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DeFest launches the Caterham Festival 2014

The May Bank Holiday weekend saw the launch of this year's Caterham Festival with a first class line-up of acts performing over the popular two day DeFest music festival.

Youngsters flocked to the event held at de Stafford School in Burntwood Lane, Caterham, on Day 1 to hear their favourite local rock bands play while the Swing Jive theme of Day 2 had a more 'vintage' atmosphere, with many people dressing up in 1940's-style outfits for

the occasion. As dancers were twirling to the Rock 'n Roll beat in the school field, children were making sandcastles on the new Festival attraction, the 'Caterham Beach' installed round the corner outside the de Stafford Sports Centre. Another new attraction for this year is the Air Show being held on Westway Common on Saturday 7th June, featuring large scale model aeroplanes. This year marks the sixth anniversary of The Caterham

Festival which is putting Caterham firmly on the map. Events such as the 'Waller Pain' cycle ride up Waller Lane has become a popular event on the cycling calendar with serious cyclists travelling to Caterham from far and wide to take part in the gruelling challenge.

The event could not take place without the hard work and enthusiasm of the Caterham Festival volunteers, so look out for them this month in their distinctive, green T-shirts.

For more information about the Caterham Festival, visit www.caterhamfestival.org



Dancers get Day 2 of DeFest off to a swinging start. Photograph by Jon Harrison, www.localeventphotos.co.uk

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Caterham residents meet Tandridge District Council Chief Executive

On Wednesday 14th May, the Chief Executive of Tandridge District Council attended a Question and Answer session at the Caterham-on-the-Hill Parish Council public meeting, held in the Westway Library. During the session, Louise explained that the council is having to provide services with fewer and fewer resources each year. To make sure the funds they have are efficiently spent they are cooperating with Mole Valley and Reigate and Banstead councils over an increasing range of services. With regard to economic development in Tandridge, Louise said: "The first

thing we need to do is look at the existing businesses we have in the area. We need to try and maximise the number of local job opportunities for young people, so they don't have to join the commuters that travel to London each day to work." The subject of local planning issues was raised at the meeting and Louise explained that more work is being done in that area, especially with the creation of the Neighbourhood Plan by the CR3 Forum. The research done by the Forum's Steering Group has revealed information that is vital with regard to planning for the future. For example their research has revealed that in Tandridge, the over-65s represent 18% of the population and this figure will rise to 32% by the year 2020. Their studies

also highlight the important issues of alcohol dependency and obesity as many boroughs and districts in Surrey feature high in the national rankings. The research will help TDC plan the best way to tackle these issues before they become a more serious problem in Tandridge. Inspired by the work of the CR3 Forum, other parishes in Tandridge are also starting work on their own Neighbourhood Plans.

When the subject of the derelict Rose & Young showroom in Croydon Road, Caterham Valley was raised, Louise said: "The council is following the route of carrying out a Compulsory Purchase Order, but it is not a simple thing to do and to be successful it needs the support of other parties to make sure the site is developed in a suitable way." Before the meeting ended, a presentation of a bouquet of flowers was made to Cllr. Sarah Burningham who is stepping down as Chairman of Caterham-on-the-Hill Parish Council. Cllr. Chris Botten will be taking over as the new Chairman.



Louise Round (left) with the Chairman of Caterham-on-the-Hill Parish Council, Sarah Burningham. Photo by Mike O'Reilly.

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Hillcroft School celebrates conversion to Academy status

On Thursday 8th May, the pupils of Hillcroft School in Caterham-on-the-Hill enjoyed a day to remember as they celebrated the school's conversion to academy status by joining the Glyn Learning Foundation ('GLF'). The Executive Headteacher of GLF, Jon Chaloner, along with eight other members of the GLF executive team were special guests at morning assembly which was also attended by the school's Chair of Governors, Cllr. Chris Botten. During the assembly Mr Chaloner was introduced to the pupils, who spoke to them enthusiastically about his passion for teaching and his aspirations for the future of Hillcroft as a GLF school. Following Mr Chaloner and Cllr. Botten's speeches, the head boy, Charlie Moye and head girl Shaula Peinke cut the special celebratory cake in



Charlie Moye and Shaula Peinke with the celebratory cake.

front of the assembled children and staff. Speaking about the school's conversion to academy status after the assembly, Cllr. Chris Botten said: "Everything is very positive and by becoming an academy the school will achieve 'Outstanding' status more quickly. When we put it to the vote to the parents they all put their hands up so it is a change that is fully supported by the parents. The fact that the reputation of the school is so much better than it used to be is a source of great pride to

me and the school is now oversubscribed." Headteacher, Stephanie Scutter said: "This is a very special day for the school and the children in particular, and we have lots planned for them. The day will be packed with enrichment activities, including visits from musicians and authors and there will be a sense of celebration all day." For more information about Glyn Learning Foundation schools and what makes them distinctive, visit www.glfschools.org

Tandridge Photographic Society 50th Anniversary Exhibition

Tandridge Photographic Society ('TPS') will be hosting its 50th Anniversary Exhibition from Tuesday 3rd June until Monday 16th June (excluding weekends), at the Tandridge District Council offices in Station Road East, Oxted. For more information about TPS visit tandridgephotographicsociety.org.uk

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Brave Glen overcomes fear of heights thanks to BBC 1 documentary

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Filming the documentary took Glen all over the world, ending with him looking down from the dizzy heights of the top of the world's tallest building, the 820m high Burj Khalifa in Dubai. Afterwards, Glen said: "The programme has really changed my life. I am now a lot more confident in high places. I was determined to overcome my fear of heights because I did not want it to affect my two young sons, who mean the world to me."



Glen and three of the other programme contributors on a visit to the roof of the O2 after the filming of the documentary.

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In praise of East Surrey Hospital

We are always reading about problems with the NHS, but I wanted to give you a good news story for a change! I was recently unfortunate in becoming seriously ill with pneumonia and I was taken to the A&E Department at East Surrey Hospital as an emergency. The treatment I received was excellent, and it is no exaggeration to say that the prompt action of the ambulance paramedics and hospital staff saved my life. I was so kindly treated by the staff on Tilgate Ward - the nurses and health care

assistants could not do enough for us. They were endlessly patient and gentle. I was especially impressed with the night team, who were often very short-staffed and yet they remained calm and caring with even the most awkward, confused patients. I also want to compliment the new chef because (much to my surprise) the food was beautifully prepared and presented. I had not expected such delicious food, which I really enjoyed as I started to recover. I just wanted to thank all the wonderful staff at ESH for giving me my life back!

Dr Anne Tuffill, Warlingham.

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Kevin Hurley speaks at Caterham Valley Parish Council AGM

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Kevin Hurley speaking at the Caterham Valley Parish Council AGM.

Surrey, not a 'fear of crime'. Following Kevin's speech the council discussed other topics, including the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan and the donations the council has made during the last year. These included sponsoring prizes for the Caterham Horticultural Society Show and the kit for the Old Cats Junior Rugby Team. The meeting finished with everyone present having the chance to chat about the evening's proceedings over drinks and nibbles provided by the parish council.

All the fun of the St. Mary's Spring Fair!

On Saturday 10th May St. Mary's Church in Caterham-on-the-Hill held its annual Spring Fair and the organisers were delighted with the great turn-out on the day. The enormous fair, which occupied not only the Church Hall, but also the St. Paul's Centre and the church itself, had numerous attractions including a second-hand book stall, 'vintage' jewellery and home-made jams and preserves. The Fair raised over £2,000 for the church funds.



Barbara Holloway and Bobby Clark at the jewellery stall.



Guide leader Janette Ralph manning the toy stall with members of 1st Caterham (St. Mary's) Guides.

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by Jackie Bolton, Manager, Hamsey Green Children's Centre.

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Sam Gyimah MP and wife Nicky celebrate safe arrival of first child

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The excited first time parents announced the birth on Twitter saying: "Nicky and I are thrilled and grateful for the safe arrival of our son". Sam, who was at the birth, said: "Newborns are such a handful - I didn't realise how busy I would be on my paternity leave. And Ethan likes to sleep during the day and party at night, so we are being put through our paces. But I've enjoyed every minute of it, even the nappy changing, and I wouldn't do it any other way. We have received so many messages of congratulations, which should all be directed at Nicky. Having seen what she went through in labour, I am full of admiration for her".

Commenting on the name, Sam and Nicky said: "We



Sam with his new son Ethan.

didn't know the sex of the baby so we had a list of boys names and girls names ready, but we still weren't sure what to call him when he was born. We eventually settled on Ethan, which is an Old Testament name from the Bible, meaning steadfast and optimistic. John is a popular name in Nicky's family and we are both admirers of Abraham Lincoln, especially his humanity and empathy, so it felt right."

Identical twin from Caterham gives birth to identical twins

On Tuesday 14th April, Claire Bulford from Caterham safely delivered healthy identical twins Emma Jennifer, who weighed 4lb 15oz and Alice Julia, who weighed 4lb 5oz. Claire herself has an identical twin sister, Jenny but contrary to popular belief, identical twins are not hereditary like non-identical twins are. Every woman has a one in 250 chance of conceiving identical twins so when Claire's twin pregnancy was confirmed at her scan the radiographer told her she should buy a lottery ticket! Claire now lives with her partner Mark Szwajcar in his home town of Dunfermline in Scotland. Claire, her sister Jenny and her two older brothers Andrew and John all went to St. John's Primary School in Caterham then Oxted School. Claire said: "I'm thrilled with my two beautiful daughters and it has been a massive help being able to learn from Mum's experience of having twins."



Claire Bulford, right, holding Emma with her twin sister Jenny holding Alice.

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In the spotlight

This month we feature **Kevin Hurley, the new Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner.**

Birthplace: Greenwich.

Marital Status: Single.

Children: One adult son.

Cars: Mercedes.

Pets: A fox that runs through my garden!

Childhood hero: The late Sir Bobby Moore.

Favourite Food & Drink: Madras Curry and red wine or Champagne.

Pastimes: Military reservist; diving; cycling.

Likes: People who stand up and be counted and are prepared to put their head above the parapet.

Dislikes: Spineless and



Kevin Hurley.

weak people in senior positions who will not speak out against wrong-doing.

Favourite TV show: The Wire.

Favourite book: 'The Art of War' by Sun Tzu.

Who would you most like to throw a custard pie at? There is no-one I would really like to subject to that kind of humiliation.

Favourite song of all time: 'Lovely Day' by Bill Withers.

Favourite holiday destination: Tobago.

Proudest moment: When my son at age four swam the length of the Olympic size pool in Leatherhead.

Biggest influence on your life: My mum.

Most embarrassing moment: When returning to the Parachute Regiment at the age of 40, telling family and friends concerned for my safety: "I won't get hurt - I'm an expert!" then breaking both my legs in a parachuting accident the next day.

Where would you most like to live? I love living in Esher, Surrey.

Who would you most like to meet? Dead: Sir Winston Churchill; Alive: Tony Blair.

If you won the Lottery jackpot, how would you spend it? After looking after my friends and family and making a donation to Help for Heroes, I would like to travel the world.

Vintage elegance at Helena Fortley Bridal Boutique

Helen Fortley Bridal Boutique is a beautiful new shop in Godstone Road, Caterham Valley, that is a magical place to visit if you are a bride-to-be. But apart from the wide range of wedding dresses for sale there are some very stylish vintage dresses and accessories - perfect for a 1920's-themed event! The elegant, classic styles are fabulous for when you have a special occasion to dress up for and are utterly feminine. To set off the vintage look the shop has long gloves, boleros, feather hair bands and clips, and bird-cage veils and summer parasols.

Shop owner, Sally Brady, is spreading the word that she also has some gorgeous adult bridesmaid dresses just in.

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Get set for the new Caterham Rotary Half Marathon

Caterham Rotary Club is delighted to launch its new Half Marathon, which will take place on Sunday 20th July 2014. The race will start and finish at the Redhill Aerodrome. The event is organised under UK Athletics licence in support of the charity Shooting Star Chase Hospice for children. They support families with children who suffer from life limiting conditions. Participants are also being encouraged to run for their own chosen charity.

The North Downs Hospital, Caterham is the main sponsor. Event organiser, Richard York, said: "We are delighted that North Downs Hospital in Caterham have agreed to link up with us on this inaugural event and we are looking forward to a very successful day for all the runners and for the chosen charity."

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Runners at this year's Caterham Rotary Bunny Fun Run.

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The race has been mapped out around quiet country lanes surrounding the Redhill Aerodrome area and will be run over two circuits of the route. Although the route is not completely traffic free, measures are being taken to ensure safety of the participants. The course is suitable for both experienced and first time Half

Marathon runners.

Medals and finish line goodies are on offer for all who complete the race plus trophies for the leading runners. A special £100 cash prize will also be awarded to the leading running club with a minimum of ten entrants. For full details including an online booking system, visit www.caterhamrotaryhalf.co.uk

The closing date for postal entries is 14th July 2014.

Visit a Battle of Britain Airfield at the Kenley Heritage Day

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Kenley Tribute.

On Sunday 15th from noon until 4pm June Kenley Airfield Friends Group is holding a Heritage Day in the Portcullis Field, accessed from Victor Beamish Avenue in Salmon's Lane West, Caterham CR3 5LT. They will be giving guided walks and there will be a display of vintage vehicles and model aeroplanes. Visitors can view interesting memorabilia in the Portcullis Club and enjoy a barbecue and other refreshments. Admission is free.

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Diary of a Plantaholic

by Sue Baines

'Less is more' - I understand the concept but have never been able to put it into practice and certainly not at this time of year, when everything seems to be doubling in size each week. There will be even less room as the Dahlias that got started at the end of March are being 'hardened off' outside, but always keeping an eye on the weather. Being under glass has produced soft growth, and some of them have distorted leaves, indicating that greenfly are present. Sadly the bugs are increasing just as quickly as the plants, so being vigilant is vital. Everything seems so far ahead this year, and lots of plants that usually get hit by cold weather appear to have sailed through. I was amazed to see that the Hydrangeas are already developing strong flower buds, so I have started feeding with tomato fertiliser. The potash in this encourages fruit and flowers on most plants, not just tomatoes, although they too



Sue Baines.

are starting to flower in the greenhouse. Other vegetables in the greenhouse are still too small for tomato feed and are being potted-on when the roots start to show at the bottom of the pot. As soon as I see flower buds forming, they will also get a tomato feed. It really does make a difference, especially if we get sunny weather too. I'm still sowing seeds as I have my first 'Garden Open' on 28/29th June, but hopefully another at the end of August. So I will need later flowers and bulbs for the August date, such as Gladioli Green Goddess, and Plum Tart, plus a few Galtonia and Eucomis Sparkling Burgandy (which has lovely maroon leaves). These will go into pots, to be dropped into the border in late summer.

Daffodils galore at The Chalet Open Garden Days

The daffodils were in full bloom for the two annual Open Garden days held at 'The Chalet' in Tupwood Lane, Caterham last April. David Gold and Lesley Manning hosted the open days to raise money for St Catherine's Hospice and the National Gardens Scheme.

Afterwards, Mr Gold said: "I am delighted to say that our Garden Open Days were fantastically successful and we managed to raise over £5,000 for St. Catherine's Hospice and NGS. I would like to thank everyone that came along and showed their support. There were so many friends and family who gave up their time to help make it a success and I would also like to thank Andy Parr and the Windridge family for all their hard work, John Lazenby for entertaining everyone so beautifully throughout the day, to the Vintage car owners, Owls Out and About and Steve Trippit with his Birds of Prey. We hope to see you all again next year. Special thanks though go to Lesley Manning who organised the whole event wonderfully."



The fabulous display of daffodils at The Chalet.



Local artist, Terri Winchester and her display of paintings.



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Michael leads the field at Brands Hatch.

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approached resulted in all the participants arriving at the collecting paddock shod in treaded rain tyres. The start of the qualifying session was delayed by about 15 minutes and as the weather appeared to be lifting, Michael decided to switch to slicks, much to the surprise of the other competitors. It proved to be a wise choice as Michael finished first in class and third overall. Michael went on to win his class in the race itself and once again enjoyed the podium presentation.

Fancy getting crafty?

Inspired by The Great British Sewing Bee, Warlingham resident, Key Beischer, has launched a craft club in Warlingham and is inviting new members to join. The club meets every Friday

from 10am-1pm at the Mission hall, Chapel Road, Warlingham. Admission is £3 to include tea and coffee. All are welcome, from beginners to experienced crafters. For more information email acraftyclub@gmail.com



Members of Warlingham Craft Club, from left: Ellen, Carol, Jane, Barbara and Diane.

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The Festival is now truly underway and last week started with the fantastic DeFest that many of you enjoyed. The Caterham beach is proving to be extremely popular with the children, big and small. Don't forget to take photos of your sandcastle and give them to the sports Centre. Have you got a stick of Caterham rock yet?

Each year the Festival gets bigger and better and this year we offer you over 100 events so there should be something for everyone.

More people are joining the Festival committee each year bringing new ideas and suggestions and I take this opportunity to publicly thank the committee members, local businesses, supporters and everyone who assists us in so many different ways.

The Street Party on Sunday 1st June will have fun and games for everyone in Caterham High Street. Two stages, giant games and some Market Stalls. Look out for Maynard Flip Flap, the man in the box and you can come dressed for the



Andy Parr.
 foam party at 5pm. Next Saturday, 7th June There will be the first air show on Westway Common featuring large scale model aeroplanes and on the Sunday it is the Waller Pain Cycle ride, the International Food Festival and the Great Caterham Bake Off Don't forget the other favourites like the Carnival, Open Caterham and the archaeological dig. Something I am particularly looking forward to are the Harp Lessons by Pilgrim Harps. You can find full details of these events inside this supplement or on our web site www.caterhamfestival.org Thank you for supporting the Festival and thank you for helping make Caterham a really great and fun place to live in.

DeFest starts the Festival off with a swing!

The Caterham Festival 2014 kicked off on the weekend of 24th-25th May with some fabulous music and other entertainment at the DeFest Music Festival at de Stafford School in Burntwood Lane. After getting off to a showery start on Day 1, the event was blessed with glorious sunshine on Day 2 and the event was another resounding success. There will be more photos and a full write-up in the July edition of The Caterham and District Independent. along with coverage of many of the other Festival events.



12 year-old Millie Bundle from Waringham on the Bucking Bronco on Day 1 of DeFest.



Graham Lloyd-Evans of The Stone Beats with some guest singers on Day 1 of DeFest.



Rock 'n Roll Band 'Vintage' performing on Day 2.



The Caterham Beach outside de Stafford Sports Centre. Photograph by Jon Harrison.



Dancers swinging in the sunshine on Day 2.

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Sunday 1st June

10am-6pm Last day of Caterham Beach. Bring your deck chairs for all the fun of the seaside. Join us for Sand Castle Competitions and buy your Caterham rock. Food and ice cream available. De Stafford Sports Centre, Burntwood Lane. FREE.

1pm-6pm Street Party sponsored by Caterham Round Table. There will be four music areas, the fifth plinth where you can sing, recite a poem or prose, giant games, circus skills, demonstrations, buskers, free jelly and ice cream, giant art walls, market stalls and many other games and activities. See Maynard Flip Flap, the man in a box. Come dressed for the foam party at 5pm. High Street, Caterham-on-the-Hill. FREE but PLEASE make a donation.

6pm Jazz Songs of Praise featuring the Festival Singers supported by the Roger Hind Quartet (piano, bass, drums and saxophone) with BBC Songs of Praise regular performer Raul D'Oliveira on the trumpet. St John's Church, Clareville Road, Caterham Valley. FREE.

Wednesday 4th June

12.15pm Munch with Music. Doors open 12.15pm. Come and listen to quality musicians. Coffee, tea and biscuits are provided and the performance starts at 12.45pm lasting for about 45 minutes.

You are invited to bring your own munch. St John's Church, Clareville Road. FREE.

Friday 6th June

10am-3pm Free sessions for adults with disabilities. Try out drama, dance and art, working with professional arts practitioners experienced in inclusion work. Care staff provided. Call 01883 330380 to reserve your place. The Arc. FREE.

8pm Whyteleaf Comedy Club hosted by Caterham born and bred professional comedian Jonathan Elston. The headliner will be Scottish Comedian of the Year, Larry Dean. Pre-show barbecue for £7 available from 7pm. The Whyteleaf Tavern. £8.

Saturday 7th June

12noon-5pm Caterham Air Show. See large replica models perform stunts and aerobatics in Caterham's First Model Air Show. Westway Common. FREE entry but donations welcome.

3pm and 6pm The Wabbit King. A major new play for a family audience. The Arc in

collaboration with Another Way Theatre. Follow Rafe Rarebit on his journey as he takes on the might of a powerful lion controlling the Wabbit kingdom. With the help of his friend Zizzi and a host of wise creatures, he not only saves his community but helps the angry lion change forever. Book, music and lyrics written by Chris Chambers; the Wabbit puppets created by Jill Wilson. Wabbit Blog at www.anotherwaytheatre.co.uk. The Arc, Weston Drive, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Tickets £10 and £8.

Saturday 7th June-Sunday 22nd June

Surrey Artists Open Studios. Visit local artists in their studios. An interesting way to explore art.

www.surreyopenstudios.org.uk

Sunday 8th June

9am-5pm International Food Festival. Around 40 stalls selling food from many different parts of the world including Surrey. Enjoy traffic free Croydon Road, sit outside the local restaurants and relax whilst they serve your Sunday lunch. Croydon Road. FREE.

10am-12 noon Caterham Bake Off. Put on your aprons again. There are four categories: cake, small cake, biscuit and bread, under 18s. Bring entries to UNL Chartered Accountants, 21-23 Croydon Road, between 10am and 12noon. Prizes or a wooden spoon for all categories. Entry form from www.caterhamfestival.org or just turn up at the Food Festival. This year sponsored by Champ Consultants. Croydon Road. £2 per entry.

11am Waller Pain Cycle Ride. A Round Table event. How fast can you do the Waller Pain? Cycle UP the 500m of Waller Lane - gradient only 12%! Prizes and medals for winners. Waller Lane. £5 entry. Spectators FREE.

3pm-5pm Caterham Cream Teas. Have a mouth watering cream tea and a rest in the beautiful and tranquil surroundings of the Soper Hall after doing all the shopping at the International Food Festival in Croydon Road. Soper Hall.

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Sunday 8th June

10.45am Beating the Bounds Walk. Either join Chaldon Village Council, meeting at Chaldon Church at 10.45am or join Caterham Hill Parish Council, meeting at St Mary's Church car park at 11.15am. Chaldon will arrive for lunch at The Harrow pub at 12.15pm till 1.15pm whilst Caterham Hill will arrive for lunch at The Fox pub at 1pm till 1.45pm. The walks will rendezvous in a traditional beating the bounds manner in Green Lane at 2.30pm. The walks will finish where they started at around 3.30pm. Teas will be available at Chaldon Church after the event. Start at Chaldon Church 10.45am or St Mary's Church 11.15am. The Harrow 12.15pm or The Fox 1.15pm, then Green Lane about 2.30pm. FREE. **11am and 2pm** The Wabbit King (See 7th June for details).

Monday 9th June

1.30pm WW1 in Paintings and Poetry. Illustrated talk by Jean Hammond who takes a closer look at how artists have depicted WW1. Jean is a practicing artist and experienced lecturer in the History of Art. Douglas Brunton Centre. FREE entry but donations welcome.

Tuesday 10th June

8pm Beechwood Women's Club. Major Derrick Harwood, MBE, TD, will talk on 'The Great War, its Effect on a Generation'. Visitors welcome. St Mary's Church Hall. FREE this visit.

7.30pm-9.30pm Try Playing the Harp. See Pilgrim Harps at the Street Party to book a lesson or call 01342 893242. United Reformed Church, Harestone Valley Road.

8pm Traditional pub games night. Come along and play Shut the Box, Bar Skittles, Aunt Sally, Horseshoes, Shove Ha'penny and many more games. The Harrow, Stanstead Road. FREE.

Thursday 12th June

7.30pm Author Talk by Nigel Williams. Best known for his bestselling Wimbledon Trilogy, in his latest novel, Unfaithfully Yours, Nigel returns to the black comedy of his beloved suburbia. Valley Library. Tickets £6.

Friday 13th June

7.30pm Cafe Sci Cultured Pearls. An illustrated talk by local jeweller and pearl expert, Andrew Browne, on the use of pearls in jewellery and their history. Soper Hall. Harestone Valley Road. FREE. Donations accepted.

Saturday 14th June

1pm-5pm Caterham Carnival. Come and see a display by local group Skaterham featuring their top stunt riders. Professor Crump will also be there. Stalls, side shows, music, refreshments and the funfair. The carnival procession will leave from The Arc, Caterham Hill at 12 noon, arriving at Westway at 1pm. Westway Common. FREE entry.



The Alice in Wonderland float at the Caterham Carnival in 2013.



Sonia Hunt, Town Crier.

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For full details see Saturday 7th June on page 2



A scene from the The Wabbit King.

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East Surrey Museum

10am-4pm, Stafford Road Caterham Valley. Displays and exhibitions.

The Arc

10am-3pm. Weston Drive, Caterham Hill, CR3 5XY.

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Ridge Radio

10am-4pm. Look at the studio, see behind the scenes,

meet the team, the DJs and techies and observe a radio show being broadcast. Ridge Radio, Croydon Road, Caterham Valley.

Skaterham

The Village, Caterham Hill. Open to the public from 10am-5pm.

Elizabeth Court

10.30am-12.30pm.

Grenadier Place, Caterham, Surrey CR3 5YJ. An invitation to visit for a coffee morning with freshly made cakes cooked by their catering team.

North Downs Hospital

Tupwood Lane, Caterham, CR3 6DP. 11am-2pm. Free health checks for adults and a 'Giant Operation Game' for younger people. Join them as they celebrate 40 years in Caterham.

Caterham & Whyteleafe Tennis Club

Manor Park, Burntwood Lane, Caterham. 1pm-4pm. Just turn up for an open afternoon to explore the courts, play a bit of tennis and meet club members.

Caterham Croquet Club

2pm-5pm. Queens Park, Caterham, CR3 5RA. Turn up and try croquet. It's not the game you think it is! Or call John Gilbert on 01883 340115.

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The Arc
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Portcullis Club
12pm-3pm. Victor Beamish Avenue, Caterham. Keeps alive memories of RAF Kenley in building no 22, one of the earliest buildings and now the oldest survivor. Photos, publications and a small museum.

Pilgrim Harps
1pm - 4pm. Come and see the workshops of Great Britain's only harp manufacturer. Slightly out of Caterham, in Tilburstow Hill, South Godstone.

The Wealden Cave and Mine Society
The Society is giving guided tours of the caves below Caterham. 2pm. Over-14s only. Under-14s must be accompanied by an adult. £7. Booking required by e-mailing brianfahy@btinternet.com.

Caterham Croquet Club
2-5pm. Turn up and try croquet. Queens Park, Caterham Hill CR3 5RA. Contact is John Gilbert on 01883 340115.

Tollsworth Manor
2pm-6pm. Rook Lane, Chalton, CR3 5BQ. Old-fashioned



Pilgrim Harps.

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Chaldon Church Teas
3pm-4.30pm. Church Lane, Chaldon CR3 5AL. Today and every summer Sunday. See the famous mural in this 900 year old church.

St Lawrence's Church
3pm-5pm. Church Road, Caterham Hill. Come along to the oldest building in Caterham for a delicious afternoon tea.

Caterham Barracks
Coulston Road, Caterham Hill. The Guards Depot until 1990, a fine example of the reform of barrack design following the Crimean War. Meet outside the Officers' Mess at 4pm for an approximately two hour tour.



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Sunday 15th June

2.30pm St Lawrence's Burial Ground Tour. Burial Ground open all day, but talk promptly at 2.30pm. FREE.

6pm Festival Choral Evening with the combined choirs of local churches. St John's Church, Clareville Road, Caterham Valley. FREE.

11am and 2pm The Wabbit King (See 7th June for details).

Tuesday 17th June

2pm Caterham & Chaldon Flower Club. Come and see Graham King, a firm favourite of the club's, with his demo 'Bursting Full of Colour'. The Rose Trophy will be presented to the winner of the competition. Guests very welcome. United Reformed Church, Harestone Valley Road, Caterham Valley. FREE this time.

Wednesday 18th June

8pm Brewers and Bankers. Talk by beer expert Alan Greenwood. Sounds an un-

usual relationship and it is. What could a banker learn from a brewer? Food available (fish and chips for £5.00) until 8pm. The talk starts 8.30pm. Alan has been involved with the beer industry since the early 1970s. The Harrow public house, Stanstead Road, Caterham Hill. FREE.

8pm Caterham Art Group talk. If you enjoy painting or have an interest in Art there is a demonstration of portraits in oil by Fiona Hooper. Further details from 01883 623986. Douglas Brunton Centre, Park Road, Caterham Hill. £3 visitors.

Thursday 19th June

2pm-4.30pm Chaldon Court House History Tours. See the timber framed medieval building of Chaldon Court, built in 1366, its Tudor additions and evidence of its 19th and early 20th century life as a farmhouse. Entry £5 per person. Teas and cakes on sale with all proceeds going

to the Chaldon Village Hall Improvement Fund. Limited places available. Must be booked in advance giving name, address etc. E-mail barbarbrunsdon@hotmail.com
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Thursday 19th June-Friday 20th June

7.45pm Smorgasbard Another Way Theatre, in association with The Arc serve up a delicious selection of Shakespeare scenes, songs and soliloquies to celebrate 450 years since the bard's birth. A host of feisty professional actors assemble to bring the 'Swan of Stratford-Upon-Avon's' best bits to life for The Caterham Festival. An evening of comedy, tragedy, history and romance (with some nibbles and wine). The revue is suitable for a family audience. Soper Hall. Tickets £10 from 01883 330380 or www.anotherwaytheatre.co.uk



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Saturday 21st June

11am Warlingham Fair. A great day out for all the family, featuring a battling medieval re-enactment group, dancers, musical entertainment and contests to join in with. Visit the reptile tent, the children's fun-fair, the beer tent or barbecue. Fun dog show for your family pet. Craft marquee where local craftsmen will demonstrate their skills and offer the results for sale. The parade leaves Warlingham Green at 10.40am. Blanchman's Farm Nature Reserve. FREE entry.

3pm and 6pm. The Wabbit King. (See 7th June entry for details.)

10am-4pm Archeological Dig. Queens Park, Caterham Hill. Sponsored by Caterham Rotary Club.

8.30pm Comedy Night at The Arc, Weston Drive, Caterham Hill CR3 5XY. Doors open 7.30pm for food and bar. Headliner

Andrew Watts: 'Exquisitely funny - one of the new comics making waves' - Time Out. Opener Tom Goodliffe: 'Wickedly insightful and an instantly likeable personality - one to watch' - Fest. £6 in advance/£8 on the door (Members £5).

10am-5pm The Start of WWI in Caterham Area. An all day event. There will be displays of photographs and documents and residents are invited to bring memorabilia and stories. Two talks '1914, Caterham & District Goes To War' by Roger Packham and 'The Public Schools' Battalion at Woldingham Camp' by Jenny King will be delivered morning and afternoon. There will also be a presentation by students from Caterham School. Further details from lizbonsall@aol.com. Valley Library. FREE.

Sunday 22nd June
4.30pm Smorgasbard 2. For the even more

adventurous, and those who would like to find themselves caught up in the battle of Agincourt or lost in the forest with Titania, join us for a promenade version of our Smorgasbard, taking place in David Gold's garden (or in The Arc if we are caught in a 'tempest'). Only 60 tickets available. Meet at The Chalet, Tupwood Lane at 4.30pm. Book online at www.anotherwaytheatre.co.uk for Smorgasbard performances or ring The Arc Box Office on 01883 330380. And if you have a favourite piece of Shakespeare that you would like to see performed, let us know. Come along dressed in Shakespearean garb if you wish! Entry by ticket only The Arc. Tickets £10 from 01883 330380 or www.anotherwaytheatre.co.uk

11am and 2pm The Wabbit King (See 7th June entry for details.)



The Warlingham Flute band marching to the Warlingham Fair last year.



The Warlingham May Queen 2013 and her attendants.



An owl at the birds of prey display.



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Tuesday 24th June

8pm Beechwood Women's Club. Diaries of Housewife 49. Judith Kinnison Bourke, MA, a lecturer on historical subjects, will talk about 'Nella Last's War 1939-1945' Dressed in costume appropriate to that time, she will talk about 'The Diaries of Housewife 49, from the Mass Observation Archive', written during WWII and portrayed by Victoria Wood on TV. Visitors welcome. St Mary's Church Hall. FREE this visit.

Wednesday 25th June

7.30pm Author Talk by Brigid Keenan. Packing up the diplomatic baggage. Brigid continues her life story as a well-travelled diplomatic wife. Caterham Valley Library. Tickets £6.

Saturday 28th June

10am-3pm Festival Photographs. Come along and see the display of photos by Local Event Photos of the Festival organisers. Let us know what events and activities you would like to see in next year's programme. Church Walk Shopping Centre, Caterham Valley.

2pm-6pm Garden Open - 116 Burntwood Lane, Caterham. Award-winning garden. A sloping, awkward site, built on many levels to 'take you on a journey'. Teas available, but space limited. Visitors need to be sure-



The award-winning garden at 116 Burntwood Lane.

footed and children well-supervised. Parking in Burntwood Lane will be difficult. Restrictions apply outside the house. Entry £4.00 per person in aid of the Dene Hospital League of Friends.

10am-4pm Miller Centre Theatre & Club, 30 Godstone Road, Caterham. See behind the scenes as scenery is built for the next performance and find out about daytime activities from Art to Yoga.

11am-2pm St John's School Fair, Markfield Road, Caterham.

Sunday 29th June

2pm-5pm Garden Open. 116 Burntwood Lane - see 28th June for details.

Relax with home-made cake and a cup of tea in the stunning garden at 116 Burntwood Lane this summer - See 28th June for details.

Throughout the Festival

Art Installations. Look out for the art installations in the Caterham area during the Festival. We can't say more at the moment, we've been sworn to secrecy! Saturday Craft Activities every Saturday, 10.30-11.30am. The library team put on craft activities for children. Check the website for details. Surreycc.gov.uk/libraries Valley Library Story Time every Tuesday at 2.15pm in Caterham Valley Library or every Fri-

day at 2.15pm in Caterham Hill Library.

Rhyme Time every Friday, at 10.30am and 11.30am in Caterham Valley Library or every Thursday at 10am in Caterham Hill Library.

St Lawrence's Church Teas every Sunday, 3-5pm. Delicious teas in historic surroundings, in the garden if sunny.

Chaldon Church Teas, every Sunday, 3-4.30pm. Teas at this 900 year old church in the woods.



Story Time at Caterham-on-the-Hill Library in Westway every Friday at 2.15pm and at Caterham Valley Library in Stafford Road, every Tuesday at 2.15pm.

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Scoot down to Nanny M's in Whyteleafe!

A new shop has opened at 228B Godstone Road, Whyteleafe called 'Nanny M's Mobility Scooters' selling state-of-the-art scooters designed by the shop owner, Tony Agassi. Perfect for the local, hilly terrain, the scooters feature speed controls allowing more power for going up hill, working headlights, indicators and a concealed, secure boot – a unique feature Tony is very proud of.

Tony opened the shop in memory of his late mum, 'Nanny M' or Marjorie Norman. Well-respected in Tottenham where she used to live, Marjorie was a pillar of the local community and involved herself in lots of local charity work.

Tony said: "Originally we were just wholesalers and my mum used to ride one of our scooters. After she died we decided to open the shop. We knew she would be very proud and decided to name the shop in her



The Duchess Twin Seat.

memory."

Tony said that people do not have to be disabled to benefit from one of his scooters. Some of his customers buy a scooter so that they can manage the hills more easily if they don't drive a car. With their sleek bodywork and alloy wheels, the fashionable bikes start at around £1,700.

Tony has also gone into partnership with Acorn Stairlifts that has Dr Hilary Jones as its sponsor. For more information about the scooters or stairlifts, call Tony on 01883 818729.

A smart new look for Vitaltone

One of the longest-established businesses in Caterham Valley has undergone a major refurbishment recently.

Vitaltone Pharmacy has been in the town centre, on the corner of Godstone Road and Timber Hill Road, for the last 20 years. The current owner, Shim Patel, took the business over from his uncle ten years ago. Since then Shim and his wife Monica, who is an optometrist, have continued to build the business which now offers an Optician service for NHS and private patients. There is also a new consultation room for the shop's Travel Clinic, where those who are travelling to exotic locations can go and get their holiday jabs.

Shim said: "We have been steadily increasing the number of prescriptions we dispense so we decided to increase the size of our dispensary as part of the refurbishments. We have also employed an extra pharmacy assistant, Kellie, so now we are a team of five." The team provides a friendly and helpful service and are happy to advise on the shop's wide range of products, which includes an excellent range of men's and



Shim and Monica Patel.



The refurbished interior of Vitaltone Pharmacy.

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Eating Out

Delicious food to suit all tastes at Costa del Sol

Review by Julia Church

Costa del Sol in Whyteleafe is always a delightful restaurant to visit and is a very popular hub for the local community. Joe the owner and his wife Nelia provide a warm and friendly welcome and the food never disappoints. When I visited the restaurant recently with my sister Helen I wondered how I would get on there now that I am vegetarian. It has been very interesting to compare how different restaurants cater for veggies. The Spanish love their meat and especially their fish and Costa del Sol prides itself on its speciality, paella, which has always been my favourite. So I was delighted to see a vegetarian version on the A La Carte menu. It honestly was delicious, with the same, flavoursome rice as is in the meat and fish versions, but with broccoli, mushrooms, carrots, peppers and peas instead of chicken and/or fish. I am amazed at how many lovely new dishes I am discovering!



Joe slicing an impressive Serrano ham.

There are also plenty of meat-free tapas dishes and starters, and to start I chose the 'Tres Colores' Avocado, Mozzarella and Tomato. Helen had a tapas dish to start with, the Prawns Pil Pil, cooked in olive oil, chilli and garlic, with no shells. Helen said that the prawns were lovely and juicy with not too much garlic - she could still taste the prawns.

While I tucked into my paella, Helen had the Salmon Fresco, which she chose to have grilled, as her main course. There is also the option to have the salmon poached. It came served with sautéed potatoes and perfectly cooked, fresh veg-



Vegetarian Paella.

etables and the salmon was a lovely big portion.

To accompany our meal we had a very nice bottle of Torres Vina Sol white wine.

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Home-Start East Surrey celebrates 20th anniversary

Home-Start East Surrey celebrated its 20th anniversary recently with a fundraising evening at Bletchingley Golf Club. The event was attended by Tandridge District Council's Chairman Cllr. Beverley Connolly and her husband and Consort Tim Connolly, Cllr. Sally Marks, Vice Chairman of Surrey County Council, also attended to lend support as Home-Start's Patron. It was a successful evening with the charity raising over

£4,000 from their generous friends and supporters. All the funds raised will enable Home-Start to continue their work helping families with young children under five years old in the local community. The demand for their services has increased in the last year and is marked with a recent expansion into the Mole Valley. The charity is appealing for more funds and volunteers to help them carry out their work in the future. For more information, please call Debbie Wade, Scheme Manager, on 01737 770220 or e-mail at: homestarteast.surrey@btconnect.com.



From left, Cllr. Sally Marks, Cllr. Beverley Connolly and her husband and consort, Tim Connolly.

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Quick Quiz

by Alec Herbert

I did hear that someone with a very close involvement with The Caterham and District Independent has become a grandmother to twins named Alice and Emma.

Five questions on Alice (you can guess what next month's will be)!

1. In the pop world, who did the man born Vincent Furnier become?
2. Who wrote the book 'The Color Purple'?
3. Which character was played by Emma Chambers in 'The Vicar of Dibley'?
4. Alice Springs is more or less the central point of which country?
5. Who are the actor/actress parents of Alice Eve, star of 'Star Trek into Darkness' and 'Men in Black 3'?

Answers:

1. Alice Cooper; 2. Alice Walker; 3. Alice Tinker (later Horton); 4. Australia; 5. Trevor Eve and Sharon Maughan.

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Who wants to be a Volunteer?

by Rosemary Banks



Rosemary Banks.

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the Douglas Brunton Centre in Caterham. These are just three of the many volunteering opportunities that I can offer. Some require the volunteer to be available for a bi-monthly meeting, plus preparation of papers. Other organisations need you to commit for a couple of years in return for extensive training. Alternatively you can sign in with me to become part of 'Team Caterham' and I will make contact with you to see if you can help with local events. The choice is yours! Contact me at caterhamvc@tvsc.org.uk or 01883 344444.

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Look who has visited The Whyteleafe Tavern!

On Sunday 27th April the Whyteleafe Tavern held a very successful Family Fun Day to celebrate St. George's Day. Entertainment included a bouncy castle, face-painting and a barbecue. Magician Ted Wroxley entertained everyone with his tricks and Mickey and Minnie Mouse sold sweets and candy floss. The event coincided with the grand opening of a new shellfish stall called 'Shrimpy the Best' on the forecourt of the Tavern.

Afterwards, landlord, Tom Dempsey, said: "It was a super day, blessed with lovely weather and it was great to see so many Whyteleafe families enjoying themselves!"

The Tavern's next Family Fun Day is being held on Father's Day, Sunday 15th June. when the funds raised will be donated to local girl Amelia Salter, who has been diagnosed with leukaemia.



Old Cats Rugby end the season on a high

by Gerard Lever

After a long and often wet year, the Old Cats Under 10's and Under 11's Rugby teams finished the season with their first tour. The under 10's team played in a national competition in Minehead whilst the under 11's went to Bognor Regis and played in a Sussex tournament with some of the strongest teams in the county.

The team members designed their own tour shirts, supported by donations from Caterham Round Table, Village Developments Strategic Land and various fundraising events organised by the parents and teams.

Under 10's Coach Dave Cox said: "The team came against strong opposition across the country and played their best Rugby of the season to win the Shield Cup".

Under 11's coach Nick Morigridge said: "There were some of the best standards of mini Rugby and the tour really brought our team together". Both teams did their club and Caterham proud!

Old Cats are based in Park Avenue, Caterham. We start from under 6's, through to our Veterans squad for both boys and girls. The club is based around building friendships and having fun. The season starts again in September and we look forward



The triumphant Under 10s



The Under 11's after their tournament in Sussex.

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Chaldon resident Pamela Parker was the Overseas Trading Director for Guinness Peat, Middle East & West Africa between 1972-79. Between 1979-2014 Pamela was Managing Director of her own trading company, representing environmental companies in the UK, Germany, Spain and Finland. Pamela was married to John in October 1980, living in Badgers Wood until her passing.

In 1980 Pamela became Chair of the Chaldon Fête committee and for three years restored the fortunes of this annual fête.

1983 saw the birth of son Charles who attended local schools including Caterham School where Pam became chair of the Parents Association and organised the school fête for a number of years. During this time Pam became chair of Hillcroft Primary School and she was a founding member of Caterham School.

In parallel Pam became involved in both local and national politics. Pam however was totally committed to local politics in Chaldon, her main love.

Her work in politics has been recognised by the Prime Minister in a warm and heartfelt letter to John recording Samantha and his own sadness.

Pam was a person of great humanity, spending her life with a deep concern for the people around her locally but for many others further afield, in the UK and overseas. Her talents were numerous. Application to work, social activity, friends and family life and charities were many and gave her great fulfilment.

The last year of her life was spent fighting cancer, a battle she won when Royal Marsden earlier this year declared her free of cancer only to be struck down by an aneurysm of the aorta.

Sam Gyimah gave an address at St. Mary's Church, Caterham on the occasion of Pam's funeral on 21st May.

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ing live music from Ridge Radio, reptiles and spiders from Beaver Water World, a barbecue, face painting, crafts, a bouncy castle and stalls.

Kenley Heritage Day
On Sunday 15th June, the Kenley Airfield Friends Group will be hosting a Kenley Heritage Day from noon until 4pm at the Portcullis Field (Victor Beamish Avenue, off Salmon's Lane West, Caterham CR3 5LT). The event will include guided WWII heritage and nature walks, a blast pen experience, a children's photographic competition, vintage vehicles

and model aeroplanes on display. A barbecue, ice cream and teas will be available. For further information, please visit www.kafg.org.uk

1940s Charity Night
To commemorate the 70th anniversary of D-Day, The Blacksmith's Arms in the High Street, Caterham-on-the-Hill, is holding a 1940s Fancy Dress Charity Night. There will be dancing to the Rock 'n Roll band 'Vintage'. Entry is £5 and all proceeds will be donated to 'Help for Heroes'.

Caterham Carnival
On Saturday 14th June the Caterham Carnival is taking place on Westway Common,

Caterham-on-the-Hill from 1pm. The beneficiaries of this year's Carnival are 2nd Hamsey Green Scout Group, Skaterham and The Arc. The procession starts off from The Arc in Weston Drive, Caterham-on-the-Hill and will process along Coulsdon Road, Court Road and the High Street, finishing at Westway Common. Amongst the attractions will be a Fun Dog Show, stalls and side shows, and a fun fair. The arena entertainment will feature pole dancers, a display by members of 'Skaterham', dance and gymnastic displays.

Warlingham Fair
On Saturday 21st June the Warlingham Fair is taking place at Blanchman's Farm, Limsfield Road, Warlingham, starting at 11am-4pm. The parade leaves Warlingham Green at 10.45am, arriving at Blanchman's Farm in time for the 11am opening. This year's event will feature 'Historia Normannis', a 12th century re-enactment group, focusing on the events between the reign of Henry I and King John. Other arena acts will comprise a Tug o' War, Wellie Wanging and Dog It's a Knockout.

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£380,000



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Situated in a tucked away location off a private road, this spacious two bedroom first floor conversion apartment is offered for sale with no onward chain. Of particular note are the high ceilings, sash bay window and fire place. Refitted contemporary bathroom and rooms with an open outlook over the gardens.

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Situated on an elevated position with an open outlook across the valley and countryside, this three bedroom house is offered with no onward chain. Two reception rooms, double glazing and gch. The property would benefit from some further upgrading and redecoration. Gardens to the front and rear.

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£650,000



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£750,000



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