A decision by Durham County Council to alter its Dean Bank Early Years crèche service, from an all year round facility to term time only after the Easter holidays, has been met with dismay by local working families who say that they have not been properly informed about the decision and have not been consulted on the move. Durham County Council cites budgetary pressures for the decision, but one local parent, Adam Clark, said, “Families are very unhappy. No one spoke to us. Instead we found out the news from a crèche newsletter but the council have not been in touch and we have not been consulted on the options.

“We believe that this move will actually cost the council money but they have not taken any time to speak to us about our ideas.

“We have contacted the council to ask for support on where to place our daughter, but we are having to change our holidays around to cover and get family from the south to come up in the holidays to help.”

In a statement to the Chapter, Caroline O’Neill, Durham County Council’s head of education, said: “As a council we are faced with having to reduce our spending by £257m in the period from 2011 to 2020...”

There will be no changes to bin collections in County Durham during the Easter Bank Holiday. This includes refuse, recycling and garden waste collections (for those who have signed up to the scheme). Households who have collections on a Friday are therefore reminded to still put their bins out on Good Friday (March 25th). Residents are also advised to put their bins out for collection by 7am on their normal collection day.

Those who are unsure of their collection days can find out by entering their house number and postcode into the ‘MyDurham’ section on the Durham County Council website at durham.gov.uk. For more information about bin collections, visit durham.gov.uk/bins and to find out which items go in which bin visit durham.gov.uk/whatgoeswhere.

To subscribe to the garden waste scheme, visit durham.gov.uk/gardenwaste or call 03000 261 000.
**In Memoriam**

- **Valman Woods**
  - 11/3/2012
  - Special Dad & Grandad
  - Remembering you every day
  - Loving you always

- **Darren (Daz) Higgin**
  - 12th March
  - Remembering your 50th birthday
  - Forever in our hearts
  - Deeply loved & missed

- **Valman Woods**
  - 11th March 2012
  - My heart is always heavy
  - I miss you more each day
  - To hold your hand and see you smile
  - Loving you always, Forgetting you never

- **Anthony Heathwaite**
  - Beloved nephew of Aunty Eileen and family

- **Morgan Reed**
  - Happy 10th birthday
  - LOTS OF LOVE, MAM & DAD, GRANDMA AND GRANDAD XXX

- **Charlie Vaulks**
  - Happy 1st birthday to a special grandson
  - Love you loads from Nannie Shell and Granda Steven xxx

- **Beth Airey**
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- **Irene & Harry Carfoot**
  - 10th March
  - Congratulations on your Diamond wedding anniversary
  - Lots of love, Janet, Allan & Philip Price

- **Anthony Heathwaite**
  - Love and miss you son
  - Mam

- **Anthony Heathwaite**
  - Missing you
  - Love Aunty Nancy

- **Charlie Vaulks**
  - Happy 1st birthday Beth
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  - Happy 16th birthday
  - LOVE NANA & GRANDA GROVE, DEBORAH, DAVE, BECKY & SAM

- **Daniel Grove**
  - Happy 21st birthday
FBEC students defuse a bomb and save the city

On Tuesday 1st March students from Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College visited EXIT in Newcastle.

EXIT is a live escape game where two or more people are locked in a series of rooms. The goal is to escape before one hour is up and the only way to exit is to complete different challenges and follow clues, guiding you through the game until the end.

The group entered the room in a bid to save the city and defuse the bomb! The students needed to communicate with each other, utilize each other’s skills and work as a team to solve the puzzles and follow the clues. The group managed to escape in 53 minutes and 50 seconds; they were just in time and, thankfully, the city was saved!

A spokesperson from the college commented: “Well done to Georgie Roberts, Amy Hall and Beth Thompson from Year 11, and Scott Charlton and Connor Porter from Year 7.” Laura Langdale, FBEC’s Learning Support Centre Co-worker said: “It was a great team building experience. All of the students worked really well together to figure out the clues and puzzles. I did start to panic when the clock started counting down and worried we would all be trapped! However, they pulled together and communicated with each other and we escaped in 53 minutes and 50 seconds!”

Left to right: Georgie Roberts, Amy Hall, Beth Thompson, Scott Charlton and Connor Porter, students at FBEC who participated in the challenging escape game, EXIT.

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Poetry Corner

What makes a poem
by Vince Elsbury (ex-Chilton 1944-1969)

What makes a poem
Sometimes you need a subject
Often of past memories you collect

Like winter time, when you had snow and ice
For older folk not very nice
But bairns liked ice and snow
To see how fast on their sledge they could go

Memories of school, chalk and slate
After entering through the iron gate
In the evening going to the flicks
Enjoying a cowboy film starring Roy Rogers or Tom Mix

Walk in the country in fine weather
Seeing various birds in coloured feather
Remembering, at big school sports days
If you had an allotment maybe feeding hens

So you see what makes a poem
A subject with lines or rhymes
of childhood and happy times

Easter Fayre and table top sale

There is an Easter Fayre and table top sale at Dean Bank and Ferryhill Institute on Saturday 19th March from 10am to 2pm. The event will include a tombola, raffle, home baking and sugar crafts, handmade wood crafts, jams and pickles, bric-a-brac and clothes.

There will also be a cafe nearby serving tea, coffee and snacks.

Tables are available at £5 each and can be purchased by calling 01740 657221. There will also be a cafe nearby serving tea, coffee and snacks. Everyone is welcome to the fun-filled and child-friendly event which also boasts a free egg painting session for the kids.

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Dog rescue charity donation appeal

Animal welfare charity, 'A Better Life Dog Rescue', are appealing for donations to help Layla, a dog whose back legs are severely injured after being hit by a car in Romania when just nine months old. After a series of X-rays, it was determined that Layla’s legs are so badly broken that they require extensive pinning and surgery. Without this costly treatment for which the charity helped Fram find his new life are seeking donations, Layla will continue to live a life of pain, and there is a possibility that she will be euthanised.

Christine Kipling said: “We need to raise about £4,000 to pay for Layla’s new leg work, so we are holding an auction to see if we can raise the money. “Please could you ask your friends and family to share the Facebook page for ‘A Better Life Dog Rescue, ABLDR Auction’, where you will find details of items for sale. “We will be creating a BT Justgiving page shortly for donations to be paid directly into her vet bill.”

This week in History

11 March 1997
Paul McCartney, a former member of the most successful rock band in history, The Beatles, was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II for his “services to music.”

12 March 1930
Indian independence leader Mohandas Gandhi begins a defiant march to the sea in protest of the British monopoly on salt, his boldest act of civil disobedience yet against British rule in India.

13 March 1781
The German-born English astronomer William Herschel discovers Uranus, the seventh planet from the sun.

14 March 1879
Hershel discovers Uranus, the seventh planet from the sun.

15 March 1939
Hitler’s forces invade and occupy Czechoslovakia - a nation sacrificed on the altar of the Munich Pact, which was a vain attempt to prevent Germany’s imperial aims.

16 March 1968
A platoon of American soldiers brutally kill between 200 and 500 unarmed civilians at My Lai, one of a cluster of small villages located near the northern coast of South Vietnam.
Cleves Cross Primary’s anti-dog fouling campaign

All the primary schools in Ferryhill and Chilton, including Cleves Cross Primary, are still working hard to try to reduce dog fouling in the local area. Thanks to the support of Ferryhill and Chilton Town Councils, their latest efforts involve distributing poop scoop bags along with a letter telling dog owners to use the bag to pick up after their dogs.

The letter also advises people without dogs to give the bag to someone who does own one, or carry the bag with them in case they see a dog owner allowing their dog to poo, in which case they can hand them the poop scoop bag!

Cleves Cross pupils said: “We feel it so important to keep our area clean and safe. Please help us to do it!”

Mayor’s Brass Band Concert success

Ferryhill Town Band held a concert on Saturday 27th February 2016 at St Luke’s Church Hall to raise funds for the Mayor of Ferryhill, Councillor Pauline Crathorne’s charities. Councilor Pauline Crathorne said: “The evening was extremely enjoyable and I would like to thank Ferryhill Town Band for an excellent performance and for their continued support. “I would also like to thank all those who attended the concert, and Peter and Carole Atkinson and Vicky Collins for organising the raffle and everyone who has donated prizes.”

The evening was very successful and raised £506 which will now go towards the Mayor’s charities, St Cuthberts Hospice and Ferryhill Town Band.

crèche facility to reduce hours

As a result of government budget cuts, “in the light of this, very difficult decisions have to be made and it is with regret that we have chosen to change Dean Bank Day Care crèche facility to a term time only service. “For some years we have been providing a 12 month full day care service despite a low uptake, with only three families currently using Dean Bank in this way. It’s just not economically viable to continue to do this.

“We have made this decision in the knowledge that there are other high quality sites offering year round full day care in the Ferryhill area and will work with affected families to identify alternative providers.”

Mr Clark refuted the council’s claim that they would save money, suggesting that they would instead lose up to £35,000 in fees: “These are the families paying for child care and if all the families move, the council will lose £35,000. “But our kids are doing amazing there, it’s a great facility, so we want them to stay and would like to consult with the council to keep the facility open.”

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The full application can be inspected at the offices of the Licensing Authority, Annand House, St Johns Road, Meadowfield, Durham. DH7 8RS between Monday to Friday from 8.30 am to 4.30 pm by appointment.

Telephone: 03000 261016

Any representations about this application must be made in writing by 25/03/2016 and sent to:-

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It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is £5,000.

11.03.2016

From page 1
Dear Editor,
Can I please, through the Chapter, say a huge thank you to all D.I.D.O members who took part in “D.I.D.O entertains itself.”
The afternoon began with a great fun quiz compiled by two ladies. This was followed by a hiliarious version of Wilson and Kepple’s sand dance, performed by two ladies and a gent. “I’m getting married in the mornung!” was sung by a handsome groom and his not-so-beautiful wife.
Also a lady with impressive accents recited “Geordie Brown’s G.I!” and five ladies in lovely handmade costumes covered in sequins sang a medley of songs.
The ever popular Irish Bingo was next, organised by three ladies. The very funny differences between life in the past and in the present were being discussed by three cleaners, who were then joined by beer-swigging Cushie Butterfield and the Flat Cap Choir, who led us all in a singalong.
Finally the second D.I.D.O choir ended our afternoon with a selection of songs all about the rain. And with an enthusiastic audience, there was a wonderful atmosphere and we can’t wait for February 20th 2017.
Well done and thankyou said a spokesperson for the club.
With kind regards,
Name and address supplied.

Residents in Ferryhill can attend a charity auction night in Tuddhoe, held to raise money for Stray Aid, which seeks to rescue, re-unite or re-home lost, abused, abandoned or unwanted dogs found on the streets. The event will take place in the Black Horse Inn from 7.10pm and will include a buffet. Tickets are £5 each and can be purchased by contacting Diane on 07972 200178.

Housing and communities business livin has been working to drive forward their range of easy to use online services for tenants. My livin Space and Livechat are amongst the online services now available through their website livin.co.uk in addition to social media channels. These provide a portal for tenants to pay their rent, report repairs and give customers instant access to services whether they are at home or on the go.

A number of customers are regularly using the online facilities, say livin, and engagement through social media continues to rise. This month livin’s Facebook page (facebook.com/wearelivin), which posts daily information including property of the week and local community news, broke through the 1000 likes milestone. Karen Hannah from Newton Aycliffe was identified as the 1,000th person and received an iPad mini. Karen said, “This is a great way to keep up to date with livin’s news and until now I did not know I could manage my tenancy through the website. “We have lived here for thirteen years and like to keep up to date with matters in and around our community.” Rachael Swales, head of Housing and Customer Services said, “We recognise customers want to get in touch with us in ways that suit them and at convenient times.

“The success of these digital channels gives us a firm foundation to offer more services in this way.” If you are interested in livin’s digital services or its Digital Me programme, which offers help to customers who would like to get online, visit livin.co.uk, follow them on Facebook at wearelivin and on Twitter at @weare_livin or contact Customer Services on 0800 587 4538.

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Residents in Ferryhill and Chilton can participate in Health Care Science Week which runs from 14th to 18th March and involves exploring Medical Physics departments in local hospitals in Durham and Darlington in order to raise awareness and interest for the work of healthcare scientists.

Interested readers can pop into The Medical Physics Department at Darlington Memorial Hospital which is open on Wednesday 15th March from 9.30am to 12.30pm and on Thursday 17th March from 1.30pm and 4.30pm. Alternatively, they can go along to the open days at the Medical Physics Department at Darlington Memorial Hospital which is open on Wednesday 16th March from 1.30pm to 4.30pm and on Friday 18th March from 9.30pm and 12.30pm.

Dr Alison Mackie, Consultant Medical Physicist and Clinical Director of Medical Physics said: “Healthcare Science Week is an excellent opportunity to raise awareness and interest in the work of healthcare scientists. Many people don’t realise the essential work we do, sometimes behind the scenes, but we’re also often involved in direct patient care. “Medical physics and clinical engineering, for example, is one of the most exciting parts of the NHS to work in, combining physics and engineering with healthcare. Healthcare scientists and engineers make up 5% of the total NHS workforce and complement the clinical role in all kinds of ways - it’s a myth that we only work in laboratories and never treat patients directly. An example of the work we do is a computer programme written by one of our scientists, Dr Robyn Cooke, PhD, which determines whether a patient has Alzheimer’s disease or another type of dementia. Patients suspected of having one of these undergo a scan, but it can be difficult for the human eye to tell if the scan is normal or not. Robyn’s computer programme is much better at this and has already helped correctly diagnose several patients we weren’t sure about.

“Everyone is welcome to come along to our open days and we’re particularly keen to ensure children are aware of the healthcare science professions and how rewarding these can be.”

Booking for individuals isn’t necessary but larger group visits must be arranged by contacting Darlington Memorial Hospital on 01325 743351 or University Hospital of North Durham on 0191 333 2220 for more information.

St Luke’s and Holy Trinity have a range of Easter services on offer this month.

On Sunday 20th March (Palm Sunday) there will be a family service at 9.30am.

On Monday 21st March and Tuesday 22nd March at 6.30pm, there will be a Celtic communion and icon meditation.

On Wednesday 23rd March at 6.30pm there is a Stations of the Cross event.

On Thursday 24th March (Maundy Thursday) at 6.30pm a communion and Stripping of the Altar will take place. There will be no Thursday morning service at St Luke’s.

There is a Good Friday service on Friday 25th March at 2pm.

On Easter Sunday at 9.30pm there will be a sung communion and Easter egg hunt.

At Holy Trinity on Palm Sunday there is a sung communion at 11am. Also at Holy Trinity, on Wednesday 23rd March and Thursday 25th March at 9.15am, the said communion will take place.

There will be a Good Friday service on 25th March at 11am, followed by a family communion on Easter Sunday at 11am.

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Durham Tigers ready to roar into new season

Spring is almost here and the Durham Tigers in particular are gearing up for the beginning of another rugby league season, which starts in April and runs throughout the spring and summer seasons. Durham Tigers is the only community rugby club for the South Durham area and has been established since the early 1990s. The club has been based at Sunnydale Leisure Centre in Shildon for the past six years but welcome players from across the whole South Durham area.

The club has experienced a lot of success over the years, winning several league and cup competitions. “This season we intend to build on last year’s successes and break new ground, with new teams hopefully being established at Under 12 age group as well as introducing an entirely new form of the game for both boys and girls at primary school ages,” said Andy McGregor-Taylor, the recently elected Club Chairman who is also one of the established coaches for the Under 14’s team for this season. Last year, the Under 14’s team swept all before them throughout the North East, winning both the league and cup despite some fierce competition. As a result of their success the players regularly train and play at Kingston Park, Newcastle, the home of Newcastle Falcons and Newcastle Thunder, providing a fantastic opportunity and experience for young rugby league players. “We will have to work hard to stay at the top of this age group,” said coach Paul Grey, “but this is a challenge that we all relish. “Our young players can look to the success of older players from the club and take inspiration from them,” he added, referring to the fact that several Tiger players have gone on to achieve greater things. In a recent game at Kingston Park, where Newcastle Thunder played Super League club, Widnes Vikings, no fewer than four former Tigers players were selected for the Thunder team. Confidence is also high in the Open Age team where the new coach is keen to see the Tigers back where they belong as the dominant club in the North East. Some of the Tigers coaches are now going into local schools to introduce the game of rugby league to a whole new audience. “We are initially looking to recruit players from Years 5, 6 and 7,” said McGregor-Taylor, “so that we can get our Under 12’s team up and running and introduce the game to younger players.” Durham Tigers is recognised by the sport’s governing body, the RFL (Rugby Football League) as an Embed the Pathway club, meaning that the coaching staff have been recognised as having the skills to prepare players to reach the very top of the game. The Tigers are keen to welcome all new players with or without experience of either code of rugby and anyone who is interested is encouraged to contact Club Secretary, Phil Selby on 07949 706546 for junior players or Jen Egglestone on 07933 658153 for Open Age players. Training is now taking place every Saturday morning at 10am at Sunnydale Leisure Centre in Shildon for players age 8-16 years and the open age training takes place on Tuesday evenings from 6.30pm until 8pm, also at Sunnydale Leisure Centre. Further information can be obtained via the club website at www.pitchero.com/clubs/duurhamtigerspenge.

Celtic’s perfect record falls in local derby

Durham Celtic dropped their first points of the season in a closely contested local derby against Ferryhill Hub. Celtic were at home and, with leaders Framwellgate Moor on a break, were looking to take over top spot in the table against their mid-table rivals. But as is often the case in derbies, the script was thrown out of the window and it was the Hub who took the lead in the 20th minute through Nathan Wall. The lead didn’t last long, however, as Celtic drew level within five minutes when Shane Todd volleyed home. But if the title favourites thought that would be the end of the Hub’s resistance, they were in for another surprise when Wall grabbed his and the Hub’s second just before the break to give the underdogs a 2-1 half time lead. The second half followed a similar, well contested pattern to the first and it took until the 75th minute for Celtic to get themselves back on level terms when a Shane Todd corner was met by Marco Linhart, whose header found the top right hand corner of the net. Neither side was able to claim a winner but the Hub will feel they have the bragging rights after halting Celtic’s one hundred per cent league record and delaying their ascent to the top of the table. Framwellgate remain leaders by a point, but it seems only a matter of time before Celtic overtake them with their four games in hand. Up next for Celtic is a trip to Chester-le-Street to take on High Handenhold Bird Inn who are also on a winning streak, having won all their last seven and currently sit third in the table. Kick off will be at 10:30am on Sunday 13th March.

Boxing at Chilton

Over the weekend, Chilton Community College recorded nearly 1,000 attendances as the Tyne, Ties and Wear Regional Boxing Championships came back to Chilton for the second time last month. This time it was the turn of the 14- and 15-year-olds, with young boxers from all over the North East taking part in 21 bouts of boxing. The weekend saw 24 male and six females crowned as regional champions; they will now take on boxers from Merseyside and Cheshire later this month to become the north champions with the winners of these going on to take part in the national finals. The Regional Boxing Committee have expressed delight with the Chilton venue and will be back with more bouts in the future.

Cricket club season

Mainsforth Cricket Club have started preparations for the new season with winter coaching and net sessions, which will be held at Ferryhill Hub. All age groups are catered for and the cost of each session is £2 for all junior age groups and £3 for seniors. Sessions for Under 11’s, and Under 13’s take place on Sundays from 10am - 12 noon. Under 15’s, 18’s and 19’s on Wednesdays from 5.30pm until 7pm and Saturday XIs on Sundays from 2pm until 3.30pm. Anyone requiring further information can contact club representatives Tony Peel on 07818 504326; Kev Strange on 07904 334949 or Tony Johns on 07943 605111.

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