THESE shocking images show school children forced to sit in a bus aisle on their way to school because of a lack of seats.

Children crammed into the gangway for a week and a half, risking their own safety, on the journey from Milton Keynes to Buckingham.

The Koncept Travel 905 bus picks children up from Newton Longville, Bletchley, Emerson Valley and Furzton to take them to the Royal Latin School in Buckingham each day.

For the first days of the new school term, around seven children getting on the bus at Furzton were left without a seat because the vehicle was full before arriving at their stop.

Thirteen-year-old Stevie Burrett, contacted MKNEWS after claiming his complaints to Koncept Travel and Buckinghamshire County Council were ignored.

His parents pay £600 per year for his bus pass. The teenager, from Walton Heath in Bletchley, said: “I am already aware that this is illegal, as the Department for Transport clearly states that you must wear a seat belt on a coach. How is this possible for people on the floor?

“If there was an accident, someone surely would be killed. “I think it’s completely disgraceful and dangerous. “Last year, another service didn’t have a big enough bus, so they sent two. “Couldn’t Koncept have done that? I want to make sure this doesn’t happen to anyone else.”

Stevie’s dad, Steve, said: “When we pay the fees they tell us we have to get them in as early as possible because it's passes are allocated on a first-come first-served basis. "How on earth did they oversubscribe in the first place? There is even a sign at the front of the bus that says ‘No standing passengers’.

“It’s laughable if it wasn’t so serious.”

But yesterday a spokesman for Little Harwood bus company Koncept Travel, denied knowing about the situation. He said: "I wasn’t aware of this. I am aware that one of the stops on that route has now been transferred to a different service because of increased passenger numbers at Newton Longville.

“What we would normally do if there is overloading is transfer them onto another coach immediately.

“Obviously I am not very happy about this. I will have to look into it.”

Carnival cocktails
The latest tipple hits town
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Milton KeynesMK’s Number One Estate Agent

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A MAN has been found guilty of two counts of attempted murder, but was found guilty of grievous bodily harm with intent. He will only be allowed to apply for parole after six years.

Brian Lydon, 31, an ex-★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

### Thug jailed for horrific attack

**By Laura Hannam**

A CITY band will join the Chemical Brothers and Klaxons by having one of its tracks played next to a piece of art at the Tate Modern.

Kotki Dwa, an indie and electro-pop band, were selected from thousands of entries to win the Tate Tracks competition. Entrants were asked to write and record a song inspired by a piece of art at the Tate Modern.

Kotki Dwa’s winning track, titled ‘Le Beau Charcurtier’, was inspired by Francis Picabia’s ‘The Handsome Pork Butcher’. The track will be played through headphones installed next to their chosen artwork and featured on the Tate Tracks compilation album.

It will be set alongside original tracks from prestigious performers including Klaxons, The Chemical Brothers, The Long Blondes and Basement Jaxx.

Kotki Dwa include brothers Alex, 21, and Tristan Ostrowski, 17, from Simpson Road, Simpson and Tom Walker, 21, from Haddenham, Buckinghamshire.

The band is named after a Polish lullaby passed down the Ostrowski brothers’ family, which was sung to them by their grandfather.

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Mayoral campaigner loses cancer battle

THE man behind the campaign to bring a directly elected mayor to Milton Keynes has died following a battle with cancer.

Barrister and parish councillor Neil Cawley (pictured right) of London Road, Loughton, had been suffering with cancer for several months.

He died, aged 50, on September 7. He leaves behind two young sons aged nine and 11 years-old, and his wife Serena.

His family held a private funeral for him on September 12.

Mr Cawley was a member of Loughton Residents’ Association and made it his business to ensure anti-social behaviour such as grafitti was kept to a minimum on the estate.

He wanted to give the MK electorate a chance to vote for their first directly elected mayor.

In a moving tribute this week his wife said: “If he believed in what he was doing. He wanted Milton Keynes to be a nice place to live.”

He was trying to get the council to do what everybody wanted. “That’s the kind of person he was. The other day my children said to me ‘Oh no mummy, Loughton is going to have more grafitti now because daddy’s dead.’

Mr Cawley helped set up Better MK – a group of independent politicians who wish to do away with party politics.

He was in the army for ten years from when he was 19 years-old.

He married his wife in 1995 before doing his law degree, at which time he started offering free legal advice and free representation to those who needed it.

This weekend the family will hold a private requiem mass for him, to which close family and friends have been invited including his army friends and his old schoolmaster.

Mrs Cawley buried her husband ashes at All Saints Church yesterday.

She added: “As far as we’re concerned he was a fantastic person. He always wanted to help the community.

“We prepared the children, they were fully aware and they know they can come to me.

“Their schools have been brilliant, so has the priest at the local church and our friends have been very supportive.

“Neil was always trying to improve peoples’ lives.”

**A Vision of MK’s dynamic future**

**BY ALICIA BABAEE**

T HIS is what the new part of the Xscape will look like.

The artist’s impression shows an undercover walkway leading up to a parade of specialty shops and an entertainment hub including a casino, café/restaurants, a hotel and a spa area.

The development plans are said to be aimed at ‘a diverse and sophisticated customer’.

Xscape is to consult with the public, the council and regen- eration agency Milton Keynes Partnership regarding the plans.

They will then be told whether they can have planning permis- sion to build the state-of-the-art facility.

The plans are being exhibited at Xscape on September 22 and 23.

Visitors will be given the oppor- tunity to give feedback on the plans, which include extra car park- ing spaces.

The expansion will stand to the north of the current building.

The new facilities would join the real snow ski slope, Airkix wind- tunnel, multiscreen Cineworld cinema, bowling alley, gym and the host of shops, bars and restau- rants that are already on offer at the entertainment venue.

PY Gerbeau, chief executive X- Leisure, said: “These develop- ment proposals will be a fantastic addition to both Xscape and Milton Keynes.

“We aim to build upon our suc- cess over the last seven years and create a platform for even more success in the future. “Milton Keynes is a great city with lots to offer and our plans will reinforce Xscape’s status as the UK’s leading leisure and retail destination.”

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The plans have been formulated in response to the Milton Keynes Development Framework Plan.

Xscape has attracted 25 million visitors through its doors since it opened in 2003. This year it has already welcomed seven million visitors alone.

Its expansion would fit in with the wider developments going on in central Milton Keynes.

The centre will create a platform for even more success in the future.

It will also provide more car parking and link the centre to Milton Keynes as part of a more pedestrian-friendly city centre.

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Welcome sign graffiti vandal should be made to suffer for his wayward art

No cat-islation

SIR – The RSPCA are sorry to hear about Ms Lewis’s experience of returning a cat in 2003. ‘Please take my cat back’, Milton Keynes, August 29.

We are not sure which branch or animal centre Dillon the cat was rehomed from, and, as he was rehomed several years ago, it will be difficult to look into this further. However the RSPCA would like to reassure readers that the response Ms Lewis says she received would not be our usual one.

Though vet checks are carried out, all animals are up to date with vaccinations and support would normally be offered to the new owner to ensure the cat’s health.

The RSPCA recommends that owners worried about FIV ensure that their cats are fully vaccinated against the disease.

Sorine Wilkinson
RSPCA East Regional Press Officer

V6 is V dangerous

SIR – I was surprised by the fact that another young person had been injured on V6. However after some recent days out around MK I am beginning to understand the reasons and so the fault has to be down to parents.

I have seen numerous children thinking that it is OK or acceptable to run across from Shenley Brook End School over to Morrions playing ‘chicken’ with cars travelling at speed.

Then whilst out shopping in the centre teaching my toddler that he should look out for cars both ways and only if it was clear then he could cross the road, I got a disappointing look from a middle aged couple that I was clearly holding up their journey to shops by standing in their way of them crossing the road instead of being a responsible parent and teaching the dangers of the road safety.

I wonder how many other parents that take children to school and transport them both ways and only if it was clear then they accidents will continue to happen.

By email
Name and address supplied

Nothing wrong with tea

SIR – In the current edition of MK News you propagate the urban myth that tea (or coffee) be dehydrating and not be made to suffer for his wayward art.

I have no doubt that many GPs will be equally ignorant, but recent studies debunk this myth.

A medical layperson, I have heard from them all.

I wonder how many others parents that take children to school and transport them both ways and only if it was clear then they accidents will continue to happen.

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No excuse for accidents

SIR – RE: Bike crash boy leaves hospital.

Another child in an accident on the V7 Saan street which also is always one child too many.

But the V7 and all the other roads in Milton Keynes were designed for the buses and cars and the paths alongside and the redways and bridges above the roads are for pedestrians no matter what age or who they are.

Whenever such tragedies happen, my thoughts go first to the drivers of the vehicles involved. Nothing is ever heard about them when the inquests are over and they are the ones who have to live with that split second for the rest of their lives.

The victim who caused the accident is either dead or hopefully is found healed and supernatural.

Riding a bicycle across any road in front of a car. A habit rather than more than foolish, as the driver cannot pull up just like that.

What chance has the driver got, when he/she sees this happening.

The answer is none at all.

I am not surprised to hear of another accident on the V7 as I cannot recall how many times I have seen people walking or running across that stretch of road where Barchard Frase was killed when I am sat in the back of a wheelchair taxi because I cannot run or walk at all.

How I would love to be able to ‘walk’ again, but being able to cross the road in safety on the bridge is a very polite for a nice walk along the provided paths and our very special redways throughout the city.

There is no excuse or reason for pedestrians or cyclist to be knocked down in Milton Keynes is there?

It is up to you to take extra care and not expect that driver to stop or kill you and you never get across the road or finish your journey.

The drivers has to and live with your death the rest of their lives.

Marjorie Chappell
sent by email

OAPs free bus travel

SIR – Just to remind pensioners that after a vigorous campaign by the National Pensioners Convention, new Government legislation, will mean that a National Free Bus Travel Scheme will be introduced throughout England as from April 1, 2008.

Pensioners should by now have received a letter from MK Council to enable them to receive their new pass in time for the change next year.

To carry on the fight on pensioner issues, we will be having a FREE Coach to the National Pensioners Lobby of Parliament on Wednesday, October 24, leaving MK Central Library in the centre of MK at 10.30am. To book a seat contact Andy on MK 672008.

Peter Billups
Chairman, MK Pensioners Association.
St Ledger Drive, Great Linford

Stand up - be counted

SIR – Not for the first time you report on a council committee vote – this time concerning MK Rugby Club – where there were abstentions.

I recall that at the first meeting of the full council, after the elections of 2005, when the council was a hung council, that all the Conservative and Labour councillors abstained en masse, at every vote for the council leader, deputy leader and the suichike, even though the positions had been agreed with all parties prior to the full meeting of the council.

My question is, why do you need members of the council, sub-committees etc, who are not prepared to exercise their right to vote?

After all, they were elected by the electorate to represent them.

To abstain from a vote, shows a lack of conviction and they should stand down and make way for people who are prepared to stand up for their convictions, and vote.

Antony Hamilton
Eaglestone West

Heartless goat thieves

SIR - How horrid that those three goats were stolen from an island in the middle of North Willen Lake (MK News September 12).

The thieves must have been so cruel to take the animals from their herd.

How did they know they were there! I have never noticed them there!

After all, they were elected by the electorate to represent them.

To abstain from a vote, shows a lack of conviction and they should stand down and make way for people who are prepared to stand up for their convictions, and vote.

I hope the animals are returned safely soon and the culprits caught.

My heart goes out to the owners who must be worried sick.

Mrs Pittman
Newton Longville

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F-Tizzle and the Fame man
join forces on new album

FAME Academy winner David Sneddon was in town last week to record with local artist F-Tizzle.

Tim Lawson, 19, who goes by the stage name of F-Tizzle struck up a conversation with the Scot on myspace.

David Sneddon – winner of the BBC’s first Fame Academy series in 2002 – was impressed with F-Tizzle’s tracks and agreed to make the journey to Milton Keynes to collaborate on a track for F-Tizzle’s second album.

The pair recorded the single – titled ‘A Different Time’ – at a studio on Wednesday.

He has recorded videos at city spots including Midsummer Place and Nexus nightclub and toured schools around Milton Keynes.

Mr Corner said: “I've no doubt that Mr Dikoba had he been paying proper attention to the road ahead of him. Mr Dikoba held his head in his hands as Mr Corner described Shane Carter's final moments alive.

The mother of a city man who died in a motorcycle crash has spoken of her tragic loss.

Thirty-four-year-old Shane Carter, of Jonathans, Coffee Hall, was killed when his Suzuki motorbike collided with a red Fiat Brava on the H2 near Fullers Slade on Sunday, February 11.

Shane's wife, Angelina, and his mother, Lorraine Carr, attended Milton Keynes Coroner's Court on Thursday for the inquest into his death.

Speaking to MKNEWS afterwards, Mrs Carr, from Greenleys, said: “We were expecting him to turn up at about 4pm but Leigh, Shane's brother, turned up and told me he was dead.”

I had just only passed his motorbike test four months before.

“Shane left behind a brother and sister, and two nieces, both aged one.

He served in the army before becoming a bus driver for MK Metro – a job he loved nearly as much as his bike, said his mother.

Mr Corner said: “I'm satisfied that the motorbike was imminently visible to Mr Dikoba before hearing from the driver of the Fiat, Frenchman Christian Dikoba, of Shepherds, Fullers Slade.

Mr Dikoba said he had not seen the bike and did not realise what had happened when he heard a loud bang and the back windows of the car shattering.

I'm sure that the motorbike was well within the driver's view of the road as he is a Frenchman and it's legal for him to drive in the UK.”

He said Shane spotted the car and braked, sending his bike skidding onto its side and throwing him under the vehicle as it turned into the junction.

“Mr Carter suffered massive injuries from which he couldn't have lived,” said Mr Corner.

Mr Dikoba told him his head in his hands as Mr Corner described Shane Carter’s final moments alive.

Victim: Shane Carter who died in an accident while riding his motorbike.
The Invest Milton Keynes 2006-07 Annual Review has landed on my desk and this week we will proudly be distributing it to over 1,500 chief executives and key contacts in the South East of England.

This year has been fantastic for Invest Milton Keynes, with the city welcoming a massive 58 investment successes, including 13 international arrivals from eight different countries, created or safeguarded 2,805 jobs and handled 404 premise/land inquiries – a four year high and 46 per cent increase on the previous year.

Of these successes 28 (48 per cent) are existing Milton Keynes businesses expanding into new premises. This demonstrates that the city is an excellent location for businesses to grow and reflects Invest Milton Keynes’ commitment to support local companies.

Also from this year’s figures, 24 (41 per cent) of the successes were knowledge-based businesses, a key sector we’re targeting, and accounts for 1,052 (37 per cent) of the jobs created or safeguarded.

As you will have read over the past few months we have had some very interesting and high-profile success stories. These include the first Chinese company to come to Milton Keynes, HYT Telecommunications, Konrad Hornschuch AG, a German company and global leader in the manufacture of sheeting, high-tech synthetics and imitations leather, and the expansion of Stone and Webster Ltd, part of the Shaw Group and one of the world’s largest engineering and construction groups.

Also Invest Milton Keynes has continued to support and help deliver major events to raise the city’s profile nationally. IMK was also delighted to support Business Link in the pioneering initiative ‘The Pitch’ which reaffirmed Milton Keynes as a city of enterprise, which culminated with six contestants vying for £500,000 worth of investment in front of an audience of 300 people.

In less than two years, the investment team part of Milton Keynes Partnership’s has built a sound platform, achieved impressive results and most importantly, made a real difference to the city’s economic development. So much so that Milton Keynes Partnership was selected as one of three finalists in the ‘Economic development organisation of the year’ category of the Regeneration and Renewal Awards 2007.

Although we didn’t quite win we were delighted to be a finalist together with Manchester’s investment agency MIDAS and the Isle of Wight Economic Partnership.

Here’s to another record-breaking year!

Do you agree or disagree with the points raised in this column? Let us know your thoughts and we shall publish the best.

E-mail: editor@mk-news.co.uk

Invest Milton Keynes so close to winning award

Our occasional series of guest columnists continues today with the thoughts of director of inward investment for Invest Milton Keynes, GRANT SEELEY

This year has been fantastic for Invest Milton Keynes… and it has continued to support and help deliver major events to raise the city’s profile nationally.
Time-saving bypass opened

A MUCH-CONTESTED bypass was opened by an ox rally and race driving champion on Friday, Buckinghamshire County Council (BCC) waved the starter flag on the Stoke Hammond to Linlade bypass on September 14. The bypass is a five-mile stretch of dual carriageway which will provide a quick link between Aylesbury and Milton Keynes for 1,100 daily commuters. The bypass sparked protests both for and against in January 2005 when national anti-roads group Road Black tried to make it the focal point of a national anti-road-building lobby. A spokesman for BCC said: “Since that time the council has worked closely with local environmental groups to minimise the environmental impact and deliver a range of sustainable alternative transport benefits and road safety measures.”

“By-pass will provide welcome relief for more than 35,000 residents of Leighton Linslade, Soulbury and Stoke Hammond, who protested many years ago for the bypass and campaigned for more than 20 years until the council finally secured Government approval and funding to build the road. “The road is part of a planned strategic network which will be more able to cope with the major housing growth the government wishes to see in the area. "Initially it will also relieve congestion and divert through-travel.”

Council commits asbestos offence

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THE council has been caught storing asbestos without a licence. It comes after it gave a housing developer permission to store asbestos in a locked skip on community land in Wolverton. The contractor developed was using the land in Netherfield as a base and storage site and had bypassed the local authority's asbestos control plan. He was challenging the officers for a absence of a licence for the asbestos. The council admitted the material should not have been stored on the site. An email written by HBS senior surveyor Jason Green in March, he confessed: “The contractor, with our consent and consultation, used to put these asbestos into a locked skip at both the Netherfield and Denbigh sites, until collection/disposal from the ship company to a tip - an acceptable and used method throughout the country.”

Unfortunately the legislation around this is vague and open to interpretation. The problem comes with the interpretation of storage. “Some environmental waste officers class this storage as a waste transfer station which we or the contractor don’t have a licence for, and others as a collection point, stored in a safe manner; for further disposal. “Unfortunately the officer looking at us had deemed this method as the same as a transfer station, hence we have had to change our way of working.”

Now all asbestos waste is taken straight from where it is found to a registered transfer station ready for disposal. Mr Grace added: “This is a more expensive procedure for the service, but prevents risk of non-compliance.”

Community campaigner Joyce Hall, of Broadlands, Netherfield, says that promises to leave the site in a ‘secure and tidy state’ were broken. Children got into the site and interfered with electric cables, and gas, water and sewerage pipes. She said: “I think they broke their contract. People weren’t very happy. They said there wouldn’t be big lorries and there were. “The council said it was not going to be used as a builders’ yard primarily, but there were absolutely loads of containers. Not little ones, but the big ones like you see on trains.”

A spokesman for the council said: “Cribbs cisterns removed from MK Council properties, which contain minute traces of asbestos material, were being stored safely and securely, using a method that is common throughout the UK. Our contractor is licensed to carry out this work and to transport the material to a registered site for disposal. “However, by law defining a ‘transfer area’ and a ‘storage area’ is open to interpretation and on this occasion the Environmental Agency waste officer took the view that it was the former. “We are obliged to take this into account and we have now ceased our practices. Items containing waste are now taken directly to a disposal site or via a registered storage station. “There is no suggestion that the previous practice created any greater hazard than would have been the case had we implemented the current method at the outset, nor that there is contamination of any kind at the site caused by the earlier practice.”

Mrs Hall says she would like a written apology from the council.
EVERYONE knows what a beekeeper uniform looks like but how many can say they have stepped inside one and disturbed a hive full of angry bees?

When my editor asked me to go along to find out how this felt I had my reservations. Don’t get me wrong, I love honey but I have always imagined bee-keepers as a rather foolish breed.

I had never been stung by a bee and when I pulled up along the driveway at Chicheley Hall, my bee-teacher for the day was keen to calm my nerves.

Mike Bensley is Chairman of North Bucks Beekeepers Association, founded in 1946. A keeper for more years than he cares to remember, Mike tells me there are many bee enthusiasts throughout Milton Keynes who meet every week to share their passion.

But as I pull on overalls that bear a resemblance to a space suit (totally white, big silly head-protection) he refuses to admit how many times he has been stung.

I start checking the suit for holes that might be targeted by the ‘black-and-yellow army’ I am about to meet but there are none and we stroll over to four hives, each about three feet tall.

One contains New Zealand bees, a bright yellow, subdued swarm, another contains the more aggressive, darker cross-breeds.

Mike uses a smoke device to send four short bursts of smoke into the bottom of the hive.

This, he explains, fools the bees into thinking there is a fire nearby and the hive is at risk.

Rather than panic, the bees fill their bellies with honey and prepare to evacuate, making them less likely to bother attacking us.

Mike then leavers off the roof of a hive as my photographer takes a few cautious steps away from us.

Inside are about 60,000 bees clambering over vertical frames, working endlessly to off-load the pollen they have collected from the fields.

They enter the hive through a hole in the front and work around the frames, storing honey at the top, above a metal grate that covers the hub of the hive – the brood box.

He tells me that collecting the honey is an easy and rewarding process and assures me that no additives are required.

Mike calls the worker bees ‘the girls’; they are all female and are busy kicking the drones (male bees) out of the hive.

“They don’t need them during the winter, all they do is eat the stores so the worker bees kick them out around October time,” Mike says.

The odd drone appears here and there, looking lazy, well-fed and hanging on for dear life as thousands of females work around him.

Before I know it Mike has me taking apart the next hive.

I hold each frame up carefully, trying not to squash any of the bees, as we look for the queen.

Then Mike spots her, deep in the middle of her loyal servants, and easily recognisable.

She is much longer and has a darker body and it might have been my imagination but she appears to have a silver crown-shaped mark on her head.

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They pay me no attention until Mike slides out a frame and bees surround the air around my head.

As bees bounce off my visor left, right and centre, Mike takes me through the workings of the hive.

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They call them busy bees for a reason.

“...They are fascinating creatures,” says Mike.

By the end of my crash course in bee-keeping I am inclined to agree with him.

These insects really know how to get things done and when I return to my desk with four jars of delicious local honey I guess my toast will taste that little bit sweeter thanks to my close encounter with the creators.
Win one of 25 Italian meals for two

TO celebrate the opening of Strada in Milton Keynes, MKNEWS and the new restaurant have teamed up to offer readers the chance to win one of 25 meals for two to the value of £50 each.

Located at the newly developed the-hub:mk on Midsummer Boulevard, Strada offers diners a contemporary and stylish setting to enjoy a relaxing break from shopping.

The restaurant, which opens on Saturday, September 29, is also perfect for business lunches and functions with plenty of outside seating overlooking the piazza.

The menu is dedicated to providing exactly the kind of rustic, traditional dishes one would expect to find travelling around Italy.

Notable dishes, made using only the very finest fresh ingredients, include:

- **Risotto Primavera** – Creamy risotto with freshly grilled asparagus, broad beans, peas, spring onions, zucchini, green beans and mint. Finished with baby spinach leaves and grated Parmesan.

- **Filetto di manzo al pepe verde** – Pan roasted fillet of beef with a creamy shallot and peppercorn sauce served with buttered green beans and garlic and thyme gratin potatoes.

- **Tonno Nizzarda** – Seared yellow fin tuna with a cannellini bean, rocket, red onion, cherry tomato, cucumber and green bean salad. Served with a chive, caper and lemon dressing.

A range of traditional pizzas – each one theatrically spun by hand – is also a integral feature of Strada’s menu. Options include the Rustica, tomato, mozzarella, chargrilled Neapolitan sausage, oven roasted baby artichokes, capers, roasted Italian tomatoes, caramelised onions and fresh oregano.

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Have I got the bottle to be a Las Iguanas bartender?

A NYONE who has seen the film Cocktail will be able to imagine the scene I visualised when I heard I was going on a cocktail making mission. I thought I’d be whizzing spirit bottles through the air and slingling coasters onto the bar with the grace of Mr Cruise.

As it turns out, I’m not very graceful at all. It also turns out that it’s unbelievably hard to get the knack of making cocktails. I can imagine that memorising the whole menu is like doing alegbra while standing on your head.

Las Iguanas at the hub:mk specialises in a spirit called cachaca (pronounced ca-sha-sa), which is 39 per cent proof. The bar is even called a ‘caipiraria’.

Whilst it is available in other places, the Las Iguanas chain is responsible for 60 per cent of cachaca sales in the country. They even have their own sugar cane plantation in Rio, where they make their very own brand called Las Iguanas Magnifica cachaca. But the restaurant sells nine types.

For authenticity, bar manager Robin Lyle (picted right) taught me to make Brazil’s traditional cocktail, called a Classic Caipirinha – a whole lime muddled with sugar and topped with crushed ice and cachaca.

To make a Classic Caipirinha which means ‘country bumpkin’ or ‘hick’, you put a lime – cut into eight cubes – in a rocks glass. Add three bar spoons of white sugar, and mix it with a ‘muddler’ which is like a wooden pestle.

The sugar is an abrasive and releases oils from the skin of the lime, but being such a weakling, I found it quite hard to grind it up. Next we free poured 1 and a 1/2oz of cachaca into the glass and added a scoop of crushed ice, before mixing it. At this point most of the ice, and probably quite a lot of the alcohol, ended up on the bar, thanks to my cack-handedness.

We then topped it off with a bit more ice and a stir stick. I discovered that free pouring is a mission within itself.

It requires real technique to swing the bottle upside down without showering everyone around you (which I did), and even more technique to stop the flow with a firm shake (which I didn’t… lucky for me I like a strong cocktail). But due to laws mostly linking to legal driving limits, and stock control, staff are tested on their ability to pour specific amounts at the start of every shift.

Bar tenders use ‘counts’ to measure how long a liquid is being poured for. The tests are so rigorous that staff members get three tries and if they can’t do it, they’re not allowed to work that day. If they have difficulty at the start of three consecutive shifts, they lose their job.

Safe to say, I’d be out of there in an instant. I’ll definitely be returning with my friends, but perhaps I’ll stay on the other side of the bar this time.

For further information go to www.iguana.co.uk

NEW Brazilian restaurant, Las Iguanas, has opened at the hub:mk, which has an impressive cocktail menu for the drinkers among us. ALICIA BABAEE went to try her hand at making a few.
A MILTON Keynes woman pleaded guilty to falsely claiming more than £11,000 in benefits after saying she lived alone.  

Lee Vider, 30, of Robins Hill, Coffee Hall, claimed housing and council tax benefit over a two-and-a-half year period, Aylesbury magistrates heard.  

But despite having ample opportunity, she failed to let benefits staff know that she was actually living with her partner, who was working full-time.  

As they were effectively living as husband and wife, she was not entitled to these benefits.  

As a result Ms Vider, appeared in court last Thursday to admit two breaches under the Social Security Administration Act 1992.  

She was sentenced to six weeks imprisonment – suspended for one year – ordered to do 160 hours unpaid work and also pay £500 prosecution costs. In addition Ms Vider will have to repay all of the loss to public funds.  

The court heard that Ms Vider had claimed housing and council tax benefit, from April 20, 2004.  

However, between October 25, 2004 and February 11, 2007 she concealed the fact that she and her partner were living together as a couple, and this created a loss to public funds totalling £11,251.97.  

Despite being sent housing benefit claim forms and review forms on several occasions she did not disclose that she was living together with her partner.  

When interviewed she confirmed that she knew she should declare a partner who moved in to live with her as a couple.  

She added that she did not do so because she did not want to lose her benefit.  

She told the officers that she and her partner had considerable debts and that this had contributed to the need to keep her benefits, whilst maintaining the deception.  

A council spokesman said: “This woman claimed benefits for two and a half years that she knew she was not entitled to.  

“This was a very serious offence and she was lucky not to have been jailed.  

“In such cases, where a single person claiming benefit, lives with a partner as husband and wife, but chooses to conceal it, the council will where it is appropriate robustly pursue prosecution.”

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Music to shoppers’ ears as classical tunes move yobs on

BY LAURA HANNAM
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A SCHEME to reduce anti-social behaviour by playing classical music outside Co-op stores has been a success.

Following a trial earlier this year at the Co-op store in Tower Crescent, Neath Hill, the initiative has been rolled out to other stores in the area.

Taped music by composers such as Vivaldi and Tchaikovsky is controlled by shop staff who can adjust the volume to deter youths who gather outside.

Staff at the Co-op stores in Great Linford, Stantonbury and the Agora Centre, Wolverton, all say the music, which is played in the evenings, is having the desired effect of keeping potential trouble-makers away.

The Fishermead Co-op will be the next Milton Keynes store to join 200 Co-ops across the country taking part in the scheme.

Leanda Mallia, manager at the Co-op store in Stantonbury said: “We used to have a problem with young people hanging around but it immediately died down as a result of the classical music and is continuing to have a positive effect.”

The Great Linford store introduced the scheme six weeks ago.

Store manager Neville Kerry said: “The young people definitely don’t like the classical music.

“During the school holidays we’ve had lots of them hanging around outside the store in the afternoons but they move away as soon as we put the music on. It’s definitely doing the job.”

Local Co-op operations manager Paul Hadley added: “We are really pleased with the success of our classical music initiative in Milton Keynes so far.

“It has provided all of these stores with a cost-effective way of discouraging youths from gathering outside and intimidating our shoppers and staff.”

Sandra Kennedy, chairwoman of Stantonbury Parish Council said: “I have heard young people discussing it and they don’t like it, but whether it does deter them I don’t know.”

“You also have to understand that young people do need somewhere to congregate, and youth facilities are poor in the area.

“At the end of the day this only moves them from one place to another – it doesn’t actually deal with the problem.”

She added that she appreciates the Stantonbury store has had a number of problems with anti-social behaviour and harassment of their staff over the years.

“It was ram-raided on one occasion,” she added.

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A glimpse into a terrible situation

Motorists received a powerful message promoting careful driving recently as volunteers were cut out of a car as if it was a real incident. MK NEWS reporter LAURA HANNAM was given a taste of what it is like.

HAVE never been involved in even a minor road accident so could only guess how I would feel when I was told I would be cut from a car in a crash simulation.

The experience was particularly poignant as only the week before I had rushed to Newport Pagnell to cover a major incident where a coach had overturned in the entrance to a service station on the M1.

Six people were seriously injured and 24 received minor injuries when the coach hit the kerb, toppled over and hit a tree and lamppost on September 4.

The driver was cut from the wreckage by firefighters and was arrested on suspicion of drink driving and dangerous driving.

The simulation was held outside the shopping centre in Midsomer Place.

I was joined by fellow voluntary crash victims Chris Williams, cabinet member for transport, and John Godwin, health and safety officer at MK Council.

We were first made up with cuts and bruises to make us look as if we had been in an accident.

I was then sat in the driving seat and asked to pretend I had a spinal injury.

One firefighter began by standing in front of the car and asked us to look forward at his hand, to prevent any movement from causing us further injury.

Another firefighter then climbed in the seat behind me and asked me to move.

He placed a neck brace around me, covered me with a blanket, gave me goggles to protect my eyes from breaking glass and placed an oxygen mask over my face.

Throughout the entire experience he kept talking in an effort to allay any fears I had that I was doing something wrong.

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Around the car, I could not turn my head so the activity was all a blur out of the corner of my eye. He forewarned me as the firefighters began to smash the windows, holding shields within the car to stop the shattered glass from hitting me as much as possible. The sound was haunting but the reassurance of the firefighter kept me calm. The firefighters moved around the car cutting through the frame and peeling off the doors, each time making a huge clunk which shook the car. Next the firefighters hung a sheet across the inside of the windscreen to protect me as the glass was smashed. The firefighter behind me, who was holding me still throughout to prevent me from further injury during the vibrations, said the windscreen would need to be cut with a saw as they are designed not to shatter.

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Pigeons have ruffled a few feathers in Fenny Stratford after the derelict house they were nesting in was demolished.

Residents say they are being overrun by the birds that have made the short flight from the old house on Watling Street to the Penn Road estate on the other side of the road.

The derelict house had no windows, making it the perfect nesting spot for the pigeons. But since it was knocked down two weeks ago to make way for housing, the birds have been congregating on the roofs of the houses opposite.

Postman Les Sweet, 57, lives on Saracens Wharf with his wife. He said: “We even had one in the bedroom the other day – he was on his way in and luckily I managed to scare him away just in time. “I’m becoming the big white hunter at the moment. They haven’t started to make a mess yet, but I imagine that they will. “My wife doesn’t like it one bit. The neighbours are quite upset about it – one joked that he’s throwing bread on our roof because it seems we’ve got the worst of it.”

The developer who bought the land wanted to renovate the house, but because it was structurally unsafe it had to be knocked down.

Parish councillor Danny Galvin said: “A few residents have called me about it. Generally the local residents are not very happy. I went past the other day and nearly took a picture, there were hundreds of them.”
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**Witness appeal in fatal biker crash**

**BY LAURA HANNAM**

A MOTORCYCLIST from Kents Hill has died after colliding with a car.

An inquest has been opened into the death of Ricky Fordham, 36, who was killed when his red and white Yamaha motorbike was in collision with a blue Renault Clio where the V3 Fulmer Street meets Blackmoor Gate in Furzton, at about 6.35pm on September 10.

Mr Fordham, who lived in Crowborough Lane, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The driver of the Clio was taken to Milton Keynes General Hospital seriously injured with a broken pelvis and leg.

A passenger from the vehicle was also taken to the same hospital with minor injuries.

Family members present at the inquest said Mr Fordham was an experienced biker, who always rode with his headlights on for safety.

Mr Fordham was born in Edgware Road, London.

Friday’s inquest was adjourned until February.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for witnesses to the collision.

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Milton Keynes Play Association at Kiln Farm is now home to a new £30,000 training centre.

With the growth of the city bringing a huge leap in the number of people working with children, the new IT suite has been opened with the aim of upskilling the city’s childcare workforce.

Money for the centre comes from the Routes2Success programme which is funded by the South East England Development Agency.

Kaye Mortimer of Routes2Success says they’re delighted to behind the facility. She added: “We also plan to open the new IT suite to the local community of Fullers Slade, Hodge Lea and Greenleys where residents can take part in basic English and maths courses. It will be a sort of ‘mini neighbourhood college’.”

Chief executive of the MK Play Association Andy Grout added: “This is a fantastic new facility which will allow us to use IT in the delivery of training for childcare and playwork qualifications. At present we don’t have the IT facilities to do this and the use of computers in training and assessment is becoming essential.

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Branching out into community

BY LAURA HANNAM
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YOUNG offenders at Woodhill Prison are to grow trees that will be replanted across Milton Keynes parkland.

Milton Keynes Parks Trust have teamed up with the prison to provide inmates with an opportunity to get vocational experience that will help them find employment when they finish their sentences.

Prisoners aged 18 to 25 are digging two raised beds ready to plant 5,000 acorns and 5,000 seeds for a mixture of trees.

The young offenders will tend the saplings for 12 to 18 months before they are replanted around Milton Keynes’ parks.

The scheme will employ up to 15 voluntary workers.

The Parks Trust are supplying materials for the project and Milton Keynes Council are supplying recycled wood chip.

David Foster, chief executive of the Parks Trust said: “We’re going to need many more trees as the city and parks network expand. It’s good if the trees can be from more local stock because that way we know they will suit the local conditions.”

“This is a really worthwhile initiative not least for the opportunity it provides the prisoners. We hope it’s the start of a long-term partnership.”

Alongside this the trust are supplying the inmates with equipment and materials to landscape the area outside their dormitory.

The young offenders are digging a pond system with a bridge and a maze-like flower bed, which will be planted with vegetables, herbs, grasses and bedding plants.

Chris Bagley, environment group manager at Woodhill, said: “We are encouraging the prisoners to feel a sense of responsibility and to have an understanding why they are doing it and what can be achieved.

“We are making sure that it is all labour intensive and will need constant maintenance so we can keep the project going.

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Ricky, one of the young offenders working on the project, said: “It is a benefit to us round here because we will get a lot better view as there is more stuff to look at; it will be a lot better than seeing just grass and fence.

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Exam excellence
If the latest batch of exam results for girls at the school is anything to go by, then the tradition of an excellent education is also certainly as strong as ever. The school’s Sixth Form students recently achieved the school’s best ever results for the International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB) and outstanding A level results! Five girls gained places at Oxford or Cambridge and one IB student has been offered a place at the prestigious Stanford University in the US whilst the majority of girls secured places at their first choice universities.

The pass result for A level was again an impressive 100%, with 77% of girls achieving A and B grades and 17% straight As; no mean feat! However with a significant number of girls now completing the International Baccalaureate Diploma we should consider the combined results for A and B grade equivalents which this year was 79%.

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Top performers
Two examination boards have notified the School of outstanding individual performances by Bedford High School girls. Edexcel commended Emily Piggott and Mia Gillett for both achieving ‘top 10’ marks in Advanced Level Geography and Rachael Meredith for ‘top 10’ performance in both Chemistry and Biology at GCSE. Alice achieved one of the country’s top five marks and considering there were over 30,500 candidates, this is no small achievement.

Rowing gold medalists
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NEXUS OR BUDDHA BLUE  
Friday 21 September

INTERNATIONAL superstars are head to head to the city this week, Sisqó is jetting into the UK for a special gig at Buddha Blue, while just up the road chart-topping Sean Kingston is performing at Nexus in the Point.

Sisqó, famed for his Summer 2000 smash hit ‘Thong Song’, has performed with some of the biggest names music – most recently Akon. Sisqó became a household name thanks to his debut album, Unleash the Dragon. Recently, DJ Spoony and Wayne Wonder also played at Buddha Blue. Manager Robin Lyle said: “We heard that Sisqó was considering a few select UK appearances and we managed to talk to the right people at the right time. “Sisqó is a megastar in the industry and I cannot wait for him to perform the Thong Song as this is one of the hottest and sexiest RnB tracks of all time.”

At Nexus, Maima-born and Jamaica bread artist Sean Kingston, whose single Beautiful Girls holds the the No1 spot in three countries for the fourth week, will be the special guest on the same night.

At the tender age of 17 Sean may not be old enough to get into Nexus but he will be able to woo the crowds with his blend of music that crosses both the hip-hop and urban radio stations. Proving this his self titled album entered has the UK charts at No8 while it being No3 in the RnB and hiphop charts.

Buddha Blue entry £6 before midnight and £8 after. Free entry for women before 10.30pm. All drinks are buy one get one free before 11pm.

For more Sisqó information call 01908 241243 or visit www.buddhablue.co.uk. Email info@buddhablue.co.uk for guest list.

Nexus entry £10 before 10pm and £15 after over 18s.

For more Sean Kingston information call 01908 67773 or visit www.nexusnight.com

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**MUSIC REVIEWS**

**WE DON'T HAVE TO TAKE OUR CLOTHES OFF**

Lil Chris

In which another 80s classic gets dusted down and handed over to a pop star looking to save his career. I bet if I visited Jermaine Stewart’s grave, I'd probably hear a faint whirring sound coming from about six feet under the ground too. I've got the original version on my battered copy of Now II - look, there it is, between Milt and Kim and Jaki Graham. Ah yes. Showing Out. Now there was a tune, but that's not the point here. The point is that Lil Chris has given this song a right royal battering and... and... oh God it hurts for me to say this... he's got away with it. I almost feel as though I ought to scrub myself down with bleach and burn the clothes I'm wearing for saying that, but he's standing firm. So that'll keep the collectors happy.

**ANARCHY IN THE U.K.**

Joy Division

Joy Division's single, which only made the finished article, which only makes the whole thing sound even angrier. Even today it still sounds full of life and hopefully, this time round it'll do a bit better than its original chart placing of 38. It's got its original cover design (completely black) and the original catalogue number too (again, just like Joy Division), so that'll keep the collectors happy. Me, I'm buying it because it's a damned good song.

**LOVE WILL TEAR US APART**

Joy Division

I'm sure the words have been changed by Lil Chris and I can't believe I'm doing so. There is one disappointment. In the original, Jermaine Stewart sang what sounded to me like “I'm not a piece of meat / Still you ate my brain”. Either the words have been changed by Lil Chris and I can't believe I'm doing so, but either way it's not the same without that line. I'm still going to recommend this, but I can't believe I'm doing so.

**Don't Miss**

The odd couple: Adam Sandler and Kevin James star in I Now Pronounce You Chuck And Larry

I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU CHUCK AND LARRY (12A)

Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Jessica Biel, Dan Akyroyd, Ving Rhames, Steve Buscemi, Nicholas Turturro

From Friday

LARRY (James) is a widowed New York firefighter who’s bungled his legal affairs. A hasty marriage will solve his financial crisis, and, given the lack of interested females, he recruits best bud Chuck (Sandler) to take him up the aisle in a same-sex marriage.

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SHOOT 'EM UP

Clive Owen, Paul Giamatti, Monica Bellucci

Out now

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**DON'T MISS**

BEACHTICK - FEATURING THE FREESTYLLERS

Friday September 21

BEACHTICK returns to Revolution this Friday for a fresh assault on the city's late night scene.

The night was a hit when it arrived this Friday for a fresh assault on the city’s late night scene.

This duo, who went down a storm with their own brand of big guns - in the form of The Freestylers, promoting new album Different Stories. This duo, who went down a storm at Revolution last year, need little introduction due to hit singles ‘Push Up’ and ‘Painkiller’. They have a reputation to tear up dance floors with their own brand of beats, breaks, and funk’d-up baselines.

Prepare for all hell to break loose Entry £4-5, 9pm-2pm, £2 drinks all night.

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THE PITZ
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PITZ Solstice, Keep Calm, Carry On
Saturday September 22

The PITZ goes folk, who would have thought the day. Well this is it, the celebrated Buck's based progressive folk band Solstice make their comeback concert Formed in 1980, when Blondie, the Specials, Joe Jackson and the Police were heading the charts, a folk tinged prog rock outfit like Solstice should not have stood a chance. Soaring guitar, fiddle and Denny-esque vocals were not at the top of A&A's most wanted list, but audiences felt otherwise. Extensive university tours and sell out nights at London's Marquee club and the expectations of a prog folk revival led to appearances at Reading Rock and Glastonbury festivals. Now they are back recording again. The current line up features award winning producer and drummer Pete Hensley. 
Tickets £7 adv. Doors 7.30pm

ASPECTS OF LOVE

Until Saturday
ANDREW Lloyd Webber's most romantic musical comes to MK featuring David Essex. The production is a heartwarming love story spanning 20 years. Passion, desire, family ties and friendship bind five people and three generations together as they come to appreciate how love changes everything.

MILTON KEYS CITY ORCHESTRA - FOND FAREWELL
Sunday September 23
THC's own professional orchestra's 2007/2008 season sees the baton of Principal Conductor passed from Hilary Davan Wetton to Sian Edwards and promises some very special events.
Soloist So-04-Kim
Beethoven Symphony No 7
Fleetwood Mac Concerts for Violinist Holst St Paul's Suite
Vaughn Williams Symphony No 5 in D major

DONKEYS' YEARS
September 24 – 29
DIRECT from a hugely successful West End run, and written by Michael Frayn (author of one of Britain's funniest comedies, Noises Off) comes the critically and publically acclaimed comedy 'Donkeys' Years'.
Twenty-five years after graduation, six former students return to their Dadsbridge college for a reunion dinner. Whilst their lives may have had varying degrees of success, all are connected by a common past! After a night in their old college for the night, the graduates begin to relive their youth, and old friendships, feuds – and the much-desired but absurdly proper master's wife – come tumbling back into the present.
LENNY HENRY – WHERE YOU FROM?
Sunday September 20
FRESH from the success of this year's Comic Relief campaign, Lenny Henry (pictured) returns for another outstanding night of comedy genius. Comedian, impressionist, singer and serious actor, Lenny's appeal is classless and ageless.
SLAV'S SNOWSHOW
October 2-6
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Desperate Cycle

The comedy stars of tomorrow, today! Compete Andrew Bird introduces rising stars Karen Hayley and headline act Addy Borgh. The headline act will perform a special extended set and compere Andrew Bird will also present a ridiculous joke comp!
Tickets £9.50 adv. £11.50 door.

An Audience With John & Paul
Thursday, September 20, 8pm
John Dankworth and Cleo Laine celebrate John's 80th birthday with this special 'Audience With' style evening. Fundraising concert in aid of Wavendon Allmusic Plan Ltd. Tickets from £20

Sam Brown
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One woman show from the acclaimed singer of the multi-million selling 1989 hit, Stop. Tickets £17.50

Marty Wilde & The Wildcats
Saturday, September 22, 8pm
Celebrate an incredible 50 years of rock and roll with one of the greatest. Tickets £19.50

Brian Houston
Stage 2
Saturday 22nd 6.45pm
Singer/songwriter Brian Houston's music combines the spirit and verve of east Belfast. With a collection of well-crafted songs and an intense live performance style he has won over crowds with his passionate delivery and intimate lyrics. Tickets £9.50 adv. £11.50 door.

The Stories and Hummingbird
Wednesday, September 26, 8pm
JOINING forces for this double ball concert which will see The Stories closing the show. The Stories have toured with Elton John and Katie Melua. This six piece west-coast influenced band blend gorgeous harmonies and classic songs with great hooks, melodies and lyrics. Hummingbird singers Amy Wade, Cathy Burton and Edwina Hayes make a powerful three-piece. The combination produces a beguiling sound which suggests a blend of The Dixie Chicks, Indigo Girls and Crosby Stills & Nash. With the rock edge of Amy, the gentle pop vocals of Cathy and Edwina's country-folk stylings, the distinctive character of each singer voices produce an exquisitely fastly paced passages, artistically experimental jazz/metal fusion, complete with full of splinters and phrases, electrodes-paced passages, artistically disjointed like a picasso painting but with some astonishing sounds.
Tickets £15

COMEDY STAGE - SCREAMING BLUE MURDER

Stage 2
Wednesday, September 26th & 4.30pm
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ZAK'S BAR, WOLVERTON

Desperate Cycle, Hypo Psycho, Dr Slagleberry, Slave To Nature
Thursday September 20

DESPERATE Cycle (pictured above) are a five piece rock band, who have only been together around about two years, they have accomplished a lot in this time playing 80+ shows between 2005 - 2006, a DIY tour With substantial label Interest, the future is looking bright for Desperate Cycle. Hypo Psycho is a London-based five-piece that mixes several genres from punk to ska, rock to funk to rap and pop with catchy melodies and cheeky lyrics. Dr Slagleberry sounds like a experimental jazz/metal fusion, full of complex riffs and phrases, hastily paced passages, artistically disjointed like a picasso painting but with some astonishing sounds.

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7.00 Channel 4 News; Weather (T)

7.30 Ray Manes’ Wild Food

8.00 Horizon

9.00 Stuart: A Life Backwards

10.00 Match of the Day 2

11.00 FILM: Arachnophobia (1990) Heart-stopping horror

11.10 Highlights (T)

12.15 FILM: Omkara

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**BBC2**

7.00 The Blue Planet (T)

8.00 Classic FM

8.30 Essential of Faith (R/T)

9.00 Stuart: A Life Backwards

9.30 Watch & Learn (T)

10.00 Match of the Day 2

11.00 FILM: Lethal Weapon 4 (1998) Third sequel in the long-running action series, in which a smooth, long-haired Murtaugh and Riggs find that they must deal with the fiery new leader. As Murtaugh becomes involved with helping a family of Chinese Triads and their vicious leader, Riggs finds himself to be a hero and a change the future for some important others.

12.30 FILM: Superman (1978) Oscar-winning fantasy based on the classic comic strip

13.40 FILM: Superman the Early Years (T)

15.10 Lovespring International

15.40 Emmerdale Omnibus

16.00 Mighty Morphin’ Power Rangers

17.00 Coronation Street

18.00 The X Factor

18.40 Britain’s Next Top Model: Season 2

19.55 Deutschland 83

21.20 The Simpsons;

22.30 Saturday Night Takeaway

**ITV1**

7.00 The Week Ahead

7.30 Countryfile (T) (Followed by Weather for the Week Ahead)

8.00 The Politics

8.30 The Real Hustle

8.55 The Apprentice

9.00 ITVsport

9.45 Anger Management (R/T)

10.00 News at Ten; Weather

11.05 The X Factor

12.15 The X Factor

12.45 American Idol

**ITV2**

8.00 BBC News: Weather

8.25 Jim Jam

9.05 The Politics

9.30 Kings of Pizzazz

10.00 Major League Baseball

10.30 Rugby World Cup

11.00 FILM: The Blue Planet (T)

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- 6.00 Deadbeat (T) 7.90 Animal Planet (4) 10.00 Holmes On The Range
- 6.00 If You Don’t Pull My Bit (T) 6.18 Hot Sell (T) (followed by BBC News, Weather)
- 12.15 Cash in the Attic (T) 12.30 BBC Weather
- 12.45 The Alan Titchmarsh Show (R/T) 13.00 Nature’s Challenge (T)
- 19.00 Newsnight (T)
- 19.30 The One Show

**BBC2**
- 6.00 Clueless (T) 7.00 CBBC & CBeebies
- 6.30 Children in Need
- 6.30 Global Nicholas (T) 10.15 River Cottage
- 6.30 Nature’s Challenge (T) 10.30 Countryfile
- 7.00 The Archers (T) 7.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show
- 7.45 Soaps (T) 8.00 Mastermind
- 7.45 The Richard & Judy Show
- 9.00 Grandma’s Back in Business
- 9.30 Emmerdale (T)
- 11.00 Police, Camera, Action!
- 11.20 Tonight at Conference
- 11.30 Dinner Date

**ITV**
- 6.00 Plate (T) 6.30 The Heat
- 6.35 Brands (T) 6.50 Judge Judy
- 7.30 Coronation Street
- 7.45 Midsomer Murders (R/T)
- 8.00 Dickinson’s (R/T)
- 8.25 Police, Camera, Action!
- 8.45 Judge Judy
- 9.00 Family Guy
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- 11.00 Midsomer Murders (R/T)
- 11.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show
- 11.45 The Jonathan Ross Show

**ITV1**
- 6.00 The Today Programme
- 6.05 Today
- 7.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show
- 7.15 Judge Judy
- 8.00 Homes under the Hammer (T)
- 8.10 Doctors (T)
- 9.00 Coronation Street
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- 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show
- 9.45/9.55 Coronation Street
- 10.30 The Alan Titchmarsh Show (T)
- 11.00 ITV Play: Make Your Play
- 11.15 The Jeremy Kyle Show
- 11.30 ITV News

**SATELLITE**
- 6.00 Hell’s Kitchen
- 6.05 Hollyoaks
- 6.10 The Hoobs
- 6.15 The Secret World
- 6.30 The Most Annoying Pop Group
- 6.35 Dinner Date
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THURSDAY
The Art of Networking one-day training course at Beachampton.
It’s designed to provide participants with tools, tips and techniques that enable them to get more out of their networks/conversations they have with people.
Price (per person): £125 + VAT.
See www.intouchdevsol.co.uk for details.

FRIDAY
American singer-songwriter Guy Clark, will be at the Old Town Hall, Buckingham
Born in Monahans, Texas, and moving to Houston, Clark began his career during the 1960s. Fascinated by Texas blues legends like Mance Lipscomb and Lightnin’ Hopkins and steeped in the cultural sauce of his border state, he played traditional folk tunes.
Among artists who have had hits with his songs Gay can count Johnny Cash, Bobby Bare, Rickie Scaggs and Rodney Crowell, with whom he co-wrote “She’s Crazy for Leavin.”
Tickets are £25.00 in advance from www.empty-rooms.com, £27 at the door. 8.00pm.

THREE day fashion showcase starts at Middleton Hall with clothes and dressing collections from thecentre.miltonkeynes
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On Saturday and Sunday he will deliver spectacular hair makeovers on 4 pre-selected members of the public.
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Calvary shows, Friday and Saturday 11am, 1.30pm and 4pm, Sunday 11.30am, 1.30pm and 3.30pm.
Hair makeovers: Saturday 12.30pm and 3pm, Sunday 12.30pm and 2.30pm.

MILTON Keynes Sporting Club at Jury’s Inn, Central Milton Keynes
A celebration of Rugby World Cup with a speaker to be confirmed.
Price: £25. Time: 12.30pm for 1pm.
Email: sally@tenenmore.com
Contact: Sally Fennermore 07808 590726

SATURDAY
HAZEL School Autumn Fete on Emperor Drive.
It’s the school’s first fete and events will include stunt kite-flying, kite sale, fun fair, barbecue and beer tent, face-painting, beauty and nail bar, tombo
ta, penalty shoot-out, WGM game console challenge, and a variety of stalls.
There will also be a visit from Great Homb Red Watch Fire Crew. Time 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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SUNDAY
A GROUP of musicians, from local church choirs, local choral groups, local orchestras, are joining together on the weekend end of September 22-23 to give a performance of Handel’s Messiah.
It celebrates both the great strength of local musical talent, and the music of Frederic Handel.
Tickets from Jerry Bredin (tel 07977 259202)

KICKSTART music event at Woughton Leisure Centre Live band in the theatre at lunchtime (1pm), families welcome. Free entry.
See www.kick-start.me.uk or www.woughton-leisurecentre.co.uk
Email: info@woughton-leisurecentre.co.uk

MONDAY
INTRODUCTION to Quakerism and tree planting from September 26 at 11am at the Downhead Park centre’s 21st birthday celebration.
Find out more about the Quaker approach to spirituality and Quaker values.
Drop-in sessions with a display of current Quaker work, life-sized reproductions of the Quaker tape
ty, the United Nations charter graffiti Milton Keynes the status of Peace Messenger City and refreshments plus a local Quaker on hand to answer any questions.
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Review by Rob Dobell
SARNIES has been serving fresh sandwiches for the last five years for their small base in the city centre. They offer a wide selection of hot and cold take away lunchtime food, including classic sandwiches, warm baguettes, jacket pota
tos and pastries.
Trolley service is also available, delivering to your office or home free of charge, and this was the selling-point for us.
Our new offices in Fox Milne are frequented by a series of lunch vans each day and when each hour-rounds the office workers flock out to see what’s on offer. With Sarnies we were able to pick and choose what sandwiches we wanted, over the phone, before they were freshly made.
Our news team decided to sample the breakfast baguettes and their delivery was prompt and friendly.
We sampled a selection including bacon and egg on a white baguette (£2.85), bacon, sausage and egg in a bap (£3.35) and sausage and egg in a wholesome sandwich (£2.25).
The fillings were generous and provided the perfect greasy breakfast that we desired.
The bread was very soft and fresh and arrived warmly onto our plates thanks to the foil wrapping.

A word of advice here – if your meal is left to go cold do not try to reheat it in a microwave without removing the packaging.
As well as regular drinks and snack food, Sarnies offers buffet plates that cater for up to five people, including fish platters (£1.17) and sweet bullets (£0.95–£8.95).
For the full menu visit www.sarnies.net.

MKG
Phoebe Unwin: A Short Walk from a Shout to a Whisper
22 September – 4 November
THIS is the first major exhibition by this British artist. Unwin’s paintings shift between figurative and abstraction.
Throughout her practice, Phoebe Unwin works incessantly in an A3 drawing book, creating a personal register of images and marks. Individual pages are worked upon simultaneously creating visual dialogues, some obvious, some obscure as Unwin teases out and collages images, shapes and forms from the format of the page and materials at hand in pastel, pencil and acrylic.
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**Woolstone**

A very attractive executive residence situated in Woolstone on a generous plot. This property boasts a private gated driveway, extensive off road parking, generous and private rear garden and a high level of privacy. This property briefly comprises of a lounge, dining room, study, 23ft kitchen/breakfast, conservatory, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs there are five bedrooms, two en suites and family bathroom.
Walton Park £499,995

A very well presented and attractive five bedroom detached executive residence situated in a ‘select’ cul-de-sac in the highly sought after area of Walton Park. Within close eyesight of Caldecotte Lake. This property briefly comprises of a 23ft lounge, 15ft dining room, kitchen/breakfast, sunroom, study, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs there are five bedrooms, en suite, family bathroom and a balcony with lake views. The front, side and rear gardens are beautifully landscaped and brimming with mature shrub and flower beds. Ample block paved parking can be found in front of the Double Garage. Call (01908) 240981 to book an appointment today.

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This stunning five bedroom detached executive residence is situated in a cul-de-sac location in the highly regarded road of Barkestone Close in Emerson Valley. This exceptional home briefly comprising of a lounge, dining room, family room, kitchen/breakfast with central island, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs there are five bedrooms, two en suites, family bathroom and balcony with impressive open landing area. There is ample off road parking in front of the double garage and generous rear garden.

Middleton £435,000

This five bedroom detached executive residence is situated at the end of a sought after cul-de-sac in Middleton. The property boasts a double garage generous front, side and rear garden and in our opinion a secluded location. The property briefly comprises of a lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs there are five bedrooms, en suite and two family bathrooms.
An extremely well presented property situated on a generous plot in the west of Milton Keynes. This property boasts a 32ft kitchen/family room, 24ft lounge, 16ft master bedroom with two other bedrooms measuring 18ft. There is vast off road parking in front of this property with even more under a carport before the double garage. This versatile property offers a high quality of living with the unique luxury of having a large plot.

This stunning residence offers a high standard of living in the highly sought after area of Middleton. Boasting an in and out driveway with parking for numerous vehicles this five bedroom property also boasts a lounge, family room, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast, games room, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs there are five bedrooms and recently modernized en suite and family bathroom. Call (01908) 240981 to arrange a viewing of this 'must see' executive home.

A stunning five bedroom detached executive residence situated overlooking the cricket green in Middleton. Built by ‘Westbury Homes,’ this property offers spacious living accommodation to include a lounge, study, family room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast, utility and cloakroom. Upstairs five bedrooms, dressing room two en-suites and family bathroom. There is a double garage and landscaped rear garden. This is a must see home. Call 01908 240981 for an internal inspection.

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Saints £187,500
- Three bedrooms • Extended mid terrace
- Lounge • Refitted kitchen • Dining Room/Family Room
- Bathroom • Off road parking • Must be viewed

Counties
- Three bedroom • End of terrace
- Separate reception rooms • Good size bedrooms
- Enclosed rear garden
- Viewing highly recommended

Furzton
- Well presented • Four bedrooms
- Semi-detached • Fully refurbished by the current owners • Separate reception rooms
- Refitted kitchen and bathroom • Enclosed rear garden • Block paved parking • Garage • Viewing highly recommended

Rivers £279,995
- Extended four bedrooms • Detached
- Separate reception rooms • Conservatory • En-suite
- Front and rear landscaped gardens • Garage
- Viewing is highly recommended.

Far Bletchley £249,995
- Four bedroom • 1930s bay fronted style
- Semi-detached • Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom • Additional family room with utility room • Oversized bathroom • two bathrooms • Off road parking • Garden

Fenny Stratford £234,995
- Three bedroom • Semi-detached
- Separate reception rooms • Downstairs cloakroom
- Downstairs cloakroom • Enclosed rear garden • Off road parking

Windmill Hill Drive £249,995
- Three bedroom • Chalet style
- Detached property • Refitted kitchen • Cloakroom • Garage • Off road parking

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Lavendon £155,000
- 3 Bedrooms
- Cul-de-sac position
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Enclosed rear garden backing onto fields
- Front garden with gravelled parking area

Lavendon £159,995
- 2 double bedrooms
- Immaculate apartment
- Open plan fitted Kitchen and Lounge
- Fitted family bedroom
- Utility room
- Communal parking

Lavendon £174,500
- 2 Bedrooms
- Second floor apartment
- 1/4 Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Off Road Parking
- No Upper Chain

Lavendon £229,950
- 2/3 Bedrooms
- 17ft Lounge/Diner
- Refitted Kitchen
- Conservatory
- 17ft Attic Room
- Attractive rear garden
- No Upper Chain

Rushden £179,995
- 3 Bedrooms
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- En suite to master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage in a block

Hackleton £309,995
- 3/4 Bedrooms
- Much improved property
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Refitted Kitchen with Utility
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway for 3 cars
- Garage

Olney £159,995
- Accommodation over 3 floors
- 2 double bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Garden to the rear
- Replacement windows

Olney £169,995
- 2 Bedrooms
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- En suite to master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage in a block

Olney £174,500
- 2 double bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Garden to the rear
- Replacement windows

Olney £366,950
- 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- En suite to master
- Study
- Double width garage
- Attractive gardens and off road parking

Olney £374,995
- Well presented detached property
- 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen with Utility
- En suite to master
- Front & rear gardens
- Double width garage

Emberton £465,000
- 3 Bedrooms
- Two separate cloakrooms
- Sitting Room & Dining Room
- Redesigned Kitchen with Utility
- Downstairs shower room
- Garage
- Workshop
- Character features throughout

Sherington £575,000
- 4 Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- En suite shower room
- Loft conversion boasting master suite
- Balcony area overlooking farmland
- Converted double garage
- Cul-de-sac providing parking
- Private gardens at side and rear

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Wolverton £179,995

- Three bedrooms
- Victorian style property
- Gas to rear heating
- Double glazed (where specified)
- Refined kitchen
- Separate WC
- Front & rear gardens
- NO UPPER CHAIN

New Bradwell £294,995

- Very well presented
- Detached
- Four bedrooms
- Double glazing
- Garden
- Garage
- NO UPPER CHAIN

Blue Bridge £166,500

- Two bedrooms
- Semi detached
- Double glazing
- Refitted shower room
- Garage
- Front & rear gardens
- NO UPPER CHAIN

Wolverton £184,995

- Well presented
- Three bedrooms
- Victorian style property
- Stair windows
- Original features
- Refined kitchen
- Off road parking
- Front & rear gardens
- NO UPPER CHAIN

Wolverton £179,995

- ‘Coach House’ style
- Detached property
- Two double bedrooms
- Gas to rear heating
- Double glazing
- Garden
- Garage
- NO UPPER CHAIN
- Must View

New Bradwell £169,995

- Four bedrooms
- End of terrace
- Gas to rear heating
- Double glazing (where specified)
- Downstairs WC
- 2/3 receptions
- Ensuite to master
- Gardens
- MUST VIEW
- 01908 313623

New Bradwell £169,995

- Three bedrooms
- End of terrace
- Cloakroom
- Double glazing
- Gas to rear heating
- Conservatory
- Front & rear gardens
- Conservatory
- Alcove parking
- No upper chain

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<td>A four bedroom semi detached property situated in a rural cul de sac location with open views to the front and large rear gardens backing onto open farmland. The property benefits from 23'1 approx lounge/dining room, refitted kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en suite bathroom and brick outhouse.</td>
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<td>A well presented three double bedroom detached property with reception hall, cloakroom, lounge, study, refitted kitchen, dining room, conservatory, bathroom, ample parking, single garage, enclosed south facing courtyard garden.</td>
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<td>WOBNURN</td>
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<td>A superb grade II listed two storey three bedroom apartment in the heart of Woburn High Street. Lounge with feature fireplace, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms, en suite, guest bathroom, off road parking, no upper chain.</td>
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<td>A well presented three bedroom semi detached property with entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen, master bedroom with en suite, two further bedrooms, bathroom, garage, parking, gardens, no upper chain.</td>
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<td>ASPLEY HEATH</td>
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<td>An unusual and spacious ground floor apartment in a quiet location adjacent to woodland. Reception hall, kitchen, lounge/dining room, two double bedrooms, en suite bathroom, guest bathroom, single garage, communal grounds of approx 3 1/2 acres.</td>
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<td>Furzton</td>
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<td>Bancroft Park</td>
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<td>Four double bedroom end of terrace home (originally two bedroom with converted Garage), entrance hall, kitchen, utility room, dining room, lounge, downstairs shower room, en suite to master bedroom, family bathroom, front &amp; rear gardens, driveway parking.</td>
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<td>Conniburrow</td>
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<td>MK Property Sales are pleased to offer this four bedroom detached home offering spacious family accommodation, close to City Centre and in our valuers opinion presented in excellent order throughout. Entrance hall, cloakroom, re fitted kitchen, utility room, dining room, lounge, conservatory, re fitted en suite, re fitted family bathroom, front &amp; rear gardens, double garage, driveway parking for up to two vehicles.</td>
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<td>Shenley Lodge</td>
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<td>Four bedroom detached home set in a cul de sac location and in a popular school catchment, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, cloakroom, study, en suite to master bedroom, family bathroom, front &amp; rear gardens, double garage, driveway parking for up to two vehicles.</td>
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<td>Neath Hill</td>
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<td>Four bedroom detached home set in a cul de sac location offering spacious family accommodation, entrance hall, cloakroom, study, family dining room/sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, conservatory, lounge, en suite master bedroom, family bathroom, double garage, front &amp; rear gardens, driveway parking for up to six vehicles, PVCu double glazed windows &amp; doors.</td>
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<td>Middleton</td>
<td>£219,995</td>
<td>Five bedroom detached home built by Messrs McCann homes approximately 2 yrs ago, entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, dining room, study, lounge, en suite to master bedroom, family bathroom, front &amp; rear gardens, garage, driveway parking for up to 2 vehicles.</td>
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<td>Grange Farm</td>
<td>£415,000</td>
<td>Two bedroom duplex home, rarely available, set in Milton Keynes premier area, within walking distance of Willen Lake, entrance hall, open plan lounge/dining room with integrated appliances, en suite to master bedroom, family bathroom, garage, parking space, double glazed windows.</td>
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<td>OLDBROOK</td>
<td>£269,995</td>
<td>A 4 bedroom detached family home * Corner plot * Garage &amp; driveway * Refitted kitchen * Refitted downstairs cloakroom * Enclosed rear garden * UPVC double glazing * Gas to radiator heating * Viewing highly recommended</td>
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<td>A 3 bedroom end of terrace family home * Open plan ground floor * Cloakroom * Fitted kitchen/diner * En-suite to master bedroom * Family bathroom * Double glazing * Gas to radiator heating * Garage to rear with off road parking * Enclosed rear garden * Must be seen</td>
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<td>BRADWELL VILLAGE</td>
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<td>A 2 bedroom semi-detached bungalow * Vacant - No upper chain * Fitted kitchen * Cul-de-sac location * Parking to rear * Enclosed rear garden * UPVC double glazing * Gas to radiator heating * Viewings highly recommended</td>
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<td>BEANHILL</td>
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<td>A 4 bedroom bungalow in Beanhill * En-suite to master bedroom * Lounge 22'6&quot; x 20' L shape * Carport &amp; parking * Front &amp; rear gardens * Side courtyard * Must be seen</td>
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<td>CROWNHILL</td>
<td>£182,000</td>
<td>A 3 bedroom semi-detached house * Lounge * Kitchen/Diner * Conservatory * Parking * No upper chain * Gas to radiator heating * UPVC double glazing * Must be seen</td>
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<td>BLAKELANDS</td>
<td>£249,995</td>
<td>Lounge * Dining room * Kitchen * Cloakroom * Sealed unit double glazing * 3 bedrooms * Bathrooms * Enclosed rear garden * Side gate access * Driveway and parking * Walking distance of Tongwell lake * No upper chain * Must be seen</td>
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<td>BLETCHLEY</td>
<td>£274,995</td>
<td>A two bedroom detached bungalow in Bletchley * Lounge 20'3&quot; * Kitchen/breakfast room * Utility room * Conservatory * Front &amp; side gardens * Garage * Garden room/potting shed * Must be seen</td>
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<td>DRAYTON PARSLOW</td>
<td>£234,995</td>
<td>A 3 bedroom semi-detached bungalow * Further building potential * Corner Plot * Grammar School catchment area * Separate reception rooms * UPVC double glazing * Gas to radiator heating</td>
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Wolverton £189,950

A well presented three bedroom family home located in this popular street within the historic town of Wolverton. The property is within walking distance of the main line railway station and all local amenities.

Wolverton £167,950

A well presented two bedroom Victorian terraced property located within the conservation area of Wolverton with all its amenities and within walking distance of the main line railway station. The property benefits from upstairs bathroom, re-fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms, gas central heating and double glazing.

Wolverton £164,950

A well presented Victorian terraced property located within walking distance of the mainline railway station and Wolverton Town Centre with all its amenities. The property benefits from a re-fitted four piece bathroom, double glazing, gas central heating, south facing rear garden.

BRADVILLE £179,950

In our opinion, a well presented, three bedroom semi-detached property recently improved by the current owners and with gardens to the front and rear. The property benefits from a sun room/study, loft room, and provision for off-road parking.

Furzton £174,950

A two bedroom semi-detached bungalow situated in this popular residential location, occupying a generous plot and providing scope to extend, subject to planning permission. Internal inspection strongly recommended.

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Wolverton £184,950

A three bedroom Victorian terraced home situated in this popular residential location conveniently situated for the main line railway station and all local amenities. Features include: Lounge, separate dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, off-road car parking.

Wolverton £164,950

A well presented Victorian terraced property within walking distance of the mainline railway station and Wolverton Town Centre with all its amenities. The property benefits from a sun room/study, loft room, and provision for off-road parking.

Wolverton £174,950

A well presented, three bedroom Victorian residence located within the conservation area of Wolverton with all its amenities and within walking distance of the mainline railway station.
NEWPORT PAGNELL £144,995
- One Bedroom
- Double Glazed
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Garden
- Garage
- No Upper Chain

NEWPORT PAGNELL £169,995
- End of Terrace
- Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazed
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Garage in Block
- Kitchen/Diner
- Double Bedrooms
- Must be Viewed

NEW BRADWELL £169,995
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- En suite Shower Room
- Allocated Parking
- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazed
- Communal Grounds
- No Upper Chain

NEWPORT PAGNELL £204,995
- Extended Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- L-Shaped Dining Room
- Double Glazed
- Front & Rear Gardens

MILTON KEYNES £219,995
- Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- kitchen/breakfast room
- large garden
- part double glazed
- gas to radiator
- large driveway

NEWPORT PAGNELL £235,995
- Semi detached
- three bedrooms
- two receptions
- gas to radiator heating
- double glazed
- off road parking
- large garden
- workshops

NEWPORT PAGNELL £274,995
- End of terrace Town House
- Four Bedrooms
- Built by Messrs Bryant Homes
- Large main Reception Room
- En-suite to Master Bedroom
- Double Glazing
- Private Landscaped Rear Garden
- Garage

NEWPORT PAGNELL £375,000
- Detached Four Bedroom Family Home
- Cloakroom
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- En-suite to Master Bedroom
- Three Further Bedrooms
- Large Reception Room
- Double Garage
- Landscaped Garden
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- Cul de sac Location
A 3 bedroom semi detached house with a garage. The house is offered with no upper chain and comprises: entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, bathroom and separate wc. There is double glazing and gas to radiator heating. Front and rear gardens.

An excellent 4 bedroom semi detached house within walking distance of the Bletchley town centre. Accommodation comprises: porch, lounge, dining room, study/playroom, large kitchen/breakfast room, cloakroom, bedroom 4, 3 further bedrooms and a family bathroom with shower cubicle. Gardens and parking.

A 3 bedroom semi detached house with garage. The house is offered with no upper chain and comprises: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, conservatory, 2 bedrooms and family bathroom. There is double glazing and gas to radiator heating. Front and rear gardens.

A well presented 2 bedroom semi detached house. The property comprises: entrance hall, refitted kitchen/diner, lounge, conservatory, 2 bedrooms and refitted shower room. Outside is ample off road parking leading to garage and rear garden. No upper chain.

A 2 bedroom shared ownership property offered for sale in good condition throughout with entrance hall, kitchen, lounge/diner, conservatory and family bathroom. The property is Upvc double glazed and has an off road parking space. Gardens and no upper chain.

A well presented 3 bedroom semi detached house in the popular area of Tattenhoe. The property comprises: entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge/diner, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. Outside is a rear garden and off road parking to the side. Price includes £17,500 premium.

A 2 bedroom shared ownership house located in a cul-de-sac on this popular location. The property is in very good condition throughout and has an entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner and bathroom. Outside is an off road parking and garden. The price includes the premium.

This 2 bedroom cottage is situated with the popular Fenny Stratford which boasts good restaurants, shops and other amenities. The property comprises lounge, kitchen, 2 double bedrooms and bathroom. Outside is a rear garden with off road parking.

A newly available 3 bedroom cottage situated in Old Bletchley. The property comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen / diner, utility room, 3 bedrooms and large bathroom. The rear garden is approx 50m with various fruit trees, lawned areas and organic vegetable patches. The property also has under cover area for sitting or spa. To the front is off road parking and a well kept front garden.

An extended 4 bedroom detached in a very popular area of Bletchley. The property comprises: entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, family room, kitchen, conservatory, study, 4 beds with en suite to master and family bathroom. Outside is a garage and front and rear gardens.

An impressive 4 double bedroom detached house built by Redrow approx 4 years ago. The property comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, study, cloakroom, utility, kitchen / breakfast, en suite to master and family bathroom. Outside is a double garage and front and rear gardens. No upper chain.
WOLVERTON £182,000

- 3 double bedrooms
- Victorian style fireplaces
- Renovated sash windows
- Stripped floorboards
- Separate reception rooms
- Re-fitted kitchen & bathroom
- 9’ x 5’ utility room
- Front & rear gardens

WOLVERTON £179,950

- 3 double bedrooms
- Many original features
- Open fireplace in the lounge
- Sash windows
- Exposed floorboards & doors
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Downstairs bathroom
- Gas to radiator heating
- Larger than average rear garden

WOLVERTON £178,995

- 2 double bedrooms
- 12’ x 11’ Loft conversion
- Exposed floorboards
- Lounge with an open fireplace
- Re-fitted & extended kitchen with appliances
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Upstairs bathroom
- One a half width garage

WOLVERTON £189,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Victorian style mid terrace
- 12’ x 11’ Loft conversion
- Many original features
- Upstairs four piece bathroom suite
- Re-fitted kitchen/breakfast room
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Utility room
- Double glazed sash windows
- Gas to radiator heating

WOLVERTON £182,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Mid terrace property
- Two separate reception rooms
- Re-fitted downstairs bathroom
- Lean to conservatory
- Gas to radiator heating
- Single garage
- No upper chain

WOLVERTON £179,950

- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached property
- Completely refurbished
- Brand new kitchen with
  appliances
- 12’ x 9’4 Upvc d/g
- Separate dining room
- No upper chain

WOLVERTON £178,995

- 2 bedrooms
- Brand new detached
  bungalow
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Fitted kitchen with
  integrated appliances
- Double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Off road parking
- No upper chain

HADSTOCK £250,000

- 3 bedrooms
- Semi detached property
- Completely refurbished
- Kitchens & bathrooms
  with integrated appliances
- Separate dining room
- Double glazed windows
- Gas to radiator heating
- Utility room
- No upper chain

HAVERSHAM £275,000

- 4 bedrooms
- Extended semi detached
- Three separate reception rooms
- Upvc double glazed windows
- Re-fitted kitchen with appliances
- Downstairs shower room
- Family bathroom
- Upvc double glazed conservatory
- Countryside views to front
- Backing onto playing fields
- Off road parking

HODGE LEA £159,995

- 2 bedrooms
- Semi detached bungalow
- Refurbished throughout
- New kitchen & bathrooms
- Gas to radiator heating
- Double glazed windows
- Off road parking
- No upper chain
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- Gas central heating
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- Gas central heating
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- *Gas central heating*
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- *Second bedroom with sky light window*
- *Available immediately*

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That’s the message Destination Milton Keynes is giving to its members.

At a recent gathering at the Holiday Inn Hotel in Central Milton Keynes, members and supporters of Destination Milton Keynes – the city’s leisure and tourism organisation launched 18 months’ ago – heard how Milton Keynes and all it has to offer is being promoted nationally.

John Luff, director of Destination Milton Keynes (DMK) said: “DMK has achieved a significant amount in such a short period of time and now has a core team of staff with a wide network of others who provide support and creativity.

“This mix allows us to punch well above our weight.

“We have to do this and continuously research and improve our activities, brand and offer.

“If not we will be out marketed by other locations that, unlike us, can draw upon big, city funded support. We won’t let that happen because we believe in this great city and its fantastic offer as a destination.”

Katharine Sorensen, deputy director of Milton Keynes Gallery, and chair of DMK’s marketing group gave an overview of the marketing activities of the last few months, and the plans for the future.

Mr Luff ended the presentation with a call to all businesses in Milton Keynes who want to help the city achieve its tourism potential to financially support Destination Milton Keynes marketing plans.

For further information, email Jackie.inskipp@destinationmilton-keynes.co.uk.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

BUSINESS students will be studying an international parcel company as part of their GCSEs.

Parcelforce Worldwide are working with Countech who manage local education business partnerships across Buckinghamshire.

Countech have based a vocational GCSE on the company for which students will produce assignments covering the investigation and analysis of the business. This will be part of a year long programme.

To launch the course Parcelforce held a school enterprise day at their office in Milton Keynes last week (September 10).

Over 150 pupils from local schools spent the day working in groups to resolve a real problem posed by a business person.

Students were allocated specific roles within their team such as managing director or finance manager.

This allowed them to experience the ‘real’ world of work within the school environment, whilst developing enterprising skills and attitudes.

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ANDY Hancock has put his pursuit of ice hockey goals on hold and relocated to Milton Keynes to take up his new role as branch manager at Unicom’s offices at Sovereign Court in Central Milton Keynes.

Andy, 23, originally from York, has been promoted by Unicom, the specialist provider of telecoms services for small businesses, to head up the Milton Keynes branch and manage its 35-plus workforce – a combination of field sales consultants and telesales representatives.

He said: “Hockey is high on my must-do list, but business success with Unicom gives me a completely new set of goals. I won a scholarship to attend Sheffield University – and also the offer to play for the Sheffield Scimitars professional ice hockey team,” said Andy.

“When I was playing for Sheffield, we beat the Milton Keynes Lightning to take the EPL National Cup – I never thought then that I’d be relocating to Milton Keynes to take up a new job.”

Andy will help to grow the Milton Keynes office in the coming months and will also help to develop Unicom’s business in the Southern region of the country.

Unicom has 70,000 customers, primarily small or owner-managed businesses with telephone bills of approximately £1,000 a year. The specialised nature of the telephony and broadband products offered by Unicom provides significant savings for its business users.

The biggest Christmas party Milton Keynes has ever seen

SANTA visited the city early this year to let local business people know about the launch of the most vibrant indoor Christmas bash in Milton Keynes.

Party organisers Carte Blanche Events, a sister company of top local catering firm Clarendons, went along to City Breakfast at the Novotel hotel to hand out festive nibbles and spread the word, with a little help from Miss Santa!

The visit was to promote new large-scale mixed parties in December, billed Christmas:MK, which are set to be nights to remember with live music from The Commitments, entertainment from DJ Trevor Marshall and fun casino, games and dodgems.

This spectacular event promises to wow the crowds, as Carte Blanche is working with the production company and interior designers behind Elton John’s star-studded white tie and tiara ball and England football captain John Terry’s wedding. The MK Arena, next to stadiummk, at Denbigh will be transformed to create the ultimate party environment complete with spacious reception, dining and chill out areas.

David Bowen, managing director of Carte Blanche Events, said: “The Christmas:MK concept is all about bringing together a great new venue, fantastic live entertainment, stunning interiors, and delicious catering to create the ultimate party experience. Our parties will be exciting, vibrant and lots of fun.”

Local businesses are being invited to book places for 20-plus at parties being held on just three nights on December 12, 13 and 14. The venue is also available for exclusive hire bookings (minimum 500 people).
At Milton Keynes, we’re supporting the growth of our vibrant city while continuing to deliver excellent services. It’s an exciting place to be and we’re keen to get the balance right - including the work-life balance. So if you’re looking for family friendly benefits and the chance to make a difference, make a move to MKC.

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Community Facilities Support Assistant
£16,740 - £20,235 (pay award pending)
Ref: 50015455/MKN
You will work in the multi-agency Safer Communities Unit, which deals with all aspects of behaviour that affects peoples quality of life. Your role will include developing and maintaining the units administrative systems and managing a number of small projects. Well organised and able to operate in a busy and sometimes pressured setting you will require experience in administrative and finance environment and a good knowledge of IT.

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• Placing orders
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37½ hrs p.w.

You will be accountable to the Director of Support Services, and as an experienced
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• Good working knowledge of IT systems
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• A focused, results-driven attitude, working to tight timescales to deliver key targets
• Clinical background desirable but not essential

This is initially a six month contract. Subject to review, the post may then become
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Further information please contact Steve Morgan,
Director of Support Services on Direct Line 01234 355122 ext 2334.

For an application pack and job description please apply online at
www.jobs.nhs.uk

Closing date: 28 September 2007

Bedford Hospital
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Microbiology Department
Biomedical Support Worker

Band 2 Ref: MDD0103R
Part Time - 20 hours per week

A reliable person is required in this busy, friendly laboratory, approximately 4 hours a
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The work includes computer data entry, use of automated laboratory equipment to
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No formal qualifications are required but basic computer and communication skills, computer
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Candidates are invited to visit the laboratory to discuss the post in
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Closing date: Sunday 23 September 2007

Interview date: Tuesday 16 October 2007

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The successful applicant should be able to follow guidelines and using their own
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Any experience in a hospital or general practice setting would be an advantage.

Closing date: Friday 21 September 2007

For an application pack and job description for either of the above posts
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All disabled applicants who meet the minimum criteria for the job will be invited for
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The Trust will apply for a disclosure in accordance with the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) Code of Practice and
cooperation of and it is required before the post may be taken up. For information on disclosure please visit the
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Location: Initially Ampthill, but flexibility required
Salary: c. £32,000pa – dependent on skills and experience, plus Essential Car User Allowance £1,556 pa Hours: 36.5 hours per week

Key Tasks: The post holder will:
- Take an active role in planning IT strategies and techniques
- Project manage entire system projects from initial idea to training and documentation
- Analyse business requirements investigate and make recommendations
- Provide support to all users of all products in operation

Requirements:
- Ability to extract and analyse data from various sources
- Ability to design programmes/ procedures and develop services
- Formal training in computing

For an informal discussion please contact Sue Rice on 01525 844421.
Closing Date: 28th September 2007
Interview Date: 11th October 2007

Analyst – IT Infrastructure
Location: Initially Ampthill, but flexibility required
Salary: c. £32,000pa – dependent on skills and experience, plus Essential Car User Allowance £1,556 pa Hours: 36.5 hours per week

Key Tasks: The post holder will:
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- Provide support to all users of all products in operation

Requirements:
- Experience of supporting systems and users
- Experience of administering client and network operating systems
- Knowledge of Microsoft products
- Formal training in computing

For an informal discussion please contact Ade Ademefun on 01525 844425.
Closing Date: 28th September 2007
Interview Date: 12th October 2007

Management Accountant
Location: Amthill
Salary: c. £30,000pa – dependent on skills and experience Hours: 36.5 hours per week

Key Tasks: The post holder will:
- Be responsible for the preparation of monthly management accounts and the investigation of any variances.
- Prepare quarterly reports for committee on financial performance.
- Prepare the annual capital and revenue budgets.
- Assist the Head of Finance with the preparation of annual accounts

Requirements:
- Part/qualified accountant
- Experience of working with financial/management accounts
- Good IT skills – specifically Excel
- Ability to work within a team

For an informal discussion please contact Jonathan Birkett – Head of Finance on 01234 844446.
Closing Date: 28th September 2007
Interview Date: 12th October 2007

For an application pack please contact: Aragon Housing Association, Katherine’s House, Dunstable Street, Ampthill, Bedfordshire, MK45 2JP.
email: recruitment@aragon-housing.co.uk or apply online: www.aragon-housing.co.uk
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Telephone 01234 340828

Email watsondb@tiscali.co.uk

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**HSSD Assistant**

Ref: OP59


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**Hospital Sterile Services**

**Assistant**

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- Saturday: 10.00 - 1.00pm (in 5 weeks)

- Sunday on call 10.00 - 1.00pm (in 5 weeks)

- Bank holiday cover required on a rota system

**Part time post** - 25.5 hours p/w.

- Monday - Friday: 3 hours of 08.00 - 16.00 or 08.00 - 12.30

- Saturday: 10.00 - 16.00 (in 5 weeks)

- Sunday on call 10.00 - 16.00 (in 5 weeks)

- Bank holiday cover required on a rota system

For further information please contact Teresa Burden - Sterile Services Manager on 01234 526798.

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  - • We personally hand out 3000 copies each week to commuters at MK railway station and put more copies into MK’s residential areas, shops, bars, hotels and businesses than anyone else.
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The latest Civic has wowed the critics with its bold styling but just how much practicality lies beneath the sleek silhouette?

ANDY ENRIGHT checks on how our long term car measures up

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Since we took delivery of our long term Honda Civic we've yet to grow bored of its next generation styling but it’s defined as the distance where you’ve never heard of the tandem distance? Me neither, but it’s defined as the distance from the hip point of the front seat passenger to that of the rear seat passenger.

In the Civic it measures 835mm, a figure on a par with some larger medium range family saloons of the Mondeo class and it’s better than many executive saloons. It’s put a BMW 3 Series to shame in this key regard. That centrally-located fuel tank mounted just beneath the front cabin floor plays a key role in achieving spaciousness and the flexibility of the cabin.

We set about the Civic armed with tape measures, empty boxes and the 22-stone tyre fitter from the garage who’s only now that you begin to realise it’s only now that you begin to realise how our long term car measures up to its boot.

The Civic takes three full sized bags in (seats folded down) of totally unobstructed space. Manufacturers love to cast over rival design teams when the Civic made its debut at the 2005 Frankfurt Show. Expect cars that crib from a position standing just inside the boot.

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the victory. Peterborough beat them 3-2. Their third defeat of the season, as Mike Dove’s Dons reserves side fell to a 1-0 defeat. The game was described as a ‘nasty game’ by manager Terry Butcher. The Bees were struggling to keep up. Keith Andrews’ goal, in his first start for the side, that provided the home side with their best chances. Yet elsewhere on the pitch the Dons were far more confident and fluent team on the pitch, as the Bees were struggling to keep up. Keith Andrew’s goal midway through the first half sent the Dons going in the game, when he smashed a 40-yard strike past Ben Hamer in goal. A rethink in the tactics for Butter’s side saw them show a more attacking mind set in the second half, but the Dons defence began to frustrate as the Bees struggled to find a way through. At the other end, while Leon Knight had not been at his best, the Bees back line would have been glad to see the back of him. When the pint-sized striker played for Swansea he contrived Bremford to 2-0 defeats on two occasions and were more than aware of his constant threat upfront. But the Bees defence were then presented with the equally tricky striker Jemal Johnson. In his past two substitute appearances Johnson has added an extra dimension to the Dons game, and this time his impact as no different. The former Wolves player has been used down the Banks by Ince and he demonstrated exactly why when he burst through the left and somehow found the pin-point pass from the byline for Andrews to stretch a foot to the second goal. Johnson then capped off another quality cameo appearance with his first goal for the Dons after following up a shot from Bally Smith, who joined the Dons on loan from Norwich last week, with a stunning volley in the final minute to earn the side their first away win of the season.

Drissa DIALLO’s courageous performance in MK Dons’ 3-0 win over Bremford epitomised everything that should be expected from, according to boss Paul Ince. The Dons defender was left with a nasty gash above his eye after clashing heads with Bees forward Lee Thorpe, just 15 seconds into the game. The irony of the injury was not lost on the Griffin Park crowd as Terry Butcher and Ince sat in their respective dugouts encouraging their teams. The most famous pictures of both former England captains are those of them sporting head bandages and blood-stained shirts in their Three Lions outfits, which demonstrated their passion and commitment to football. Following lengthy treatment on the pitch Diallo returned to his right-back position, a role he has taken up since the arrival of centre back Danny Swailes, and continued the game in ruthless fashion. Talking of the incident, Ince said: ‘Drissa was absolutely outstanding, he had stitches and an injection at half-time without anaesthetic which must have killed him!’

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**MK DONS**

Jude Stirling turns away from Brentford keeper Ben Hamer

Keith Andrews slides in for the Dons’ (and his) second goal before, but the partnership of that have played there four and goalkeeper. Performance from our back continue. A midfielder and long may it is testament to that. Six goals in the Championship and his form is at 7pm.

FANS’ FAVOURITE WRITES FOR YOU

Paul Mitchell has been playing together for years. Saturday was also a League Two debut for Bally Smart, who I thought acquitted himself exceptionally well for an 18-year-old lad. He was only on the pitch for ten minutes but he wreaked havoc and really seemed to enjoy his time out there so fair play to him. Once again it was nice to see a different goalscorer and, as I have said before, having a number of different scorers relieves the pressure on the strike force. Just to finish off, I’d like to say a big thank you to the Gafler for letting me get away for a week so I won’t be seeing you on Saturday. I’ll be on a crocodile-shaped lilo somewhere! But don’t worry, the Gafler and I have got me on a heart rate monitor so I won’t be getting out of any work! So let’s hope the last two wins are the start of a run that will continue on Saturday against Darlington, who have had a bumpy impressive start. We’ll have to be at our best to keep our strong home form going. See you when I get back.

**ICE HOCKEY**

Lightning in pole position after cup-tie double

MK Lightning got off to the best possible start in their EPL Cup campaign with wins against Guildford Flames and Chelmsford Chiefs. First up was Guildford, a team that is largely expected to be challenging for silverware this season, and a bright start for Lightning saw them dominate proceedings. Gary Clarke scored all four of Lightning’s goals in the game, his first came in the opening period and the team had plenty of chances to increase their lead. By the second period was a lot closer between the sides, the Flames pulled two goals back through Nick Cross and Lukas Smid. Gary for Clarke to keep Lightning one goal ahead with two more of his own. Both sides went all out in the final period, and Lightning netminder Barry Hollyhead made key saves before Clarke added the final goal in the dying seconds of the game to seal the 4-2 victory. Sunday’s match against Chelmsford, who strengthened their side over the summer, proved to be the tougher tie of the weekend for Lightning. It was a slow start to the game as they found themselves 2-1 down at the end of the first period. Yet Nick Polee’s side pulled away in the second and began to take control of the game as they found the net three times to take a 4-3 lead at the final period. Once again it was a last-minute goal that secured the win for Lightning, but this time it was Poole, Alex Parez and Toni Alasara who were the goalscorers of the evening. Having beaten both teams, Lightning are sitting at the top of their group.

**RUGBY**

Local sides enjoy success as season settles in

SOUTHERN COUNTIES NORTH

An impressive performance from Milton Keynes saw them record their first victory of the season as they beat Newbury Stags 24-0. With the scores even at half-time MK stepped up in the second half and ran in four tries with Dean Pearson, Eddie Slater, Matt Jenkinson and Timothy Parkinson all touching down.

Mike Dean added two conversions to seal the win and push MK up to third place.

MK SPORTS SHORTS

**LOCAL FOOTBALL**

In division one of the South Midlands league, NEW BRACKNELL ST PETERS were held to a 3-3 draw with Kentish Town while WINLOW UNITED lost 5-3 to Harney Borough.

BUCKINGHAM ATHLETIC also lost their game again Binfield Town 1-0. But MURSLEY TOWN beat Caddington 2-1 in division two.

In the United Counties League Premier Division NEWPORT PAGNELL TOWN lost their midweek game against St Ives Town 2-1, and lost by the same scoreline to Stewarts and Lloyds Corby at the weekend.

**WEST TWO EAST DIVISION**

NEW boys Bletchley put last week’s 56-0 thrashing by Walsall behind them to beat Henley Wanderers 24-18. Giant lock Adam Dempsey and Chris Goodman crashed over the line to leave the score 13-12 in favour of Henley at the break. Chris Cussell and Tim Stubbs then added both tries before the break and Richard Tonkini slotted two conversion to turn around the half-time deficit.

**OLNEY**

moved up to the top of the table following their impressive 37-5 win over Shipton. Both forwards and the backs got their names on the scoresheet to help make it two wins in two games for Olney.

Tom Stanton and Steve Harrison capped off their hard work in the middle with a try each, while Ben Pry, Tanea Peakan, Rhys Peakan and James Hancho also crossed the line.

**MOTOR RACING**

**Webber’s centenary hit**

MARK Webber celebrated his 100th Grand Prix start by claiming two championship points at the Belgian meeting, but it was another bad weekend for his team mate David Coulthard who was forced to retire with hydraulic problems. Following a strong race Webber has moved up to eleventh place in the driver’s Championship with ten points to his name and is now just three points away from breaking into the top ten. It was an impressive weekend behind the wheel for Webber, and having qualified in seventh place, the Aussie driver held off intense pressure from Jarno Trulli to clinch the points. Speaking after the race Webber said: “It’s very good for us to get points today, it’s not always easy for us these days and it was great to beat the other Renault team fair and square. It was an enjoyable race.” But it was not so enjoyable for Coulthard as he failed to finish for the second successive time. The Scotman’s retirement was a blow to the Red Bull team and spectators watching alive an exciting four-way battle between Coulthard, Robert Kubica, Jenson Button and Adrian Sutil who were all trying to break away from the middle of the pack. Unfortunately for Coulthard his RB3 will still not shake off the reliability issues that have plagued the Red Bull season and he was forced to retire on the 32nd lap as the hydraulic issues began to affect the cars power steering. A disappointed Coulthard said: “The car wasn’t too good when exiting the corners, or braking into the chicane and the hairpin, in fact there were a lot of problems which aren’t usual for this car, so we need to try and understand what went wrong.”

Both Webber and Coulthard will be among several celebrity and sports stars who will attend former driver and F1 commentator Martin Brundle’s charity dinner at MK’s Daytona. The event will feature a 2.5 hour race team in Daytona’s hi-spec pro-karts, a celebrity captain will join up with teams of four, and will join guests for dinner afterwards.

The event is being organised by Martin Brundle to support his favourite charity; SPARKS (Sports Aiding Medical Research For Kids) which aids research into kid’s diseases.

The complete race-dining package costs £799 plus VAT per person of four (includes 8 places for dinner). The event will take place on Saturday, October 13, for more information call 0845 644 5043 or visit www.daytona.co.uk

**BLETCHLEY LIONS**

We were back in action last Tuesday and every Tuesday from now on and Marshall MK Lions players, Terrell Brown and Shawn Jamison will take charge of various sessions.

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Basketball

The Lions beat London Leopards 122-64 in their final pre-season match. They start their BBL campaign this Friday away to London Capital, tip-off is at 7.30pm.

The club are also holding trials for a ladies basketball side. If you are interested head down to Lean School and Sports College for 8pm and join in the free session. Should numbers be good they will enter the ladies team in the Northants Basketball League.

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Dons win rewarded with a day on the golf course

BY SIMONE CORGAN
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MK Dons players and staff were given a well-deserved break from training on Monday and instead tried their hand at a round of golf.

With spirits high following their 3-0 win at Brentford, Paul Ince was keen to keep the positive atmosphere in the camp and decided Abbey Hill Golf Club would be the perfect place to go.

“It’s not a reward as such, because we haven’t achieved anything yet,” Ince said.

“It’s more a bonding session, you can build team spirit better on the training ground than on the pitch.

“But sometimes it’s nice to get away and have a laugh.

“We should have trained in the morning but the players worked so hard on Saturday and I thought it would be a nice break for the players.”

Being professional sportsmen there was always going to be an added competitive edge, none more so than in the game between Ince and fitness coach Duncan Russell who took on Alan Navarro and Willy Gueret.

Ince said: “It’s a long season and the last thing I want is Willy Gueret giving me and Russ stick for the rest of the season, it’s important that the staff win the game!”

As it turned out Gueret, touted as the best golfer in the team, struggled on the day as he and partner Navarro were well beaten by Ince and Russell.

While the staff may have claimed victory on the golf course, the players hard work on the pitch has not gone unnoticed.

One player in particular who stood out in the Brentford game was Keith Andrews, the skipper scored seven goals for the Dons last season, and after bagging two at the weekend he has taken this years tally to six in six games.

With Andrews continuing to improve in his central role, Ince has admitted he could have face a challenge keeping hold of his captain fantastic.

“I’m a little bit worried, I might have to sign him on a five-year deal!

“Once he started scoring he hasn’t stopped, but it’s not just about his goals it’s his all round game.

“He’s been a revelation, and the lads really respect him as their captain.”

The players will continue their training as normal for the rest of the week as they face the task of turning over top of the table Darlington this Saturday.

Ince said: “We’ve got to concentrate on Darlington. I’ve got the reports and they’re playing very, very well.

“It’s not going to be an easy game, none of them are, but it’s got the ingredients to be a fantastic match.”