

Seend Parish Neighbourhood Plan

Local Green Space Report

Appendix 11 – Public consultation in Melksham and Melksham Without – BRAG Picnic Area

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Facebook post



Poster displayed on notice board at picnic area

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If you would like to pass on your views, please contact Seend Neighbourhood Plan via their email address seendparishplan@gmail.com and let them know why you think the picnic area deserves special protection against any future development.

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Runner triumphs at double-marathon

A MELKSHAM runner ran a double-marathon in less than 12 hours to raise money for Parkinson's UK in support of her grandfather.

Leah Sutton took part in the 'Race to the King' last month, running 53.5 miles along the South Downs Way. Leah took 11 hours and 26 minutes to complete the course that started at the Sandes Estate near Arundel and finished at Winchester Cathedral.

So far she has raised £800 for Parkinson's UK, a charity close to the heart of Leah and her family. "My grandpa was diagnosed with Parkinson's a number of years ago," Leah explains, "at which I would deem a young age. Previous to this I have memories of him living life to the full alongside his wife Beryl, travelling here there and everywhere. It is heartbreaking to see my grandpa's daily struggles, however his sense of humour still remains. Beryl does a wonderful job being by his side, showing patience and love which is truly remarkable. I hope that by fundraising for Parkinson's it will help towards finding a cure and allow continued support to my grandpa and Beryl, and everyone else affected by Parkinson's."

About completing her epic challenge, Leah said, "I think I am going to sleep for a week! I have run two marathons before and a ultra-marathon, so I wanted a new challenge while my body is capable, and this felt like the next step."

"It was a hot day and the toughest race that I have run - but the adrenaline got me through it. It went by surprisingly quickly! The South Downs are beautiful so there was lovely scenery to look at as I ran, so that helped to pass the time."

"The support from the public was great, and my mum came to support me at all the pit-stops, which was a great help."

Leah's mother Maundy Breakpear said, "We are incredibly proud. Leah has not done a run like this before and it was a very long day - so this is an incredible achievement. She has raised a lot of money for Parkinson's UK, which is a charity close to our hearts - the money will hopefully be a help towards research into this disease."

To support Leah and donate to Parkinson's UK, visit <http://uk.parainc.org> giving 20001248 Sutton

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50th anniversary show promises to entertain all

TICKETS are on sale for Melksham Music and Drama's 50th anniversary show 'Cinderella,' with shows on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th September.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Melksham Music and Drama group, who over the years have entertained local people with a variety of shows including the popular pantomimes, musicals, and dramatic pieces. 'This year's show will see the cast perform Rogers and Hammerstein's 'Cinderella' with Charlotte Braxton playing the Princess and Justin Tiggart as Prince Christopher.

Shows will be at the Assembly Hall on Friday 6th September at 7.30pm and Saturday 7th September at both 2pm and 7.30pm.

Tickets are available from Melksham Tourist Information Office, online via www.ticketsource.co.uk or via the Melksham Music and Drama Facebook page.

Tickets are £10 for adults and £2 for children over 12. An additional £2 will be added to the ticket price if purchased on the night.

Melksham Music and Drama said, "We are also inviting past MMAD or MCC members to join the current cast to celebrate the club's 50th year together by opening the doors at 6pm for members of the group not in the production and ex-members."

"We are putting on a spectacular musical to thrill and entertain all of you! We will also be revealing candid and a gloss of behind-the-scenes before opening night, as well as a display of past memories including photos, programmes and some clips of past shows to bring back some lovely memories."

"Tickets for this extra special pre-event can be purchased on TicketSource or contact us on our Facebook page for the password you will need to buy these tickets."

This year's production is being directed by Ali Terrell, produced by Kevin Hoag, with musical direction from Hannah Drury.

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