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## LOCAL NEWS

### Planning Roundup Planning subcommittee

Major planning application this quarter, are dealt with elsewhere in this issue. Chris Curry refers to the application for a major development at 26 New Brighton Road in his Chairman's remarks on page 3.

- An application for three houses behind 616 Southleigh Road has been rejected as it is still considered to be an over development of the site.
- The garage and Spa shop at 21-25 Havant Road have withdrawn their application for a drinks licence. They are probably going to re-apply.
- The Council has refused an application for a nursery school behind Jingles Hotel, Horndean Road.
- The proposal to convert the estate agent's at 51 High Street into a house has been refused as detrimental to the vitality of Emsworth Town Centre. This application has recently gone to appeal.
- The application to build two houses in the back garden of No 4 Record Road was refused and the applicant has appealed.

There is a lot of building work going on in and around Emsworth and there have been cases of severe noise early in the morning and late into the evening. If you are troubled by such intrusions please contact Councillor Brendan Gibb-Gray (see back page) who is taking action to alleviate such problems.

### Does Havant really need a larger Tesco?

**Ray Cobbett**

Tesco plan to replace their store in Solent Road, Havant with a massive new one in the same location. The new store will have a gross area of 9300 sq m (3979 sq m at present) with spaces for 659 cars (up by 170).

It will be built on stilts to provide car parking under with access to the sales area via a travelator. This will increase the height from 9 to 13 metres. The design is Tesco's traditional 'wave form' roof with exterior cladding and glazing all built from prefabricated components. The present filling station will remain. The former De La Rue office, which they own, is not included.

Supporters say it will bring more jobs and business to Havant. But opponents are concerned that much of the new space will be filled with non-food lines and services. This potentially undermines local small business like chemists, opticians, furniture and clothes shops and other retailers throughout the area. Tesco say they compete with Asda and Sainsbury. But new jobs could be ones displaced from closed business with no net gain.

Green campaigners point to Tesco's 31% market dominance, their pushing of unhealthy products with high sugar, fat and salt content and food miles - the distance between where the food comes from and where it is sold.

In May Tesco and other supermarkets were referred to the Competition Commission. There is a growing feeling that if supermarkets continue to expand at the present rate, small shops will eventually disappear altogether in an unequal struggle for survival.

Tesco is facing opposition from all over the country from alliances like tescopoly - [www.tescopoly.org](http://www.tescopoly.org). And there are signs the government is taking a hand in local planning decisions. Independent Inspectors recently decided against Tesco in Burnham-on-Sea because they thought the development was too big for the town. The same could be said for Havant. It's not too late to write to Havant Council quoting planning application **06/58840/014**.

The date and time for consideration by Havant Borough Council committee is not yet known, it will be published on the ERA notice board outside the Co-Op and on the ERA website.

### Pavement Disgrace

**Ann Lanchbury**

The condition of many pavements in residential areas of Emsworth is 'appalling' as described in my letter in the last EMS. I have had a large response from neighbours in Bosmere Gardens and many other places across Emsworth.

Fifteen disabled people, who are frightened to go out in case they have a fall on the bad surface, have contacted me. One man living in Kings Terrace has to drive his disabled buggy in the road against the traffic in order to reach his house because the pavement is so uneven. However, bad pavements affect all residents not just those who are disabled. A trip on an uneven surface can result in injury leading to disablement or worse in elderly people.

My initial appeal has resulted in Hampshire County Council Highways Officer, Steve Helm, inspecting the pavements in the company of councillor Brendan Gibb-Gray and myself. We were told that the area "may be considered in 2007 for pavement improvements" and that our case would be strengthened considerably if we could collect at least 200 signatures on a petition.

Together with my neighbours, I have already got over 100 signatures and aim to get many more before the end of October. More than thirty people have offered to help and been given petition forms.

It is also important to report all accidents involving bad pavements, even those that do not cause serious injury, to either the Police or the Council on 023 9244 6013. These reports all help build the case for improvements.

If you wish to help in this campaign, please write to me, Ann Lanchbury, Apple Blossom, 19a Bosmere Gardens, Emsworth PO10 7NP, Tel 01243 372201, email: [neilandann@lanchbury.co.uk](mailto:neilandann@lanchbury.co.uk)

### St James' Primary School Council visit the Mayor

**Brendan Gibb-Gray**

Following the commitment of St James' Primary School Council to the Market Town Initiative (MTI) and the excellent and detailed work they produced, a surprise visit to meet the Mayor of Havant was arranged by Brendan Gibb-Gray.

On Tuesday 11th July, the School Council were greeted by Mayor Councillor Richard Brown on their arrival at the Civic Offices in Havant. He introduced them to members of staff and showed them the Council Chamber where all the important debates and meetings are held that decide how the borough is managed.

Some of the children were allowed to wear his robes and preside over a mock council meeting!

The purpose of this was to illustrate to the children the importance of debate and discussion, not only in the way it affects schools but hopefully they will become involved in the running of their community when they grow older.

The mayor said, "I was most impressed with this school council and they asked some pretty difficult questions!"



*St James' primary school council visit the Mayor*

### Would you like to go back to school?

**Brendan Gibb-Gray**

Well, not as a pupil but as a school governor! We have two primary and one special school here in Emsworth and being a governor is a great way of serving the school, its children and the broader community.

Emsworth Primary School (EPS) is currently looking for one or two people to become governors and join the school governing body. You do not necessarily need teaching skills or have children at the school in order to be considered.

Governors are involved in all aspects of school life, the curriculum, computers, finance and even the buildings and grounds come under their remit. Our school has some exciting projects in the pipeline so there is plenty to do!

EPS has a lively and happy school environment, so please consider whether you might give a flying start to our children's education and development in the formative years.

Interested? If you think you have something to offer the school community, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Rosie Law, the Headmistress at EPS or me for an informal chat. If you decide this is something for you, excellent training is provided by the County Council training team. Please give this your consideration. You will be made very welcome by pupils, teachers and serving members of the governing body. Thank you.

### On yer bike?

**Stephen Pearce**

Cycleways Project Leader, Emsworth Community Board

Do you cycle around Emsworth? Would you like to cycle more but are put off by the traffic or shortage of cycle paths? Do you wish there were better cycling facilities for your children? If so, we would like to hear from you.

Emsworth Community Board is setting up a Cycleways Project to act as a focus for promoting better cycling facilities within the town. Our first aim is to make contact with all those who are campaigning for better local cycling facilities. We then plan to compile a comprehensive list of improvements that can be presented to the relevant authorities, support groups and sources of funding as a first step towards implementation projects.

So, what would it take to get you cycling more? Do you have a pet project in mind? Are you concerned about the dangers of cycling under the Emsworth railway bridge; or the cycle route markings on our roads, which end when the dangers start? Is it a matter of clarifying or changing regulations to allow more sharing of paths by cyclists and pedestrians where this is feasible? Perhaps it is simply the repair of potholes or poor road surfaces that would help.

Please tell us what improvements you would like to see by email to [steve.pearce@btinternet.com](mailto:steve.pearce@btinternet.com), telephone 01243 431615 or by writing to me at 8 Wensley Gardens, Emsworth PO10 7RA.

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