



The COOKHAM SOCIETY

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GKL Appeal Rejected

Proposals to demolish the GKL House office building in Lower Road and replace it with seven one- and two-bedroom flats have been refused on appeal. In his rejection of the scheme the planning inspector said the development would have been '...out of scale...to the detriment of the street scene...'. The Society's Planning Committee had criticised the proposals as being out of scale with the neighbourhood and having a detrimental effect on neighbouring properties. The inspector described part of the proposals as 'unneighbourly' and took the view that nearby properties would suffer from overlooking and a loss of privacy.



Christmas Shopping Afternoon Returns to High Street

Sunday 5th December sees the revival of the Christmas Shopping Afternoon in the High Street. Organised by Helen from the King's Arms and Adam from The Flower Shop, this year's event will feature food from around the world, carol singers, mulled wine, children's rides and face-painting and, of course, Father Christmas and his sled. Cookham Dean's jazz greats, The Fabulous Shirtlifters, will be playing at the King's Arms; there will be a school parade to Holy Trinity Church and the Odney Club will be open to the public and serving refreshments. The event will be in aid of the Alexandra Devine Trust and Elizabeth House. Festivities will run from 2.00 pm until 4.30.

Dental Surgery approved



Despite the Society's concerns about parking, the Royal Borough has approved modified proposals for a new dentists' surgery in Station Parade. Tom Denniford, the Society's Chairman has welcomed the extension of NHS dental facilities which have been promised. "It is very important local people in Cookham have easy access to a broad range of health facilities and we are pleased to see that an empty shop unit will be brought back into use," he said. "However," he added. "we are not satisfied there was an adequate assessment by the Borough of the effects of this proposal on the car parking at the Parade, which is frequently over-subscribed."

Causeway to be closed during flooding

News that Royal Borough does not intend to open the Causeway to vehicles when floods are affecting the village is causing concern to Committee members. In the past, the Causeway has often been the only vehicular access to the village when the Moor and the roads to Maidenhead and Bourne End have been flooded and we shall be asking the Borough to explain the reasons for severing this emergency lifeline.

COOKHAMS CHRISTMAS FAYRE 2010



Christmas Fayre

Sat 13th November
11am - 4.30pm

Located at Moor Hall, unlimited parking

Bring all the family and enjoy the wide variety of stalls we have this year, not forgetting of course to bring the children to visit Father Christmas in his Grotto!!

www.cookhamfayre.co.uk

The Cookham Christmas Fayre Venue sponsored by Moor Hall

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