

Parish News

Holme Pierrepont & Gamston Parish Council

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A Major Development on Your Doorstep Public Consultation

Rushcliffe BC's Public Consultation on Proposals to Build 4200 houses and a 45,000 Seater Football Stadium at Gamston.

Are you aware that Rushcliffe BC's public consultation on a proposal to build a large number of houses and a football stadium in the greenbelt around Gamston and Tollerton began on the 15th February and runs until Monday 12th April? Holme Pierrepont and Gamston Parish Council oppose this proposal for the following reasons:
Housing These housing numbers have been imposed on Rushcliffe Borough Council by our current government. The proposed settlement would be a new town larger than Radcliffe on Trent. Physically the 4,200 homes, equating to a town larger than Radcliffe on Trent, could not be designed as an urban extension.

Green Belt An independent report considered the site unsuitable for development for a variety of reasons including Green Belt Policy which helps prevent urban sprawl and coalescence and safe guards the countryside from encroachment

Landscape The same report also considered it a site of high quality landscape. The gently sloping site in the Trent Valley would mean any development, particularly a 100 ft + football stadium (4 times the height of a traditional home) would be seen for miles around.

Infrastructure This Study also considered Accessibility as one of the main reasons the site should not be developed. Of all the sites for a new stadium it would be difficult to find one less accessible by any means of transport other than car. It is not sustainable. No Train. No tram. Gamston, situated across the River Trent to the east of the City would mean dragging the majority of the supporters across the town.

A52 The plans include re-routing the A52 between Wheatcrofts island and Bassingfield creating extra fuel costs for people who travel to work in Nottingham as well as a huge increase in the carbon footprint

The Parish Council will be delivering a Rushcliffe consultation form to your house within the next week.

We urge all residents to take part in the Rushcliffe consultation by either responding to the Rushcliffe consultation at www.rushcliffe.gov.uk or complete the paper reply form and attend one of Rushcliffe Consultation Events.

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Rushcliffe GreenFields

Rushcliffe GreenFields is the umbrella name for an alliance of Parish Councils and local actions groups opposing the building of 4,200 houses and a football stadium in the green belt at Gamston and Tollerton: members include

- Holme Pierrepont and Gamston Parish Council
- Tollerton Parish Council
- Normanton on the Wolds Parish Council
- Plumtree Parish Council
- F.I.E.L.D.S (Lady Bay FIELDS)
- TABU (Tollerton Again Backdoor Urbanisation)
- GreenFields – representing the residents of Bassingfield

Representing over 6,000 houses in Rushcliffe, Rushcliffe GreenFields is able to give a strong, co-ordinated approach to their opposition to the proposed development at Gamston and Tollerton in the green belt.

Public Meetings

Development on Your Doorstep

Wednesday 17th March

At 7.30pm

The Parish Rooms, Burnside Grove,
Tollerton

Thursday 18th March

at 7.30pm

Pierrepont Gamston Primary School, Coledale,
Gamston. (behind Morrisons supermarket).

Guest speakers and a question and answer session at both events.

Rushcliffe BC Consultation Exhibition

Wednesday 24th March

12.30 – 5.30pm

Gamston
Community Centre

Parish Council Petition

Thank you to the many people who collected the signatures and signed the petition. All the hard work was worthwhile. To date we have over 2,400 signatures. These forms will be presented to the Mayor of Rushcliffe, Councillor Peter McGowen at the Rushcliffe BC meeting on Thursday 4th March together with the 1100 signature petition collected by TABU.

But it doesn't stop there!!!!

We would like to continue collecting signatures and reach a combined total of 4,200. One for every new house proposed in the Gamston East Development

Come and see us at the Farmer's Market in West Bridgford on Saturday 13th March and Saturday 27th March

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Holme Pierrepont Hall Spring Gardens And Coffee Morning

20 March 2010 10.00 am to 12.30 am

Come and enjoy a morning coffee (or tea) and biscuits in the Hall, and see the Spring Flowers in the gardens. Home Made Cakes. Bric-a-brac Plants. Country Produce. Raffle

Entrance to the Hall and Gardens £2.50, (Children £1.00), including tea/coffee and biscuits

Gamston Photographic Challenge Saturday 27th March

Register 9.45am at Gamston Village Hall

Return at 3.00pm with your 3 entries

A digital photographic competition open to residents of West Bridgford, and the Parishes of Holme Pierrepont and Gamston and Tollerton .

1st Prize - £25, 2nd Prize - £15, and a prize for under 16's.

Prizes will be awarded to the best photographs taken within the Parish of Holme Pierrepont and Gamston. See the leaflet for details or go to the parish web site.

Gamston Easter Play Day

Wednesday 31st March

1.00pm – 3.00pm

Play Park, Ambleside

An afternoon of fun and play with an Easter theme. Supported by Rushcliffe Play Forum, Notts CC Play Workers, SureStart and the Church at Gamston

Gamston Summer Fete

Saturday 26th June

12 noon – 4pm

Gamston Village Hall

Planning is already underway items will be there as usual: a BBQ, licensed bar, tea & coffee, tombola, raffle, children's entertainer, inflatable slide, which we had for the first time last year, was very popular with younger children and will be back again. The new features this year will include a coconut shy and other traditional fete games and flyers will provide more detailed information and a schedule of events closer to the time, but put the date in your diary now and come along and support this community event. To try and ensure that we have something for all ages in the range of stalls, activities and entertainment that we provide we have decided that admission will be free to all this year, not just the under 16s, so you will be able to come along early and then return later if you want to.

Gamston Village Hall Committee

New members needed now

Gamston Village Hall is managed and run on a day to day basis by a small group of local residents on behalf of the Parish Council. The main responsibilities of the committee are to try and ensure that the hall remains in a useable condition (pending replacement in the longer term), take bookings for private parties, and organise community events - the 2 main ones being the Summer Fete and the Bonfire Party. Of the current members several have been part of the committee for at least 10 years and a small group for much longer than that. We have always had some members who are parents of school age children, but this is now no longer the case with the present committee. If the village hall is to remain available as a focal point for the local

community, we need new 'younger generation' residents to come forward and get involved, so that they can move things forward and ensure the events that we run appeal to local families with children.

The committee usually meets in the hall on the first Monday evening of the month (except for Bank Holidays) for 1-1½ hours, so doesn't require a huge time commitment, and you can choose how much more you do outside the meetings you think you might be interested, you can either contact the current committee chair, Sonia (T: 982 0589, E: sonia.ostapjuk@ntlworld.com) or come along and see us at one of our monthly meetings: next dates are Mon 29th March or Mon 26th April at 7pm (to avoid Bank Holidays)

A Performance Of Peach Boy

On Thursday 21st January 2010 at the Pierrepoint Gamston School, the audience of children and adults, watched a spellbinding story of Peach Boy. The production which was remarkable, appealed to the parents as much as the children and gave a very absorbing interpretation of a Japanese folk tale, by turns funny, frightening, but totally absorbing.

The audience was drawn into the story of Momotaro, by the skills of three very talented actors, who told us of his adventures, aided by puppets, music and imagery. The action packed adventure was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Thank you Oxfordshire Theatre Company.

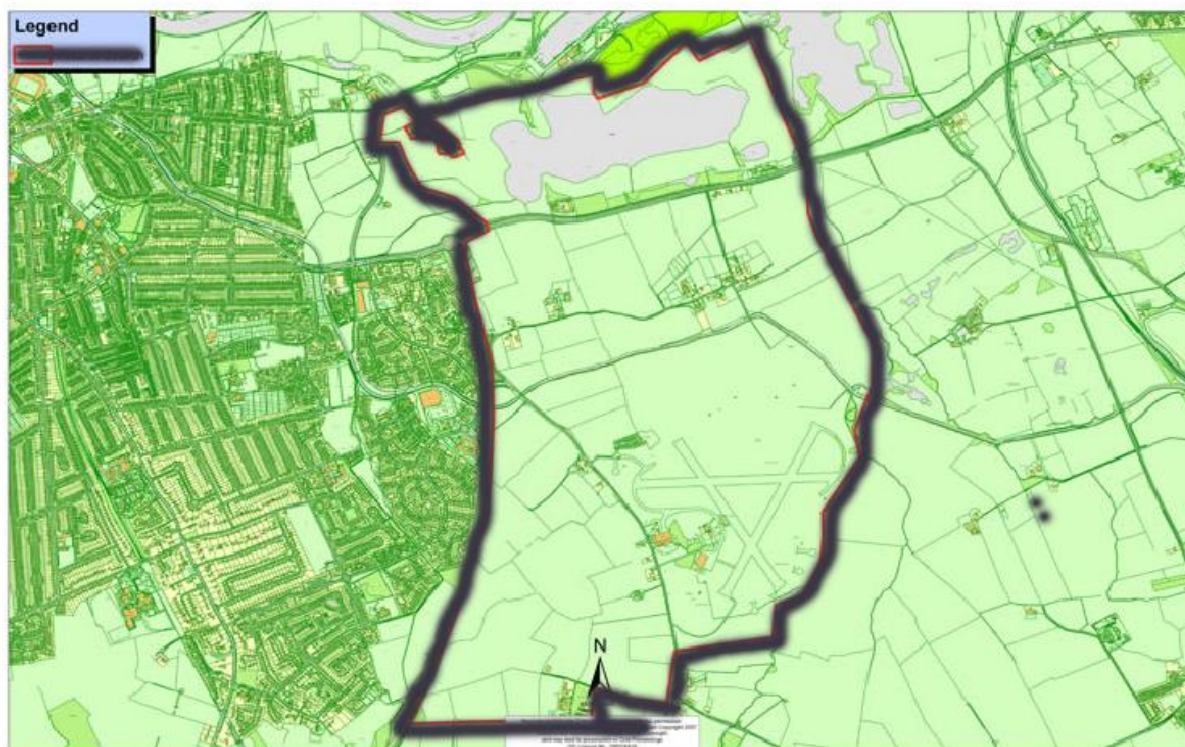
Who's Been Sitting In My Chair?

A story for everyone who can count to 3 especially if you're aged 3 to 7 at Pierrepoint Gamston School, Coledale, Gamston, NG2 6TH. Thursday 4th March 2010 at 6.30 pm. (Please note earlier time for this performance).

A playful and musical interpretation of a well-known tale, with porridge and bears and one-two-three-chairs, a tale that is not too BIG and not too small but just right. So you think you know this story? Well, take it from us, it's not so easy to tell when it's wintertime and the bears won't wake up - Z Z Z Z Z Z what do bears dream about?

But Spring in the air puts a spring in all our steps and one little girl with golden hair is always a step ahead. And when a small bear gets lost, we all have to go on a bear hunt! Using beautiful visual effects, inventive puppetry and original music, Freehand Theatre has created a play of special magic with young children in mind.

Tickets available from Pierrepoint Gamston Primary School. Telephone 0115 9819292



The area proposed for a 'Sustainable Urban Extension' on land to the East of Gamston for around 4,200 homes and a 45,000 seater stadium by 2026

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Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 8th March at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Old Tollerton Road, Gamston.

The April meeting will be on the 12th, same venue. Residents of the parish attending the meeting will be invited to address the Council between 7.30 pm and 7.45 pm subject to the current rules of the Parish Council

Village Hall Bookings

The village hall is available for hire and is suitable for a wide range of activities on a regular or ad hoc basis, for further information mandy.b@dsl.pipex.com or 0115 981 5110.

Editor for Newsletter

The Parish Council is looking for help in producing the newsletter and would welcome hearing from anybody who has experience of producing a newsletter or editing. The newsletter is produced 5 or 6 times a year but this could be increased if help was available. Anyone interested should talk to any councillor or contact the clerk. It is envisaged likely requirement is 4/5 hours per month