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The Brietling Wing-walkers, Danielle Hughes and Stella Guilding with their pilots Martyn Carrington and David Barrrell at Kenley Airfield following their spectacular display at the end of the Air Day last month.

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Residents invited to Open Evening at the Soper Hall

Following a recent survey regarding the future of the Soper Hall, an Open Evening is being held to enable local residents and organisations to find out more about the plans for its future.

In July, the Soper Hall Group, part of the Caterham Community Partnership, distributed the survey in The Caterham and District

Independent. Over a hundred local people completed the survey, three quarters of them from Caterham Valley. The findings showed overwhelming support for the Soper Hall to continue as a historic venue for community activities and involvement. Suggestions for the hall's future were varied, with some believing it would



Members of the Soper Hall Group get ready to go through the results of the recent survey.

be the ideal venue for a local cinema and others imagining it as a perfect place to hold meetings and small exhibitions.

The Open Evening is following-up on the survey to encourage more people to express their views on the plans for the building. It will present those who attend with the ideal opportunity to ask questions and have some influence on the future of the Soper Hall by becoming involved in the decision making process. The Open Evening is being held in the Soper Hall on Friday 17th September from 6pm to 8pm.

If you would like to attend please e-mail info@soperhall.org.uk or telephone 01883 347284.

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Premises found for new Caterham radio station

Last month we reported the announcement by Mark Jones to launch a new radio station for Caterham and since then things have been moving fast for Mark, who lives and works in Caterham. The response to the news was huge, and the best news is that The Arc arts and recreational centre in The Village has offered Mark studio space for when the station launches.

"The station will be online to start with because it will take a while to get a licence to broadcast on air," explained Mark. "I'm really pleased with all the support I have received. I have so many ideas for the station buzzing around, it's brilliant!" Anyone interested in becoming involved is invited to a public meeting at The Arc in Weston Drive, The Village at 7.30pm on Thursday 16th September. All are welcome.

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Local secondary schools achieve record GCSE results

Students all over the country have been opening their GCSE exam results and this year has seen record results for both de Stafford School in Caterham and Warlingham School.

Following the publication of the results on Tuesday 24th August, de Stafford School announced that 78% of their students achieved 5 A*-C grades representing an increase of 15% on last year. 54% of students achieved 5 A*-C grades including English and Maths which is a 10% rise on the 2009 results.

Caroline Longhurst, Head-teacher, stated: "This year group were a pleasure to work with during their time here in terms of their academic progress, social development and the contribution they made to the school community. It is, therefore, a real pleasure for us to see that their efforts have been rewarded through their success in the GCSE examinations.

"These results could not have been achieved without

the hard work of the students, the dedication of the staff and support of parents. I wish the students all the best for the future in their chosen post-16 pathway. We look forward to welcoming them back to receive their well deserved certificates at our Presentation Evening on 24th November".

At Warlingham School, a record-breaking 90% of students achieved five or more GCSEs at grade C or above, the government's benchmark figure for progression to further education. Over one in five of these results was at the highest grades of A or A*.

64% of students achieved five or more GCSEs including English or Maths. Miss Woodhouse, Head-teacher, commented: "For the third year running, we have out-performed the challenging targets we set ourselves as a school and I would like to congratulate all the students and thank the staff and parents for their hard work this year."



de Stafford student, Kieran Hill, who, having achieved nine GCSEs at Grade C and above, will be going to Reigate College to study Music, Performing Arts, English Literature and Media Studies



Successful Warlingham School students, Rochelle and Hannah Armah who supported each other with revision before their exams.

'We mean business 2010'

Top inspirational presenters have been announced for 'We Mean Business 2010', organised by the Croydon Branch of the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB). The exhibition is being held at the Fairfield Hall, Croydon on Thursday

7th October and is open from 10am-4pm. Visitor entry to 'We Mean Business' is free and businesses can exhibit from just £90 plus VAT.

For more information visit www.wmb2010.co.uk or telephone 01403 734257.

Wetherspoons rumour untrue!

Steve Kirk, the owner of The Village Inn in Caterham-on-the-Hill announced recently that he was thinking of selling the historic pub/restaurant, but has quashed the rumour that the Wetherspoons restaurant chain will be buying the pub. "I am thinking of selling the pub because my family is growing and I want to invest in a business with more sociable hours," explained Steve. "Although it is in the ideal location for a Wetherspoons, I would much rather a local person bought The Village Inn - maybe a local publican or restaurateur."



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Kenley Air Day draws thousands

Around 6,000 people got along to the Kenley Air Day on Saturday, 14th August despite the gloomy weather forecast. The organisers were delighted with the attendance, praising the British Bulldog spirit of the crowd for not allowing the weather to ruin the event that had been two years in the planning. The low cloud prevented the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight featuring a Hurricane, Lancaster and Spitfire from attending, but there was still plenty going on in the air to entertain everyone including an impressive display of aerobatics by a Pitts Special S-2C bi-plane and a mock combat between two replica WWI aircraft - a German Junkers CL1 and for the allies, a Royal Aircraft Factory SE5A. By the end of the day, blue sky was emerging through the cloud, providing the backdrop for the impressive Brietling Wing Walkers, whose

20 minute display provided a spectacular finale to the event. At the end of their display the team landed on the airfield, giving the crowd the opportunity to meet the pilots, Martyn Carrington and David Barrell and the wing-walking girls, Danielle Hughes and Stella Guilding, who posed for photos and signed autographs.

Mike Street, Chairman of the Kenley Air Day 2010 organising committee, said: "I am really pleased so many people have braved the weather to come today. I have been asked if there will be more Kenley Air Days in the future and I very much hope that there will be. Some people have suggested we expand the event to something more like the Biggin Hill Air Fair, but I think it should remain a small, local event - a special event for our community."

To read the full article and to view many more great photographs by Jon Harrison, visit our website, www.caterham-independent.co.uk



The 1936 Percival Vega Gull (left) and 1943 Percival Proctor 3k. www.localeventphotos.co.uk



The Brietling Wingwalkers in flight.



Above: Former Kenley Spitfire pilot, Flt Lt William Walker.
Left: Mike Street with his friend Emma Berry.



Marta Doroszkiwicz in RAF blue for the occasion.

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In the spotlight

This month we feature 85 year-old George Beaton. who is a member of Caterham Rotary Club. George spent 25 years in the RAF and was awarded the Air Force Cross (AFC) for bravery. As a choirboy, George sang at the coronation of George VI in 1936.



Favourite Food and Drink: Steak and lager (and coffee).

Pastimes: Ten-pin bowling, Rotary and watching sport (especially athletics).

Likes: Travelling; Eating out with good company.

Dislikes: Tea, coconut and marzipan. If I get any of those in my mouth it is awful! Also, people who feel superior to others.

Favourite TV Show: At the moment, the American crime series, NCIS.

Favourite Books: Novels, including novels by Neville Shute which I am re-reading at the moment.

Favourite song of all time: 'Someone to watch over me' by George Gershwin.

Birthplace: Chiswick.

Marital Status: Married for 56 years to Mary, who passed away in October 1998.

Children: Two sons, Richard and Malcolm, one adopted daughter, Shona and seven grandchildren.

Cars: Ford Mondeo.

Pets: No pets, but I used to have a dog and a couple of cats.

Childhood Hero:

Franz Stampfl, my Geography teacher at school who was the world champion javelin thrower.

Who would you most like to throw a custard pie at? Hitler.

Favourite holiday destination:

Gorston-Upon-Sea near Great Yarmouth where my father bought a holiday home when I was a child.

Biggest influence on your life: My parents.

Proudest moment: Receiving the AFC in 1964.

Most embarrassing moment:

I have them all the time because I have a habit of saying things which I regret about ten seconds later. My mouth runs away with me sometimes!

Where would you most like to live?

In the Cotswolds.

Who would you most like to meet?

Manfred von Richthofen (The Red Baron).

If you won the Lottery jackpot, how would you spend it?

I would travel Business Class instead of Economy and use the money to make the lives of other people better.

Support grows for the Tandridge Community Fund



Cllr. Jeremy Websiter (left) in conversation with TCF Patron, David Gold.

Members of local charity, the Tandridge Community Fund ('TCF') are delighted that Sainsbury's in Warlingham has made TCF its Charity of the Year. The launch is taking place at the store in Limpsfield Road, Chelsham, on Saturday 4th September. Staff will be in fancy dress and there will be a raffle to help promote TCF. A full report and photos will be put onto the Caterham and District Independent website, www.caterham-independent.co.uk

Word of the Fund is spreading right across Tandridge. On Friday 13th August a number of prominent guests attended a reception in Dormansland organised to promote TCF in the southern part of the district. One of the TCF Management Panel, Mike Ellis and his soon-to-be wife, Sue hosted the event that was also attended by David Gold, the Patron of the Fund and his fiancé Lesley Manning. TCF Chairman, Mike Moss, said: "The purpose of the evening was to promote the Tandridge Community Fund and persuade our guests to help us spread the word about what we are trying to achieve."

During his speech, David Gold shared his enthusiasm for the Fund with the guests, emphasising how important he believes it is to help those less fortunate in our own community. Mike said: "The beauty of the Tandridge Community Fund is that it is a fund in perpetuity - the capital we accrue from charitable donations will never be touched. It is the interest that will be distributed to voluntary groups across the Tandridge district as soon as we have the funds available." If you would like more information or would like to make a donation to the Tandridge Community Fund, please telephone Mike Moss, on 01883 713322. You can view the TCF website at: www.communityfoundation-surrey.org.uk/tandridge/ind ex.html

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Headmistress Nikki Matthews said: "With news that more students will find it harder to find university places this year and in the future, it is especially pleasing to see that Dunottar girls continue to excel in their chosen fields of study



Joy and relief for a happy Dunottar A Level student.

and achieve places at some of the best universities in the country."

Those who had taken their GCSEs at Dunottar this summer also had plenty to celebrate. Over half the results were graded either A or A* which is a wonderful result for the school.

Headmistress Nikki Matthews said: "We are delighted once again with our GCSE results which reflect the hard work and dedication of the girls and all of the staff at the school. Almost a quarter of our GCSE candidates

achieved at least eight A or A* grades."

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Headteacher, Alison Woodhouse, said: "I am absolutely delighted with the outstanding results, and particularly pleased with the 19 new A* grades achieved by the students."

Assistant Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form, Rob Scott, was also delighted: "I would like to congratulate the students. I am particularly impressed not only by their excellent grades, but also by their wider commitment both to the school and to the local community as part of their Surrey Graduation qualification."

Woldingham celebrates 100% A level pass rate

Woldingham once again is celebrating a 100% pass rate across all subjects at A Level, with 21.5% having achieved the new A* grade and 60% A*-A grades. The school's excellent record is maintained with A-C grades being awarded to 95% of its students. 100% of the grades were Grade A* to E. Particular highlights include an impressive 19 girls out of 21 achieving an A* or A in Mathematics and a 100% A/B pass rate in Politics, Art, History, Spanish and Physics. Woldingham's excellent reputation in the creative arts is upheld with four girls celebrating an A* in Art and Art Textiles, and Music and Theatre Studies yielding 100% at A*-B grades.

We are thrilled that Anni Gilbert achieved four A* grades in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics. "Rachel Siddell, Beatrice Downing, Joanie Lam and Grace Chan also achieved three A* grades."



Woldingham girls take in the good news.

In addition, seven students achieved four or more straight A* and A grades with 27 students achieving at least three A* and A grades. Headmistress Jayne Triffitt said: "I am delighted with these fantastic results. The grades achieved reflect the hard work and dedication of both the students and their teachers. The support given to the girls during their A Level years by their teachers and the boarding staff at Woldingham is second to none."

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Neighbourhood Inspector Elaine Burtenshaw

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This last month we have run three Operation Smart vehicle stop points organised by neighbourhood officer PC Bassom with colleagues from Roads Policing Unit and VOSA. A summary total is 185 vehicles stopped; 68 tickets processed for no seatbelt, mobile phones etc; 29 illegal vehicles taken off the road; five arrests for various offences and 21 stop and search of vehicles. This I am sure you will agree is excellent pro-active work capturing those that break traffic laws that could directly affect you. I am aware that there is concern around dogs and cases where they have been involved with assaults on people and other animals. You will have read in the

local press of cases that your local neighbourhood team have taken to court. The owners were prosecuted, strict control put on the dogs and in some cases dogs were removed by the courts. In an incident at the end of August a dog owner was arrested by officers from the Neighbourhood Team and subsequently charged under the Dangerous Dogs Act for failing to comply with a Court order. The charge related to two separate incidents. Two Rottweilers and a Staffordshire Bull Terrier are currently in the custody of the police.



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Hannah (left), Chloe and five month old 'Louis'.



These ladies were jigging along to the Polygon Dixieland Jazz Band.



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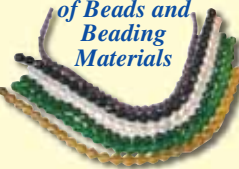


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Review by Julia Church

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Bravas' (deep fried potatoes in tomato and chilli sauce). The lamb cutlets were a real delicacy but our particular favourite was the wonderfully tender Medallions of Pork. From the wide selection of desserts I chose the 'Meringue al Gran Torres', (meringue with ice cream, cream and orange liqueur) and Karen opted for vanilla ice cream.

The Costa del Sol is ideal for lunch - the nearby car park offers three hours free parking and it is easy to find on the Godstone Road. This month, Joe has introduced a special lunch menu offering a choice of two delicious tapas dishes and a glass of beer or wine or a soft drink for just £7.95. Amongst the set menu choices are Grilled Sardines, Spanish Omelette, Chorizo sausage fried in Rioja wine, Patatas Bravas, and Mixed Salad. What a fabulous deal! See advertisement above for the address and phone number of Costa del Sol to book a table.



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St. Catherine's Hospice was the main beneficiary of this year's Rotary Bunny Fun Run and on receiving a cheque from President, Mike Smith for £1,500 Victoria said: "We are so grateful to Caterham Rotary for making us the beneficiaries of the Fun Run this year. Everyone at St. Catherine's is delighted, thank you very much." The Back-Up Trust supports people with spinal cord injuries and inspires them to transform their lives. Dave Shagra was presented with a cheque for £1,700 representing half of the proceeds of the Rotary annual



President of Caterham Rotary, Mike Smith, presents Dave Shagra with a cheque for £1,700 for the Back-Up Trust.

Charity Golf Day held at Bletchingley Golf Club on 7th June. The £3,400 raised was shared equally between the Back-Up Trust and Rotary charities.

After the presentation Dave gave a talk on the work of Back-Up based on his personal experience as a wheelchair user following a spinal cord injury when he was 21.

During his talk, Dave said: "After my accident my life had changed because I no longer had my independence. I was trying to find out about sports for the

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Some of the last guards to be stationed at Caterham Barracks will be visiting the Old Cats Rugby Club on Saturday 4th September when they will play against the club team. Kick-off will be at 3pm. The club in Park Avenue, Caterham-on-the-Hill will be open to the public from 11am. The army recruitment team will be there along with stalls, a bouncy castle, beauty treatments, raffles, face painting, a pig roast and other attractions. The club bar will also be open from midday. Entrance is free.

The Lonnie Donegan Band at Skaterham

Friday 24th September will see The Lonnie Donegan Band featuring Peter Donegan perform live at Skaterham in The Chapel (opposite Tesco), The Village, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Tickets cost £15 each. To book tickets call 01883 348557 or 07973 775064 or pop into Skaterham - directions can be found at www.skaterham.com

Munch with Music

The first performance in the third series of these monthly lunchtime events will be given by versatile pianist Derek Paravicini, a brilliant musical savant whose fascinating musical life has been featured in a TV documentary. The event is in St

John's Church, Clareville Road, Caterham Valley on Wednesday 6th October. Coffee is provided at 12.15pm and the performance is from 12.45pm - 1.30pm. Admission is free. Bring your own 'munch'.

Retro Rewind Disco at The Arc

The Arc in Weston Drive, The Village, Caterham-on-the-Hill is hosting a 60's, 70's and 80's disco on Saturday 4th September from 8pm until midnight. Tickets cost £5 in advance and £7 on the door and can be booked by calling the ticket office on 01883 330380.

Autumn Craft and Beauty Fair

The Autumn Craft and Beauty Fair makes its debut at The Arc on Sunday 12th September. The event will feature professional beauty specialists and a great selection of craft stalls as well as a display of work by local photographers and artists. The event takes place between 10am and 4pm and offers a day packed full of attractions with a host of additional facilities. The Arc's popular soft play area for children will be open as well as the new Italian Brasserie serving delicious meals and snacks. Entry costs just £3, representing excellent value for what promises to be a memorable day out. For more information about exhibiting at the Autumn Craft and Beauty Fair e-mail Denise Riley at denise@ukcraftfairs.com For more 'What's On' go to www.caterham-independent.co.uk



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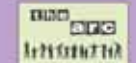
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Ruth offers a range of healing treatments at the Caterham Osteopath and Healthcare Centre

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Ruth's Hopi Ear Candling treatment helps with ear, nose and throat problems, and is especially good for relieving pressure within the ears. Ruth's patients often benefit from an Ear Candling session followed by a head, neck and shoulder massage using Bach Flower Remedies. These remarkable flower remedies have been found to work wonders at restoring a person's positive outlook on life as well as stimulating the body's own natural healing ability. As Ruth explained: "I

like to dovetail a person's treatment according to their specific requirements as it is so important to treat people as individuals."

Ruth is currently offering £5 hand and foot massage taster sessions at the Caterham Osteopath and Healthcare Centre. The session will also give you the opportunity to speak to Ruth about her range of holistic treatments. Simply call the number below to book an appointment.



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Readers' letters

Beechwood Road development

I am writing in response to yet another planning proposal for more new homes in Caterham, on the site of the old Valley School in Beechwood Road.

As a first time buyer myself I understand the pressure for affordable housing but the fact is that Croydon Road and the surrounding area can no longer cope. Urgent and radical traffic calming measures are needed to make the area safe for pedestrians and cyclists, and there simply isn't the capacity for more on-street parking. It wouldn't happen in Oxted, so why is it allowed to happen in Caterham?

Tim Lloyd, Caterham Valley.

Service with a smile ...

.....Following Christine Greaves' letter regretting that there aren't many shops in Caterham where you are guaranteed a smile, may I suggest that she and

any other readers call in to Cafe Bambino for a coffee. Not only will they get an excellent cup of coffee and good refreshments, but they will also be greeted cheerfully by friendly, smiling staff, for whom nothing is too much trouble.

Elaine Winter, Whyteleaf.

..... I was surprised to read last month that Christine Greaves does not get smiles at many Caterham shops. I have always found the local shopkeepers to be very warm and friendly, much nicer than the impersonal service you get at the big shopping centres that take ages to get to.

Francesca Grant, Kenley.

Thank you

Thank you for forwarding my competition prize of a £20 voucher from Motomax to me in May. I have now used it for the benefit of my car and a two-stroke engine for gardening equipment.

Many of us, I am sure, pass through Caterham-on-the-Hill and do not stop to see the surprising variety of shops there. I shall give Caterham-on-the-Hill far more attention in future, rather than automatically

travelling further to obtain goods and services. This shows how the Independent can play a role in generating local trade in these hard times.

Carl Roche, Kenley.

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Who wants to be a volunteer?

by Marion Piggott



Sympathy just isn't enough. Action, we need action!" On went the indignant remonstrations of my friend, a teacher. Why was he so heated? Several of his first-rate students had just lost out on university, were unlikely to find employment and now face uncertainty. "There's always volunteering," I ventured. "Not the one-off short-term stuff but something structured, focussed and planned, perhaps with particular goals or ambitions in mind." I am funded for just fifteen hours a week so I also need to be focussed. But over the past four years I have developed useful contacts with a lot of charities and not for profit organisations. "I don't have the resources to spoon feed them," I admitted. "There's no need," said my friend. "If you provide initial guidance, information and contacts my well-motivated young people can take it from there."

He was adamant - it would be worth it. The Volunteer Centre offers all young people facing the same challenges as my friend's students an initial meeting. We will provide guidance on how to construct a CV plus a succinct, personal statement, all specially geared towards volunteering. Once emailed back we will proof-read and plan a mutually agreed strategy. I can offer no guarantees, but I guess these young people have already learnt that life's like that. For more information please ring me, Marion Piggott, at the Volunteer Centre, 01883 344444, email: caterhamvc@owen29.wanadoo.co.uk, or visit our website: www.surreycommunity.info/tvsc/. Alternatively, come along and meet us every first Friday of the month in Warringham Library 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

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Whyteleafe FC

by Andy Runacres

A quiet pre-season schedule ended with Whyteleafe failing to win a game. After a 1-1 draw with Maidstone, Leafe played out a fairly uneventful game against Leyton which resulted in a 0-0 draw. Next up was a friendly against this coming season's tenant, Warlingham. Manager English took the opportunity to try out a different system, but was surprised at the quality of the opposition, who exposed the Leafe weaknesses and walked away with a 2-0 win. Experiment over, lessons learnt and thankfully no points lost! We then travelled to Ashford Town, Middlesex and gained an impressive 1-1 draw although it perhaps could have been better as Ashford were reduced to ten men late in the first half. The following week we entertained Cray, and after playing well first half and leading 1-0, we ended up 3-1 losers. The scoreline flattered Cray somewhat as Leafe had played the better football, but differences in finishing proved the deciding factor.



Whilst no wins were secured in pre-season much will have been learnt and hopefully the team will settle and push on. The only worry may come from the lack of goals, though if the Oakins/Watson partnership from last season clicks again we could well put those worries to bed. By the time you read this the season will be properly underway. Ten of last season's squad have signed up again so there will be plenty of familiar faces on show to the Leafe fans, and hopefully much to cheer. September home fixtures are against Faversham on the 7th, Eastbourne Town on the 25th and local rivals Chipstead on the 28th, so why don't you pop down and support your local team. Visit www.theleafe.co.uk for more information.

QUICK QUIZ

by Alec Herbertt

All the answers are, or contain a number:

1. Nobel Prizes are awarded in how many categories?
2. How many goals did England score in the World Cup final stages in South Africa?
3. For which 1960 film did Elizabeth Taylor win a Best Actress Oscar for her role as a prostitute?
4. Walford, a fictional London Borough, the setting for EastEnders, has what fictional post code?
5. Snooker player Alex "Hurricane" Higgins died in July. He was world champion on how many occasions?

Answers:

1. Six; 2. Three; 3. Butterfield; 4. E20; 5. Two.

Help needed for upgrade of War Memorial

Following a recent appraisal of the War Memorial outside the Caterham ex services club and Royal British Legion the members decided an upgrade was needed to improve the appearance of this important local landmark.

Club member, Peter McNeil, said: "We decided it was getting rather tatty-looking so we want to give it an upgrade which will include planting bi-annuals and perennials such as roses around the memorial. We are asking local businesses and individuals if they would kindly help us to raise the funds we need."

David Knight of Knights Garden Centre has made a generous offer to assist with the improvements but the members still need £500 to complete the task. Any extra money raised will go



The War Memorial in Townend, Caterham-on-the-Hill. Photo by Emma Berry.

to the Royal British Legion Benevolent Fund and other military funds. If you would like to make a donation, please call Peter on 01883 348221.

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A spacious two double bedroom ground floor apartment in the much sought after Boundary Point, built by Banner Homes approximately six years ago, in the Village Development at Caterham on the Hill.

CATERHAM £250,000



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A three bedroom semi detached house in an elevated position with views over the valley. The property offers two reception rooms, a fitted kitchen and utility room/outhouse, downstairs WC and first floor bathroom.

CATERHAM £245,000



CATERHAM 01883 349114

A two bedroom, two bathroom, ground floor purpose built apartment situated with quarter mile of town and station. The flat features double doors from the lounge leading onto a private decked area overlooking the gardens.

KENLEY £215,000



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

Three bedroom, two reception terrace home, first floor bathroom, terraced rear garden, GCH, situated on the popular Kenley/Purley border.

WHYTELEAFE £135,000



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

One bedroom apartment situated on this popular Barratt's development. Gas central heating, allocated parking, visitor parking, and set in communal grounds. No chain

WHYTELEAFE £219,950



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

Two double bedroom end of terrace with two bathrooms, kitchen/utility, refitted throughout, rear garden, garage and off street parking. Near to two stations and no chain.

WHYTELEAFE £250,000



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

Three bedroom terraced with a complete refurbishment including contemporary bathroom and kitchen, and heating system. Off road parking, patio, 100ft+ garden. Close to two stations and the park.

WHYTELEAFE £235,000



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

Three bedroom house. Large kitchen, double aspect lounge/diner, cul-de-sac location close to two stations and the park. Front and rear gardens and no onward chain.

WHYTELEAFE £305,000



KENLEY 020 8668 1000

Three bedroom semi detached house with lounge/diner, downstairs WC, garage and off street parking. Featuring a new roof and boiler with further updating required. No onward chain.



Caterham Valley £700pcm

Newly decorated 1 double bedroom ground floor flat in quiet and desirable location within walking distance of the town centre and station. Good sized lounge with patio doors. Fully fitted kitchen. Bathroom. Large bedroom with built-in wardrobes. Underfloor heating. Private patio area. Garage and visitors parking area. Avail u/f



Caterham Valley £800pcm

Stylish executive first floor 1 bedroom apartment within converted manor-type Victorian house. Character features. Fully fitted kitchen. Large lounge with high ceiling and feature fireplace. Bathroom. Parking. Conveniently located for shops and station. Avail furnished.



Caterham £825pcm

This is a two double bedroom ground floor flat in a popular position within easy walking distance of Caterham town centre, shops and station. Fitted kitchen with white goods. Modernised bathroom with separate shower. Large lounge with feature fireplace. Double glazing throughout. Garage. Avail u/f October.



Caterham Valley £850pcm

Newly refurbished and spacious 2 double bedroom ground floor flat in sought after road easy walking distance to town centre and station. Large lounge with patio door leading to private patio. Spacious fitted kitchen. Bathroom and WC. Garage and parking. Avail u/f



Whyteleafe £850pcm

Completely refurbished spacious 2 bedroom ground floor maisonette conveniently located for 2 mainline train stations. Good sized lounge. 2 double bedrooms. Fully fitted kitchen. Garden to rear. Avail u/f



Caterham £950pcm

Top spec 2 double bedroom first floor flat with 1 ensuite shower room & family bathroom. Large lounge with doors leading to modern fully fitted kitchen with integrated appliances. Telephone entry phone. Allocated parking. Easy access to town centre, A22 and motorways. Close to parkland. Avail u/f



Caterham £1100pcm.

Completely refurbished 2 double bedroom detached bungalow with views over the valley within a mile of Caterham town centre. Brand new kitchen with integrated appliances. Stylish bathroom. Two double bedrooms both offering views over the valley. Good sized lounge/dining room with direct access to the garden. Stepped garden all rear built into the hillside with small patio area. Off street parking for one car. Avail u/f



Woodhatch £1200pcm

Well presented three bedroom semi-detached house in quiet residential road. Modern kitchen/diner & bathroom. Spacious lounge. Level rear garden. Driveway parking. Avail u/f



Warlingham £1700pcm

A newly built executive 3 bedroom detached house in a small crescent close to Warlingham Green. Top spec kitchen with all integrated appliances. Double doors lead to spacious lounge/dining room. Stairs lead to master bedroom with ensuite shower room and doors leading to private balcony room for table/chairs. Second double bedroom and third single bedroom, both sharing a family bathroom. Good sized front and rear gardens. Garage and parking for 2 cars. Avail u/f



Caterham £2250pcm

A stylish, recently renovated executive 5 bedroom detached property located in private, no through road. Large entrance hall. Office/study. Fully fitted kitchen and utility room. Two downstairs cloak rooms. Large lounge with a dark wooden fire place and patio doors leading to easily maintained garden, with patio area and lawn, also a hot tub. Separate dining room. Upstairs is the Master bedroom with ensuite bathroom. Double bedroom with ensuite bathroom. Three further bedrooms. Family bathroom. Double garage. Avail u/f



Godstone £3500pcm.

Impressive property with large entrance hall, spectacular vaulted lounge with minstrel gallery & large inglenook fireplace. Modern fully fitted kitchen. Separate dining room. 4 double bedrooms & 4 bathrooms. Separate 1 bedroom self-contained flat. Gardens & lake. Double garage. Avail u/f or furnished.

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Caterham On The Hill £850pcm

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Reigate £995pcm

A stunning two double bedroom first floor apartment that has been refurbished to a high standard throughout in quiet close. Located conveniently for both Reigate and Redhill town centres. New modern white bathroom suite. New fully fitted kitchen with integral hob & oven. Large lounge/dining room with neutral decor. Two double bedrooms. Carpeted throughout. Avail unfurnished or furnished.



Caterham Valley £1200pcm

Stunning 3 bedroom apartment located in sought after Harestone area of Caterham within minutes of town centre & station. Fully fitted kitchen. Large master bedroom with access to study/dressing room/nursery. 2 further double bedrooms. Bathroom. Garage and access to communal gardens. Avail u/f



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Caterham - £249,950
NO ONWARD CHAIN

A top floor two bedroom luxury apartment built by Bewley Homes and located within half a mile of Caterham Town Centre.



Caterham on the Hill - £329,950
VIEWING RECOMMENDED

A four bedroom Town House style home built in 2006 by Try Homes and located within a select private development.



Caterham on the Hill - £229,950
BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED

A two double bedroom Victorian built semi detached house with two receptions and a secluded rear garden with a large paved patio.



Caterham on the Hill - £325,000
REFURBISHED FAMILY HOME

An impressive and extended four bedroom semi detached house located in a crescent shaped road offering modern and well planned accommodation.



Caterham on the Hill - £475,000
NO ONWARD CHAIN

A large four double bedroom detached house located in a desirable residential road in Caterham on the Hill with two reception rooms, en-suite to the master and downstairs cloakroom.



Caterham on the Hill - £229,950
OFF STREET PARKING FOR TWO VEHICLES

A three bedroom semi detached house with two reception rooms and rear gardens. Located conveniently for local shopping.



Caterham on the Hill - £237,500
APPROX 90' REAR GARDENS

An extended 1930's built three bedroom terraced house with two large reception rooms and offered to the market with no onward chain.



Caterham - £187,500
FAR REACHING VIEWS OVER THE VALLEY

A large two double bedroom purpose built flat with good sized kitchen and bathroom. Offered to the market with a long lease and no onward chain.



Caterham - £187,950
CLOSE TO TOWN CENTRE AND STATION

A two double bedroom ground floor purpose built flat set in a secluded position within Mountside. Patio door opening on to the gardens and share of freehold.



Whyteleafe - £750pcm
SOUGHT AFTER DEVELOPMENT

One bedroom 1st floor apartment newly refurbished and very tasteful. Large balcony, osp and close to station.



Woldingham - £1350pcm
SUPERB POSITION AND VIEWS

Detached two double bedroom house within garden centre estate. Two receptions, modern fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower and osp.



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GODSTONE £265,000

Situated in a tucked away location in Godstone Village is this generously sized 3 bedroom older style semi-detached property which offers scope for further modernisation. Early viewing recommended.

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OXTED £825,000

An imposing 5 Bedroom Detached Family House with South Facing 140' Rear Level Garden. The Property is Ideally Located within easy walking distance of Town Centre and Local Schools.

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NEW
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WHYTELEAFE £329,950

A 3 bed detached family home with landscaped front and rear gardens, also offering 2 separate reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room and downstairs W.C. Well located for Upper Waringham main line train station and Whyteleafe primary school.

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CATERHAM £425,000

Occupying a favoured position backing onto Queens Park is this 3 bedroom extended family home which benefits from a stunning open plan kitchen / dining room / family room, spacious flat and level rear garden, detached garage with separate access and off road parking for multiple vehicles.

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NEW
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CATERHAM £209,950

Hidden away in this secluded well-managed development is this rarely available ground floor two bedroom apartment. Further benefits include double glazing, gas central heating, garage and use of acres of communal grounds. Viewing highly recommended. No onward chain

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NEW
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WHYTELEAFE £167,500

Rayners are pleased to offer this 2 bedroom flat situated in a convenient location for both road and rail links. Benefits include loft storage, 2 allocated parking spaces, new 99 year lease on completion and gas central heating.

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NETHERNE ON THE HILL (COULSDON) £2250 PCM

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A 3 bedroom semi detached house in a semi rural location yet convenient for Bletchingley village & Redhill with its shopping centre and mainline station.

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A 3/2 bedroom semi detached house with off street parking in convenient location for Caterham town centre with its shops, supermarket and station.

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WARLINGHAM £895 PCM

A 2 bedroom converted ground floor maisonette forming part of an Edwardian semi-detached house overlooking a green & benefiting from 2 parking spaces to front & own rear garden.

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REIGATE £1300 PCM

A very spacious 3 double bedroom period property, recently re-decorated, being probably one of the oldest buildings in Reigate and having the benefit of parking and patio area to rear. Suitable for 3 professionals or for family use.

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A four bedroom detached chalet style property built by Whelan Homes and in our opinion offered in excellent order with stunning kitchen/family room. **UPC0561**

£575,000**THE VILLAGE**

A stunning four bedroom detached house boasting three reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room with utility, spacious galleried landing used as playroom and integral garage with home office conversion. Viewing highly recommended. **UPC0566**

£599,950**KENLEY**

A five bedroom detached family home with attached double garage situated in a highly regarded cul de sac in Kenley offered with no onward chain. **UPC0549**

£475,000**CATERHAM HILL**

A two/three bedroom semi detached house situated in a popular residential road with gas central heating and double glazing. Viewing recommended. **UPC0557**

£225,000**FURROWS PLACE**

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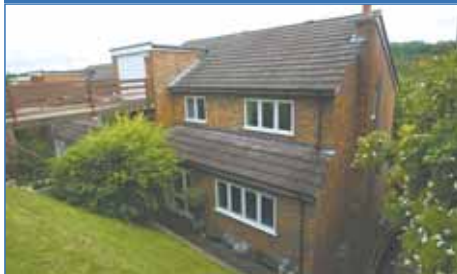
A three bedroom semi detached house with covered Veranda to rear with basement/entertainment room beneath leading to landscaped rear garden. Viewing highly recommended. **UPC0519**

£265,000**THE VILLAGE**

A four bedroom town house situated on the popular village development overlooking the cricket green offering spacious accommodation over three floors. **UPC0556**

£375,000**CATERHAM HILL**

A detached chalet bungalow which has been recently refurbished and extended to provide first floor with two bedrooms and shower room. **UPC0555**

£375,000**WHYTELEAFE**

A four/five bedroom detached house with driveway, garage and secluded rear garden offering stunning panoramic views towards Riddlesdown situated in a favoured residential area close to Whyteleafe & Upper Warringham railway stations. Viewing highly recommended. **UPC0565**

OIEO £399,950**CATERHAM VALLEY**

A three/four bedroom split level detached property enjoying stunning views to the front and in our opinion offered in excellent decorative order. **UPC0564**

£455,000