



# Tinsley Tribune

newsletter of Tinsley Forum

December 2006

Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all the people of Tinsley

## Poor Bus Service Angers Tinsley Residents

Meeting demands reregulation of buses

Tinsley residents turned out in force at the recent Tinsley Forum Meeting to tell Richard Simons of First Group Buses what they thought of the bus services in Tinsley following a unilateral change in the services. The following questions and answers give a flavour of the discussion.

Why did First not consult with the community before making the changes to the bus services? – First is a business and it is a business decision, not a decision to be made by the community.

On many occasions the buses just don't turn up. Answer: The company will look into this. The roads get busy in this area.

Why are some areas receiving a service every 10 minutes but Tinsley is limited to one per hour? – Answer: The frequency of the bus service is appropriate to the number of people who use it. The service is paid for by its users.

Why can't we have modern low floor buses in Tinsley? – Answer: First are not making money from the services in this area and therefore cannot replace them.

Why have 2 double-decker school buses been cancelled, and replaced by one single-decker bus resulting in many children having to stand? – Answer: The Company will look into this.

What can the Council do to ensure that a better service is established? – Answer from Councillor Mary Lea. The MP for this area is lobbying Government, who are considering legislation to partially reverse Mrs Thatcher's 1980s deregulation of bus services, with plans to give local authorities new powers over private bus companies.

After the meeting Councillor Lea informed the City Council Cabinet member for Transport Terry Fox about the Tinsley Forum meetings demands for a delegation to see First Buses Senior management. Terry set up a meeting for 20<sup>th</sup> December



## "Outstanding Report for Tinsley Green Children's Centre Nursery"

In a recent inspection visit OFSTED inspectors gave Tinsley Green Nursery the highest possible grade for their care of children. They were particularly impressed with the staff commitment to children's care and the range of activities and resources available for children.

Staff **"work very hard to ensure the children are settled and cared for in a well planned and resourced environment."**

The Children's Centre is in the brand new Tinsley Green building which also serves as a community centre. The report recognises the vital role the nursery plays in the life of local families:

**"The strong commitment within the centre has resulted in the setting becoming an extremely important part of the local community"**

This was the first Ofsted visit to the new centre and it so impressed the inspector that the report ends by saying of the quality and care:

**"No recommendations are made for improvement because the quality and standards of care are outstanding."**

The staff and Management Committee are thrilled that their hard work and commitment have been recognised.

we aim to deliver to every household in Tinsley

## Activities for young people

There are lots of different activities for young people in Tinsley.  
Check the list below and, if you like the look of anything, just come along!  
Everyone welcome!!!

	WHEN?	WHAT?	WHERE?	WHO?
M o n	15:30 – 17:00	Homework support/group activities	Tinsley One Stop Shop	GIRLS ONLY
	15:30 – 18:30	Youth club session	Youth pavilion in park	GIRLS ONLY
T u e s	15:30 – 17:00	Cook and Eat Session	Café in Tinsley Green	11 – 19 year olds <b>COST: 50p</b>
	15:30 – 18:30	Youth club session	Youth pavilion in park	GIRLS ONLY
	18:30 – 19:30	Football training	MUGA pitch on park	All welcome
W e d s	18:30 – 20:30	Football training	Tinsley Green	Team training (in age groups) - £1
	18:00 – 21:00	Youth club session	Youth pavilion in park	13-19 year olds
T h u r s	15:00 – 16:30	Drop-in for help finding education/ employment	Tinsley One Stop Shop	16-19 year olds
	16:00 – 17:00	Badminton sessions	Tinsley Green	GIRLS ONLY
	18:30 – 19:30	Football training	MUGA pitch on park	All welcome
F r i	18:00 – 21:00	Youth club Session	Youth pavilion in park	13-19 year olds
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**And there will be other new sessions starting soon ...  
Keep an eye out for posters!**

## Pakistan & Kashmir Earthquake Sponsor an Orphan for £60 per year

An urgent appeal has been launched by the Pakistan Muslim Centre (PMC) for "Orphan Sponsorship" following on from Oct 05 Earthquake within Pakistan and Kashmir. The PMC working with Sheffield City Council launched the SAFER Appeal soon after the Earthquake. Funds raised via the SAFER Appeal have been used to rebuild a school within the Gori area of Muzaffarabad Kashmir. The school is being rebuilt by READ Foundation, an registered charity which lost over 130 schools in the disaster. During a recent visit to Sheffield, Mehmood Ahmed, Chair -person of READ thanked the people of Sheffield for the help and support provided to date and urged

people to provide long term support to educate orphans within the effected region. With just £5 per month or £60 per year individual's can help children to educate themselves. Although there has been a good response to the appeal with many Tinsley residents pledging their support more is needed. Former Chair-person of Tinsley Forum and local resident Cllr Shaffaq Mohammed said " READ has over 4500 orphan children to look after, I would therefore urge Tinsley residents to help with this



Muhammed Ali Chair of PMC on a recent visit to a READ Foundation school in Muzaffarabad

worthwhile cause. It is something that is close to my heart following my relief work within the area soon after last years disaster and have already sent my payment for two orphans to READ". For further information about how you can sponsor an orphan please contact Shaffaq on 07714654421 or leave you contact details with staff at Tinsley One Stop Shop.

## Friends of Brinsworth School

The Friends group are organising various events to raise money to buy equipment for Year 10 and Year 12 students who are completing the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. So far we have raised £517 and we have other events planned for 2007. There will be a Car Boot Sale held at Brinsworth Comprehensive School on Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> and a Fashion Show at the beginning of May. Please look out for posters advertising these fund-raising events and come along to support us!

To book a pitch for the Car Boot Sale please contact Mrs. S. Newton at school on 01709 828383

## Tinsley Cooling Towers

In the opinion of the owners, E.ON, the towers need to come down for safety reasons. A date for this is still being agreed with the Highways Agency. However the Big Art Trust and E.ON are currently in discussion about a temporary artwork installation. Subject to detailed discussion and health and safety considerations, we hope to agree a proposal in the New Year. Vicki Lewis, Channel4 Big Art Project

## Fred Alcock

We are sad to announce the passing of Fred Alcock, Fred passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> December 06, just 6 weeks after his beloved wife Edith. Fred and Edith lived in Tinsley for over 60 years on Siemens Close. The couple had recently celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary. Fred was the long time chair of the over 60's club in Tinsley and will be remembered for his sense of humour, generosity, and for his contribution in helping at the over 60's club. Fred will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

## Kier Sheffield Nominated for Business Awards 2006

Kier Sheffield has been nominated for a Sheffield Business Award 2006 (Community Impact Award), organised by Sheffield Chamber of Commerce in association with the Sheffield Telegraph newspaper. They have been short listed alongside Meadowhall, Radio Hallam and the University of Sheffield Students Union and the winner will be announced on 7<sup>th</sup> December. The nomination is excellent recognition of the contribution Kier has made to the community of Tinsley – we wish them lots of luck!

  
Victim Support South Yorkshire

### Have you or somebody you know been affected by crime?

Victim Support Sheffield offers free emotional and practical support, regardless of whether you have reported your experience to the police. Help and support also available at court through the Witness Service.

For more information about our services and volunteering opportunities:

Contact Victim Support Sheffield  
Tel: 0114 275 8411 Text Only: 07835 396543  
E-mail: admin.vss@vssy.co.uk [www.victimsupport.org](http://www.victimsupport.org)

Registered charity 1090808. Registered company 4322119.

Helping people cope with crime

# 15 Jobs available as Classroom Assistants / School Support Workers



## Patient and Public involvement in the NHS

- Are you currently out of work and living in Sheffield?
- Would you like on the job training?



(Places are available in Primary & Secondary Schools)

### We can offer you:

- A salary of £176 per week
- 33 hours per week – including a package of training
- Minimum contract 45 weeks
- Term-time only contracts available
- Ongoing support and guidance

To find out if you are suitable to apply for these exciting opportunities ring Jobnet City Centre on:

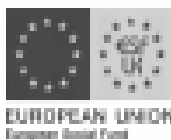
**0114 272 4551**

Details also available at your local Jobnet

Or contact Tinsley Jobnet. Michelle O'Rourke or Vicky Allen at the Tinsley One Stop Shop or phone 0114 2444887



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Sheffield Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) have always seen public and patient participation as a process of enabling service users to become involved, on an equal and valued partnership basis, in the planning, monitoring and evaluation of health services. They have been committed to public and user involvement in the development and review of the services they provided and commissioned. They also aimed to provide support for patients, users and carers and to take positive steps to involve all sections of the community, making sure that excluded individuals or groups not usually heard were listened to. Since the creation of one new PCT for Sheffield we want to ensure all those who have been involved in the past, in whatever capacity, are fully informed of the proposed changes. We hope they will feel able to continue contributing during the changes and beyond. If you would like to discuss the changes or how you can get involved further, please do contact: Don Buxton, PALS/ PPI Manager covering south-east Sheffield based at Orgreave, tel: 0114 226 2406 or email: [don.buxton@sheffieldpct.nhs.uk](mailto:don.buxton@sheffieldpct.nhs.uk)

## Praise or Grumble

This is your opportunity to let us know if you have anything you wish to tell the Forum. Please fill in the slip below if you wish to inform us about:

- Complain, (local rubbish collection, nuisance neighbours, traffic etc)
- To report an incident anonymously (racial abuse, concerns about car/house/ street crime)
- To praise or congratulate (Awards/successful funding bids, positive community involvement).
- General comments

Name (optional).....

Address (optional).....

Comments .....

Please drop your slip at the Tinsley Forum. Or post to Tinsley Forum 120 – 126 Bawtry Road, Tinsley, Sheffield, S9 1UE

Or if you wish to put an article in the next Tinsley Tribune please contact Anne Saleh at the Tinsley Forum. **All comments will be kept confidential and passed on to the relevant services if necessary.**