

# Tinsley Tribune

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## Tinsley Rec. Regeneration Group Want Your Views on the Way Forward

**T**insley SureStart has obtained funding for the building of a new Family Centre. It has been agreed that its location should be in the Tinsley Recreation ground. This has led to the formation of a Tinsley Recreation Ground Steering Group (TRGSG) to oversee this development alongside other improvements proposed for the Rec. A consultant has now been appointed to produce a Regeneration Masterplan for Tinsley Rec. that compliments the proposed Family Centre.

The overall aim of the Tinsley Recreation Ground Regeneration Project is to use the regeneration of the recreation ground to assist in the wider community and economic development in Tinsley. Previous consultations have created the following community vision for the Rec.

*A Recreation ground for everybody* - all residents needs have to be taken into account, any potential conflicts of use need to be identified and resolved in the regeneration process.

*A site presence* - Return of a full time park keeper is possibly not an option in the short/medium term, but increased presence in the park, achieved by making better and more frequent use of the current buildings and integrating the activities of the Family Centre with the activities in the



rest of the park is clearly an option.

*Main Pavilion* - Currently solely used as a youth club, recent surveys undertaken has highlighted this building as having the most potential for major use by the community, council and other agencies.

*Quiet Areas* - Constant requests, from all age groups and sections of the community, for somewhere to spend time, where it is quiet and peaceful has been a major theme in the surveys already undertaken.

*Play* - Encouraging young people to respect the recreation ground can only succeed, if they are provided with proper facilities that they can enjoy and look after

*Sport* - Historically the Recreation Ground has been used for a variety of formal and informal sports. £40,000 in

planning obligation money is already available to improve sport provision  
*Dogs* - Provision of dog bins and designated dog free areas, along with education/awareness raising programmes need to be provided  
*Security* - Lighting to support the recently installed CCTV cameras and security of the new buildings needs serious consideration. What are your views on the regeneration of Tinsley Rec? At the next Tinsley Forum meeting on **Tuesday 11th February** at 7.00pm in Tinsley Community Centre the consultants who are preparing the regeneration Masterplan will be there to get your ideas and views.

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Subgroup of Tinsley Forum

# Composting Scheme starts in Tinsley

**F**ollowing a Tinsley wide questionnaire Tinsley Tree Project is currently initiating a community composting scheme. The scheme aims to turn the communities garden waste into compost with a view to using it in local planting schemes. A kerbside collection commenced on the 29<sup>th</sup> January and incorporate all the households in Tinsley that would like to participate. Each participating household will be supplied with a half sized wheelie bin that will be collected by the tree project at regular intervals. To obtain more details about the scheme, please collect and fill in a questionnaire available from

## Kerbside compost collection started end of January

Tinsley One Stop Shop and return it to Tinsley Tree Project at the One Stop Shop. Tinsley Tree Project has cleared the derelict allotment to the rear of the One Stop Shop where the composting is taking place. The allotment will be split into four designated areas: composting, wildlife, fruit and vegetable growing and a small scale tree nursery. Local school children will be invited to use the site as a practical aid to environmental studies. It is envisaged that the children will be able to experience: the natural composting process, the growing and cultivation of plants and trees from seed along with a controlled environment for the study of wildlife to include a dipping pond. The allotment will be developed to include facilities for all members of the community to experience and learn more about the natural environment and sustainable, organic growing techniques. Anyone interested in this aspect of the scheme is welcome to call Tim on 0777 585 2667 for more details.

## Tell us about the history of the area

The tree project is in the process of exploring the possibility of promoting the natural, historical and industrial



*Tinsley Community Composting site at the rear of Tinsley One Stop Shop*

heritage of Tinsley and surrounding areas. We hope to include a range of aspects including: The development of local industry and its social impact, the landscape changes due to industry, agriculture and road building, the extensive working woodlands both before and after the industrial revolution and the local sites of historic importance (Battlefields etc.) The project hopes that by compiling and providing information to improve public awareness of Tinsley's rich natural and industrial heritage to demonstrate a landscape steeped in history. It is envisaged that by improving the information available locally and nationally along with the regeneration of certain intact sites will reduce their gradual decline and provide a focus of interest for the area.

The Project is keen to gather as much

information from the community as possible. Once the initial compilation of information has been completed a public meeting will be held to discuss to what extent each of the aspects should be promoted. The project hopes to include local residents by forming a sub group to assist in researching the areas heritage. The Rotherham group RAP have been notified and it is hoped that a delegation from each of the communities mentioned below will be able to contribute. With this in mind the project would be grateful to receive any details relating to the history of Tinsley, Brinsworth, Catcliffe and Treeton.

Please send any information to: Tinsley Tree Project c/o Tinsley One Stop Shop, 120-126 Bawtry Road, Tinsley, Sheffield, S9 1UE. telephone Tim on 0777 585 2667

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# Sure Start

**S**ure Start aims to improve the health and well-being of children before and from birth. Local programmes work with Children and families to improve Children's Life chances through better access to:

Family Support, Advice on children's development, Health Services, Early Learning, Supporting parent's learning and work –opportunities

### **Activities during February and March**

**Ace Space Day Out!** Wednesday 26th Feb, 1-4pm, in High Hazels Park. Follow a meteor trail around the park, go galactic grass sledging, and have a go at making your own spectacular space stuff with the Rangers. Minibuses will leave Tinsley at 12.30 prompt, but spaces are limited and will be on a first-come basis. Families that are already registered with Tinsley Sure Start will get first priority. Cost £1 per person. Call into the Sure Start office on Monday mornings (10-12.30) to book a place with Fiona or Tahira

**Childrens Health Activity Day** Friday 28th Feb, 1-3pm at the Tinsley Community Centre, for families with children aged 0-4 (children up to 8 years old are welcome with their younger brothers and sisters). Come, play and mix with other children. There will be crafts, games and toys for the children to play with, plus tea, coffee and biscuits. Tahira will be there to help with advice on health information, oral hygiene, diet and nutrition.

**Health Walks** Mondays 9.30-11am (mums and children), Tuesdays 1.15-2.30pm (women only) - meet at the Sure Start office and return for a coffee.

**Asylum Seekers Drop In** for asylum seekers families with children aged 0-4 years - come along for a friendly chat and meet other people in a similar situation to yourself. There will be family support, general information about how Sure Start and other agencies in Tinsley might be able to help with benefit advice, counselling, dental and medical services, etc. Tuesday mornings (from 28th Jan) 10-12 at the Sure Start office.

**Healthy Eating** Come and talk to our Dietician about healthy eating, discuss diet and nutrition, exchange ideas and recipes for children and the whole family. There will be an opportunity to have a weigh-in session and to keep a food diary if you need support and motivation to lose weight. You can borrow exercise videos free-of-charge. Wednesday mornings at the Sure Start office - there is no crèche but you can bring your children along to play with us.

**Breast Feeding Support Group** Run by our Midwife and Health Visitors, every Wednesday, 1-3pm at the Sure Start office.

**Mother and Baby Group** The Sure Start Home Visitors would love to see you on Friday afternoons, 1-3pm, at the Sure Start office. These sessions are a great way to meet and socialise with other young parents. It gives you (and us) the chance to discuss other issues and to develop more ideas amongst ourselves.

Contact Tahira, Health & Activities Development Worker (07976 311154) or Fiona, Community Development Worker (07976 305786), or at the office on 261 8181 or for more details on all the above.

**Sure Start Offices** The Sure Start shop was officially opened on 18th Dec by Daniel Mason, aged 4. Over 60 parents, children, fami-



*Tinsley Surestart Workers outside their new office on Highgate Shopping Precinct*

lies and workers from local organisations helped make it a very enjoyable day. A plaque to Lesley Nadin was dedicated, and we were joined by her family for this poignant time. Tinsley Sure Start's address is Unit 3, Highgate Shopping Centre, Bawtry Road, S9 1UY (in between the chip shop and Munir's), telephone 261 8181.

**Roundabout Centre** has undergone refurbishment since Christmas and is now open again for childcare. Until St Lawrence Church Hall is refurbished, the 13 place nursery provision will be held there in the mornings.

**St Lawrence Church Hall** Refurbishment work is expected to commence towards the end of January. There have been delays due to the lease. Discussions are currently taking place about how best to provide childcare split between Roundabout and St Lawrence until the new Family Centre is built in the Recreation Ground.

**Family Centre** A lot of preparatory work is underway at present. There will be an opportunity for local people to undertake some paid research during Feb-April to make sure the facilities in the Family Centre and the Recreation Ground meet local peoples' needs.

**Home Visiting Service** can be contacted in the One Stop Shop, Bawtry Road, or by telephone 261 8791.

**Programme Management Group** All parents with children aged 0-4 in Tinsley are welcome to attend our Programme Management Group meetings, which take place approximately every 6 weeks. The next meeting will be on Mon 3rd March, 1-3pm in the Sure Start office. Please try to let us know beforehand if you will be attending,

## Community Engagement with Waverley Developers

**T**insley Forum has been working with other community organisations to try and develop a meaningful partnership with Yorkshire Forward/UK Coal the Developers of the Waverley Advanced Manufacturing Park (AMP) near the Big W on the Parkway. This site is projected to lead to around 4000 jobs. The Forum are battling away on the issues of jobs for local people, the effects of the traffic on health and the local environment (arguing for substantial public transport right from the start of the development for example) and other concerns.

At a meeting of representatives from communities around the site from Rotherham and Sheffield it was agreed that 6 community organisations would be represented on a Monitoring Group along with developers and Councils. Yorkshire Forward the regional Development agency see this group being at the cutting edge of community engagement

Over the last three years the Forum, East End Strategy Group and East End Quality of Life Initiative have been working to get effective community engagement with developers and agencies set to develop sites in the area. We have developed links with community organisations in Rotherham and together we are determined that this era of regeneration as a bigger positive effect on local communities than in the recent past.

## Rest of One Stop Shop could be open by end of February

**T**insley Forum Project has secured a further £65K to bring the One Stop Shop into operational use. It is expected that the work will be completed before the end of March. One of the first projects moving in will be JobNet.

This will mean that local people will be able to access job opportunities and vacancies both citywide and local from the One Stop Shop. It is expected that the project will also develop strong links with local employers in order to try and get any vacancies filled by people from Tinsley. There will also be assistance with career guidance and support in CV writing and job applications. As soon as possible other projects such as Action for Employment, Connexions, Health Advisory, outposted services from Sheffield City Council and last but not least Tinsley Advice Service will move in.

## Renewable Energy

The Forum is looking into the possibility of getting all its energy needs for the OneStop Shop from renewable energy. We are working with Yorkshire Renewable Energy Network (YREN) on using a heat exchanger (works opposite to fridge cooling system, tubes placed in ground in trench 2 metres deep where earth's temperature is around 12C) This and photo voltaic solar panels could drastically cut energy bills and reduce air pollution.



# Tinsley Forum Meeting

7.00 pm

## Tuesday 11th February

### Tinsley Community Centre, Ingfield Avenue, Tinsley

Main item

## Regenerating Tinsley Rec. for all the Community The Consultant preparing regeneration Masterplan wants your ideas and views

Other items include: Tinsley Tree Projects Ideas for the Future  
Community Safety update

**This is your Forum, your community and your views are important**

