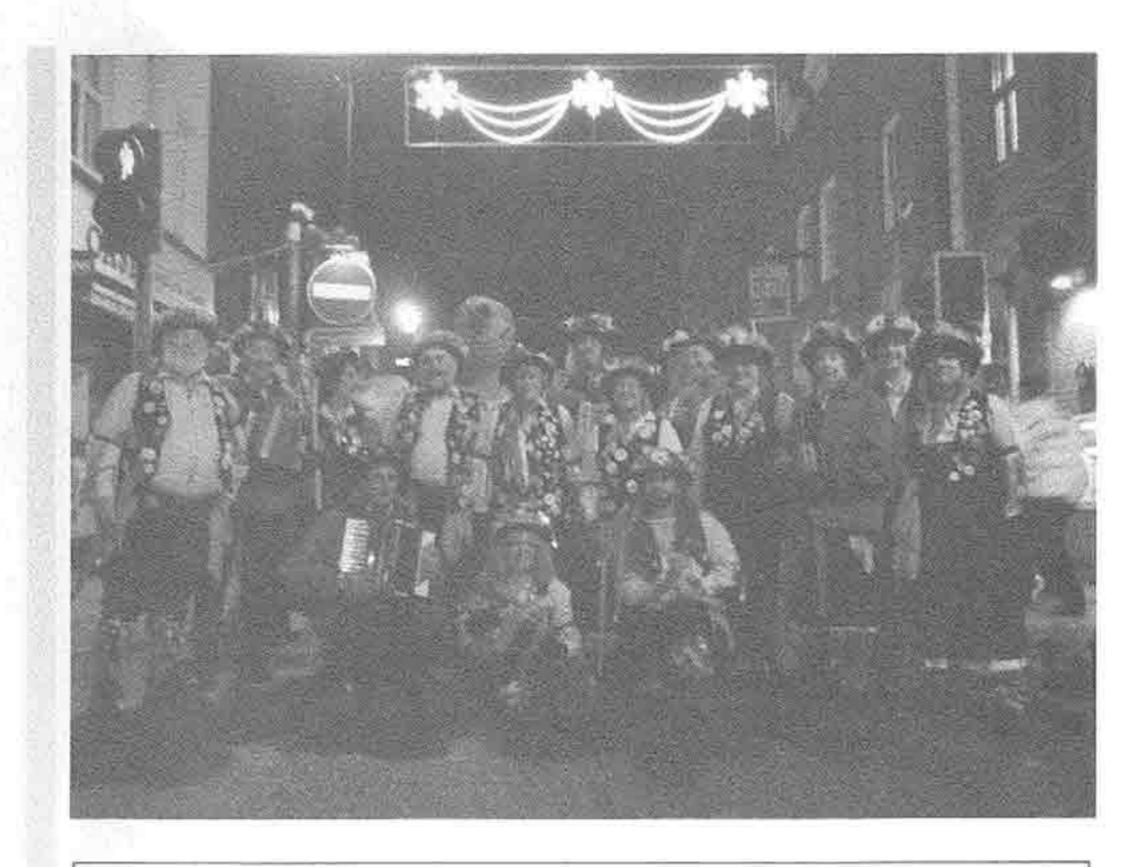
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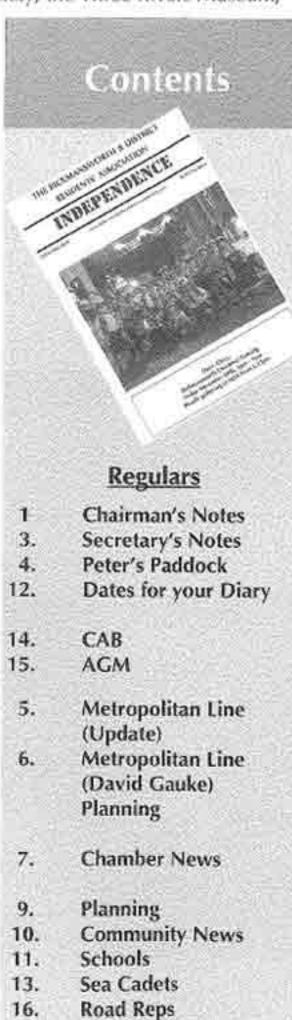


Oyez, Oyez, Rickmansworth Christmas Evening Friday November 28th, 5pm - 9pm Parade gathering at M&S from 5.15pm.

Chairman's Notes

From the Tiller

I was recently elected as
Chairman of the Rickmansworth and
District Residents' Association and
would like to introduce myself to you.
First of all however I would like to
thank on your behalf, and pay tribute
to, Peter Waters, my predecessor, who
has, for many years, put sterling work
into the Rickmansworth social arena,
not only through this Association
but also through the Rickmansworth
Society, the Rickmansworth Historical
Society, the Three Rivers Museum,



the Three Rivers Music Society, the Rickmansworth Waterways Trust, the Rickmansworth Town Team, the Friends of Watersmeet and Our Lady's Catholic Church.

I am pleased to say we will not lose his hard work and experience as he is still serving on the Committee and we will enjoy the benefits of his experience for many years to come. Well done Peter and thank you.

My family comes from Hitchin but I was bought up in West London and moved to Potters Bar in 1971. I moved to Batchworth in 1976 with my (then) new wife Sue. Our daughter, Emily, arrived the same year and I opened a business in the High Street in 1978 which moved to Norfolk Road in the early 1990s.

By this time Sue and I had become heavily involved in the local Morris Side, Phoenix Morris, and are still involved to this day. If you see Phoenix dancing in Rickmansworth, I am the one with the wickerwork phoenix head on!

We bought our present house in 1987. We merged our business with another company in 2001 and this in turn was taken over in 2006. I am still involved with the new firm although we closed the Rickmansworth office at that time.

At present, as well as my involvement as Squire of Phoenix Morris, I was involved in the formation of the Rickmansworth Waterways Trust in 1993, I run a folk club in Rickmansworth, serve on the Rickmansworth Society Committee and I am Deputy Chairman of the Rickmansworth Town Team. I sometimes wonder if it would be a good idea to merge all these bodies into one big organisation!

Enough about me – let's talk about you.

Why are you a member of the Association? About 20 – 25% of the residents are. I think we need to find that out. That leaves 75-80% who are not – why not and how can we

change this? Your committee puts a lot of time and effort into the work of the Association on your behalf. Would you like to help?

If you read Independence from cover to cover, you will be aware of some of the varied topics covered from County and District Council matters, local transport, NHS, schools – the list is endless.

We do need additional people to help with all this. Of course, we could do all this (and my thanks to the Committee for all their hard work) but could not run the Association without the help of the small army of Road Representatives who deliver this magazine to you and collect your annual subscription. My thanks to all of them.

Now for the future. We have just set up a working group to look at how the Association is run for the future (of course, it may continue just as it is!) and how to get more members. How to produce the income we need to continue our work for you. Lots of good ideas have already been raised at normal Committee meetings but, as I mentioned above, we have set up a working group to concentrate on the many ideas already raised but we intend to start with a clean sheet of paper at our first meeting.

One idea is to send out

Independence by e-mail. The cost
of printing is the largest expense in
our budget and it could be that, if we
follow this route, we could have a
bi-monthly newsletter. The downside
is that not all our members may have
access to e-mail and this is something
we need to look into.

More of this in the next issue.

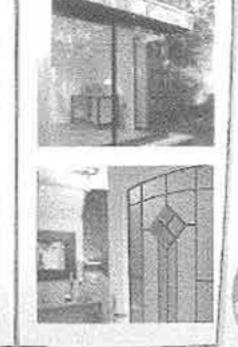
Mike Stimpson

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Secretary's Notes

Since being told that one of the duties of the Secretary is to write short reflective notes on local matters for Independence I have been reflecting on life in Rickmansworth. Are we not fortunate to live in such a lovely place, within easy reach of all London has to offer but minutes away from open countryside and with the facility of the Aquadrome with its lakes, sailing club, nature reserve and children's park right at the centre of the area, close to Heathrow but not overflown and with the M25, M1, A40 and A41 all within easy reach, not to mention the rivers and Grand Union Canal flowing through our town?

There have been many changes to the area though. When we first moved here over 40 years ago I had a choice of places for my daughters at four junior and infant schools within walking distance and a realistic choice of a place at at least three secondary schools in reasonable proximity to home. Now parents struggle to be sure of a place at a school of their choice at primary level and at secondary level many children do not get their first, second or even third choice of school. I believe that negotiations are under way regarding a site for the Reach Free School and as soon as negotiations are complete an announcement regarding the site and planning et cetera will be made (see page 12). I am sure that local parents will breathe a sigh of relief.

The fight for the retention of the town's only hotel was lost as soon as the site was designated as "residential" and sold on to developers. Many other commercial sites in Rickmansworth have similarly been earmarked as suitable for housing development, including the British Legion building where this Association has its meetings. In spite of local commercial objections, the removal of a paragraph in the planning permission for Swan House and Drake House (the Comet building to you and me) has been altered to make it easier for the owners of this site to successfully apply for a change of use to housing should they decide to do so. Being a local councillor is probably a thankless task, with more brickbats than bouquets being thrown, but I hope that many of the Rickmansworth residents make their feelings regarding this known to TRDC. Unless we inform councillors they cannot know how we feel as none of the members of the planning committee are elected representatives of Rickmansworth.

There is a need for homes throughout Three Rivers, but few of the recent developments have been affordable social housing fit for families. While more housing is built, the employment opportunities within the area contract and we will lose the character of Rickmansworth to become merely a London dormitory. It would be good to see more people joining the Residents' Association so that it can become a dynamic group working for a shared vision of our lovely town. Don't let us say in years to come, in the words of John Betjeman's famous poem "It isn't fit for humans now, there isn't grass to graze a cow".

Dianne Passmore

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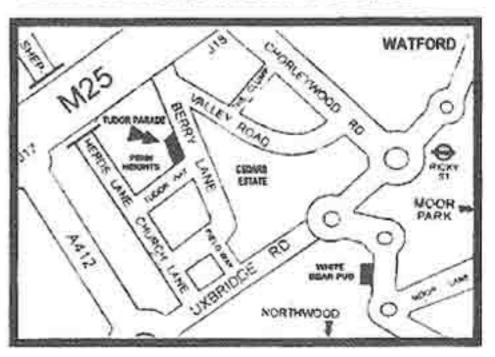
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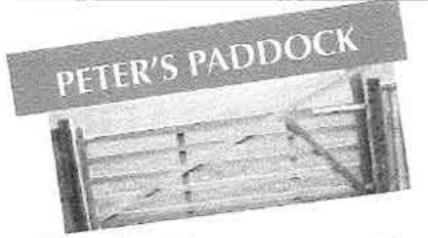
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Peter discusses the support for pedestrianisation in the High Street and debates the standing of a Town Council...

Then and Now (1)

The works carried out in the High Street in August revived discussion of the question of its possible pedestrianisation. Readers might be interested to know (or even be reminded in some cases) that in the autumn 1985 issue of Independence its then Editor, Tony Stowell, reported the results of a survey "carried out to test opinion in Rickmansworth about possible pedestrianisation of the High Street. This was carried out by random sampling on two Saturdays and three weekdays in May 1985. The statements which people were asked to respond to were designed NOT to 'lead' to any one reply or set of replies.

136 responses are analysed here. We would have liked even more, but the trends shown are so marked that we have no doubt that a larger sample would simply confirm these findings.

Those agreeing 'strongly' and 'slightly' were added together as being in favour of each statement, and those disagreeing treated in the same way, the ratio of 'strong' to 'slightly' indicating the strength of opinion in each case.

The following highlights emerge:

- More than 4 people in every 5 would strongly like to see a trial period of pedestrianisation.
- About 2 in 3 people felt that ALL traffic should be kept out of the High Street.
- About 3 people in 4 felt that traffic in the High Street made shopping difficult; those of us who conducted the survey were surprised by the strength of feeling that cars should NOT be allowed to make quick stops in the High Street. It was also clearly felt that vans unloading made shopping dangerous.
- 4. There was a division of opinion about whether shopping in Rickmansworth was all right as it is. 44% felt, not very strongly, that it was all right; but of the 56% who did not, there was some strong criticism of both the quality and variety of the shops generally.
- 5. There was considerable uncertainty about whether pedestrianisation would encourage more people to shop in Rickmansworth; this could reflect an attitude of 'wait and see'. On the whole, more people thought it would encourage them, but there was a strong minority feeling, often from people who 'wanted

things left as they are', which would not be encouraged (but it is odd to note that many of these must have supported a Trial Period).

6. About two-thirds of the sample were residents of Rickmansworth, the rest from the surrounding area. There was little difference in the opinions of resident and non-resident, except that a rather higher proportion of non-residents felt that they would be more inclined to shop if the High Street was pedestrianized."

A survey by local Liberal Democrats after the latest work this August suggests that there is no clear majority of opinion on whether to pedestrianize or not. And why have two "No Entry" signs been painted at the junction of the High Street and Station Road, oddly angled as if for the benefit of (non-existent) traffic coming down the latter, when large no entry signs already face traffic coming from both ends of the High Street? A waste of paint and money?

Then and Now (2)

At the last A.G.M. a presentation was made on the possibility of a parish (or "community") council for Rickmansworth. Again as above, there is nothing new under the sun. In the autumn 1989 issue of Independence (our "Diamond Jubilee issue" as it happened) I wrote in my Secretary's Notes as follows:

"[The Association] responded to the invitation to consider (not for the first time) whether a Town [sic] Council would be appropriate for Rickmansworth. To hear the voice of experience we invited the Clerk to the Croxley Green Parish Council to comment on how this body had benefited his community since its inception (for all practical purposes, town and parish [and community] councils are much the same). It was interesting to hear what he had to say : as might have been expected, there were arguments for and against. It could be argued that the standing of a town council would be greater than that of a residents' association in the eyes of the district council, with its councillors being able to speak at district council plenary and committee meetings instead of merely sitting impotently in attendance as silent observers [this was before the introduction of the present "three-minute" rule at meetings of the Planning Committee];

its clerk has direct and regular access to heads of council departments as one of equal status; party politics (so far) Jalas, not for long!] do not prevail in Croxley Green, as the Residents' Association put up independent candidates for the 16 seats going and scooped the lot. This last (the total independence of the councillors) may seem a cause for rejoicing, but the result is that the same people go over the same business at both parish council and residents' association meetings, an unfortunate duplication and one that has left the residents' association with an identity crisis and an uncomfortable feeling that they are now redundant to some extent [a lesson for this Association here?].

Moreover, the parish council, which at present receives a precept of £14,000 p.a. from the district rates [currently, with inflation, £257,978!], forms another layer of bureaucracy in local government and costs money to keep it going (the clerk is a paid part-time appointment), whereas the Consultative Committee [the precursor of the present Local Area Forum] costs ratepayers elsewhere in the district nothing. The parish council can really do nothing that the district council is not responsible for in, say, Rickmansworth. A Town Council for Rickmansworth would probably be narrowly delimited to the town itself and thus sever it from outlying areas such as Mill End and Maple Cross, which would be a pity. These and other thoughts were weighed up at the Consultative Committee by those present and it was clear that support for the proposal was at best lukewarm. It was therefore agreed to take it no further (but, like some planning applications, I should not be surprised were it to rear its head yet again in a few years' time)."

> Again, what do readers think? What Price Beauty?

I chuckle whenever passing the 'A'-board in Station Road advertising the Love To Boutique opposite. Its first two lines proclaim the availability of "Beautiful and Affordable Ladies", so as a naturally curious bachelor I once called in to enquire of Abbey, the charming manageress, how much they were. Alas, she had none in stock

Peter Waters

Metropolitan Line Update

If the picture of the future painted at presentation given to the Association's 2008 by London Underground had turned out to be true, the signalling update for the Metropolitan Line would have completed by the end of last year and we would now have a more frequent service providing 98% of the number of seats per hour that we had when the old A Stock trains were in use. In fact the signalling contract is now being retendered for the second time and, as the due date for the start of the new contract has already slipped 3 months, we will be amazingly lucky if the new signalling is in place by the end of 2018, 5 years later than forecast 6 years ago. So you, dear readers, will have to accept a poorer chance of getting a seat than you had in 2008 until, in all probability, 2019 - just 6 years later than promised.

So much for the bad news. What has been good? First, there is now a single boss for all the sub-surface lines, a very logical development as they will share common signalling, a common type of train (the seat layout is a minor difference) and a lot of common track. Let us hope that the gap between forecast project completion and actual project completion is reduced to zero.

Secondly, the track replacement programme has continued with several sets of points, including some at Rickmansworth, already replaced and more to be replaced over the next few months. Problems will still disrupt travel where some of the more complex, and unreliable, old junctions remain in place but the track upgrade is continuing despite the delay to the signalling replacement project.

Thirdly, the preliminary work on the Croxley Link is continuing and, all being well, the real work on the new line will start early next year. The completion date has slipped to 2017 but, hopefully, will slip no further.

Fourthly, a programme of reliability improvements to the new trains is gathering speed, helped by the completion of the upgrade to Neasden works, including the commissioning of the new train lift, so that jobs that earlier needed trains to be sent back to Bombardier can now be done locally. Those of you who are regular travellers will have been aware of a number of problems, such as faulty doors and broken collectors shoes, and fixes have been, or are being, identified for the various problems and the necessary software updates and hardware modifications installed. The result should be a more reliable service even before the new signalling project is

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complete.

A final piece of good news is that, because the track is being upgraded, the new trains are already running faster over much of the line. The result is a slightly faster off-peak service and we should see another minute or two shaved off your travelling time over the next three or four years.

But what else is there to worry about? Over the 11 years from 2003 to 2013 the number of passengers using Rickmansworth Station rose by 67%, from about 670,000 a year to about 1.12 million a year. Let's hope that TRDC and LUL get together to debate how to manage the growth in passenger numbers. The crazy destruction of business premises over the past few years, with housing taking its place, will, if unchecked, mean this dramatic growth in passenger numbers continuing and the line being permanently overcrowded, and every parking space within 20 minutes of the station being filled every weekday, despite all the improvements now planned.

Peter Crispin

From Our Correspondent - Time for a Community Council?

I attended the information meeting about the possible Community Council and can summarise the key points raised:

The nearest comparison is the Abbots Langley Parish Council which has about 23,000 residents in a very varied area in the north of Three Rivers.

The areas with a parish council have a slightly higher Council Tax than the unparished area and that varies from £5 to £18 a year for a Band D (Mid-range) property with Abbots Langley in the middle at a £10 premium. That amounts to less than 1% of the total annual Council Tax of about £1465.

The parishes handle a range of functions including sports facilities and allotments and are compulsory consultees on all planning applications. They also are responsible for producing their own plans for future development as part of the District wide process.

The unparished area (Moor Park and Eastbury, through Rickmansworth and Penn to Maple Cross and West Hyde) is one of the largest unparished areas in the English counties and is unrepresented on the County Council's forum for discussions with parishes.

Perhaps most noticeable is the parished areas is sense of local identity that is visible, varying from much more imaginative road signs at the boundaries of the parishes to twinning with other towns and support for local events and organisations. Each parish has its own budget and sense of priorities, unaffected by activities elsewhere in our far-flung district.

A campaign is now running, carefully kept non-political and labelled "4wards Community Council Campaign" (http://www.4wards.net), to seek support from at least 10% of voters in the unparished area for a community council. There would then be a strong case for TRDC to either agree outrights or to arrange a referendum. The main issue mentioned at the meeting was the diversity across the unparished area but it is significant that Abbots Langley Parish Council has substantial diversity yet is very successful. How about it for the four wards?

Peter Crispin

Metropolitan Line - Amersham to Watford?

The issue of the Metropolitan Line, and the service provided to Rickmansworth residents, is one in which the Rickmansworth Residents' Association and I have taken a keen interest.

We both have our concerns about delays to the modernisation process and we both want to see improvements in the service. Both of us have raised the issue, in particular, of fast trains during the off-peak period.

In the last year or so, the peak period has expanded, but there is still a way to go.

These matters should not, and will not, be forgotten. But I wanted to look a little further ahead.

The Croxley Rail Link will be an exciting improvement to our local transport network with Underground stations at Cassiobury, Vicarage Road, Watford High Street and Watford Junction.

The last station could well become an even more important destination if we proceed with the proposal to link the West Coast Mainline with Crossrail. This would make Watford Junction very well connected to London's West End, the City and Canary Wharf.

The main beneficiaries of the Croxley Rail Link will be those using the Watford branch of the Metropolitan Line, including my constituents using Croxley station. But someone living in Rickmansworth will now be able to get a train to Moor Park, change platform and get a train into the heart of Watford. Useful for shopping, the hospital, football, work or onward travel from Watford Junction.

However, that change at Moor Park is not exactly convenient. Four minutes south to Moor Park, a bit of a wait (could be a while if you get the timings wrong) and four minutes north to Croxley.

So why not have a direct train? An Amersham (or Chesham) branch to Watford. The track is already in place and the need for a Moor Park change would be removed.

Rickmansworth to Croxley would not be more than three minutes, Rickmansworth to Vicarage Road about ten minutes and Rickmansworth to Watford Junction around fifteen minutes. And no need to worry about parking! I think this could make a big difference to many Rickmansworth residents.

Even if you were not a user of the trains, I would be surprised if this didn't reduce the amount of traffic on the roads, at least when Watford are playing at home.

This is not a new idea. Hertfordshire County Council included the proposal in a local plan a few years ago and I understand there is an internal tube map from the 1990s showing the branch. Once the Croxley Rail Link is in place, isn't it time to have this new branch line? I took the idea to Mike Brown, Managing Director of London Underground. He confirmed that London Underground had looked at this before but concluded

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that there was insufficient demand to justify it. However, he did say that once the Croxley Rail Link was in place, London Underground would be 'keeping this very closely under review'.

I am mildly encouraged by that response. But the big challenge is how do you accurately measure the demand for the service? Looking at passengers who travel from one branch to another (e.g. go from Rickmansworth to Watford Junction) is helpful, but what about all those people who would make the journey if it was quicker and easier and didn't involve a fifteen-minute detour to Moor Park (doubling the journey time)?

My suggestion to London
Underground is to put in place the
branch service on a trial basis. If there
isn't much demand for it, I don't think
we could complain too much if it was
withdrawn. But without a trial period,
I don't think we would ever properly
know.

However, first, I need to persuade London Underground that a trial would be worthwhile. And this is where you can help. On my website, www. davidgauke.com, I have a petition calling for an Amersham/Watford branch. If you think you would use the service, complete the petition and, if possible, set out how you would use it.

If we can work together, a big improvement to our transport network could be on the way.

David Gauke

Planning Update

At the time of writing the Long Island Exchange has closed and local residents have been advised that the accommodation block will be demolished in November; Harris & Hoole (co-owned by Tesco) are closing and, rumour control has it, to be replaced by a Tesco Metro store and that the owners of the empty Swan House building, previously part of the Comet complex, have been granted planning

variation so it can be converted into flats. It is also noted that Servest (Maxwell Stewart), The Coach House, Bury Lane have relocated to Croxley Business Park and rumours are currently circulating over the future of the Travis Perkins site at Batchworth roundabout. Yes, more housing, and less business opportunities for the town. Three Rivers has the lowest percentage figures for its resident claimants receiving unemployment

benefits in Hertfordshire finding jobs.

Meantime, we await Lidl's next move,
for the former police station site.

Finally, as reported elsewhere, TRDC's
Site Allocation Local Development
Document will be considered for
adoption by Full Council on the 25th
November 2014.

Bob Templeman

Chamber News



As residents in Rickmansworth you should be aware of the Site Allocation Local Development Document (SALDD). This is due to be considered for adoption by the 'Full Council of Three Rivers District' on the 25th November 2014. It is the document that 'zones' the sites that will deliver the 'Local Plan' (LP). The Local Plan was developed by Three Rivers District Council as 'custodians of

local communities' – on your behalf. However, whilst the LP talks about retaining retail units, commercial space, and general office accommodation - the SALDD zones five of these sites in the town centre for housing. The SALDD also contains details of sites zoned for Housing, Schools & Education, Employment and Retail.

Regarding the 'Employment Sites' - unless a building is included in one of the zoned sites for employment - it is without protection against conversion to any other type of use. Sadly none of the commercial buildings in Rickmansworth's town centre have been zoned as sites for employment in the SALDD and are therefore ALL at risk of conversion to residential. As a result property developers have been clearing the centre of Rickmansworth of its commercial buildings with the same voracious appetite as that of a swarm of locusts, replacing these much-needed employment sites with high value flats and apartments. Borne up by the statistics that the employment rate for Three Rivers District has decreased from 78% to 72% in the last 6 years. All the surrounding areas have seen an increase in employment. Added to this lamentable situation - Rickmansworth town centre is expected to provide around 15% over the district's overall housing quota - as at January this year, that added up to a further 208 dwellings.

Swan House is the most recent employment site to be targeted. This building was until November 2012 the Head Office of Comet. Comet employed 350 people and provided parking facilities for 111 of their employees and an additional parking

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facility for commuters and local people wanting to park to use the town centre. If you talk to local shop-keepers, they are desperate for this building to be filled with office workers, as these office workers shop in the High Street. In some cases, with the loss of Comet, profits have dropped by up to 10%. In the last few weeks, because Swan House was not zoned for employment in the SALDD, Three Rivers Council have approved an application for the removal of a condition, that will allow the new owners of the property to convert it to B3 residential without the full planning process having to be followed -(Permitted Planning Development - PPD). Having just lost our only hotel, this is not scaremongering This could, and probably will, happen. The result will be devastating for the town and will send a clear message to other property developers that the door is open. This is devastating for Rickmansworth - the loss of 350 jobs, parking spaces and yet more flats whose occupants will not shop in the town centre. Moreover, we have now seen Harris & Hoole leave the High Street - citing high rents and not enough footfall. Starting in November our hotel of 125 years will be demolished for more luxury flats. Our hotel has a record of 100% occupancy - not only do local businesses use this hotel, but your and my relatives. Celebratory birthdays, weddings, funerals and as a restaurant. All vital links in the chain of the well-being of residents and the local economy.

WAKE UP RICKMANSWORTH let's not sleepwalk into this!! Please ask your local councillors what the plans are for Rickmansworth. Our interpretation is that the plan is that the once vibrant and economically prosperous town of Rickmansworth, is to become a dormitory town for Watford and London.... Do YOU really want this?

> Nina Hosking Chairman Rickmansworth Chamber of Commerce

COMMUNITY COUNCIL CAMPAIGN

If you would like to know more about the 4 Wards Community Council Campaign, you would be very welcome to come along to any of the meetings we are holding across the four unparished wards during October & November.

Moor Park, Eastbury & Batchworth Meath
Thursday 9th October, 7.30pm
Eastbury Farm Primary School, Bishops Avenue, Northwood, Middlesex,
HA6 3DG

Rickmansworth Town
Thursday 16th October, 7.30pm
Rickmansworth Baptist Church, High Street, Rickmansworth, WD3 1ET

Maple Cross, Heronsgate & West Hyde Thursday 23rd October, 7.30pm Maple Cross JMI School, Denham Way, Maple Cross, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire WD3 9SS

Penn & MIII End Thursday 6th November, 7.30pm Mill End Community Centre, Church Lane, Mill End, Rickmansworth, WD3 8HD

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The patient is usually offered a choice of attending one of a number of local hospitals or clinics, including some private hospitals if they have signed up to provide NHS treatment. You have the legal right to choose any NHS hospital in England that offers treatment for your condition but after the initial consultation it is likely that treatment will be offered at that centre, so make sure that it is in a convenient location for getting to and from both for the patient and for visitors. The exceptions to the right to choose are emergency or urgent care, maternity, cancer or mental health - if you need to

be seen urgently e.g. with severe chest pain, your GP will send you where you will be seen most quickly.

Choose and Book should reduce waiting times for a first hospital appointment as there is now no need to wait while letters are sent back and forth, only to find that the appointment time offered is inconvenient and needs to be changed. Choose and Book can be used from the GP surgery, often by sitting down at the computer with the practice nurse or with the GP him/ herself once the decision is made to refer. Choose and Book can only be used for the first hospital appointment. Follow up appointments must be made with the hospital itself.

If you choose to take your referral letter home in order to make your appointment after you have consulted your family or looked at your other commitments, a reminder letter is sent to you and your GP after 2 weeks if you have not yet made an appointment. It is also possible, using your unique password and reference number, to change an appointment if it turns out to be inconvenient.

From personal experience I found

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that the estimated waiting times for each offered clinic are not necessarily correct on the day of booking. When I had to see a consultant recently I received a choice of 5 different venues, including two local private providers, with an approximate length of wait for each venue, The shortest wait was for Bishopswood (approximately 10 days); the longest was for Watford General (59 days), As my GP had said he did not feel the problem was urgent I opted for Watford as it is easiest for me for a whole range of reasons. I had difficulty using the Choose and Book online service (I am a bit of a techno peasant) so telephoned the 0345 number given above. A very helpful young woman talked me through the process and the waiting time for appointment at Watford turned out to be about 3 weeks.

Choose and Book is a convenient method of managing outpatient referrals. It should reduce waiting times by giving a wider choice of appointment venues and by offering patients appointments which are convenient for them, the number of patients who do not attend appointments should reduce.

Dianne Passmore



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How can Rickmansworth High Street survive?

Ultimately the answer to this question is impossible to predict. The changes in shopping patterns and the rise of the internet have left High Streets everywhere isolated and vulnerable. It is probably not realistic to expect our High Street to continue in its present form but if we want it to remain at the heart of our community we need to provide it with the time to change and adapt. Above all it needs to be relevant to local shoppers by offering convenience, entertainment and a unique shopping experience.

What help can Local Councils and Central Government provide?

As Rickmansworth's County
Councillor I have been sensitive to the
difficult trading environment in our
High Street. When first elected in May
2013 I looked at what could be done
to help and support it. Hertfordshire's
responsibility for highways provided me
with the opportunity to address issues
affecting the physical environment in
and around the High Street.

The long-standing flooding in the lower High Street needed to be addressed urgently. It was finally resolved in the late autumn of 2013 just in time to avoid the ravages of the worst winter flooding to have occurred in the district for decades.

It had also been nearly 20 years since the High Street received any major improvement. Serious safety issues had developed with trip hazards and rutting in the block paved parking areas, disintegrating road surfaces creating ponding and speed platforms crushed by heavy vehicular traffic. Over this summer all these issues have been resolved.

Central Government has also had a part to play. Following the Mary Portas report in 2011 Councils received funding from Central Government to improve High Streets and local shopping areas. Unfortunately the £100,000 grant to Three Rivers was diverted by the Council to fund an alternative project. Westminster has, however, also changed the way in which Local Government funding will be provided in the future. It has made growth in local economies a priority for Councils. This effectively means that if local businesses, including retail outlets decline, Local Councils will receive less money in support of local services. Conversely if the local economy grows they will receive more. This is a significant change and should ensure that Councils focus their attention on maintaining and improving the local business environment.

To ensure Three Rivers has this issue front and centre in its objectives I proposed a motion at the Council meeting on the 16th September which was supported unanimously by all parties. It proposed the following:

This Council recognises the

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importance of a healthy and vibrant commercial sector within the District. It provides employment, goods and services for residents and a growing contribution to the funding of Council services.

There has been a significant decline in the well-being of the commercial sector particularly in retail as businesses have suffered through the recession. Many Local Councils have set up specialist teams to support existing businesses and encourage new businesses to relocate to their area.

Three Rivers needs a more robust and focused strategy to tap into the new funding streams established by Central Government to encourage growth, such as the Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership. This motion calls on the Council to undertake a fundamental review of its strategic approach to supporting and expanding the commercial sector in Three Rivers.

I believe the interventions I have been able to make have made a difference and we must all continue to press for fundamental changes to Local Council policy in favour of maintaining a healthy and vibrant High Street.

> Cllr Ralph Sangster Rickmansworth County Councillor Rickmansworth Town District Councillor

Democracy: Your Right to be Heard

If you, on your own or with your neighbours, wish to be heard on any particular issue, then you have a right to be heard.

At Three Rivers District Council, you have the right to ask a question in full Council providing you give the Council just over a week's notice. More simply, you may speak in any Committee meeting by turning up at the beginning of the meeting and putting your name down to speak against a particular agenda item.

At Hertfordshire County Council, you may present a petition to the full Council if you can raise 100 signatures. An example would be if you and your neighbours felt very strongly that a new pedestrian crossing was needed. As with TRDC, you have the right to ask a question in full Council providing you give the Council 10 days' notice.

So, don't just sit there. If you are unhappy about things ask questions or get a petition together.

First Year of Achievements at The Reach Free School

Wow, what an amazing 12 months! Our opening year at The Reach Free School has exceeded all expectations, and I'd like to share some of our founding pupils' achievements and experiences at our brand-new community school.

The Reach Free School has a very clear ethos of Achievement, Community and Enjoyment. Personalised learning and small year groups ensure each child's individual needs are catered for, providing them with the education which will both support and stretch them.

At the end of our opening year, we are extremely pleased to share the news that our pupils, on average, achieve significantly higher than the national average for pupils of their age.

To put this into context, on average, pupils nationally achieve 1 sub level of progress in English and Mathematics during the course of Year 7. However, our pupils achieve, on average, 2 sub levels across these subjects.

In addition to academic rigour, we have a strong community spirit with bespoke sessions in our timetable dedicated to community projects and initiatives, teaching our pupils about life beyond school and home and preparing them for a confident and successful working and family life.

Our pupils have staged song and dance performances for the elderly in our local community, volunteered with the Waterways Trust to plant bulbs at Springwell Lock, participated in the Rickmansworth Christmas Evening, delivered Spanish lessons at several local primary schools, and competed in inter-school sports events with our surrounding secondary schools.

As part of our wider national community, all pupils spent a day at the Houses of Parliament, a group of pupils were finalists in the National Enterprise Challenge, and 2 pupils won awards in the UK Junior Maths Challenge. Additionally, on an international level, The Reach Free School has forged links with a school in Lugones, Spain which 39 pupils visited in May. It was a fantastic trip, as pupils had the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities and get a feel of the Spanish culture and Spanish people, as well as practising their new Spanish language skills. They were all a delight and a real credit to the school and their families.

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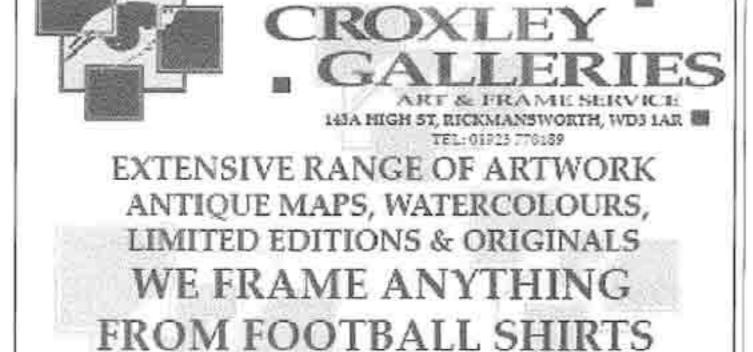
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enjoyable school where pupils love their learning and want to do more. Our 'Electives' programme affords pupils the opportunities to explore their talents and potential, whether they be in the classroom, on the sports field or on the stage. The school has staged 3 theatrical performances this year - "Scrooge" at Christmas, "Reach for the Stars" talent show in the spring term and an amazing end of year production of "Annie Junior". The whole school camped out at Newlands Park, Chalfont St Giles, for a 2-day Sports Extravaganza, and pupils have enjoyed trips to London Zoo and The Magical World of Harry Potter at Leavesden Studios. In addition, pupils have had the opportunity to undertake their Bikeability training, try golf at Rickmansworth Golf Course, learn various instruments with Herts Music Service, Join the Reach Debate Club and learn to sail at BLYM.

In July, I was thrilled to be invited to our first ever End of Year Awards Ceremony, back where it all began at Watersmeet in Rickmansworth. A packed audience of pupils and their families eagerly awaited the presentation of the prestigious awards and a chance to have their names engraved on the impressive array of trophies. It was an amazing evening, and one which I will treasure as a celebration of the first year of achievements at The Reach Free School.

I am glad to report our new school remains true to the vision and ethos we supported as the Rickmansworth community. If you would like to find out more, please visit www. thereachfreeschool.co.uk.

Carolyn Venn Chair of Governors The Reach Free School



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Dates for Your Diary

Rickmansworth Society Quiz-Supper

Saturday, 22nd November (in St Mary's Church Centre, 7.30 pm)

Rickmansworth Local Area Forum

Wednesday, 26th November (at Three Rivers House, 7 for 7.30 pm)

Christmas Evening (organized by the Rickmansworth Town Team)

Friday, 28th November (in the High Street, 5 - 9 pm):

Friends of Watersmeet Coffee Mornings

(on Fridays at Watersmeet, 10.30 - 12, except where stated otherwise)

14th November

12th December (at the Catholic Church, Park Road) 9th January (2015)

6th March

22nd May

Friends of Watersmeet Quiz-Supper

Friday, 13th March (2015) (at Watersmeet, 7.30 pm)

Friends of Watersmeet Film Society

(showings Thursdays at 2 and 7.45 pm unless stated otherwise)

30th October:

Maleficent (cert PG, 96 mins) (2 pm matinée only) Boyhood (cert 15, 166 mins) (7.45 pm evening only)

13th November:

Belle (cert 12A, 104 mins)

15th January (2015):

The Lunch Box (cert PG, 104 mins)

29th January:

Begin Again (cert 15, 104 mins)

12th February:

Mr Tumer (cert 12A, 149 mins)

19th March:

Magic in the Moonlight (cert PG13, 97 mins)

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The Reach Free School announces its permanent site

The Reach Free School is delighted to announce the location of, what will become, its permanent home.

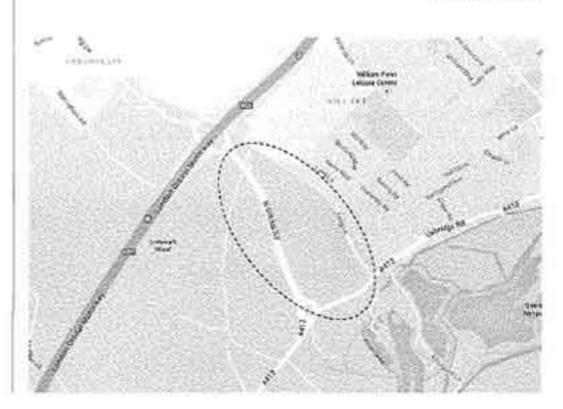
Heads of Terms have now been agreed on the school's bespoke, permanent site providing state-of-the-art facilities on Long Lane, Rickmansworth.

Richard Booth, Headteacher, commented: "I am very pleased to finally be able to announce where our school's forever home will be – back in the heart of the community we set out to serve from day one. From the outset it was our clear goal to create a new secondary school, which meets the needs of the children living in Mill End, Maple Cross and Rickmansworth by delivering greater access to excellent education – now we will be able to do that on their doorstep".

The central point for admissions to The Reach Free School remains the Mill End Sports and Social Club in Penn Road, WD3. This ensures that whilst the school is situated in its temporary location, pupils will be admitted based on the distance they live from that point rather than from the location of temporary site. This approach reaffirms the school's Governing Body's commitment to providing a school for the Mill End, Maple Cross and Rickmansworth community.

Further information can be accessed at www. thereachfreeschool.co.uk.

Carolyn Venn



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Rickmansworth, Watford and District Sea Cadets

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At various times around our area you'll see young and often small figures looking like sailors, but clearly not. They're probably Sea Cadets, of the Rickmansworth, Watford and District Unit, know as the Training Ship RENOWN, and you'll see them with the British Legion at Poppy Collections, at Remembrance Day parades and similar public events.

I write as the Chair of the Unit to introduce them to Rickmansworth residents, or to provide an update for those already aware. It all started in the 1850s, and is now, as the Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MS-SC), a major youth



Rickmansworth Sea Cadets salute HM The Queen during the Diamond Jubilee Pageant. (Photo courtesy of Suzuki plc)

charity and different from the other cadet Forces, which are more closely aligned with the MoD. Our Unit started in 1941, and moved out of Watford to Croxley Green in the early 1960s. Like the other 400-odd units across the country, we're our own charity under the umbrella of MS-SC. The cadets and staff are organized in a way akin to a ship, the uniforms, drill and customs are naval, and so is some of the training. Sea Cadets are aged between 12 and 18, with Juniors aged 10 and 11, and there is no difference between boys and girls – we have approaching 50 cadets at the moment, split pretty well evenly between the sexes.

Each Unit is supported by its trustees, the Unit Committee, and the whole operation is voluntary. We're delighted that Les Mead, recently the Chairman of the District Council, has agreed to become our President, and Rev Tony Rindl, Vicar of St Mary's Watford, our Chaplain: they, like the rest of our team, bring a strong local influence to our team.

We sometimes get confused with Sea Scouts; but we're different. One of the differences is in the training, which includes Meteorology, Engineering, Seamanship, Communications, Drill and several forms of sail and rowing training in addition to the usual "exped" and other outdoor activities; some Units, but not ours at the moment, have bands. Perhaps another difference is in the discipline (for example around the keeping of the uniform) that we expect of Sea Cadets, but you might expect that of any good youth organisation. The Sea Cadets have a number of offshore sailing opportunities at four centres around the coast, in craft ranging from small yachts to our flagship, TS ROYALIST, now 40 years old and about to be replaced with another square-rigged barque now being built. And we have a number of training centres inland as well, for example at Royal Victoria Docks and on the Welsh Harp Reservoir. Boats from 60 Sea Cadet Units carried the Commonwealth national flags in the Diamond Jubilee Pageant (ours was one of them - Swaziland). So there's a great deal of variety.

A major feature of our team is the quality of the instructors. Many but not all have been cadets, but all have a tremendous determination and dedication to what they do - all voluntarily, of course. They not only give up at least one, and normally two, evenings a week for our "parade nights": they take cadets away or run activities at our own unit on several weekends a year, they organise and administer - and they undergo their own training, almost always at weekends, so that they can do all the above. It's a terrific, wholly unpaid, service, and it really makes a difference to the cadets they serve. The thrust of the Sea Cadets is to help provide "the best possible start in life": some of the cadets need that help more than others, but all get the same opportunities from the instructors who devote so much of their time - for not much more than a huge sense of satisfaction.

As an introduction, that will do, I think. Rickmansworth residents are busy, of course: but you would be very welcome if you wanted to make a contribution — as an instructor, or just "helping out", or on the small committee. You'll find us in Croxley Green, at the bottom of Baldwins Lane; the website is www.sea-cadets.org/rickmansworth, the phone no 01923 243771, and the e-mail address cadets. tsrenown@btinternet.com. Parade nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays: come and see us, and even better come and join in.

Fabian Hiscock Unit Chair Rickmansworth, Watford and District Sea Cadets.

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If you are looking to move to another company because you are having problems with your broadband service, make sure you tell them about the problems. Record dates and times of the issues you have had, so you have evidence that shows why you're ending the contract and switching. If you have already complained about these problems it is worth reminding the firm of that fact.

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84th Annual General Meeting June 2014

Minutes of the 84th Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd June 2014 in St Augustine's Hall, Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Rickmansworth.

In the Chair:

Brian Morgan, President of the Association.

Present:

About 40 members of the Association and the general public.

Apologies for Absence

Peter Crispin, Dianne Passmore, Christine Patient.

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 83rd Annual General Meeting held on 4th June 2013 were approved by the meeting.

3. Honorary Treasurer's Statement of Accounts

Peter Crispin's report was presented in his absence by the Chairman, Peter Waters. 2013/14 accounts showed a deficit of just over £150. The committee requested a change to the subscription rates to £2 for all members, abolishing the pensioners' discount. The meeting was also asked to support two changes to the constitution to enable the Association to have its accounts independently examined rather than audited, and to include written guidance for dissolving the Association.

The accounts were approved by the meeting. The requests re examination and guidance for dissolution were supported by the meeting.

4. Appointment of Independent Accounts Examiner

Thanks were extended to the Independent Accounts Examiner, Mr Steven Roberts, who had indicated his willingness to continue in office for the ensuing year and was duly appointed.

Chairman's Annual Report

Peter Waters presented his report, in which he paid tribute to long-standing member (and Vice President) Peter Nicholls who had sadly passed away earlier that year. Mike Stimpson and Steven Roberts were welcomed as new committee members, and the Chairman invited others to attend a committee meeting and fill some of the current vacancies.

Thanks were expressed to Richard Lawman for his editorship of Independence, Peter Crispin for his service as Secretary and communicating his intention to stand down as Treasurer in 2016. Dianne Passmore was nominated as Secretary.

Areas covered during the year included flooding, drains and pollution, the Localism Act, Neighbourhood Forum, Boundary Review, Town Parish Council or 4 Wards, potholes, roadsigns, the Met Line, NHS, The Reach Free School, William Penn overspend, and planning matters including Long Island and Lidl.

The Chairman thanked the committee members and road reps for their work and support, and appealed for more help to cover the wide range of topics addressed by the Association.

6. Election of Vice-Presidents of the Association

Tony Berry and Peter Waters were re-elected for a further year.

Election of Officers of the Association for 2014/2015

Dianne Passmore was elected as Honorary Secretary. Peter Crispin was elected as Honorary Treasurer.

Election of Association Committee for 2014/2015

The existing committee members were prepared to serve for a further year. Vacancies remain on the Committee.

9. Presentation by Miles Hosking, 4 Wards Council Campaign

Miles Hosking, a local resident, presented the campaign to establish a Community Council for the unparished areas of Three Rivers District. The intention would be for residents to have more of a say in local planning decisions as a statutory consultee, for services to be delivered in line with community need, and support for local organisations, societies and events. Tim Perkins, Clerk for Abbots Langley Parish Council, presented information on the activities currently undertaken in Abbots Langley as a parish council within Three Rivers District.

Questions from the floor covered the area covered by the proposed Community Council, how it would retain political neutrality, expenditure within each ward, interaction with the District Council, and role within the planning process.

Interest in the campaign can be registered at www.4wards.net or contact info@4wards.net

Open Discussion

Items raised during open discussion included the Local Development Framework delay and its impact on the development of the two new secondary schools in the district, the proposal to produce 1 edition of Independence a year (the majority of members present in the meeting voted to retain 2 editions per year) and residents' views on gated communities as per a recent planning proposal.

The meeting closed at 10pm.

RICKMANSWORTH & DISTRICT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION rickmansworthresidents.org COMMITTEE 2013-2014

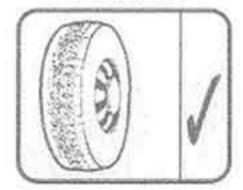
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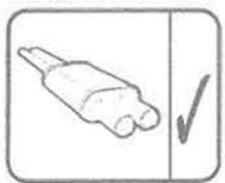
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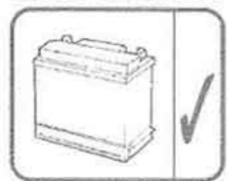
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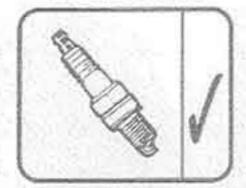
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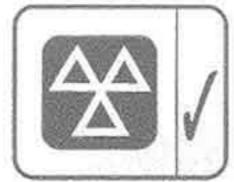
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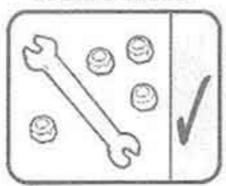
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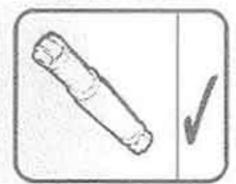
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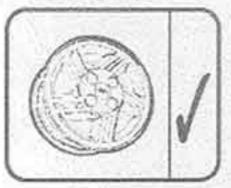
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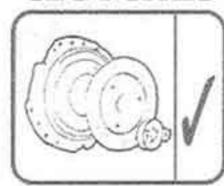
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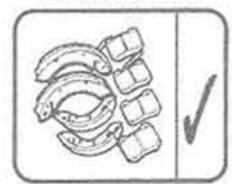
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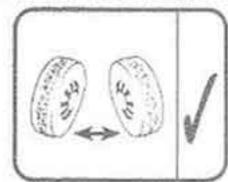
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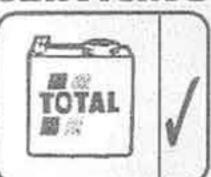
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