



Tinsley Tribune

newsletter of Tinsley Forum

September 2012

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

New equipment to stop smells to be installed at Sterecycle mid October

The 17th of July meeting of Tinsley Forum was attended by well over 100 residents all wanting to ask questions of Sterecycle and MTL who are 2 local businesses that are causing local residents problems through air pollution, Sterecycle through bad smells and MTL through noise at night. The meeting which lasted over 2 hours started calmly enough with presentations from the local PACT team. Hellen Hornby from @myurbangreen and Viola. Darren Bradley and Steve Phillips (2 ex Tinsley residents) who work at MTL (the building overlooking Ferrars Road) spoke next about MTL and what it did. Residents complained bitterly about problems of noise emitting from MTL during the day and particularly at night, these problems included: clanking of metal, reversing sirens, exhaust noises and dropping off metal. Darren and Steve took the comments on board and have now implemented changes at the site which include fitting new white sound sirens to all fork lifts and a silencer to the shunter which have gone a long way towards solving the problem.

Steve Weaver from Sterecycle addressed the meeting next and was greeted by anger from many residents who complained about the pungent odours emitting from Sterecycle. Steve answered question after question in constant a constant barrage from residents that only ended due to time constraints. Tempers ran high during the meeting with residents complaining about spoilt summers and not being able to be outside or have windows open day or night because of the bad smells which have been of major concern to residents and businesses in the locality ever since the plant opened in 2009. The problem has worsened since the facility increased its processing capacity to 130,000 tonnes per annum in January 2012 which has brought additional smells and waste lorries

which travel through Tinsley rather than along Sheffield Road from Rotherham. Residents at the meeting made their feelings to Sterecycle well known and were furious at Sterecycle, the Environment Agency and local planning boards for granting licenses and not closing the company down. As the meeting drew to a close proposed changes were laid out, these are currently taking place along with 2 new air extraction scrubbers which are to be installed in mid October to complement the other changes being made. A follow up meeting was proposed for September but residents have asked for this to be put back until after all changes have been made. Full minutes from the meeting are available on the Tinsley Forum website: www.tinsleyforum.co.uk



Changes to your Bin collections

Last month, changes made to your black bin and recycling services mean that your black bin is emptied on one week and your blue bin and blue box is emptied the following week.

As part of these changes, you can now choose between your blue box and blue bin for your recyclables. Your paper and card can go in one container and your glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles and cans in the other - whichever suits you best. If you live in a large household or have a medical condition that generates a lot of waste then you may be eligible for a larger bin. You can apply by visiting www.sheffield.gov.uk or by calling Veolia on 0114 273 4567. If you have a lot of recycling waste you may request an additional blue by

calling Veolia.

Please do not put extra waste next to your black bin as this will not be taken. If you do have extra waste, you can take this to any of

the five, local Household Waste Recycling Centres. There are also 160 recycling sites located across the city at convenient places such as supermarket car parks and community centres. These sites take recyclables such as card, paper, glass

bottles and plastics including yogurt cartons, margarine tubs and plastic bags. To find your nearest site, visit www.veolia.co.uk/sheffield or call 0114 273 4567.

For more information about alternate week collections and managing your waste visit www.veolia.co.uk/sheffield, call 0114 273 4567 or email newbinservice@veolia.co.uk



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**Tinsley Luncheon Club
Gertrude Wilson's 100th
Birthday Dinner**



On August 9th one of our members Mrs. Gertrude Wilson celebrated her 100th birthday dinner with us. We celebrated this special occasion with a roast dinner and pudding, followed by champagne and cake, the lunch club presented Gertrude with a beautiful basket of flowers, everyone had a wonderful time. Happy Birthday Gertrude!!

**Events and Groups at
Tinsley Community
Centre**

Over 60's
Every Wednesday 1.30pm-3.30pm
Open to men and women. Come and have a chat with other members of the community We play 5 games of bingo and tea, coffee and biscuits are available. Cost £1.50 per week. A mini bus is available to collect people with walking difficulties. Day trips, Christmas Lunch and Pie and Peas events also take place. You will be made very welcome

For more information please contact Margaret Tolley 01709 373903, or Pam Armstrong on 0114 2426234

Elderly Lunch Club
Every Thursday 12 noon – 1.45pm
Cost £2.50, which includes, Lunch, dessert, tea, orange and a raffle tickets. We play 4 games of bingo (at a small charge). A mini bus is available to collect people with walking difficulties. Come and enjoy a freshly cooked meal amongst friends

For more information please contact Dot Brand 0114 2443003 or Pam Armstrong on 0114 2426234

Bingo Night
Wednesday evening 7.15pm – 9.00pm
Open to men and women (over 18 years)
Cost £4.00, which cover 6 tickets x 8 games
Tea and coffee available (at a small charge)
For more information please contact Gloria Freeman 0114 2447747 or Pam Armstrong on 0114 2426234

Tinsley Forum Job Club

For 16-65 year olds at Tinsley Forum and Tinsley Green
Every Wednesday afternoon from 12th September at
the
Tinsley Green, 1.00pm-4.00pm
And
Tinsley Forum, starting from 13th September
Every Thursday 10.00am – 4.00am

Come and get help with

- job searching
- writing CV's
- job applications

Pop in and use the computers to look for work

- **One 2 One support available with an Employment Advisor**

**For more information contact Anne Saleh
0114 2444887
or call in to Tinsley One Stop Shop on Bawtry Road.**

Various Keep Fit Groups
Will be starting up again in September/October. Please keep a look out for more details or call Pam Armstrong on 0114 2426234
Tinsley residents, we have a table tennis table at the centre which in the past has been used by adults or children (under parent supervision) so come and get fit and learn to play. Just a small charge to pay for room hire, call the centre for more information 0114 2430687.
Saturday and Sunday
The centre may be able to accommodate small children's parties (4 hours max) there is a fee to pay for room hire, call the centre for more information 0114 2430687



Exercise for Ladies Over 50

**At Tinsley Community Centre
Infield Avenue**

Every Wednesday 10.00-11.00
From Wednesday 26 September 2012
Light Exercise and Chairbics with
Qualified Female Instructor (Activity Sheffield)
Cost £1.00 (includes Refreshments)

Contact the Health Trainer, Yvonne, 0114 2496315 or
Tinsley Forum 0114 2444887 for more details

Tinsley Tribune, Tinsley, Tinsley One Stop Shop, 120-126 Bawtry Rd Tinsley, S9 1UE phone Neil Parry on 0114 2859911.
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News from the East Community Assembly

Funding Opportunities

East Community Small Grants launch:

Round one of the East Community Assembly Small Grants ended in June.

Below are some of the recent grants allocated to the Darnall Ward

Asian Old Peoples Caring Society - £250

Handsworth Forum -- £970

Tinsley Parents & Children Consortium - £968

Baishaki Mela - £1,000

African Womens Health Group - £250

Tinsley Forum - £1,000

The next round of the small grants will be launched on the 3rd September and close on the 28th September 5pm deadline.

You can apply for a grant from £100 up to £1,000.

For an application form and further details please contact the East Community Assembly team on 2735708 or email communityassemblyeast@sheffield.gov.uk

.Money for bigger projects has also been given to the following community groups:

Darnall and Tinsley Forums - £40,000

Family Development Project - £10,000

Horticultural Apprenticeship Scheme - £5,000

Positive Activities Small Grants (Kids Can Do) Funding

Positive Activities Small Grants for activities for 8 to 13 year olds aim to support the city's Youth Strategy by making available small amounts of money up to £1,000 per group to small voluntary, community and self-help groups that want to make a difference in their local community by providing positive activities for young people aged between 8 and 13 years.

The activities do not have to be targeted exclusively at this age range but we expect at least 75% of the young people taking part to be aged between 8 and 13 years.

As part of the conditions of the grant, you need to attend the Youth Providers Meeting, so you can share what activates you are providing. For more information about this meeting please contact Helen White on 2736434.

To apply for a grant you need to fill in our application form electronically. Please check the phone numbers you give and make sure that you answer all the questions fully. You can use additional sheets if necessary or add other information in support of your application.

To apply for a grant you need to fill in an application form electronically. Closing date is the 28th September 2012. For further information please contact the Accountable Body Team on 0114 2735220

Next Public Assembly Meeting

Meet the Cabinet meeting

The next East Community Assembly Business Meeting is on Thursday 27th September 2012, 6.30pm at Stradbroke Community Centre, Richmond Road, S13 8LT. Refreshments from 6pm.

This meeting will incorporate "Meet Your Cabinet Member" which will start at 4.30 and finish at 6pm

This is your chance to question your Cabinet members about issues in the community. If you wish to submit a question to your cabinet member please email the East Community Assembly team on

communityassemblyeast@sheffield.gov.uk or give us a ring on 0114 2735708. The questions need to with the assembly team by the 20th September 2012.

The East Community Assembly Business meeting will then start at 6.30pm.

Have your say on Sheffield's Library Services

Sheffield City Council is consulting on how we change our library services to make them fit and affordable for the future and meet people's needs across the city. The consultation began on 13 August and runs for a period of eight weeks, closing on 8 October. The scale of the reduction to the Council's budget means that efficiency savings alone will not be enough to cover the loss in funding. At this crucial point in time, we want to look at the library services afresh, to see how they can work in new and different ways. This could mean developing, changing or relocating some services and reducing or closing others.

Research has identified a range of opportunities that we could explore and we want to know what you think of them.

Opportunities to work differently include:

- ⇒ opening hours and the buildings we operate from
- ⇒ making our library services more efficient
- ⇒ partnership working - collaboration with voluntary/ community groups
- ⇒ volunteering to enhance the service
- ⇒ increasing income
- ⇒ new technology

How to have your say You can complete the survey online on our website

www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraryreview You can pick up a survey at any library or First Point.

Community Share Offer for Green Hydro Project in Tinsley Gets the Go-ahead

Renewable energy from hydro-electric power on the river Don came a step closer with the announcement of the launch of the campaign to raise finance for the scheme at Blackburn Meadows. Community energy group Sheffield Renewables is launching a Community Share offer to raise the £250,000 needed to begin construction of the Hydro scheme at Jordan Dam in 2013.



Artists impression of The Archimedes Screw Hydro-electric scheme

Supporters of the scheme will be asked to invest £250 per share and it is hoped to raise the funds in three months with the rest of the finance being made available through commercial loans. There is also the option for those on a low income to invest in instalments.

The scheme will generate 310,000 kWh/yr, enough for 80 homes and will save Sheffield 200 tonnes of CO2 per year.

The Share Offer launch event will take place on Saturday, September 15th at 3pm at the Central United Reform Church in Sheffield. The event will provide an opportunity to find out more about the Hydro scheme as well as the share offer and other ways that people can get involved in the city's first community renewable energy scheme.

More details will appear on the Sheffield Renewables' website:

www.sheffieldrenewables.org.uk. Meanwhile anyone interested in investing can make a 'pledge' on the website. You can also contact Sheffield Renewables direct at emma@sheffieldrenewables.org.uk or on 0114 250 8367 for further details.

Tinsley Canal Wildflower Meadow during the summer





Time to clean up



Air pollution on a sunny day in the Lower Don Valley, looking towards Tinsley viewed from Wincobank Hill earlier this year

In 1936, George Orwell walked in to Sheffield over Wincobank Hill – he was writing *The Road to Wigan Pier*. He noted of Sheffield “*It seems to me, by daylight, one of the most appalling places I have ever seen. In whichever direction you look, you see the same landscape of monstrous chimneys pouring forth smoke which is sometimes black and sometimes of a rosy tint said to be due to sulphur. You can smell the sulphur in the air all the while.*”

The Clean Air legislation and policies of the 1950s had a dramatic effect upon pollution levels across the city, but particularly in the east end. Mind you, until relatively recently, some of the remaining industrial activities in the Don Valley meant that building new homes in Attercliffe was not an option.

But, whilst air quality has generally improved, some parts of the city have increasingly suffered from air pollution mainly caused by traffic. The pollution levels breach national and European thresholds. It is estimated to account for up to 500 premature deaths per year in Sheffield, with health costs of around £160 million per year. It has short and long-term health impacts, particularly for respiratory and cardiovascular health, including increased admissions to hospital.

People in Tinsley have been particularly affected by pollution from the M1, where traffic levels have continued to rise. It is clear that no real improvements can be made without government action. However, it has recently announced that it intends to introduce traffic management arrangements on the M1, including use of the hard shoulder during peak times. There is a real danger that this could worsen the situation, unless traffic speeds are reduced.

With the support of local Councillors, I am again pressing Ministers to come clean (sic) about the action that the government intends to take to ensure that the EU targets are met. I'll keep you advised of the response.

CLIVE BETTS MP [SHEFFIELD SOUTH EAST]

Tinsley Canalside Access Project and River Stewardship Company Volunteers built an Otter Holt near the River Don In the Tinsley Area



Forthcoming event Torch Walk and Fire Food Sunday 4th November 3-6pm

Meeting at Tinsley One Stop Shop where we will walk to the canal. On the way we will look for wildlife found in the area. Once at the canal we will have a fire and play some games. We will then walk along the canal with our torches looking for and learning about nocturnal wildlife before returning to the One stop shop . Don't forget your torch. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please wear warm clothing and footwear for walking in. Please contact Neil Parry on 2859911 for more information
Tinsley Forum & River Stewardship Company