

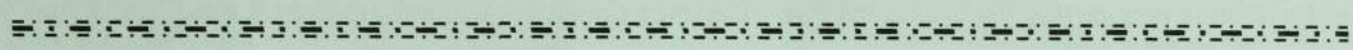
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The Yateley Society

STOP PRESS !

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Happy New Year to you all and welcome to our new style newsletter. We decided to move to the different format in order to be able to make our print larger and more readable, to be able to include more information and hopefully put in some pictures too!
We hope you like it.



Useful weblinks



In these boxes I will be showing useful weblinks for those of you with internet access. In the meantime, have you visited our site?
<http://www.hants.gov.uk/yateley>

Here are two very important imminent events:

**Friday February 27th
THE CHAIRMAN'S DINNER
at the Ely at 7:30 pm**

(Meeting about 7:15 pm – a little earlier than other years as we tend to go on rather late!)

Come along for a social evening and pay your own way so that you can decide how much you spend (and eat)!

Booking beforehand is ESSENTIAL

Numbers will be limited to 30 to keep things informal and manageable

Please book by Friday February 20th at the latest

Ring Tony & Mary Hocking on (01252) 875158 at 27 Hall Farm Crescent, Yateley, GU46 6HT to book.

**Thursday February 19th
THE YATELEY SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

8pm at Yateley Industries, Reading Road, Yateley

With this Stop Press, you should receive a copy of the Annual Report, together with notices of resolutions to be discussed at the AGM.

These resolutions are topical and relevant to what is going on in Yateley – the outcome of the discussions and vote will be recorded as the formal position of the Yateley Society.

Please submit any Executive Committee nominations to Richard Johnston.

This is the most important meeting of the year and we must have a quorum.

Come along, have a glass of wine and exercise your Member's right to vote.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ISSUES



Manor Corner (1 Mill Lane):

An appeal has been made by the developer on the grounds of "non-determination", ie the Council have not made a decision within the required 6 week period.

This is a proposal to demolish a substantial house on the corner of Mill Lane (and opposite Yateley Manor School) and replace it with a 3-storey building of 10 flats and 15 parking spaces. The site is adjacent to the Conservation Area and is also of archaeological and historic interest. There are also grim traffic implications at this particular spot!

The decision is now out of the hands of Hart District Council and will be made by the Planning Inspectorate.

You can still influence the decision by writing with your comments to:



The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3/08B, Kite Wing, Temple Quay House,
2 The Square, Temple Quay, BRISTOL, BS1 6PN

Quoting Appeal Ref No APP/N1730/A/03/1135950 Site at Manor Corner 1
Mill Lane, Yateley, Hants, GU46 7TE

Post letters by 10 February **at the latest** and, if possible, send 3 copies.

Clarks Farm:

An exhibition and Public Meeting were held during December, at which Hart Planning officers were gathering comments from the public about the future possible usage of the Clarks Farm site within the Local Plan. The officers were surprised to receive such a single minded response from the audience, led by Councillor Adrian Collett and members of the Yateley Society - "Don't let any development happen there at all".

The new owner of the land, Linden Homes, has just lodged a planning application with Hart District Council for approximately 150 houses! This application has not, at the time of going to press, been released for public comment.



Useful weblinks



The Hart Local Plan is available online at:
<http://www.hart.gov.uk/planning/policy/adoptedlp/lp.htm>

Moulsham House (formerly known as Moulsham Cottage):

At Moulsham Green, this application is for a new 5 bedroom house with integral garage in the grounds of Moulsham House. The development would be larger and higher than the existing property.



Useful weblinks



Hart Planning Applications are now available to Search, View and Track and you can also make your comments online at:
<http://www.hart.gov.uk/planning>

WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON?



Useful weblinks



Information about the Yateley Village Design Framework "Ideas Day" can be found online at:

<http://www.hants.gov.uk/environment/yateley.html>

Proliferation of Advertising Clutter:

Taking advantage of the impetus provided by the Yateley Village Design Framework "Ideas Day", the Society has begun to make representations to Hart District Council about the unacceptable level of advertising clutter that abounds along the Reading Road.



Extension of the Yateley Green Conservation Area:

Hart District Council has asked the Society to provide more historical information in our quest to get the Yateley Green Conservation Area extended to the settlement boundary towards Eversley. Graham Brown has been busy with his camera, gathering evidence and an architectural assessment will be carried out.

Castle Bottom:

Pursuing our concerns about the deterioration of Castle Bottom, Tony Hocking, (who has been in contact with the Head of Environmental Quality at the Environment Agency), will be meeting Clare Bloomer, Yateley Country Ranger during February to continue pressing for acknowledgement of the problems.

Go Wild in Hampshire

With this Stop Press you should receive a complimentary copy of the Blackwater Valley Countryside "Volunteer" magazine. The Yateley Society are featured in the magazine for their efforts in the "Go Wild in September" conservation month. Well done everyone!

Yateley Electoral Roll Transcripts

A big thank you goes to Richard Johnston for managing to transcribe the Electoral Rolls for the parish from 1939 - 1945, held at Winchester, as part of the work for the May exhibition. Many mysteries have been solved and as many questions have been raised.

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.

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.

Jo Hill, tel: (01252) 640909, email jo.hill@bigfoot.com

Yateley Society website: www.hants.org.uk/yateley/

OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE HELD AT YATELEY INDUSTRIES

Directions:

- on the corner of the B3272
Reading Road and Mill Lane,
Yateley

Meetings are generally on the
3rd Thursday of the month,
8.00 pm Start.

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



Thursday 19 February 2004

Yateley Society AGM

Friday 27 February

Chairman's Dinner - 7.15pm at The Ely

Thursday 18 March 2004

Dendro update.

Our project "The survey of Ancient Oak Trees around Yateley" has picked up a lot of interest from members, attracted new members and prompted outside agencies to request collaborative ventures

Thursday 15 April 2004

The Great Debate.

A lively and exciting evening will ensue as we debate the burning issue of the moment!

Thursday 20 May 2004

Yateley Library Lecture

Throughout May at Yateley Library there will be an exhibition inspired by the Yateley 1942-43 project. The lecture will be held in the Drama Hall on Thursday 20 May.

Thursday 17 June 2004

The Animals of Yateley Common

One of the Yateley Country Rangers will be telling us about the current fauna to be found on the Common.

Thursday 15 July 2004

Guided Tour of Minley Manor

Yateley Society member Major Hilary Nash (retired) will be giving us a guided tour. Because the Manor is occupied, the tour will be from 2pm - 4pm and numbers are restricted to 12. There will be a charge of £2 per head. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to attend - Jo Hill (01252) 640909 jo.hill@bigfoot.com. If numbers are high, we may be able to arrange an additional tour in August!

CONSERVATION WORKING PARTY:

The Conservation Working Party are a well-respected and friendly band of volunteers who meet on the last Sunday of every month at Wyndhams Pool, Cricket Hill at 10.00 am. They work alongside the Country Park Rangers to help with general maintenance and special projects on Yateley Common. If you would like more information, please call Mike Mann on (01252) 877741 or Tony Hocking on (01252) 875158.