

Rauceby Parish News

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North Rauceby & South Rauceby Affordable Housing Needs Roadshow

If you live in North or South Rauceby, find out more about housing you can afford by coming to a Roadshow at Rauceby Village Hall, Main Street, South Rauceby 3:30pm and 6:30pm, on Friday, 14 December 2007.

North Kesteven District Council Housing Department and Housing Associations will have representatives available to talk through your options, and answer your questions on affordable housing, the housing register, grants for disabled facilities and adaptations, affordable warmth and energy efficiency.

North Kesteven District Council and Rauceby Parish Councils are giving local people the opportunity to complete a questionnaire during December, so that demand for affordable housing in the area can be assessed over the next five years, and potentially new homes provided.

A questionnaire is being delivered with this newsletter to every home in the villages to help find out what North and South Rauceby's existing and future needs are for affordable housing.

Rural Housing Enabler, Bob Keech said that, "The aim of the survey is to discover whether there is a need for affordable homes to support local people to stay in the communities they grew up in, or to find affordable homes in North or South Rauceby if they have a strong local connection with the

settlement. With rising house prices local younger people and first time buyers are finding open market housing out of reach, and the result of this survey may help them find a local home. If anyone has any questions about the survey we hope they will come along to the Roadshow".

Affordable housing is that where rent or mortgage costs are less than 25% of a household's income, after tax and national insurance. You may be in need of affordable housing if you need help to secure a:-

- Larger home**
- Smaller home**
- Physically adapted home**
- Cheaper accommodation**
- Home closer to work**
- Home closer to a carer or dependent (to give or receive support)**
- Home away from harassment**
- Secure home**
- Home of a different tenure, or**
- Home that is independent.**

These surveys are being done in a number of rural communities throughout the District during the next 6 months. The overall aim of this is to provide affordable housing where it is needed.

District Councillor, Stewart Ogden, Executive Board Member with responsibility for Housing, said: "Affordable housing is one of our main priorities for this year. House prices have soared in recent years and many homes are now out of reach of the District's residents.

"In a bid to balance this, we have changed our planning requirements so that developers must now allocate 35% of homes as affordable on sites of five or more dwellings. The Council is looking at its own land holdings with a view to releasing them for development where possible, and will consider 'exception sites' in settlements where there is proven need".

If you need a copy of the questionnaire please contact Bob Keech at North Kesteven District Council on 01529 414155 x2583

Events Calendar

11th December - Gardening Club. Tuesday, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Hazel Kaye from Rearsby, Leicestershire is coming to speak to us and has chosen the title of, "plants from the Most Beautiful Valley on Earth - Tibet 2006." Hazel is a very skilled photographer as well as an experienced speaker. We conclude the evening with a Christmas get together which is always a great way to round off the year.

14th December. - Affordable Housing Roadshow at Rauceby Village Hall, Main Street, South Rauceby 3:30pm and 6:30pm,.

January 3rd 2008 - WI. Member Night. Members provide the entertainment for the evening. Competition: A Tactile Piece of Wood. Don't forget the Annual Subscriptions are now due.

15th January 2008. - The next meeting of the Parish Council. Any items for inclusion on the agenda of this meeting must be put in writing and sent to the Clerk.

22nd January 2008 - Gardening Club. Tuesday, at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Geoff Trinder is coming from Scunthorpe to speak about Wildlife Gardening. Geoff is a superb photographer and will no doubt enchant us all with his beautiful slides. Gardens are now a very important resource for wildlife and encouraging us to garden with nature can only enhance the enjoyment of our own portion of planet earth.

26th January 2008 - Church Supper at Rauceby Hall. By kind permission of Mrs Hoare. 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets available from Mrs Gillian Hoare - 488233 or Margaret Outram - 488238, Cost £18.

3rd February 2008 - Snow drop Sunday. Rauceby Hall Gardens will be open from 2 - 4pm in aid of St Johns Ambulance.

February 7th 2008 - WI. 'Sights and Sounds of the Countryside'. A country year with Terry Barnatt. Competition: A Piece of Glassware and the Flower of the Month.

26th February 2008 - Gardening Club. Tuesday, at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Ian Cooke from Nottingham speaking on the subject of 'Avoiding Boring Borders'. Ian is a very knowledgeable plantsman who will provide some excellent ideas for new plants to enhance our gardens.

March 6th 2008 - WI Annual Meeting. Flower of the month

8th March 2008 - Marmalade Coffee Morning in aid of the Church. Village Hall, 10.30 - noon.

25th March 2008 - Gardening Club. Tuesday, at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Gail Summerfield from Winterton, North Lincolnshire will be speaking on 'Micro Gardens'. If you ever thought that your garden was too small to display many plants then join us tonight to see just what can be achieved in a very small area.

Holiday Refuse

Collection dates

Usual collection		Revised collection
Friday 21st	-	As Normal
Monday 24th	-	Saturday 22nd
Tuesday 25th	-	Monday 24th
Wednesday 26th	-	Thursday 27th
Thursday 27th	-	Friday 28th
Friday 28th	-	Saturday 29th
Monday 31st	-	As Normal
1st January	-	2nd January
2nd January	-	3rd January
3rd January	-	4th January
4th January	-	5th January

Normal collections resume
Extra Christmas waste collections will take place on the collection of the 1st green bin and 1st black bin after Christmas.

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& Bar Meals
by award winning Chef,
Excellent Real Ales &
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Christmas Party Menu - £24.50
Choice of 2-3 delicious dishes per course
including Traditional Christmas Dinner.

**New Year's Eve Gourmet Dinner &
Dance - £75.00**
Six Course Gourmet Dinner. Dancing to a Live
Band. Glass of Grand Cru Champagne/ Malt
Whiskey at Midnight. 7pm - 1.30am. Black Tie.

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the editor's work commitments