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Editorial

Last month the Evening Post carried a week of articles looking at poverty in Nottingham. Our own Forest Fields was featured prominently and a bleak picture was painted of streets full of litter, fouled by dogs and filled with uncalled-for noise. The series has provoked several letters to the Evening Post demonstrating that the causes of poverty are complex. Crime, unemployment, low pay, lack of care by councils and/or local people have all been pin-pointed. Responsibility (or, more often, blame) has been laid at the door of the local authorities, the police, private landlords, tenants and anti-social residents

Undoubtedly people's incomes tend to be low – at least a third of adults aged 18– 60 are unemployed, and many of the remaining two-thirds are retired on meagre pensions, or are students on pitiful grants. Those with a job often have to accept low pay

However although an outsider might come to Forest Fields and notice only litter, dog-fouling & noise, those of us living and working here know that this impression belies our community spirit & vitality. We are proud of our community - that people of all ages, different backgrounds, varying

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education, all get on reasonably well together. Over the years we have shown a determination to help build a better Forest Fields to live in. We now have a large Medical & Health Centre on Sherwood Rise, a Community Centre, a Play Centre, a Local Advice Centre, a Credit Union, and Greenfields, an excellent Training Centre & Nursery.

There is much more to be done and things are being planned now. You can read about some of them in the Link.

It is easy to paint a picture of an area of hopelessness and powerlessness.. It only takes a few to thieve & vandalise & mess up the pavements, but there is a positive side to Forest Fields. There are people who care - about our environment, about our neighbours. Most of us take a pride in our homes & streets, help our neighbours, work together. Many of us may not have much but we make the best of what we have. We work hard to get our homes together & keep them nice.

The pity is that so many of us have no jobs and are denied the chance to earn the money to do even better for ourselves.



AMBER GIRLS GROUP

The Amber girls group returns again with exciting new activities for young Asian girls.

It will take place every Sunday afternoon from 6th November 1994 from 1pm till 3pm.

This group enables young girls to share and develop their skills in domestic science, build up their confidence and self-esteem within themselves, make new friends and understand and learn different cultural and religious values. This further extends their knowledge about social issues.

Activities include:

Cooking **Designing and making** garments Hair and Beauty **Group** Discussion Outings

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So if you are interested or have any queries please contact Reni or Kaneez on 608456.

ATTENTION !!

If you wish to announce activities of your group, you can reserve space for inclusion in the forthcoming issue of our Link magazine.

There are in excess of 2,500 copies edited, printed and distributed by a volunteer team who cover 40 separate streets. A copy is delivered by hand to each household in the area as well as to interested parties, eg local churches, the police and Forest Fields Community Centre.

The cost of each edition, (there are 4 each year), is at least £400.00. This cost has risen recently due to increased cost of paper, stencils and translations, as well as having a larger newsletter to hold more insertions as the Link gets more popular.

We urgently need financial assistance towards production costs and in return for advertising the facilities that your group has to offer, we make a small charge in most instances.

The Neighbourhood Centre co-ordinates distribution and, since this is done by volunteers, we welcome offers of help with this mammoth task.

We have been asked, and are considering, covering a larger distribution area, but this will remain on hold until funding and production are on a more secure footing. **AUTUMN LINK 94**

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GARDEN PROJECT UPDATE -RON SHEPHERD

We are pleased to inform our readers that the Garden Project is progressing We are continuing to forge ahead, behind the scenes, preparing to get Phase I of the Community Garden Project off the ground.

You will appreciate that the weather does not lend itself to outside gardening at this time of year so we We are confident that with the support shall be using the months ahead to of a strong steering group this enterprise prepare for next spring. Among the will become a reality. work to be done is the formation of a strong Steering Group drawn from We look forward to seeing you! local groups and concerned individuals.

The Steering Group will be helping to improve our neighbourhood by turning | REPLY SECTION open derelict spaces, street planters | and some unkempt gardens into I am interested in the Garden Project places of beauty. This will improve the and wish to give it my support. appearance of the surroundings and I also complement the Hyson Green In NAME Bloom programme.

Phase I is also intended to be the springboard for Phase II; the setting up of an Inner City Farm for this part of the City. It is hoped that this will I provide some training for young, PHONE unemployed people. It will provide facilities for the elderly, for disabled people and school children.

Our written proposal is ready for circulation. We shall be holding open meetings, and making home visits to

residents who find it difficult to attend meetings, so that we can plan and start to carry out the project.

Therefore, we invite our readers to register their interest and support by completing and returning the reply section below, or by 'phoning the Neighbourhood Centre – Tel: 608456 and asking to speak to Ron, Margaret, Kaneez or Derek, or by dropping in at reception and adding your name to the supporters' register.

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THE ANSWER TO DEREK'S FIRST DILEMMA

THE OLD GENERAL

The "Old General" was Benjamin Mayo, a well-known, pre-Victorian character. He was a street-corner newspaper seller. The papers he sold were "The Mercury", "The Journal" and "The Review". He also made extra cash by selling broadsheets, recording the confessions of men like John Miller, sent to the gallows for cow stealing, and the execution of George Milnes and Joshua Smith for burglary.

On one occasion he ran around with his penny sheets on his arm shouting "Read all about it! One penny for the Duke of York's latest speech." He sold out in no time at all. He was ready with his cheekiest smile when everyone began to complain that the sheets were blank. "Well," he replied "the Duke had nowt to say!"

He was born, lived and died in local workhouses. He was the ringleader of a gang of youths who played soldiers each Saturday at the Castle Gate and this was why he was nicknamed "The General." He was born in St Peter's Workhouse (where the Broad Marsh Centre is now) in 1779, he lived there for 57 years until it closed in 1836. He then moved to St Mary's Workhouse (where the BBC Studios are now) and he spent the last year of his life at the new purpose-built Workhouse on York Street. He attended St Peter's Church every Sunday without fail. He died on

the 12th January 1843 aged 64. A service was held at St Peter's and his body was interred in the Broadmarsh graveyard. His many friends and wellwishers subscribed for a tablet to his memory, which is still to be found in the wall of the General cemetery close to the Clarendon Street entrance.

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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER

AT 10.30AM

FROM LOCAL CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

NEW STRIPS for GIRLS' 5-a-side FOOTBALL TEAM

The Radford Road Police have kindly donated from their Grant Aid Fund, new strips for the Forest Fields Community Centre 5-a-side Girls Football Team.

Originally the girls had their own strips, but they have now outgrown them.. June, the organiser of the team, had approached our Local Community Police Officer, Sher Afzul, for help, after speaking to Superintendent, Stuart Pearson, who sanctioned the request and made it a reality.

On Tuesday 26th July, the strips were presented to the team at the Radford **Road Police Station by Superintendent** Pearson. Interested parties who were able to attend, were there to see the team get their new kits, for which many thanks go to all concerned who put the wheels in motion to help the girls of the 5-a-side football team.

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A NEW SERVICE -DEBT/MONEY ADVICE

The Debt/Money Advice sessions are now up andrunning. The service is completely free and confidential and, more importantly, it is for you!

All around Forest Fields, though, you hear the same question," What exactly is Debt/Money Advice and how can it benefit me?"

Well, Debt Advice is basically a series of tools and strategies which are used by the adviser to combat the problems caused by multiple debt (Multiple debt is basically the situation that you find yourself in when you owe more money to more people than you have coming in. Is it beginning to sound familiar?).

A debt adviser can provide you with advice and help to deal with this situation in a number of ways. Here are just some:-

Check to see that you are receiving all the state benefits to which youare entitled and look at other ways of increasing your income.

Explain to you what may happen if you do not pay your debts. (PLEASE NOTE, EXCEPT IN VERY RARE CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU CANNOT BE SENT TO PRISON FOR NOT PAYING YOUR DEBTS!). Help you to prioritise your debts. This is probably the most important aspect of debt advice as often your creditors will have a completely different view of what is a priority debt!

Help you plan a budget which will generally enable you to pay for our priorities (such as fuel, rent/mortgage, food and clothing etc.), not just for those outstanding bank loans or credit card debts.

Help you to choose the best way to deal with your debts and help you persuade your creditors that this is the way forward.

Help you fill in complicated Court forms, explain what they mean and even, if necessary, represent you in Court.

These are just some of the things this service can offer and as no problem is too big or too small, why not come along and find out just what might be done for you? You have nothing to lose but a lot to gain.

Finally, remember there is no shame in being in debt and it is very rarely your fault, no matter who might try and persuade you differently. We are impartial, which means we are on your side and we will never judge you.

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WELFARE RIGHTS :-

By appointment 2pm - 4.30pm Mondays 10am - 12.30pm Thursdays Drop-in session 10am - 12pm Tuesdays 2pm - 4.30pm Thursdays

LEGAL ADVICE

Wednesday

HOUSING ADVICE (not benefits) Nottingham City Council Housing

Renovation Grants – 1st Wednesday each 1.30pm - 4.30pm month

Shelter (Notts Homelessness Action) -Phone for details.

DEBT ADVICE

Tuesday Friday

Councillor John Taylor Each 2nd Monday of the month 7.30 pm.

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FOREST GATES

SECURITY GATES FOR FOREST FIELDS

As you may be aware there is a scheme afoot to put security gates on entry ways and we all know the benefit of this.

A Steering Committee has been formed from interested residents to gain funding and the manufacture and installation of the gates which were on show at the Neighbourhood Centre Open 2. Day on the 10th September, 1994

It was decided that Ewart Rd, Berridge Rd and Bradgate Rd would make a suitable block to use as a pilot scheme. We are at present collecting signed indemnity forms from the owners of these properties before we can proceed. It is hoped thata show gate will be installed in the near future.

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AN OPENING HAS ARISEN FOR AN ENTERPRISING ENTHUSIASTIC, TRAIN AND TO PERSON MANUFACTURE CONSEQUENTLY WROUGHT IRON GATES FOR A LOCAL COMMUNITY PROJECT.

Forest Fields is in the process of setting up a project for gates on entries. A similar project has already been successful in Sneinton. The manufacturer of the Sneinton gates is too busy to make ours. Therefore we require our own manufacturer.

We would prefer not to use an established welding company but to give an opportunity to a local unemployed person.

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PEOPLE LEAD THE WAY

Earlier this year, the City Council Committed itself to "becoming people-led" in regeneration of the city. It would seem that the Millennium Project is an opportunity to involve many Nottingham citizens in influencing and making decisions about their locality.

I would suggest concentrating on the establishment of a network of tree-lined routes Large amounts of money will be available between places where people want to go. As from the National Lottery which local far as possible, these would be for cyclists, authorities can bid for to use for projects to pedestrians and low-powered vehicles. Moves mark the millennium. in this direction has been piecemeal and slow.

Densely populated inner-city areas have the least open space, cycle tracks and trees, though they are in greatest need. Green routes through them would offer residents easier access to parks and recreation, safe places for children to play and cycle, as well as speedy direct channels to the City centre for cycle commuters from further out.

As routes would enhance buildings along them, they would encourage private development. The junctions would be at focal points of the community which could be improved as City Squares. These points would be integrated with the public transport system. Small businesses would flourish and this regeneration process would fan outwards.

Recently, I have been involved with the proposal to make the connection to Colwick Park. There has been no shortage of ideas from Sneinton and St.Anns on additional possibilities. This "play way" would open up picnic spots, a fitness track and an arts trail etc. Similarly, different areas could add their own flavour to their Green Route. Decisions about tree planting, design of paving, play Information Office, The Council House. equipment, sculptures, could be made at local level.

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COLIN HAYNES St Stephen's Road, Sneinton

A CHANCE TO MAKE A CHANGE FOR THE MILLENNIUM.

So far, Nottingham is proposing grandiose building schemes in the City Centre with a "green" garnish of a new park and improved pedestrian ways. The Civic Society have suggested planting millions of trees alongside roads.

These are essentially architect's schemes where decisions are made by a few white males in suits with little public involvement. (This criticism was edited out of my letter to the Post.)

Instead, it could be a chance to finally establish a genuine green network of cycle and pedestrian routes, concentrating on disadvantaged areas, with a large degree of local involvement and control.

Colin Haynes

Please write with your comments to

***The Evening Post**

*Marking the Millennium, City

*And, of course to our own Neighbourhood Link.

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