

# Tinsley Tribune

newsletter of Tinsley Forum

March 2005

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

## Housing Market Renewal and Masterplanning in Tinsley

The Government launched South Yorkshire as one of nine Pathfinders in Housing Market Renewal in 2002, as a response to weakness (low house prices and demand) in the housing market. The Government see the programme as a long term one, with an expected life of 15 years plus. Transform South Yorkshire is the name for the South Yorkshire Housing Market renewal programme.

The aim of Transform South Yorkshire is "To build and support sustainable communities and successful neighbourhoods where the quality and choice of housing underpins a buoyant economy and an improved quality of life"

The key objectives to come from this aim are to improve the quality of and the choice within the housing market in the chosen area. The changing needs and aspirations of local people will play the most important role in shaping the future development of Tinsley. With a view to this Transform South Yorkshire are funding a Masterplanning process that will cover the Darnall, Attercliffe and Tinsley area. The purpose of the finished Masterplan is to act as a guide to future development, to help attract developers and to act as a focus for regeneration efforts. The independent consultants ap-



A Tinsley streetscene

pointed to carry out the Masterplan will use the wealth of information already gathered from previous consultation processes to help form their initial conclusions. These initial findings will then be the subject of public consultation. The results of this first round of public consultation will be analysed and used to make sure the Masterplan reflects the views and needs of the community. The Masterplanning process in Tinsley will start in April 05 and will continue throughout the summer with various consultation events taking place to keep the community informed and on-board with the emerging proposals. Martyn Wragg, East Sheffield Regeneration Team, 2562182

### Looking for a Job?

If you are looking for work or want a change in career then Tinsley Forum can assist you through the Jobnet team who are returning to Tinsley One stop Shop in April. For more information or to register your details please contact Lucy Wells at Tinsley Forum on 0114 244 4887.

we aim to deliver to every household in Tinsley

# Highgate Surgery

South East Sheffield



Primary Care Trust

Lots of good news at Highgate. As patients may have noticed we are having extensive building work done. This will improve the patient toilet facilities, give us an extra room to enable us to employ a health care worker, and provide another nurses room which hopefully will mean that we can run more clinics and offer more appointments. We are still advertising to recruit another Doctor but have had no success so far.

We are also upgrading our computer system which will help us to record information more easily and therefore improve the service we offer our patients. These two major changes should be completed by the end of March and we look forward to offering an improved service.

There are ongoing problems with people not attending for their appointments and not informing us. These are wasted appointments

and could be used by others. As an attempt to reduce missed appointments we are trying a system of contacting patients by telephone the day before their appointment to check that they have not forgotten and that they still need the appointment. This will be tried for a month and then evaluated. At present there is a mixed reaction to this service.

We have now received the results of the patient survey completed just before Christmas. We are considering the comments and as a team will be discussing issues raised such as more phone lines, confidentiality and opening hours. These issues will also be discussed with PCT staff, again in an effort to improve the service to our patients.

Gill Pearson Lead Nurse  
Highgate Surgery 0845 122 22 49

# Tinsley Forum working with Brinsworth Comprehensive School

The Tinsley Forum Project led by Anne Saleh and Laura Whittaker, have seen considerable developments over the past 3 months.

In December we started to receive referrals from Brinsworth School supporting the hard to reach pupils. We are able to support their academic work with the use of our drop in facilities, and youth development staff. We are helping them with personal and social skills to help in-tergrate the pupils back into education. So far this service has proved to be a huge success with many young people returning to education. Since January we have worked closely with the Youth Offending Team, providing support young with offenders in completing their reparation orders, we have provided support for 3 to date with more referrals on a regular basis.

In March we have a programme for year 11's that is taking place in Brinsworth School, this will give year 11's an insight in job interviews techniques and CV writing also sessions in drug awareness and mobile theft/personal safety. We hope that these sessions will prove valuable for the young peoples future.

## Keeping Tinsley's Streets Clean



We have a new Street cleaner in Tinsley his name is John Lee, and is employed by Street Force. John has recently started in this post and works the following times.

7.30am – 10.30am Monday – Friday.

Due to a high number of complaints John has been focusing on the subways, areas where litter and the deposal of larger objects have been dumped.

We would still appreciate people disposing of litter in the correct way to help keep Tinsley a cleaner and safer environment for all.

If you have any questions Streetforce are happy to talk to you, please call them on 0114 2 734567 or talk to Anne Saleh at the One Stop Shop who will be happy to pass on any of your concerns.

## Jobs for Tinsley Folk at GBN

Green Business Network (GBN) and Tinsley Forum have developed a successful working partnership when it comes to recruiting local people for their new recycling plant on Shepcote Lane.

Due to the success of Decembers recruitment campaign where five people gained employment, GBN were keen to work in partnership with Tinsley Forum again in February when they were looking to recruit to two plant operative vacancies.

Posters and leaflets were distributed throughout the community and application forms were available from Tinsley Forum. Assistance with application forms and interview techniques was also available form Tinsley Forum and New Futures staff.

Twelve applications were made and GBN agreed to interview all applicants. Interviews were held at Tinsley One Stop Shop on 17<sup>th</sup> February.

Although there were only two vacancies for plant operatives, GBN were so impressed with the quality of candidates that they offered four people jobs, three of which live in Tinsley. Due to the success of this initiative GBN will be willing to work with Tinsley Forum in the future for any vacancies that they have.

### SINGLE REGENERATION BUDGET 4

is pleased to invite you to its Dissemination Event

#### 'SRB4 FINAL EVALUATION'

Thursday, 21 April 2005

at Sheffield United Ground, Bramall Lane, 12:00 – 16:00

Join us to celebrate the successes of the SRB4 Programme for an interactive exhibition of the activities undertaken by the various community regeneration projects funded by the SRB4 scheme.

The event will present the findings from the SRB4 final evaluation and give the opportunity for all projects to say a final farewell to the SRB4 Programme.

For Further Information Contact:

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SRB 4 Community Regeneration Unit  
Town Hall

Pinstone Street SHEFFIELD, S1 2HH

Phone: 2039146 **RSVP**

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## A Straw Bale Building for Tinsley

**T**insley Tree Project continues to thrive and to improve Tinsley's environment by carrying out practical environmental improvements, collecting and recycling green waste and by providing information and advice to local groups, schools and to local residents who attend the Tinsley Community Allotment or participate in the kerbside composting scheme.

We've an exciting year ahead!

Firstly, we're looking forward to improving the existing Tinsley Community Allotment site at the One Stop Shop through the erection, on adjacent land, of a sustainable straw bale building (pictured).

The building will be constructed primarily using straw bales and recycled materials and will have many environmentally friendly features including solar panels to provide electrical power and a composting toilet.

Once completed, the building will be open to all, providing an accessible space at which to hold public events and meetings and to carry out environmental education activities. The building will also provide much needed shelter for participants at the Community Allotment.



STRAW BALE FIELD BUILDING FOR TINSLEY TREE PROJECT

We hope to carry out this work in the summer months and would love to hear from anyone who is interested in working as a volunteer on the construction team!

Secondly, as a result of your participation and the overall success of our kerbside compost collection scheme, we have approached Sheffield City Council and Onyx with regard to formally agreeing a long term strategy that will enable TTP to continue to provide green waste disposal in Tinsley.

We aim to research and develop a business plan and forward strategy to sustain a larger more efficient kerbside collection scheme in Tinsley and the surrounding areas.

During the past year we have recycled over 15 tonnes of green waste, regularly collecting from over 180 households.

Should these negotiations be successful, we aim to collect green waste from many more households in Tinsley for the foreseeable future.

As our existing Seed Programme grant ended in December, we are currently continuing the kerbside collections on a restricted service.

As well as these new initiatives, work continues on local habitat creation at Sheffield Business Park through the establishment and ongoing maintenance of a wildflower meadow and we have recently been very pleased to receive a Street Force Streetscene award to commend our efforts to make Sheffield's environment a better place.

If you would like to know more about Tinsley Tree Project or would like to be involved with any of the above activities, please contact Tim or Rodney on 07775 852667.

### Private Landlords and Tenants The Private Rented Project Needs You!



The Private Rented Project has been set up to improve standards in all types of private rented accommodation in Burngreave, Firvale, Darnall and Tinsley. We offer free professional support and advice to both landlords and tenants.

Drop in session' every Wednesday, 2pm-4pm  
BNDFC Shop, 131 Spital Hill

The Landlord Information and Advice Session held in Darnall in February proved successful resulting in demand for a second session.

Don't miss the initial Tinsley session!

- Share knowledge, expertise and experience with other landlords.
- Access the free 'Landlords for Excellence' course at Sheffield Hallam University.
- Join a supportive partnership with the Private Rented Project Team, Anti-social Behaviour Officers, the Police and other council services

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2005**

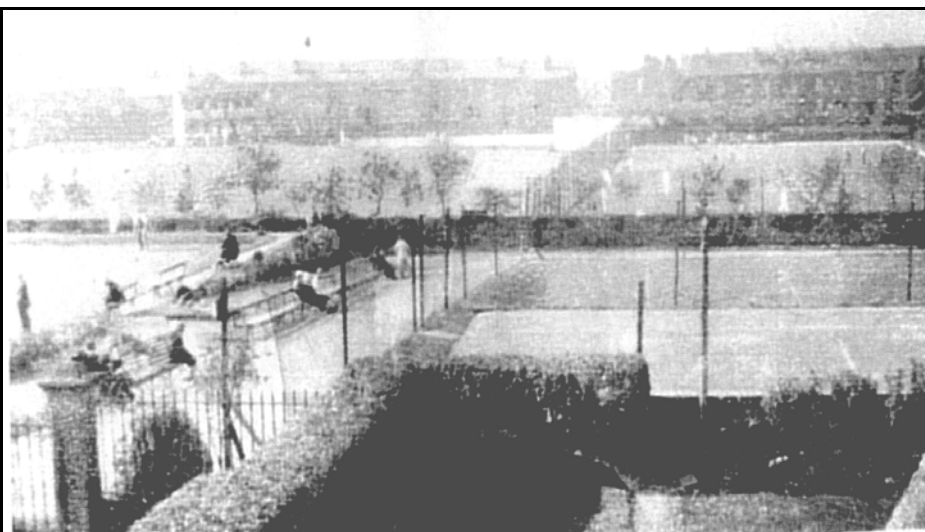
**6.30 to 8.00pm**

**Methodist Church  
Ingfield Avenue,  
Tinsley**

Refreshments Available!

For more information tel: 0114 273 4642 / 273 5134

## OLD PHOTOS OF TINSLEY REC.



Tinsley Rec 1920

"In connection with the Regeneration of the Tinsley Recreation Ground and the new Family Centre we are looking to produce an history of Tinsley Recreation Ground based on old photographs and exhibit these in the new Family Centre when it is built.

Have you any photos of the Recreation Ground that we can borrow to take copies off ? If you have any photos please give Richard Edge a ring on 0114 2447028 or bring them to the free Coffee Morning currently being held each Wednesday between 10-30am and 12-00 at St Lawrence Church, you will be made very welcome.

### Darnall, Tinsley, Handsworth Area Panel

The Area Panel host public meetings in the Darnall Ward every 2 months. These meetings are an opportunity for you to raise issues and ask questions about what is happening in your area.

The Area Panel aims to:

- ✧ Increase the local voice and inform decisions being made about the area.
- ✧ Improve local services by working with all council officers who have specific responsibility in the area.
- ✧ Work with local organisations.

If you would like your name to be added to our mailing list to receive details of panel meetings and other events

please contact:

Mark Swancott

Area Panel Support Officer

Tel: 07764140066 or email: mark.swancott@sheffield.gov.uk

The Area Panel can be contacted via the Town Hall. Tel: 0114 272 6444

#### Panel Members:

Cllr Mary Lea (chair),

Cllr Harry Harpham

Cllr Mohammad Altaf,

Cllr Ray Satur

Stella Mekonnen – Area Co-ordinator

Tel: 0114 203 7494



# Tinsley SureStart

**Women's Conversation Group for Asylum Seekers and Refugees** transport from the Sure Start office, Highgate, Every Thursday at 12.12.15pm, returning to Tinsley for 2.45pm, but must be booked in advance. Contact Fiona on 261 8181/ or Shada on 261 8791.

**Programme Management Group meetings** for parents to have their say in the running of Tinsley Sure Start. Meets at the St Lawrence Portakabin on Thursday 14th April, 26th May, 14th July, 8th Sept, 20th Oct, 8th Dec. Contact Sure Start of- fice Sally or Fiona on 261 8181.

**Parent Participation Group** meets monthly at St Lawrence Portakabin next meeting on: Thursday 10th March - Mothering Day Special, April 21st, May 19th, June 16th. refreshments and crèche provided, but places are limited and must be booked through the Round- about Centre on: 244 8885. Future meet- ings – .For further information Contact Fiona on 261 8181.

**Family Centre Publicity Group** meets monthly at the St Lawrence Portakabin. Next meeting Thursday 28th April, 09.30am - 11.30am, childcare pro- vided but is limited and must be booked in advance through the Roundabout Centre on: 244 8885. For more informa- tion please contact: Fiona on 261 8181.

**Interviewing Skills Course** running from Friday 22nd April 1-3pm at St Law- rence Portacabin for 4 weeks. Crèche provided but must be booked in advance on: 244 8885. To book a place or get more information please contact Fiona on: 261 8181.

**DIY course for Women-** coming in the future. For more information please con- tact Fiona on: 261 8181. (if there are any men interested in the above course please let me know) Fiona: 261 8181