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Vision for the future of Church Walk to be unveiled at consultation

Ropemaker Properties has announced the dates for its public consultation on its redevelopment proposals for Church Walk Shopping Centre in Caterham. The public exhibition will take place at Church Walk on:

- Friday 12th October between 9am – 8pm, and
- Saturday 13th October between 9am – 5.30pm.

In addition, a 'pop up exhibition' will tour some nearby schools so that local parents and children can also view and comment on the proposals. A dedicated website with all the

relevant information will go live on 12th October at www.churchwalkvision.co.uk. The proposed Church Walk redevelopment includes:

- New and improved retail units;
- Restaurants surrounding a large new public space;
- A three screen cinema;
- Expansion and improvement of the car park;
- New residential accommodation above the shopping centre.

Speaking for Ropemaker Properties, Paul Hillier said: "We are very excited to release the

details of our redevelopment proposals. We have been in discussion with Tandridge District Council for many months working up an exciting scheme. We have already consulted with several local groups to get some early feedback, which has also helped further shape our proposals. Now we really want to hear from Caterham residents and users of Church Walk."

After seeing a preview of the proposed scheme, local resident and ex-Chairman of ABC "A Better Caterham" (now the Caterham Community Partnership), Chris Windridge, said: "Investment in Caterham is overdue. Nevertheless it must fit our needs and boost the local economy.



The proposed multi-million pound scheme will replace Church Walk and its adjacent shops with a modern new development.

This should be a landmark site but given preliminary information of the scheme, I am very concerned over appearance and density, with five-storey height opposite the station proposed and lack of visual appeal. Other matters are: parking, traffic

and loss of office space. A rental flats-only scheme above retail, with limited parking, risks overflow. Suggesting a city model fits Caterham today is daft. Drainage is also a huge concern."

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Public Consultation to take place over the future of the Douglas Brunton Centre

On Thursday 13th September, Tandridge District Council's Housing Committee agreed to a consultation about the services currently provided at the Douglas Brunton Centre ("DBC") in Caterham-on-the-Hill. The Council said that the aim of the consultation will be to use the responses and work with partners to identify opportunities to improve or provide services in a different and potentially more sustainable way.

The Council will consult with a broad range of stakeholders, from the Centre's users, churches, leisure providers, local groups, social care and health providers and Caterham on the Hill Parish Council. Tandridge Voluntary Action and St. Catherine's Hospice are also keen to be involved in the consultation.

Any opportunities for partnership working will also be explored to provide services which benefit all older people, including those who do

not currently use the Centre. Particular consideration will be given to the needs of the more vulnerable members, so they keep their independence and do not become socially isolated.

During the meeting, campaigner, Kate Bailey, presented the Council with a 1,500 person petition against the possibility of the closure of the Elderly Person's Day Centre at the Douglas Brunton Centre. Councillor Nick Childs, Chair of the Housing Committee, said: "We are interested to hear what the users of the DBC, local organisations, churches and the voluntary sector have to say about the Centre and the provision of services. We encourage all users of the DBC to take part, as the feedback we receive will enable us to find the best solution for the whole community."

The following day, Member of Parliament for East Surrey, Mr Sam Gyimah, visited the Centre to meet the users, speak to the management and show his support for the facility.

Mr. Gyimah said: "The Douglas Brunton Centre is a fantastic facility and provides

such a vital space for elderly residents to socialise with a cup of tea, get their hair done and take part in fun and engaging group activities. We all have parents and grandparents and we want centres like this to feel like a home away from home for them. So I will be working with the team at the DBC, the Parish Council and Tandridge District Council to help the Centre to continue to thrive and become an even bigger success for our community." Tandridge District Council have not yet announced the date of the consultation but say it will take place later this year.



Sam admires an intricate wall-hanging created by members of the needlecraft group at the Centre.



Sam Gyimah MP hears the concerns of one of the users of Douglas Brunton Day Centre.



Kate Bailey beneath the Roll of Honour bearing the name of Douglas Brunton during her visit to the Council.

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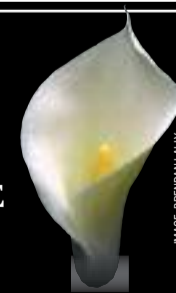
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and energy efficiency issues, as well as bringing empty properties back into use. The strategy also makes sure there is help and advice for those threatened with homelessness, along with the right type of supported housing for the district's most vulnerable households. The three main priorities of the Housing Strategy are:

- Creating sustainable communities and meeting needs.
- Improving the quality and the use of existing housing stock.
- Meeting the specific needs of vulnerable households and those on lower incomes.

The public consultation about these priorities is taking place from Friday 28th September until Friday 26th October. Full

details are available at www.tandridge.gov.uk. Councillor Nick Childs, Chair of the Housing Committee, said: "Many people in our area cannot afford to buy their own home or rent a property. Our housing vision is to improve the quality of our residents' lives and wellbeing by delivering more high quality homes and maximising our ability to help those who need it. We are already building council homes and provide information and support to prevent homelessness, but this is not enough. We know we can't overcome all the challenges we face on our own, so we will work with our partners across all sectors to deliver the homes, including affordable homes, to give all our residents an opportunity to achieve a good quality of life in our district."

Readers' Letters

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Vision for the future of Church Walk

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Andrew Browne, owner of JJ Browne Jewellers and Chairman of Caterham Business Improvement District ("BID") which trades as Caterham Valley For You, said: "The BID Board broadly supports the principle of redeveloping Church Walk Shopping Centre as it will bring substantial and much needed economic benefit to the town. However we would wish to see a much improved and an appropriate architecturally designed building incorporating high quality building materials with some improvements to both shoppers' and business parking. "We appreciate the consideration that the developer has given to our input to date and trust that this consultation will continue."

In a statement about the proposed scheme, Tandridge District Council said: "We welcome the upcoming public consultation about the proposed scheme for the redevelopment of Church Walk in Caterham. The development of the retail centre in Caterham is an important part of the wider regeneration plan

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Following the service inside the church, the congregation processed round to Airmen's Corner to continue the service by the graves of the many airmen from across the

world who are buried there. After the dignitaries had laid their wreaths, there was a two minute silence followed by The Lord's Prayer and the blessing.

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Tony Roberts.

Birthplace: Mayday Hospital, Croydon.

Marital Status: Happily married to Laura.

Children: Just one son.

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Pastimes: Err, astronomy! But I also enjoy riding my motorcycle and winding down later in the evening reading a book.

Favourite Food and Drink: Roast dinners, beef if possible. I do like a good malt whisky.

Likes: Spending time with family and friends.

Dislikes: People who believe the world ought to work like they want and blow everyone else and their needs.

Favourite TV Show: Last of the Summer Wine.

Favourite book: The Book of Common Prayer. It contains some of the most beautiful prose in the English language.

Who would you most like to throw a custard pie at: Currently, Boris Johnson. Why? See "Dislikes".

Favourite holiday destination: The British Isles - such diversity of landscape, history and culture in one place.

Biggest influence on your life: There's two, my faith and my family.

Proudest Moment: The birth of our son.

Where would you most like to live: I think I'm here already in Warlingham. As a community and geographically, there's either everything you need here or easy to get to.

If you won the Lottery Jackpot, how would you spend it: First I would secure the financial future of my family. But if it was one of the crazy £100 million plus jackpots much of it would have to go to help others. I have no desire to live like a king when there are others struggling to cope.

Tea and entertainment at the Soper Hall for Contact the Elderly

On Sunday 9th September, the Soper Hall in Caterham was decorated with bunting to welcome elderly guests to a tea party for "Contact the Elderly".

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On Monday 17th September, a major new film entitled: "Breck's Last Game" was launched at Roseberry School in Epsom. A collaborative effort between Essex Police, Leicester Police, Surrey Police and Northamptonshire Police, the film is based on the tragic murder of 14-year-old Breck Bednar from Caterham, who was groomed online before being murdered by 18-year-old Lewis Daynes in February 2014. The film was made with the active support of Breck's mother Lorin LaFave, who appears in the film as herself, and will be rolled out to secondary schools across Surrey and each of the other force areas. Speaking at the launch of the film, Lorin said: "At the time, I believed the offender was older than he was because he was so controlling and manipulative, even with me, so it's important for young people to realise



Assistant Chief Constable James Andronov of Northants Police, speaking at the launch of Breck's Last Game.

not only can predators lie about their age, where they live or who they are online, they can also be a similar age to the victim. They are not always the stereotypical 'creepy old guy'.

"It's so important for us to raise awareness of the fact that boys can be groomed too. Breck's came after international media surrounding the Rochdale and Rotherham cases, where the victims were all girls. His version wasn't the 'typical' type of grooming people had heard about in the news. His story shows even regular school boys can make mistakes if they aren't educated to recognise the signs of grooming and exploitation.

"I hope through the Breck's Last Game campaign, young people will take on the real life lessons from Breck's story so they are able to look after each other, keep safe, and reach their full potentials. Our intention is to educate young people so they are empowered to make safer choices for themselves online". Daynes, who was 18 at the time of the offence, was convicted of Breck's murder and sentenced in 2015 to a minimum of 25 years in prison.

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Oasis Academy Students Celebrate GCSE Success

Oasis Academy Coulsdon will begin its tenth year celebrating another set of excellent results.

Stealing all the headlines was their top achieving student – Laura Chisholm. Laura attained eight Grade 9s, an A* and a Grade 8, and has a scholarship to attend Caterham High Sixth Form. Just behind Laura was Lucy Heather with seven top Grade 9s and an A Grade. On receiving her results, Laura said: "I am shocked and thrilled. It is better than I could have hoped for and I am so grateful to all of my teachers. The Academy has always pushed us to be the best that we can, and although at times we may not have appreciated staying behind for extra revision, I am now so pleased that they did!" The race for top achieving boy was won by Gus Farndon, who earned himself four Grade 9s and three Grade 8s.

44 top Grade 9s were awarded to students at the Academy, with 15 of these in English Language or Literature. 62% of students secured Grades 4-9 in both their English and Maths examinations, with



Delighted GCSE students, from left: Gus Farndon, Katheryn Ambrose, Natania Jackson, Jesse-James Ahlijah.

47% of students achieving Grades 5 or higher. Having cause for double celebration this year was Natania Jackson, who collected her results on her 16th birthday. She was overjoyed to achieve four Grade 8s, three Grade 7s and five Grade 6s.

Mr Booth, Principal, was delighted with the results. He said: "I am yet again extremely proud of our students and what they have achieved this year. To have so many high achieving students securing the top grades is credit to the dedicated and talented body of staff I have the privilege of leading."



Laura Chisholm in shock as she opens her results.

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Each Saturday will showcase a selection of local products from handmade fudge and Surrey's own gin to speciality preserves, local cheeses, artisan breads, freshly roasted coffee, craft beer and much more. The market will have a changing selection of six to eight producers each week offering tasty treats for the weekend, gifts for the food lover and even early edible goodies for Christmas.

Kicking off the first market on Saturday 29th Septem-

ber will be perfect food partners High Weald Dairy with its award-winning cheeses and West Fisher Winery. Briscoes Jellies will be bringing its inspiring condiments, including the two which have recently won Great Taste Award Stars. Cake lovers will be spoilt for choice at the Ridiculously Rich stall, and Hill House Farm's rare breed pork joints, homemade sausages, bacon and sausage rolls will have cooked breakfast and the Sunday roast sorted. Sample Bubble & Twist's innovative cordials - children will love trying the new bubble gum trial flavour - and perk up with Surrey-based roastery, Chimney Fire Coffee.

Organised by the Caterham Business Improvement District (known as Caterham Valley for You) the markets will be hosted on Saturdays September 29th, and October 6th, 13th, and 20th between 10am and 4pm.

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unique chance to savour produce made right on their doorstep, try new taste sensations and pick up inspirational food ideas," said Chairman of Caterham Valley for You, Andrew Browne.

The local produce market is the first of two initiatives this Autumn from Caterham Valley for You. On Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27th October, young witches and wizards are being invited to swoop into the town for some free trick or treating fun. To find out more, visit www.CaterhamValley.co.uk.

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Olympic star celebrates Kenley Hockey Club's 50 years

Olympic and European gold medallist, Susannah Townsend, MBE, thoroughly enjoyed reconnecting with grass roots hockey on Saturday 8th September, when she opened Kenley Hockey Club's 50th anniversary celebrations. The dynamic midfielder was initially surprised to find the games were to be played on Kenley's remaining grass pitch, rather than the usual astroturf. The matches started with the Under-10 Colts playing a parents team, followed by the Under-16s. Later, having admitted that she had never played on grass in her life, Susannah was persuaded to join one of the former chairmen's teams for the Chairmen's Challenge matches.

The celebrations continued with "Furthest Flick" and "Beat the Goalie" competitions, as well as a "Human Table Football" game, Sumo suit wrestling and a bouncy castle. Inside the clubhouse was a "Bake-off" cake competition and a display of club



Susannah (second from left) joins in the action on the grass pitch.

shirts and photos from the past 50 years. The event finished with Susannah Townsend answering questions from members, and a barbeque.

Past Chairman, Crispin Williams, said: "Susannah could not have thrown herself into the event better: she was a great sport and was happy to chat to everyone who wanted to meet her."

Kenley Hockey Club runs five men's and three ladies' teams and has a thriving colts section. New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome. For more information call Robin Hunt on 07740 717671.



Susannah with Chairman Robin Hunt, who has borrowed her gold medal!

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- 3 Canterbury on Market Day
- 6 Weald & Downland Museum Autumn Countryside Show
- 10 Autumnal Essex with a visit to the Chocolate Lady
- 11 Knitting & Stitching Show, Alexandra Palace
- 17 Winter in Windsor
- 18 Eastbourne
- 20 A Night in Provence, Sonning Mill
- 24 Strictly Tea Dance
- 25 Autumn Tints Tour with visit to Tudeley Church & cream tea at Teapot Island
- 31 Ghosts of the Romney Marsh Pub Tour



NOVEMBER

- 1 Autumn Colours Boat Cruise
- 3 North Weald Market
- 5 Autumn Tints Tour with cream tea at Heaven Farm
- 7 Winkworth Arboretum & Godalming
- 12 Weeping Window Poppies at IWM, London
- 15 Waddesdon Manor Christmas Fair
- 17 Living Crafts for Christmas at Blenheim Palace
- 22 Greyhound Racing
- 24 Eurotunnel to Jules Destrooper Biscuit Factory & Ypres Christmas Market
- 27 Winchester Christmas Market
- 29 Christmas at Kew



DECEMBER

- 1 Guys & Dolls at The Mill, Sonning
- 2 Rochester Dickensian Christmas & Christmas Market
- 4 Polesden Lacey
- 6 Bluewater Shopping Centre
- 13 Polhill Garden Centre
- 18 Santa Special Boat Cruise with Christmas Lunch
- 22 Christmas Illuminations Tour



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JANUARY

- 2 Christmas Glow, Wisley
- 15 Phantom of the Opera, Her Majesty's Theatre, London



FEBRUARY

- 5 Marathon by Coach
- 9 Eastbourne



MARCH

- 2 The Spring Knitting & Stitching Show, Olympia
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| 8 - 10 September | Kentish Explorer |
| 15 - 21 September | Fort William & the Jacobite Steam Train |
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QUICK QUIZ

by Alec Herbert

October is time for a little work in the garden – five questions which include a garden tool in the question or answer.

1. Where was Francis Drake supposedly playing bowls when the Spanish Armada was first spotted?
2. Jake Shears is the lead male singer with which hit making group?
3. Voted the UK's favourite comedy sketch of all time in 2016, which garden tool is central to that sketch?
4. Created by Dashell Hammett, which private detective made his first appearance in "The Maltese Falcon"?
5. What name did artist William Hogarth give to a series of paintings which he painted between 1732 and 1734?

Answers:

1. Plymouth Hoe; 2. Scissor Ronnies; 3. FORK (Four Can-
dles/Fork Handles); 4. Sam Spade;
5. The Rake's Progress.

Announcing the launch of Tim Fisher's exciting new book - "Biscuits & Cookies"!

Tim Fisher, who runs the successful Tim's Pastry Club pastry classes at Oasis Academy Coulsdon, will soon be adding a book to his list of accomplishments. The book entitled Biscuits & Cookies will be available on Amazon very soon, having just been submitted for publishing. The 32 recipes include Rolls Royce versions of well-known classics such as jammie dodgers, custard creams and chocolate Hob Nobs, as well as gorgeous new creations like his American style Snickers bar cookie and coconut crumble biscuits. So why write a book? Tim says that having won all the competitions he set out to win plus the successful setting up of the classes left him just one unfulfilled ambition, which was to get a book of his work out for sale. Tim says: "These 32 recipes have been thoroughly tested so that they can be replicated by anyone. There are two kinds of cook books - ones

that look nice on a coffee table and ones that live in kitchens and are a bit tatty due to use because the recipes are good. I definitely want this to be received as that kind of book." Tim says that he has hundreds of recipes and is keen to get them into print, so expect many more books in the future. The books and pastry club aprons will be on sale at his classes, which are now in full swing. Check out his classes at www.timspastryclub.com. Biscuits & Cookies sounds like an ideal Christmas present for keen cooks!



Tim with pages from his book, "Biscuits & Cookies".

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Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines



Sue Baines.

September saw Geoff finishing the paving around the top pond, as it was too hot to do heavy work during the summer. Initially it looked very stark, but so much safer. The paving doesn't disturb the existing clematis or lovely pink rose that drapes itself over the fence, flowering profusely next door!

Already there were a couple of evergreen Harts Tongue ferns underneath, so I will plant another couple to soften the edge of the paving. I was debating whether to plant a few bulbs, originally thinking of my favourite Tête-à-tête daffodils and Little Red Riding Hood tulips. However, I'll plant the lovely blue Anemone Blanda instead. They don't like to be disturbed and should look wonderful against the reasonably fresh foliage of the ferns in spring. I can always cut off winter ravaged foliage. Also the ferns don't have leaves to blow into the pond (although it will be netted).

Instead I'll plant a few bulbs in ordinary garden pots which

I can drop into pot covers as they come into flower, meaning they won't need to go on "feet". The pots will be tucked in next to a few evergreen plants of varying heights like the dark Pittasporum, Tom Thumb and various Heuchera/Heucherellas, plus a few spiky grasses. Currently the starkness is being filled by Begonias, which have been absolutely fabulous. They have had their vine weevil nematodes, as have the Heuchera (vine weevil favourites as they supply plenty of winter food for the grubs).

Dahlias are being planted out from their 30 litre pots, although not the main borders which are so floriferous they haven't been dismantled yet. I can't quite say goodbye to this summer....

Time for tea at The Salvation Army in Caterham-on-the-Hill

On Saturday 8th September, The Salvation Army in Caterham hosted a tea party for friends and neighbours at their new community base and church house at 92 Banstead Road, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Visitors were treated to tea, cake and sandwiches whilst enjoying each other's company. Special guest Barney, a three-month-old Westie Poo was quite a star attraction! Event organiser, Judy Baker, said: "We would love to extend a hand of friendship to all our neighbours and other local people. All are very welcome." For more information about the church services, or their popular "Knit and Natter Group", call Judy on 07719 800812.



Salvation Army members, Barbara (left) and Joan, the oldest and longest serving member of the Corps.

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Rotary Satellite group rockets to support Air Ambulance charity

Following a successful evening of rock music provided by local band Randy and the Rockets a few months ago, three members of the recently-established Satellite Group of Caterham Rotary visited the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance at their new facilities at Redhill Aerodrome to present the charity with a cheque for £2,000.

They were then taken on a tour by paramedic Ben Macauley, which included the new AW169 helicopter that enables the medical team to reach, treat and deliver critically ill and injured patients to hospital even faster than before. Although it is similar in size to the existing aircraft externally, the AW169 has a significantly larger cabin, improving in-flight access to patients. This allows for delivery of more life-saving interventions which can be carried out inside the aircraft rather than outside in all weather conditions.

Current chair of the Rotary group, Glen O'Dwyer, said:



Ben Macauley explains the working of the new Air Ambulance.

"It's great for this new, dynamic Rotary group to be able to contribute to such a great cause. As working people, we often find it hard to find time to give back to the community, but this new group allows everyone to get involved, and for local charities and good causes to benefit.

Dora Szekfi, Community Fundraising Officer at the charity, thanked the Rotary group, saying: "We are incredibly grateful to Caterham Rotary Satellite Group for raising such a fantastic amount of money for our charity. It is always great to see the community coming

together to support our work. When you think that £2,000 could buy aircraft fuel for 20 potentially life-saving missions, it really does show what a difference these funds will make."

The Satellite Group meet every month in the evening and have been established in order to appeal to working men and women who want to get involved in supporting local and international community needs.

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