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The Executive Committee (as elected at the AGM each February) meets every 6 weeks and this newsletter is published as a result of the reports produced for those meetings. The items mentioned here are not exhaustive, just indicative of latest projects and developments.

Town Planning:

Mushroom Farm - we await the outcome of the hearing in London on 4 November. It is believed that Hart will not be considering the new application until after this hearing.

Barclay House - An informal inquiry is being held on 5 November regarding the application to build 2 houses in the grounds of listed building Barclay House in Vicarage Road.

Yateley Cottage - on the Eversley/Yateley border. This application for 5 houses to replace Yateley Cottage was commended for approval by council officers, but following a site visit prompted by Cllr Simpson, the traffic problems were experienced first hand at this busy site and the application was refused.

North East Hampshire Transport Strategy:

This project is just about to hold public consultations on a list of traffic "improvements" to reduce the use of the Reading Road by through traffic from Eversley to the A30 and the A30 from the A327 to Blackwater. Measures include speed limit changes and enforcements, pedestrian footways, pedestrian crossings, reduction of lane widths to incorporate cycleways, central hatching, ghost islands, closing/reducing junctions, more signs, pinch points, surface treatments, raised tables, pedestrian access to bus stops. The implications were discussed at the last monthly meeting and the major question raised was "Will this benefit the people living in Yateley, trying to get out of Yateley to work or back home again in the evening?"

Hart Local Plan:

You may remember the Hart Local Plan being discussed at a Yateley Society Meeting back in November 2001, when members urged the Council to ensure protection against overdevelopment in the area. It does not appear that the Hart Local Plan has been modified or will contain any modifications incorporating the Governments guidelines on planning regarding traffic (PPG13), other than a footnote warning about the effects of PPG13 when it goes before Council for approval shortly. The so far unadopted Plan (covering the period 2000 - 20006) is already late and officers are concerned that if all guidelines are implemented the delay in publication will be extended. The Exec Committee is continuing to follow this matter very closely.

Yateley's Undiscovered Treasures:

Peter Tipton has been in contact with several Dendrologists regarding Monteagle House and has now been asked if the Society would be interested in sponsoring - or spearheading with the residents - a project covering a cluster of some of our local buildings of uncertain historical background. It would be fascinating to have accurately dated timbers from which to build a better picture of their construction and history. Would any owners of listed (or interesting) buildings, or other members interested in this project, please contact Peter on 01252 873378.

Membership Renewals - A reminder from our Membership Secretary, Graham Brown:

Thanks to all those who have returned the green forms distributed with the last Stop Press with your subscriptions. It is good to see that so many of you now have e-mail addresses and can access the society's web site. If you haven't sent your form and subscription yet then I would be pleased to hear from you soon. As I mentioned in the last Stop Press, for tax payers, we can recover some 'Gift Tax' from the treasury to assist our finances but we need your signature for authorisation to do this before we submit the forms. Thank you!

OUR MEETINGS ARE HELD AT YATELEY INDUSTRIES - on the corner of Mill Lane and the B3272 Reading Road, Yateley. 8.00 pm Start.

(Entrance to Car Park and Reception from Mill Lane - to the left of the picture.)



The Conservation Working Party still meets at Wyndhams Pool, Cricket Hill at 10.00 am on the last Sunday of every month. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun!

Thursday 21 November 2002	Highly recommended to the Society, Ken Clarke of the Surrey Heath Local History Club will share with us his knowledge of the history of Camberley's "locals" - pubs that is!
Thursday 19 December 2002	Members are asked to prepare a piece about what you like and/or dislike about Yateley. You will have "Just a Minute" in prose, poetry, or whatever other method of delivery appeals to you"
Thursday 16 January 2003	John Heritage, archivist/volunteer at Broadmoor has kindly agreed to talk to us (hopefully the first of a series) about this well known local establishment.
Thursday 20 February 2003	Yateley Society Annual General Meeting and Local Plan update.
Thursday 13 March 2002	"Meet the Archivist from the Hampshire Record Office" From 7.30pm to 9.00pm at Yateley Library
Thursday 20 March 2003	Jean McIlwaine former archivist at St Peters Church and long standing Society member will give us a talk about one of the most historic landmarks of Yateley.
Thursday 17 April 2003	Carol White is Archaeology Lecturer at Farnborough College - and there is not much she doesn't know about Yateley Common - this evening Carol will give us an update on what has been discovered during recent excavations and what she will be doing in 2003.
1st week of May 2003	National History Week and the Annual Yateley Library Lecture
Thursday 15 May 2003	Once again, Ken Clarke of the Surrey Heath Local History Club will entertain us with a local history talk - the topic for which members will choose during his talk to us in November.
Thursday 19 June 2003	The Owners and Occupiers of Monteagle House - Peter Tipton will expand his short talk about the Cave family during the 2002 Local History Week.
Saturday 5 July 2003	Summer Social - venue TBA. Many thanks to the Jordan's for their hospitality at Abberley House for the 2002 Summer Social. A super time was had by all!
Thursday 17 July 2003	Visit to Bramshill

Programme as 31 October 2002

If you have any specific questions, input or desire to pursue any of these issues, please contact me or any other member of the Executive Committee. This is also an appeal if you would like meeting reminders to be sent to you by email, please drop me an email with your address (updated if you've change it!) and I'll add you to my list.

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