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'Secret' papers reveal truth on Walton Court

Documents show housing trust planned to buy out leaseholders, knock it down and rebuild

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CONFIDENTIAL documents obtained by The Bucks Herald show that in 2008 leaseholders were not expected to be charged to pay the upgrade of Walton Court.

There has been confusion over the more than eight years since the Housing Trust claimed the leaseholders had agreed a £25,000 limit - adding that it was 'inconceivable' that the former chairman did not know about the changes.

Following the row, this week's 'Members approved recommendations to progress demolition'

trust councillor Mark Wynn called for the documents to be released to those 'who know what'.

That view was backed by the chairman of the committee's scrutiny committee, and newly-elected trust board member Derek Islam.

The documents, obtained by The Bucks Herald through an unredacted source, show that in 2008 the housing trust's board planned to buy out leaseholders, knock down Walton Court and then rebuild it.

The July 2008 report states: 'The trust has allowed £2 million to all three leaseholder buyback issues.' A separate report in February 2009 reads: 'At the board meeting



Impression of how Walton Court will look after the refurbishment and, inset, some of the confidential papers from 2008 which have come to light

ing held in July 2008, members approved the recommendations to progress with the demolition and rebuild option for the Walton Court centre.' It continues: 'Since then the housing market has collapsed

and this has accelerated a reconsideration of the costs and risks of the project and further review of the options available to progress the scheme.' Later in the report it states: 'At this point in time an

purchase of leaseholder properties have progressed whilst the overall future options remain undecided... as we have not yet agreed a demolition notice we have not had to enter into legal negotiations

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NEWS



Meet our latest 'calendar girls'

Sports at 40 - that's the latest ladies who dare to bare in our Calendar Girls competition to win a special Watlington Theatre prize. See page 5

OPINION

Jardines verdict: Is it damaging?

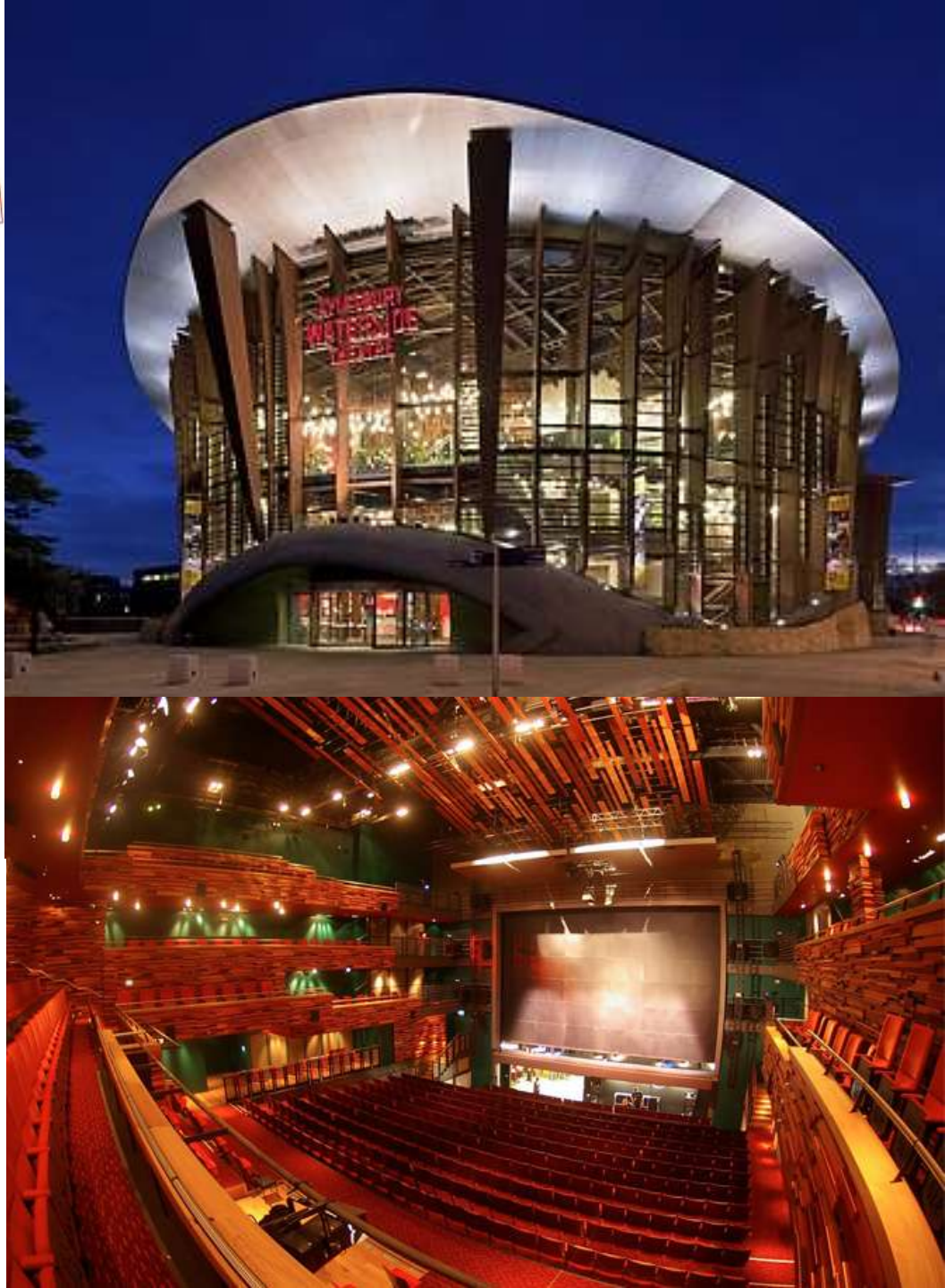
Was the decision over the future of Jardines lowering alloy arrived at in the right way? One Herald reader has his doubts. Letters page 18

SPORT

Youngster wants sporting chance

Thurington hopes for second chance by impressing legend Paolo Di Canio in a competition at the weekend. See sport page 36

LEISURE



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Stoke Mandeville

'Service above self' is our motto

Every week we offer a local organisation the chance to tell the world about the activities – whether they're looking for new members, promoting a special event or just looking to spread the word about what they do.

This week we put the spotlight on The Rotary Club of Aylesbury

Where do you meet and how often?

Weekly on Mondays lunchtimes at the Holiday Inn on Tring Road. Also once a month, usually the last Monday of the month, where we meet in an early evening and do something different – and partners are also invited. We also have a number of social events throughout the year such as St George's Day, Burns Night event, president's barbecue, a safari supper – where partners and other guests are welcome.

What sort of people are your members?

Rotary International is for professionals, usually aged 30 and above, who live and/or work in the Aylesbury community. We have accountants, lawyers, shop owners, authors, farmers, architects, senior managers, for example.

If someone was considering membership what would you say to them to convince them to join?

The Rotary motto is 'service



Each year the club's carol float raises money for Vale charities

above self'. If you'd like to put something back into your local and international community while meeting new friends then it can be very rewarding. Younger professionals will gain experience in project management and other skills they can use back in the workplace. Our club is relatively informal, has plenty of lady members and we also have a number of couples who are both members.

Please give us an idea of your activities in the past six months and what do you have lined up for the future?

We ran, with the help of a cohort of young professionals from Aylesbury, a rounders tournament in July. This was an opportunity for businesses to network, have fun and raise funds for charity. We are currently working with the Wendover and District Club to collect bras for breast cancer charities, we've eaten tomato sauce and filled the bottles up with money

that goes towards eradicating polio (a prime Rotary worldwide activity). We've held a beetle drive at one of our meetings and had numerous speakers along to share their stories.

What sort of costs are involved in membership?

Membership includes being a member of Rotary International and there are various subs involved. It costs around £120 per year to be a member.

Are you part of a national organisation or affiliated to a bigger group?

Rotary International has over 33,000 clubs around the world with 1.22 million members.

Does your club have a website?

www.aylesburyrotary.org

If someone would like to join who should they contact?

Email aylesburyrotary@gmail.com and the current president, Dr Sarah Fraser, will contact you.

Rotary invests in Vale's future young leaders

BUCKS Herald reporter Andrew Kay along with Aylesbury town centre project officer Emma Eyles have beaten stiff competition to secure their places on a prestigious Rotary exchange programme.

The pair have been chosen for a month-long trip to Australia in March to broaden their skills – after being put forward by the Rotary Club of Aylesbury.

The annual Group Study Exchange programme is designed for business people and professionals, aged 25-40, in the early stages of their careers.

The pair will spend time learning about Australia's culture and institutions and observing how professionals in their respective fields approach the job in a different country.

A total of five young professionals will take part in the exchange – all from Rotary district 1260 or Herts, Beds and Bucks.

The exchange will be led by Cheryl Law from the Rotary club of Wendover and District.





Emma





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Story tellers got into the spirit by dressing up as mermaids and pirates while mesmerising children with their sea stories inside an impressive whale inflatable

A whale of a time had by everyone



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From the Prime Minister

I understand that two teams of young business people are soon to exchange visits between Great Britain and Australia as part of the Group Study Exchange Programme of the Rotary Foundation.

I would like to wish the participants my very best wishes for a successful exchange visit to both countries.

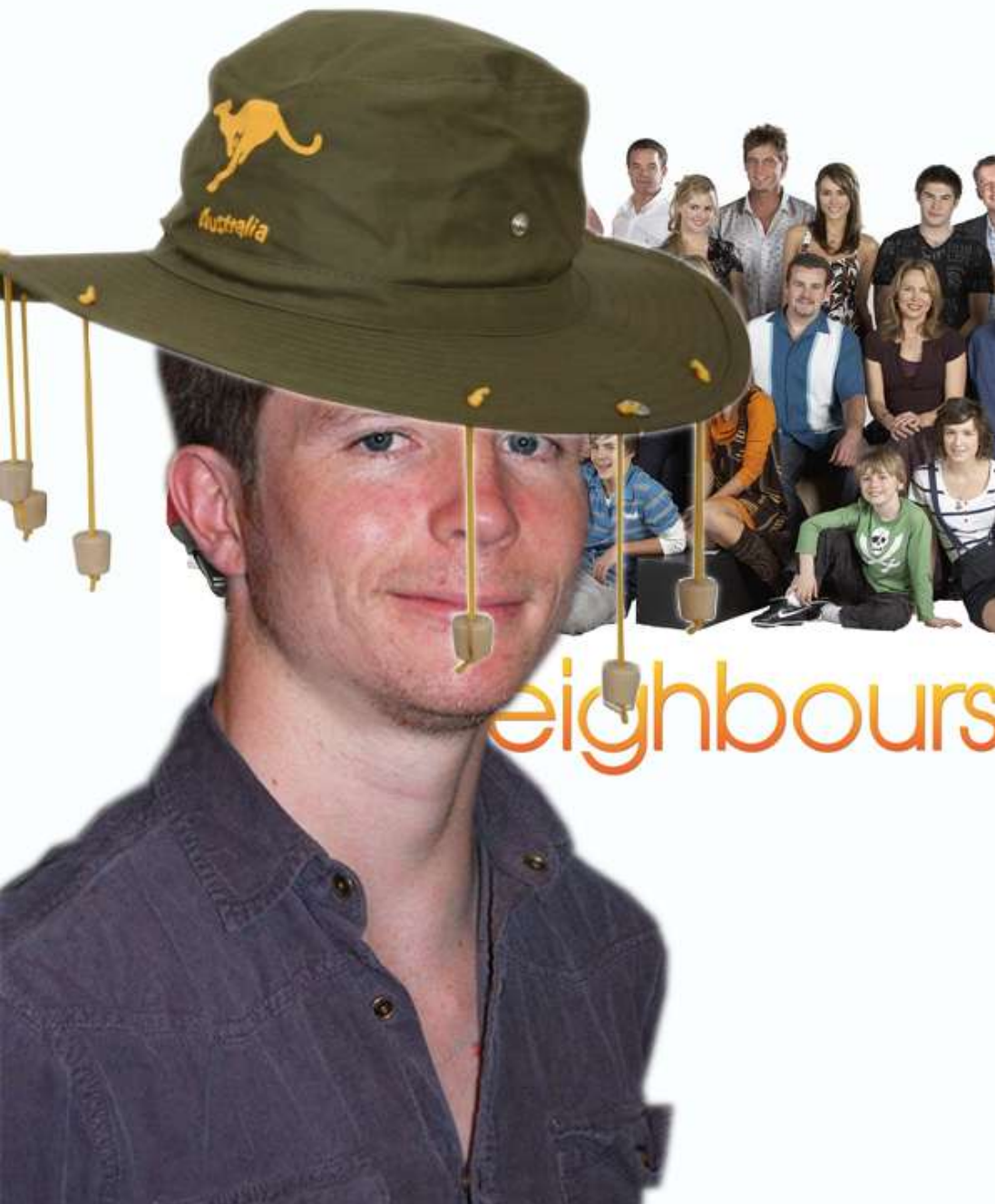
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Tony Robinson - Thank you

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My Society

Internal e-bulletin

Alzheimer's Society
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23 November

Features:

- Big November news from Northern Ireland
- One Your Voice
- Tessa's partnership: aches & pains (A patient's story)
- Employee Assistance Programme (EAP)

Plus:

- Do you know anyone who works for Alzheimer's?
- Volunteer's Voice: express yourself
- New publications: a catalogue now available

- Adopted that bit of IT you wanted?
- Help us enhance the guide: ready?
- Getting personal!

Big November news from Northern Ireland

3 November was quite a day for the Alzheimer's Society Northern Ireland team. The announcement that the Society has been awarded £500,000 from the Big Lottery Fund's *Big Lottery Fund - Supporting Older People* programme received widespread media coverage. Bernadine McCrory, Acting Director welcomed the good news, stating that the award will fund an additional six dementia cases over the next four years.



Ulster Hall rocks

On the same evening, the Ulster Hall was the venue for a ground-breaking concert in aid of

Dementia Strategy published

More good news took us quite by surprise when the Minister for Health Edwin Poots announced publication of the Dementia Strategy in the NI Assembly on 8 November. The Society has asked to meet with the Minister to discuss funding and strategy implementation.

The Society was involved in developing the strategy as



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The Team

