
The Tuddenham Tattler

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NO, NO, NO!

September 30th

The unanimous message to the planners for the Northern Bypass from the parish council meeting on Tuesday, September 6th was **NO**.

The village hall was full with over 60 members of the public all waiting to hear about the proposed road and what *they* could do to stop it being built. When put to the vote none of the people present was in favour of the road. It was thought unnecessary, a waste of money, and a potential wrecker of this beautiful area of the county.

Since the meeting we have learnt that the new deadline for letters is **September 30th**. Our M.P., Mr. Gummer, The Minister for The Environment, and R.A. Bird, the Regional Controller of Planning, have the power to instruct Suffolk County Council to withdraw the plan. See page 2 for some ideas for a letter and the two addresses to which they should be sent. Individual letters **will** make a difference.

Don't wait, write your letter now!

Dear Mr. Gummer,

I am totally against the idea of a Northern Bypass. This relief road for Ipswich is completely unnecessary.

1. The Southern bypass is still under used in comparison to other main roads.

2. It doesn't solve any potential problems but just moves them round to another part of Ipswich.

3. The Dept. of Environment have already said that bypasses suck the life out of towns rather than making things better.

The millions of pounds that would be spent would **NOT** help Ipswich but destroy the environment and the quality of life for those near the bypass route.

It is not necessary and we are totally against this bypass. You are our M.P. We need your support.

Yours faithfully

Send to Mr. John Gummer, M.P.
 Houses of Parliament,
 Westminster, London.

Send a copy of this letter, addressed to
 R.A.Bird, Regional Controller of Planning,
 Room 127, Heron House,
 49-53, Goldington Road,
 Bedford MK 40 3LL.

**THESE LETTERS MUST ARRIVE BEFORE
SEPTEMBER 30TH .
WRITE NOW.**

Phone us on 785314 or 785588 if you need any advice.

Foreign Students in Otley

In mid September three Japanese and one Singaporean students will be studying on a new course at Otley College of Agriculture and Horticulture. The students aged 18 will study a one year foundation course before taking up degree places at the University of East Anglia in 1995. This course will help them to improve their English and provide a foundation in development and environment studies so that they can get stuck into their degree courses without struggling. I will be teaching part of the course.

I am looking forward to this because although I work for a development charity and have spent two years

teaching Animal Husbandry in Nepal I do not know much about Japanese people and their culture. I wonder if any of you might like to offer these students some opportunities for improving their English and you can improve your Japanese!

It would be great if we could provide them with some things to do in the evenings even if it is just a meal, or more importantly at weekends and especially holidays. There have been suggestions about the pantomime and the pub. If you have any more bright ideas please get in touch....

Adria Pittock
9, High Street,
Tuddenham
0473 785845.

TATTLER COMPETITION

Each year we have run a summer competition in the village. In 1992 we had a front garden competition, in 1993 we had front garden and the tallest sunflower competitions and this year we had a hanging basket - container contest. Mr. Proctor of Crown Nurseries, High Street, Ufford kindly agreed to do the judging and supply the prizes.

His comments were as follows;

The standard of the baskets - containers that had been planted and displayed in front gardens so as to be viewed from the roadside was very high and it was not an easy task to select "winners". In general all were well filled, some with unusual ideas. All were colourful and well maintained despite a difficult summer.

First winner was Kit Baker, Mill House good overall effect, baskets were well placed to bring interest to a difficult position. The containers well filled, bright and vivid. A good selection lined the front of the house softening the appearance and affording a welcoming approach.

Second winners were R. and J. Burnham, Lismore, a modern style courtyard entrance with the use of interesting architectural plants in containers showing a good range of foliage shape and texture.

Third winners were Michelle and Andrew, 6, The Street. Two beautiful baskets, bright colourful and very healthy. They were eye catching from some distance. A clever use of foliage plants.

Well done to everyone. The whole village is certainly one to be proud of.

We appreciate Mr. Proctor's help. He spent a long time walking round the village before reaching his decisions. Thank you.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This was a well attended and lively meeting where it felt like everyone was involved and cared about the proceedings. Our chairman, Malcolm Rees, said afterwards that he hoped all future meetings would be as interesting with members of the audience playing a valuable part in reaching the right decisions as well as offering some helpful ideas and information. We were grateful for contributions made by Simon Bestow, our County Councillor, and P.C. Warne, our village policeman.

At the meeting it was noted that salt bins have now been installed at 4 sites in the village and that a tree warden, Mrs. Pauline Rees, has been appointed. Problems with parking on the bus stop have continued, sadly, despite mentions in previous Tattlers. The parish council have now the option to get road markings for the stop and are eager to get this done. We appreciate the difficulty for housedwellers next to the bus stop but for people getting off the bus the kerbside is vital to make the climb down safe and parked cars mean the bus has to stop in the middle of the road.

Work on the pumping station continues. If you have any observations which you would like passed on to Anglian Water please contact me on 785588 as I speak to them regularly. It was noted that helicopter noise has improved lately but Mrs. Taylor

will continue to monitor this problem.

The current account now stands at nearly £150, the business premium account at nearly £2000, the Harwoods Charity account at £11 and the village sign account at £2128.

We are in the process of offering any "hard to find" residents their personal ordinance survey reference numbers so that emergency services can find them easily. Please contact me on 785588 if you want a number to keep by your phone. Mr. Andrew Gunn has kindly offered to do the research for this project to help me.

Mrs. Bloomfield has offered to become our new Suffolk Association of Local Councils representative.

The centenary celebrations for the founding of a parish council in Tuddenham are due on Dec. 4th 1994 and it is hoped that we can erect our village sign near that date to recognise the anniversary...

The police have been made aware by the neighbourhood watch team of illegal tipping at the landfill site. If you see anyone there without permission please tell your neighbourhood representative.

The 30 m.p.h. limit is now statutory if not obeyed.

Parking in Fynn Lane continues to give problems for the residents. These became extreme after a recent publicity article for

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PUB GOODBYES

Those of us who have been using the pub since the new landlords took over are very sorry that they have decided to move on. They have worked very hard to try to please everybody. The quiz nights and music weekends which they introduced have been great. We wish them well in their new venture at Felixstowe. So goodbye Fred and Alan. Our best wishes go with you.

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the circular Fynn Valley walk in The Star. I will be contacting the writer to seek publicity for the problems involved in such walking routes. P.C. Warne is to try to get official signs banning parking. Signs in the village were discussed but though it was felt that there are too many no action was taken at this meeting.

The Northern Bypass was felt by the council to be more of a relief road for Ipswich, aiming to convert minimal queues from Ipswich into £30-50 million new road projects in the surrounding countryside. This project was thought unnecessary, wasteful and a potential cause of much damage to village communities such as ours. The council was against **any** bypass route and would actively fight these proposals. The Tattler was asked to draft a letter to help residents to produce their own letters as personal letters to John Gummer, in his capacity as Minister for the Environment, arriving well before 30th September, might get him to cancel the plans before they reach the next costly stage. you can see our suggestions on page two. Please contact your parish councillors eg. 785712 (Malcolm Rees) 785272, (Bill Pipe) for any more information. Copies of the last Tattler have already been sent to Mr. Gummer, The Planning Department in Bedford, the County Council, the Highways department, the project manager of the bypass (Mr. David Chenery), the coordinator of the Ipswich Local Plan,(Sue Arnold), and all the neighbouring parish council chairmen.

Mr. Simon Bestow, our County Councillor said at the meeting that he was against the bypass and supported our proposal of a "counter exhibition" when the County put on their exhibition on October 15th in the Tuddenham village hall. It seems that our tasks, as villagers who oppose the bypass, are

1. to write to Mr. Gummer
2. to attend the exhibition on 15th October in the village hall
3. to take heart from the fact that Hintlesham managed to block proposals for a

bypass. **There is hope!**

The Tattler was asked to monitor public opinion in Tuddenham regarding the Village of the Year Competition. If we are to go in for this competition again we need more support from villagers and would appreciate hearing from you now so that we can plan ahead. Please contact Margaret Taylor on 785314 if you would like to be involved. I have already had offers from some of the audience at the parish meeting but more are needed. The council felt that the village appearance would be enhanced if verges and areas such as the entrance to Fynn Lane and opposite The Fountain were maintained. Mr. Ken Williams has already kindly offered his services in this work, The Tattler maintain the noticeboard area and Mr. John Wyle tidies the Back Lane. Will you join them? Otherwise the council did precept so that they could pay for some of the work to be done.

The playground is at present run by only a few people and they need help. Please contact Joan Bloomfield if you would like to join them. The Parish Council wondered if the Toddler group would like to get involved?

This was the kind of meeting that left councillors and clerk alike well pleased with the job they do and the public support they get. Let's have more of them....

Next meeting will be announced

Parish Clerk, 785588.

CHAPEL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Henry and I have been in our new house at Bucklesham for 6 weeks now but return “home” to Tuddenham to play carpet bowls and to go to Chapel. Saturday, September 10th was our Harvest Supper. The hospitality was great, always a warm and friendly welcome for everyone. The food was delicious, even catering for vegetarians such as ourselves and Erica, whereupon Erica asked if I had a recipe to share with you. It’s an on-going tease on Thursdays at Bible Study where I’m asked if I have cooked for Henry during the week. I usually say “yes - twice!” We do eat a little differently to most; we love fresh salad dishes with lots of nuts to crunch and we eat pounds and pounds of fruit - just love it! We munch into any vegetable, raw or cooked. The reason I don’t eat meat is because it has had a life and I can’t condone the slaughter of innocent beasts. Anyway here’s a quick recipe for busy people.....

Vegetarian Chuckitin with Pasta

2-3 tbsp olive oil
1 tin tomatoes
fresh or dried mixed herbs
pesto
salt and pepper
vegetables of choice

Cook pasta in usual way. Heat oil in frypan or wok, slice an onion and cook till tender, chuck in vegetables sliced or cubed-eg. celery, courgettes peppers etc.. Cook few mins, add tomatoes and herbs, simmer. Add pesto to taste - a little sherry adds to the flavour - cook 10 mins. Vegetables should not be soft. Drain pasta, pile veg on top and serve with side salad and carrots as described below.

Carrots with yoghurt

1lb carrots
1tsp sugar
1/2 tsp ground cumin
small onion
juice half lemon
1/4 pt yoghurt
Cook carrots with sugar in boiling water, drain and add cumin and finely chopped onion. Stir. Mix lemon with yoghurt, season to taste, and spoon over carrots in serving dish.

Pauline Barfield, formerly of “Fairview”.

ENTERTAINMENT

At the Chapel we were “wined and dined” thanks to lots of work by Pauline and Terry Green. With around 40 people seated for the meal and us “awkward” vegetarians to cater for the *Green Catering Company* can only be recommended. Once our tummies were full we were serenaded by The Granny Smith Theatrical Company who travel around doing shows in support of the Hospice. Their skit on village life with excerpts from Joyce Grenfell, John Betjeman and Laurie Lee was a delight. The whole evening was what Tuddenham is about; comradeship and shared good times. Thank you to the washing up crew and to Tony and Elaine, our hosts.

TUDDENHAM but fewer martins.

Those who may have seen me staring vacantly up into the sky during the past few summer months may have had their worst suspicions confirmed.

I was, in fact, studying the swifts, swallows and house martins, particularly the martins who will appear on the proposed village sign - next year?

This year I noticed some in Devon on Good Friday - April 1st - which is early. Thus I expected to see them arrive earlier than usual in Tuddenham, but they didn't.

A few came in June and July, dozens. They were not places - the only pair that I Crooke's house. However on sitting on the wires over the so doing their acrobatics These are probably on their Africa from somewhere north It may be that the martins the swifts . As I predicted extraordinary birds arrived

I saw the first on May 12th, the forerunner of the biggest flock I have seen in recent years. It is almost impossible to count them accurately as they swoop and dive at great speed all day, but there must have been close on a hundred this year.

Where they nest I do not know. They have to fly straight in under the tiles to their eggs as they cannot perch properly, or walk. Has anyone noticed? If so, perhaps you would let me know. The swifts have gone now but the swallows are still here, there have been a few pairs in the village as always but they have not graced my outbuildings this year as they usually do. The most remarkable nest was in Sheila Crooke's goat house only about four feet off the ground. This pair is still feeding young.

What do the goats make of it I wonder as the parent birds flash in past their heads?

Ralph Taylor.

WELCOME

We have several new residents to say hello to and they include;

Gary and Susan Whiting who moved into "Fairview" in July. They are hockey players and work at Willis Coroon.

Both number 4's are now occupied - **Darren and**

Louise in 4, Church Cottages bikes.

and some new people in 4, High St, who are very interested in the Cat Protection League. Your Tattler will find out more...

The Salvesen family are enjoying the garden at Tuddenham House, particularly Neil aged 3 and Leonie aged 2 who enjoy trundling round on their

We hope all these newcomers as well as you "oldies" will enjoy some of the village activities and particularly those run by the Tattler.

We continue to be helped by our spies in gleanng information so do call us on 785588 or 785314.

VILLAGE FETE

A very big thank you from St Martin's Church to everyone who worked so hard to make sure the village fete on July 9th was such a success.

The weather was wonderful, the hospital band played superbly, the children's fancy dress parade excellent, the displays by the Chapel tambourines and the Rushmere primary school country dancers delightful. We were all fascinated by the fire demonstration van and some of us actually enjoyed the bouncy castle! Coconut shies together with lots of other games such as throwing wet sponges at a well known Viking and Bale tossing were but a few of the field entertainments.

David Lugo worked so hard as usual fetching and carrying tables and chairs and the Westerfield Scouts kindly provided and put up a wonderful tent for our teas. The "tea ladies" were very busy providing cream teas and iced drinks which were enjoyed by those relaxing with a chat while watching the events.

A very special thank you to The Welhams for so generously lending their field, their electricity and even coffee! It was all very much appreciated as was Julie's and Stuart's hard work, enthusiasm and generosity.

All the village organisations worked so hard to make it a happy village occasion. They were all successful with their stalls, games and competitions.

The Church was delighted to make £820 which will be used for the upkeep of **our** village Church. Thank you everyone for your support. We look forward to seeing you there next year.

Gill Cruikshank.

Due to lack of space in this issue we will publish the details of money raised by individual stalls on the village noticeboards.

RED CROSS WEEK

£70.72 was raised in this appeal. Thanks to everybody who supported the collection and met Claire, Sandy and Julie on their rounds.

Julie Hazledene.

VILLAGE HALL

On Tuesday June 21st it was noted and approved that the flooring including the front lobby had been sanded and sealed with great improvement. A further sanding and sealing is to be carried out in the Autumn to complete it. The stage is now stored at Sunny Farm giving more space in the Store / Bar room. A further estimate on the plans for toilet improvements is to be sought and then application will be made for grants. Some recommendations by the Suffolk Wildlife Trust for improving the pond have already been implemented. Light dredging of the silt is recommended and a further assessment is being made. Joan Bloomfield offered to investigate other improvements to this area. Next meeting Tuesday October 18th, 7.30.

Gill Cruikshank.

OBITUARY

Our belated sympathies are with Dick Sawyer after the death of his wife Rose in July. She will be missed and remembered.

TUDDENHAM TATTLER TOP TEAM

Anyone who takes a daily newspaper can now play in numerous Fantasy Games, ranging from football management through Fantasy cricket, Fantasy share dealings and even Fantasy politics! We are going one better and having our own Tuddenham Tattler Top Team Tournament, where you have the chance to manage your own football team and become Tuddenham'd Top Team.

A trial tournament was held at the end of last year's football season, with a 16 team cup competition. This was eventually won by the Tuddenham All Stars, managed by Robert Kerry, who beat Southdene Town, managed by Ed Nicholls, in the final .

The basic rules are that you chose a team of 11 players from the current English Premier League and based on those players' actual performance during the football season, you will accumulate points. The more points you score, the better your position in the League.

There will be a £2 entry fee per team with manager of the month and overall prizes. You can get an entry form and the full set of rules from Dave Woods at Well Cottage, The Street, or Robert Kerry at The Spinney, Westerfield Lane. With the competition starting during October all entries must be received by Friday 30th September. The more entries, the greater the fun and the bigger the prize money. So why not have a go! Regular league tables will appear on the Village noticeboards and be printed in the

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES.

We welcome all to share in the Christian life based at the Parish Church. Each month there is a variety of worship:

18th Sept. 9.30am Morning Prayer
25th Sept. 9.30am Family Harvest Service
2nd Oct. 8.00am Holy Communion
 9.30am Family Service
9th Oct. 9.30am Family Communion

Both the family service and the Harvest Festival are the less formal style: for all ages. The 8.00 (early service) is quiet and traditional from The Book Of Common Prayer. The Morning Prayer and the Family Communion are both taken from the Modern Service Book (ASB). Your attendance at public worship in the village, whether at Parish Church or at The Chapel, keeps the Christian faith at the heart of village life.

Michael Stone.

Neighbourhood Watch - Information.

A volunteer from Age Concern has, over the past few weeks, fitted security chains to the homes of a number of Senior Citizens in the village.

Jack Lay.

WATCH OUT!

I would be glad for your comments on two new Anglia Television series, Bodyworks at 7.30pm on Tuesday, and John Stapleton Tonight at 10.40pm on a Friday. Tickets for audience participation for the

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to James Kerry and Ian Archer!

CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes to Lucy Wyatt on the birth of Emily Margo. Lucy is well known for her work on the Kesgrave Bypass and news on our back page will double her joy! We are grateful to her for her ongoing help on the Northern Bypass.

Ginger Sponge

- 2 cups S.R. flour
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 cup sugar
- 4oz margarine
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- 2 tbsp syrup
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 eggs

Beat margarine and sugar to a cream, beat in syrup, cinnamon and ginger. Beat eggs and add alternately with flour. Add milk and beat again. Line two sandwich tins with paper, pour in mix. Bake in moderate oven for about 30 minutes.

Margaret Hillman.

GREENWAYS PROJECT

This project, formerly known as Gippeswyk Project, is now running, aiming to manage the urban fringe around Ipswich. This is a joint venture between Suffolk County Council, Ipswich Borough Council, Suffolk Coastal District Council and the Countryside Commission.

The problems of flytipping, trespass, vandalism and livestock worrying effect local landowners and the project aims to help here by

visitors to the look after Management precious landscapes protected increase recreation.

We hope to volunteers sections of putting

back by clearing footpaths, planting trees, tidying ponds and managing woodlands.

It is essential to ensure as many people as possible can use Public Rights of Way easily and with confidence. Waymarking avoids accidental trespass.

For further information about the project or if you would like to become a volunteer, please contact **James Baker, the Project Manager, at Stables Block, Holywells Park, Cliff Lane, Ipswich, IP3OPG. tel. 231862.**

encouraging countryside to what they see. is essential if wildlife and are to be from the informal

work with from all the community, something

VILLAGE SIGN

We have now had the official "go ahead" for our village sign and having spoken to Mrs. Moore, who will be helping to make it, we hope to have it finished by the end of the year. We will continue to keep you informed.

STOP PRESS

On September 12th a momentous decision was announced. The bypass proposed for Kesgrave has been rejected by the Secretary Of State for Transport.

Those who attended the inquiry on your behalf received a ten sided report on the Inspector's findings and recommendations with The Secretary Of State's decision supporting the Inspector's view that the Kesgrave Bypass as proposed could not go ahead.

Here is a shortened version of his findings against the proposed road.

1. **No need for bypass** to be a dual carriageway as overloading on the A1214 only lasts for a short time each day and accident statistics do not support the need.

2. **No alternative routes found acceptable** with the council's proposed route also having major problems as explained in section 4 below.

3. **Other measures not yet used** as recommended in the 1991 Ipswich Traffic Study. For example permanent park and ride schemes, reasonably priced public transport, bike lanes. Since the Council's statement that 80% of the A1214 traffic is non-stopping commuter traffic the building of a bypass would be against government policy which is not in favour of building bypasses to facilitate commuter traffic..

4. **The Council's chosen route would have considerable adverse ecological effects.** It would be an eye sore, damage the landscape and cause loss of habitat.

5. **£11.7 million not justified** for a proposed four minute reduction in journey time which would help people living on the main road but be at the expense of others.

6. **Moving bottlenecks can lead to more accidents** as fast moving traffic meets a new queue.

Your Tattler spoke to Paul Harris, (Solicitor and the Advocate on behalf of the Council for this route for the Kesgrave Bypass at the Inquiry) after receiving this news and he said "Now that the proposals had been rejected by the Sec. Of State, building would not start next year, and once the report had been assimilated by Councillors and staff the "problem" of the A1214 would be reconsidered. The next Transport Committee will meet in October."

This news of a possible cancellation or at least a delay serves to remind us that what YOU say does count. So please write about the Northern Bypass **NOW**.
