the service. If anyone would like a lift please contact Sue Brazier on 714712. There will be no service at St James' on this day.

### Lent Lunches



Lent lunches will once again be held in St James' Church starting on Wednesday 12th March at 12 noon. Come and join us for a delicious home-made lunch, including soup, bread and cake. All welcome

### Lent Course



During this season of Lent, St James' will be running a Lent Course starting on Wednesday 12th March. This quiet time of reflection and prayer will be led by Mark Lindsell at 73 Spring Lane. All welcome from 7.30pm for an 8pm start.

### Mothering Sunday Service



Please join us for our informal Mothering Sunday Service where flowers will be given to all mothers. Coffee and simnel cake will be served after the service. All welcome.

### Easter Lilies



As many of you will know, St James' is decorated at Easter-time with lilies which can be purchased in memory of a loved one. The cost this year is £2 per lily or £5 for three lilies. If you would like to do so, please complete the list at the back of the Church and give any monies to June Margerrison at 5 Wigwell Gardens or Sue Brazier at 17 The Close. So that the lilies can be ordered in good time for Easter, please note that the closing date will be Friday 4th April.

### Lighting of the Church Tower



The Church was lit on Sunday 2nd February to remember Margaret Ridgway who passed away a year ago.

*Ian Lamberton*

Rector, Rev Belinda Searle-Barnes rector@winslowbenefice.org.uk Tel 712564  
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# Church Times

St James' Services for March		Sidesmen	Reader	Intercessor	
2nd Mar	10.00am	Benefice Service, St Lawrence Church, Winslow – see article below			
9th Mar	11.00am	Come & Praise	S Hemphill	T Brazier	M Gilbey
16th Mar	11.00am	Holy Communion	J Margerrison		C Martin J Margerrison
23rd Mar	8.00am	Holy Communion (1662)	-	-	-
23rd Mar	11.00am	Service of the Word	M Gilbey	C Finnemore	Clergy
30th Mar	11.00am	Mothering Sunday Service	I Lamberton	I Lamberton	D Brazier
6th Apr	11.00am	Holy Communion	S Barfoot	N Weir	M Gilbey

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and also for

**Mothers Day Lunch 12pm – 5pm on Sunday 30th March**

Please call us on 01296 714534 ASAP to book your tables.

Thank You Jeannie Marshall...



The management Committee of the Village Hall and the Village would like to thank you Jeannie, for all of your hard work while you were Chair person of the Village Hall.



During your period of Office you worked untiringly and threw yourself heart and soul into the job. You started the lending book and jigsaw libraries and helped to start the Post Office Coffee morning. You were often in the hall with your paintbrush and helped to keep it in immaculate condition.

There is one good thing as Jeannie isn't disappearing completely as she is still a member of the management committee.

We wish you a slightly slower life style with a bit more time for yourself.

**THANK YOU JEANNIE!**

**Great Horwood School PTA Quiz  
Saturday 8th March**



There are still a few places left for the Quiz Night. A team of 4 is £25 and this includes a hot supper. Put your thinking caps on and join us for a fun evening. To book a table call Tracey on 712772.

**Mad March Hare 5k Run  
23rd March @ 12 noon**



Let's hope for some drier weather for the annual Gt Horwood Fun Run! If you haven't already entered you will find an entry form on the back page. It is always a fun event for all ages and abilities and a great fund-raiser for the School. Any info phone Sheila on 711627.

*Sheila Landymore*

**Great Horwood Community  
Facebook Page**



**Find us on  
Facebook**

Great Horwood now has a Facebook page. The Facebook page has been created so that residents will have a forum to express their views about what is happening in the village.

Obviously the housing issue will be one which hopefully, many residents will wish to express an opinion on. Great Horwood's Neighbourhood Planning Team are currently trying to find a solution to the difficult issue of where to site the forty houses that Aylesbury Vale District Council has decided the village must accommodate. Two developers (Taylor-Wimpey and Vale of Aylesbury Housing) have proposed major developments in Weston Road and Willow Road. If you have an opinion about these proposed developments, have a suggestion about where development should take place, have a view about the type of housing which should be built in the village etc., please use the Facebook page to share it.

A Neighbourhood Plan will give legitimacy to challenges to developers, whose priority (understandably) will be the profitability of a site and not necessarily the ultimate good of the village or the disruption which will be imposed on existing residents.

The Facebook page can be found at:  
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*Alan Marlow*

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## Lions Club of Winslow



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### Programme for 2014

- Feb 11<sup>th</sup> The Good, The Bad and The Bugley – Chris Day
- March 11<sup>th</sup> Mini Spring Show and Good Moves for the Gardener – Susie Gaynard
- April 8<sup>th</sup> Trees and Shrubs – Janet Cropley
- May 13<sup>th</sup> David Austin Roses – Edwin Rye
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Plant and Rhubarb Stall at The Farmers' Market
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Garden Visit – Carol Gell
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> Garden Visit – John Branham
- July 8<sup>th</sup> Visit to Preston Bissett Nursery
- August 8<sup>th</sup>. Annual Show
- October 8<sup>th</sup> Autumn Colour – Peter Richardson
- December 9<sup>th</sup> AGM and Social

Venue for meetings and The Annual Show is the St Laurence Room, Winslow. Meetings start at 7.30 pm.

Membership for 2014: £5 plus extra charges for Visits. Non-members, £2 per meeting plus any visit charge.

Benefits of membership include, 50% reduction off your annual seed order from King's Seeds, 10% on plant purchases over £10 at Lakers Nursery and 50% off the Life Membership Fee from Buckingham Nursery.

For gardening beginners you will find a wealth of gardening experience amongst our members. **All are very welcome.**

For information please contact Liz on 01296 713112 or lizmvandepoll@aol.com

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For more information contact Pam Jones on [Pam.jones@medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk](mailto:Pam.jones@medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk)

## Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (MVAS)



As you are probably aware, the MVAS is now operating on the entrances to the village.

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*Great Horwood Parish Council*

## Lions Club of Winslow



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It all kicks off at 6.30pm on Friday night, with the first opportunity for attendees to try the variety of beers and ciders available.

Our second session of the festival starts at 12.30pm, Saturday lunchtime. During the session we will have coverage of the final weekend of the RBS 6 Nations. Italy vs England will get the session under way, followed by Wales vs Scotland at 2.45pm and the last game of the tournament France vs Ireland will begin at 5.00pm.

Our final session for the 2014 festival begins at 7.00pm giving you the last chance to try your favourite beers until next year.

There is a small entrance fee for each session of £5; this includes a commemorative glass and a programme. Any CAMRA card carrying members will receive a complimentary drinks voucher. Each session will require a separate Admission Ticket - for anyone attending the Saturday Evening Session from the Matinee you can purchase a 'Follow-On' ticket for £ 3 (no glass or programme).

**Tickets will be available in advance from The Bell Hotel, from the 1st March.** This is our ninth beer festival and has proved popular, so please get your tickets early as the venue will restrict numbers. Please come and join us and by having a drink with us, you are helping us to help local charities.

*Andrew Lowe (Winslow Lions Club)*

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## Great Horwood Silver Band



The Band's next engagement will be the annual Concert in the Community Centre Buckingham on Saturday 8th March 7.30 pm. Admission at the door £7 and £5 concessions. Refreshments and Raffle will be available.

The Band's AGM will be in the Village Hall on Wednesday 19th March.

We're hoping to arrange a Charity Concert some time in April for the Parkinson's Charity which will probably be in Waddesdon Village Hall.

The Summer engagements are now coming in: we will be playing at Adstock open Gardens on Saturday June 7th and at Thornton College Fete on Sunday June 8th from 1.45pm.

On Saturday 5th July we will be playing at the Great Horwood Church Fete from 1pm and the Aston Abbotts Fete on Saturday July 26th.

We have been asked to play for a Concert in aid of the Buckingham Twinning association which will be in the Community Centre in Buckingham on Saturday October 11th.

'100 Club' Winners for January were:

- Diane Cook: £12
- Emma Mainwaring: £8

*Beryl Lack*

## W.I News



In February, we welcomed John Stepney who gave us a very interesting talk on the role of 'Service by Emergency Rider Volunteers' (SERV), ably assisted by his daughter on the computer.

SERV works with the NHS providing a rapid response courier service carrying anything, bar pizzas, that is related to patient welfare, including blood and blood products, premature baby milk, tissue, x-rays, neural scans, medication, surgical tests and patient notes between medical establishments.

They are a national registered charity started by the NHS seven years ago funded by public donations and sponsorship. John and his team of 100+ volunteers work from 7pm to 6am, 365 days a year, covering the Bucks, Oxon and Northants area. In 2012 they answered 1,212 calls. When it's bad weather 4X4's are available.

A bike costs £13,000 with £3,000 annual running costs, though volunteers often pay for the petrol themselves. 'They are essentially bikers and enjoy the demands of the job'. Volunteers come from all walks of life but must be at least 30 years old and IAM, RoSPA or Police Advance Qualification trained.

They are in dialogue with the government concerning being able to drive through red traffic lights. Only police, ambulance and the fire brigade can do so at the moment, but new legislation will include 'blood' soon. Nationally, 262 hospitals call on this service, using 1,138 volunteers.

We were shown slides and short films of call outs and grateful hospital staff.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 11th March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**, when Debbie Gibbs will be talking on Magistrates in the Community. There will be a quiz on TV Detectives.

If you would like to know more about the Great Horwood and Singleborough WI, please ring:

Karen Wilkinson 01296 712933 or Angela Mayne 01296 715400

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Debbie Robinson will be leaving the school shortly after an incredible fourteen years of service as a midday supervisor. We wish Debbie the very best and thank her for her amazing service over the years.

As such, we are seeking midday supervisors to assume Debbie's role. If you are interested in becoming a midday supervisor and are able to offer any combination of days

per week then please get in touch with the school office (01296 712622) or visit the school website ([www.greathorwoodschool.org](http://www.greathorwoodschool.org)) for more details and an application form.

**Our Very Own Dornier Bomber Plane Lands at GHS!**

A World War II Dornier Bomber has landed at Great Horwood School and is currently hovering about three metres above our sports field!

The Bomber is only visible when viewed using a specially developed Augmented Reality App called Apparition: Dornier17.



In June 2013, the RAF Museum successfully lifted the only known German Dornier Do17 bomber from the waters of the Goodwin Sands, three miles off the coast of England. The event was a media phenomenon with viewers across the globe tuned in to watch it happen live. Now, the RAF Museum is using cutting edge digital technology to share its newly acquired exhibit with the world, and Great Horwood is one of only a few locations around the world to have such an exhibit!

Thanks go to Mr Nash for organising this exciting addition to Great Horwood School, and for organising a visit from the RAF Museum to share the Dornier and related artefacts with our Year 3 class.

More information and a selection of pictures can be viewed from our school website.

*Paul Adams: Headteacher*



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Tuesday	9:00am - 8:00pm
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**Great Horwood Cricket Club**



Despite the weather Great Horwood Cricket Club have been busy getting organised for the coming season. The mens' teams will soon be starting indoor net practice to get themselves prepared. The first session is on **Friday 14th March from 6-7pm** and then on the **21st of March they move to 7-8:30pm** for the next five weeks. All sessions take place at Leon School in Bletchley. New players of all standards are more than welcome to come along and join in. Junior nets will announced as soon as details are finalised.

The club's social section continues to thrive and the next event is the race night, held jointly with the football club. This will be held in the cricket pavilion on **Saturday 5th April** which is Grand National Day. Full details will be in next month's *Focus* or look out for the posters around the village. We are looking for people to sponsor races so if you are a local small business owner this is a great opportunity for some publicity. Sponsoring a race costs just £15 for which you get two entry tickets on the night, a hot supper and ownership of a horse in the feature race of the evening. If your horse wins you will win a generous prize.

If you require anymore information or would like to get involved in any aspect of the club please contact me.

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## Chairman's Monthly Report Last Meeting – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014

### Neighbourhood Plan

Since the last PC meeting the Neighbourhood Planning Team have held three meetings as well as a meeting with AVDC Forward Plans team and since my last report in the February edition of Focus events have moved at quite a pace.

The front page of this edition of *Focus* highlights very clearly the major issues now facing Great Horwood and many other rural areas in Aylesbury Vale. It makes quite clear the danger that future developments on a large scale could now be submitted for approval to AVDC. We need confirmation from the Department of Communities and Local Government that Neighbourhood Plans will still be used in planning for future development. This is as originally intended as a reflection of the wishes of the local community in line with the Governments promise of the importance of Localism. So please consider very carefully if you can spare the time to write to Nick Boles and John Bercow. There are European Elections coming up and it is only just over a year to the next General Election so if enough people express their views maybe that will be heard.

Also, please complete the **Housing Needs Survey** enclosed with this copy of Focus so that your views on future housing need in the parish and any specific housing needs that you may have for yourself or your family can be recorded and influence future development in the parish.

### Planning Committee

Early last year AVDC introduced a revised procedure whereby an objection by the Parish Council to a Planning Application which is recommended for approval by the Case Officer will only be heard if the Parish Council attends and speaks at the AVDC Development Control Committee. At the end of the trial period this revised procedure has now been confirmed as a permanent change.

I have occasionally attended and spoken at such meetings and I wanted confirmation from the other members of the Planning Committee that they are also prepared to speak at a meeting of the AVDC Development

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Control Committee if it becomes necessary to make the views of the Parish Council heard. Those members of the Planning Committee present (Cllrs. Mayne, Scholtens and Lamberton) agreed that they would be willing to support the views of the Parish Council in this way.

### Recreation Committee

The Parish Council agreed to the detailed budget request for 2014-15 submitted by the Recreation Committee for the maintenance and development of Horwode Pece and noted that if all the plans are realised some of the funding will need to be allocated from existing reserves.

### Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (MVAS)

You will have noticed that the speed indicating sign was moved from the Winslow Road to the top of Nash Road. Also see a report from Cllr Mayne elsewhere in this edition of Focus highlighting data on speeds collected from a week of traffic coming into the village in Winslow Road. We will approach Thames valley Police with the information that we collect and ask them to carry out an official speed check and prosecute those that are caught speeding.

### Parish Council Website

For a more comprehensive report of the Parish Council meeting please read the minutes published on the website. (<http://www.bucksvoice.net/greathorwoodpc/>). This website also has updates of items on its latest news page.

If you have any items that you would like to bring to the Council's attention at any time please contact either the Clerk or any Councillor and we are always pleased to welcome residents to our monthly meeting during which we always have a public participation period.

The next meeting is to be held on **Monday 10th March 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

*John Gilbey – Chairman Great Horwood Parish Council*

[john@gilbey98.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:john@gilbey98.freeserve.co.uk)

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Thursday	27th March	- Westcroft Bus*
Saturday	29th March	- Come to our Coffee Morning at the St Laurence Rooms 10-12pm.
Thursday	3rd April	- Local lunch at The Cock Inn, Wing. £4.00 travel.
Tuesday	8th April	- Visit St Albans. Verulamium and Cathedral. £10.00 (travel only)
Thursday	10th April	- Westcroft Bus*
Monday	14th April	- Bicester Garden Centre. £6.00
Tuesday	15th April	- Asheridge Bluebell Woods with lunch in Aldbury. £8.00 travel.
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Tuesday	29th April	- Henley Woods with pub lunch. £8 travel.

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