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If you are part of a community group not yet here and want to join in then contact us via the feedback link at the bottom of any MKWeb page.

www.mkweb.co.uk/community
**City copper sacked**

**BY ADAM GRINSELL**

We can confirm that a sergeant from Milton Keynes has been dismissed from the force for inappropriate behaviour.

**— Thames Valley Police spokesman**

A POLICE sergeant was last week sacked for inappropriate behaviour.

And MK NEWS understands it is the same officer involved in three separate allegations of misconduct over the past 12 months.

Former Thames Valley Police Sgt Jason Kemp was dismissed after a disciplinary hearing last Tuesday.

A source told this newspaper Mr Kemp set off a firework, which had been confiscated during a police operation, in the backyard of Netherfield Police Station around 12 months ago.

It is also understood Mr Kemp is alleged to have fired a crossbow inside Milton Keynes Police Station, leaving a crossbow bolt lodged in a wall.

It is believed Mr Kemp had denied the allegation, claiming it went off without him touching it.

This paper also understands that, in a separate incident, Mr Kemp scrawled graffiti on a PCSO’s locker with a highlighter pen, also at MK Police Station.

Last December, MK NEWS reported how a sergeant at MK Police Station had been accused of gross misconduct after allegedly taking fireworks confiscated by police.

It was alleged the items seized during a police operation were taken and used at a private party.

At the time, TVP confirmed that the incident was the subject of an internal investigation led by its professional standards department and that the officer concerned had been placed on restricted duties pending a hearing into an allegation of gross misconduct, but was not suspended and was still employed by the force.

Now MK NEWS understands that the officer in question was Mr Kemp, and TVP yesterday confirmed that last Tuesday ‘a sergeant from Milton Keynes’ was dismissed – but has not named that person.

It is unclear if any or all of the three allegations formed part of the disciplinary hearing last Tuesday.

A TVP spokesman said: “We can confirm that a sergeant from Milton Keynes has been dismissed from the force for inappropriate behaviour.

“The officer concerned has 14 days to appeal this decision and therefore it would be inappropriate for us to comment any further at this time.”
World Cup mission

BY SIMONE CORGAN
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Mk News is on a mission to prove to Fifa the media is fully behind England’s bid to be the host nation for the 2018 World Cup.

FIFA is set to announce the 2018 and 2022 World Cup hosts in eight days time – 18 months after Milt Keynes first expressed an interest in being part of the bid.

Last year this newspaper launched a campaign supporting England’s World Cup claim and backing Milton Keynes to become a Candidate Host City.

In May 2009, Mk News attended the Wembley launch where it was revealed the city had launched its bid to be a venue where group games would be played and training facilities for international teams would be set up.

Throughout the process we have continued to back the bid - and not just Mk’s involvement.

The country will benefit from upgraded infrastructure, new jobs and improved sports facilities, to mention the boost to tourism, hotels and accommodation.

Some quarters of the English media were this week criticised by Fifa officials, including influential Fifa vice-president Jack Warner.

For articles on some of those to vote on who will host the World Cups in 2018 and 2022.

Last month, an undercover investigation by the Sunday Times last month alleged Fifa members asked for money in return for voting on World Cup hosting rights.

Last week Adama, from Nigeria, was suspended by Fifa’s Ethics Committee from football activity for three years, and Tahitian Temarii received a one-year suspension.

The duo are prohibited from voting for who will host the 2018 and 2022 World Cup finals and were also handed fines.

Next Monday, the BBC will screen a Panorama edition on the bidding process - three days before Fifa’s big announcement in Zurich next Thursday.

Milton Keynes 2018 chairman Dr Ann Limb praised Fifa for its disciplinary actions, and dismissed the idea the UK media is not fully behind England’s bid.

She said: “It is a positive sign that Fifa took seriously what was rather dodgy dealings. If they had swept it under the carpet and not placed sanctions on those members they’d have sent out the wrong message.

“What is good about the UK’s media is that it challenges and it’s not necessarily bad to investigate things that need to be investigated. But where it tips over is if there is trickery that goes too far.

“Mk News has been onside and right behind our process and bid from the start of the launch at Wembley knowing the impact it will have on the country will only be positive.

“The media, on the whole, has been really good and I have no doubt they will remain right behind us when we win it. I remain positive, but we have to prepare for disappointment too.”

‘Low risk’ bid – but training sites and accommodation could be better – Fifa

A Fifa report has evaluated England’s 2018 World Cup bid as ‘low risk’.

Football’s governing body last week released summaries into the bids for the 2018 and 2022 World Cups.

England’s bid proposes 17 stadiums, including Mks’ stadiummk, although Fifa only requires 12.

The report did expose weaknesses overall in training sites and accommodation, though no specific locations were mentioned.

Details of the hotels and training facilities submitted by England have never been released to the public.

It said: “In terms of accommodation, the bidder proposes a relatively large inventory.

“However, the fact that not many of the rooms have been contracted in full compliance with Fifa’s template Hotel Agreement requires further analysis and potentially renegotiation.”

Mk 2018 chairman Dr Ann Limb believes England’s 2018 bid is much better than the report despite the concerns raised by Fifa.

She told Mk News. “The report shows we are low risk which is good and it was exactly what we expected.

“When Fifa visited us they told us face to face what they have said in the report. The comments from Fifa were very general. If England are successful they will take a closer look.”

The report highlighted the country’s ability to host large-scale international events listing Uefa Euro 1996 and the 2002 Commonwealth Games as well as the upcoming 2012 Olympics and 2015 Rugby World Cup.

England hosting the 1966 Fifa World Cup was also documented.

The domestic and international travel accessibility and Fan Fest proposals were praised.

Fifa will announce the 2018 and 2022 World Cup host countries on December 2.
Tributes paid to dead schoolboy

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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The death of Adil Basharat on Sunday has prompted moving tributes from those who knew him.

The young student died in hospital in the aftermath of an incident in Deanshanger on Friday. Several Facebook groups have been set up for people to leave messages of condolence, with one group having more than 4,000 people.

A sixth form friend of Adil, Umit Kavva, 17, said that Adil, or Dilly as he was known, was hugely popular.

He said: “He had loads of friends. It disgusts me, he didn’t have a bad bone in his body.

“Our thoughts are with him and his family, no person should have to see their child buried, especially in that way.”

Joseph Hooper, 17, grew up with Adil. He said: “I think he would have said about this that you need to value your lives, because you never know when you can lose it. He was a happy guy, he always cheered you up when you were upset. He didn’t take anything seriously.

“If you were happy it was because of him.”

His friends said Adil wanted to go to university after school, and eventually become an accountant.

Paul Steel, 19, went to The Radcliffe School with Adil. He said: “He gave the best advice because he had his life planned out,” he said. “He was an intelligent boy and you never thought this would happen to him.

“It’s going to take a lot for everyone to get over this. He was a well-known lad, not just in school and in Wolverton but across Milton Keynes.”

Pamela Hutchison, head teacher of Kingsbrook School which Adil attended, said: “Adil was a charming and charismatic young man.

“He was supportive of his peers when they were going through difficult times, he always had a hug and a grin. He will be missed by those he was closest to, to those he just touched with a smile.”

Four men have been charged with Adil Basharat’s murder. Jake Batten, 21, and Freddy Wilson, Adam Moore and Daniel Anderson, all 19, are due to appear today at Northampton Crown Court.

**Firomerst fire passenger after car crash**

A FRONT seat passenger had to be cut out of a car after it collided with a lamp post on Monday night.

Firefighters released the trapped man from the vehicle, which was in collision on the HS Portway between the Portway and North Grafton roundabouts in Rooksley, at around 11.20pm. The driver, a woman, was able to get out of the car unaided.

The man was taken to hospital, but despite life support was later released.

City salt barn ready for cold snap

WITH a cold snap on the horizon, MK Council is ensuring the city has enough road salt this year - and is saving money too.

It has built a new monolithic dome in Bleakhall as a salt barn, which will be completed next week.

It is hoped the city will be able to store 6,000 tonnes of salt. The city used 5,000 tonnes last year, but supplies were short, meaning the council had to pick and choose which roads were covered.

The new dome will also hold a new super-concentrated salt, named Safecoat.

The dome itself has cost £250,000 to build, however with the new Safecoat salt the council will save £58,000 per year.

A council spokesman said: “MK has built a new salt barn that can take a new super salt.

“This has to be kept dry and although it costs 30 per cent more, it covers 50 per cent more area giving a net saving of 20 per cent. Another added benefit is that it needs less space to store.

“On a typical run we currently use approximately 80 tonnes of salt. Due to the new salt barn and the new type of salt we will be using around 45 tonnes per run, but it will have the same resistance to frost and ice.

“When we have snow forecast we use approximately 400 tonnes per day at present, which again will be reduced to 220 tonnes with the new salt.”

More than 100 new salt bins have also been installed in key spots across the city, upping the number to 350.

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Falling the flag – for England and St George

SIR – Regarding ‘EDL ready for Christmas’ (November 17). I do agree with the council when it comes to a religious Christmas celebration to the birth of Jesus Christ – I would also like to point out that some members of our society believe that this is a pagan celebration.

Flying the flag as for England and St George, in my opinion, is a popular and patriotic way of celebrating our country’s history and identity. We should be proud of our heritage and the values that have shaped our nation. It is important to recognize and celebrate our national symbols and traditions.

Jorgen Briger
Shenley Church End

Whose cash is it anyway?

SIR – Can any reader please provide the answers to the following questions?

1. Who are the people who are lending so many billions to so many countries?
2. How do these people get the interest rate and where will that money go?
3. How do these people set the interest rate and how did they do it?
4. Where will that money go?
5. Why are the people who borrow from these individuals and what the rate of interest is?
6. Are these people trustworthy?
7. What are the debts which are being covered?

It is a matter that affects us all since it is hard cash we are having to pay. It seems many of the countries are appealing to the international body for the billions of cash in the first place to lend out to the countries involved?

Mark A Malone
Sent by e-mail

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Jonathan Copley
The Editor, MK NEWS

Slaughterhouse TV

SIR – Animal Aid has filmed undercover in eight randomly chosen UK slaughterhouses and found shocking animal suffering and law-breaking in seven of them (see the footage at www.animalaid.co.uk/go/cruelty).

Workers clearly believe they will not be caught out harming animals and that they are doing business as usual. In order to make slaughterhouses obey the law, and to provide evidence to prove prosecution in court, Animal Aid is asking supermarkets to insist that the slaughterhouses that supply them are fitted with CCTV cameras.

Our campaign has received strong backing from the RSPCA, Compassion in World Farming, the Soil Association and the government’s own Food Standards Agency. Last week, Morrisons agreed to install CCTV in its own slaughterhouse. Please call Animal Aid today on 01732 364346 and we can send you a list of six campaign postcards addressed to the main supermarket chains.

NICHOLAS FOUNTFORD
Animal Aid

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Letters must arrive by noon on Monday, include your full name and address and be kept short, to the point and may be edited.
White Ribbon event will highlight domestic abuse

A WHITE Ribbon exhibition is taking place at Midsummer Place this week to raise awareness about domestic abuse.

Over the last year, around 4,000 people in Milton Keynes suffered at the hands of an abuser - a number which excludes the estimated one in seven children who go home to an abusive household.

Tomorrow is the United Nations’ White Ribbon Day, and wearing a white ribbon is a symbol of a personal pledge never to commit, condone or remain silent about abuse against women.

To raise awareness of this, the special exhibition is being run by SaferMK, and demonstrates that domestic abuse can take many forms.

Caroline Knowles, domestic and sexual violence coordinator for SaferMK, said: “I hope local people will take a break from their shopping to visit our White Ribbon exhibition.

“We hope seeing this work will raise the issue and motivate people to find out more about domestic abuse and what support is available locally.

“I encourage people to know what help is available, even if only a number to a helpline, we tend to see an increase in the run up to Christmas. Lorry drivers need to think about the security of their vehicles when choosing a place to park up for the night.

“Experience tells us that these television sets are unlikely to be sold in the area where they were stolen from, however I would urge anyone who is offered electrical items for sale on the cheap to call police.”

To prevent their vehicles becoming the next target for thieves, lorry drivers have been advised to park in secure parking areas provided by the companies they are delivering to.

If there is no secure parking, they should park in well lit areas where there is regular passing traffic, as this may deter offend-
ers. Remote lay-bys should be avoided, as this makes the lorry an easy target.

If you have any information, call the Priority Crime Team on 0845 8 505 505, or Crimestoppers anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Missing man needs medication

THIS man has been reported as missing and concerned police have warned he ‘could become confused or aggressive’. Ahmed Deria, 33, from Eaglestone, was last seen outside the shops in Netherfield at about 3pm on Sunday, November 14.

DI Simon Roberts said: “Ahmed does have mental health problems for which he is currently on medication.

“As far as we know he has not had access to his medication since he went missing and we are growing increasingly concerned for his welfare.

“Ahmed may become confused and aggressive without his medication so we would ask anyone who sees him not to approach him but to contact the police instead.”

Ahmed is Asian, of large build, 5ft 7ins with short black hair and a beard.

He was last seen wearing a black jacket, black Nike shirt, black jeans and a red and black turban.

If you have any information about this incident, contact Milton Keynes police station via the 24-hour non-emergency number, 0845 8 505 505 or Crimestoppers anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Tellys stolen while lorry driver sleeps

ONE hundred and eighty flat screen TVs were stolen from a lorry overnight while the driver was asleep.

Thieves sliced open the side of the truck and carried out the LG 37-inch flat-screen televisions with a retail value of £63,000.

The theft happened sometime during the night last Wednesday and was reported to police by the lorry driver at 8am on Thursday.

Investigating PC Ien Wharton said: “We call these types of theft open-book crimes.

“They are unlikely to be sold in the area where they were stolen from, however I would urge anyone who is offered electrical items for sale on the cheap to call police.”

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MP takes up fight over fire safety

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS
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A CITY MP has pushed for improvements in fire safety after the Fisherman HMO tragedy.

Mark Lancaster, MP for Milton Keynes North, spoke in Thursday's parliamentary debate on houses in multiple occupation (HMOs), highlighting the deaths of Bola Ejilumialoyo and her daughter Fiyin in September.

Conservative Mr Lancaster said: “I am sorry to say that the debate is particularly relevant to my constituency.

“I have long pushed for tougher measures on HMOs, given the various problems that they have caused in Milton Keynes.”

In response, Lib Dem Minister Andrew Stunell defended Coalition Government changes to planning legislation introduced on October 1 that are currently being challenged by the Lib Dem-led Milton Keynes Council.

While colleagues spoke about the impact on quality of life of such properties - something Mr Lancaster raised in his own adjournment debate in 2007 - his focus was fire safety.

While two per cent of UK houses were HMOs in 2007, they accounted for 33 per cent of fire deaths that year.

Last week, Mr Lancaster highlighted the importance of smoke alarms and self-closing doors in HMOs, as well as describing the risks they pose when converted.

He recently accompanied Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service on a HMO inspection, during which they checked properties had measures such as fire extinguishers and blankets, means of escape and doors with inbuilt locks.

Not only are known HMOs inspected, but when they are listed as such, the fire service can prepare for this type of incident en route.

He asked for the prioritisation of their registration.

He outlined the LACORS agreement in Milton Keynes, whereby the local authority takes the lead in inspections, with back-up from the fire service.

However, councils have to give 24-hours’ notice before inspections, but fire authorities can enter immediately. As a result, the deputy chief fire officer has written to the leader of Milton Keynes Council, offering the fire services more dynamic powers.

Mr Lancaster called for fire services to be put back into the driving seat, adding: “It is no wonder that the service is keen to help. It is the fire service that has to deal with the consequences. Officers would rather visit homes and install fire safety precautions than tackle a fire.”

Barbara Zhanje, 48, from Rotheringham Road, Corby, has been charged with two counts of manslaughter. She is due to appear at Luton Crown Court on December 3.

 Residents in a bit of bin bag bother

TWO people died in a fire in this Fishermead HMO

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Five pay for dumping fag ends

FIVE smokers have been fined for dropping cigarette butts in Midsummer Boulevard.

The culprits were all caught by patrolling council enforcement officers, after they had received complaints about littering in the area.

On April 7, in separate incidents, Sean Aldous, of Rossendale, Stonbany and Sherry-Marie Clifford, of Bradwell Common Boulevard, both 19, were found discarding cigarette butts on the pavement.

Similarly, on April 15, Iqran Hussain, 34, of Akerman Close, Greenleys, Aqil Rehman, 31, of Victoria Street, Wolverton and Abigail Brown, 24, of Goddards Croft, Greenleys, were all seen to drop their cigarette butts.

They were all issued with fixed penalty notices, but failed to pay despite reminder letters, so were summoned to appear at Milton Keynes Magistrates’ Court.

Aldous and Rehman failed to attend and were each ordered to pay fines and costs of £411.40.

Clifford pleaded guilty to littering and was ordered to pay £300 in fines and costs, Rehman pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay £235, and Brown pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay £150.

Residents in a bit of bin bag bother

TWO people have been fined for dumping rubbish bags on public land.

Paul Jones, 44, and Donna Townsley, 26, both of 26 Melfort Drive, Bletchley, received legal notices in May placing conditions on them as to how they must deal with their waste.

All residents were told that they must keep their bags on their own property and they would be collected from their boundary on a Thursday.

The offenders’ waste was found by patrolling enforcement officers, with police and parish officers, by a tree on a green area near Melfort Drive.

Both offenders were previously issued with a fixed penalty notice earlier that year, but neither paid the amount, despite being sent reminders.

They were summoned to appear before Milton Keynes Magistrates on November 15, and were found guilty in their absence and fined £175 each. They were both ordered to pay the council’s legal costs of £326.40.

The council’s enforcement team leader Shaun Greig said: “We serve these legal notices to improve the environment and quality of life for residents.

“We collect waste from property boundaries, so there is no need for bags, bins and boxes to go onto public land, where they can be attacked by animals and their contents scattered about.

“We will take action against those people who are intent on ruining the environment for others.”

Cllr Mike Galloway said: “These latest prosecutions send a message to people that they need to take responsibility for their own waste and dispose of it in the right way.

“It is easy in Milton Keynes to dispose of waste and recycling legally without causing problems to others by such thoughtless behaviour.”
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Thousands turn up to see Santa arrive

A gingerbread man, snowman, rag doll, Teddy bear and a wish fairy on stilts join the parade at thecentre:mk

SANTA’S Grotto was declared officially open on Friday after he paraded at thecentre:mk with his sleigh.

Thousands of excited children and their parents turned out to catch a glimpse of ‘Saint Nick’, who was joined by a gingerbread man, snowman, ragdoll, teddy bear and a wish fairy on stilts.

He paraded down the malls to the wintry Christmas Storyland Adventure, in Middleton Hall, in front of 4,000 visitors from across the region.

Melanie Beck, head of advertising and communication at thecentre:mk, said: “The Christmas parade was a fantastic success. There were so many families here to watch Santa and other characters parade down the malls.

‘Over the weekend the Christmas Storyland Adventure and Santa’s Grotto this year has seen a big jump in people not only visiting Santa but taking advantage of the free, more interactive elements we have installed in the show.’

The shopping centre’s Christmas Storyland Adventure harks back to a more traditional festive theme with an emphasis on interactivity.

Underneath the 35ft Christmas tree, children can chase stars and jump to create shooting explosions.

In the icy crystal forest where snowmen freeze, a virtual magical wish fairy will greet children, all before people have even visited Santa’s grotto.

And why not visit Wishlist Lane, with its host festive cabins offering seasonal food and drink, or drop a coin in the Wishing Pool, with proceeds going to two charities?
City bouncers get their kit off for a charity calendar

BY KIRSTEN RAWLINS
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AD OORMAN who lost his mother to cancer has posed topless for a charity calendar.

Mr Warner-Simpson, who appears as Mr February, was 17 when his mother lost her cancer battle, said: “Without the help of Willen Hospice, we simply would not have been able to cope.

“At the end of my mum’s life, they provided her with care and support which was so different to that in hospitals.

“It was what she needed - comfort. The kind that you don’t get in the clinical environment which we were so used to seeing for so long. It’s just such a different environment - such a nice environment.”

Fellow doorman at the Moon Under Water, Xscape, Ian Cooper is starring in the calendar as Mr April.

Ian, 28, of Buckthorn, Stacey Bushes, said: “I’m a doorman, I pose every night - that’s my job.

“I’ve known Andy a long time, so getting half-naked in front of him was no problem.

“No but seriously, it’s such a good cause, especially with the strong link which Andy has to it, and I’ve known him for 12 years.”

The calendar can be ordered from www.as-photography.co.uk and is on sale in most city clubs and bars until Christmas.

iPod listener robbed on redway

A WOMAN was robbed on a redway in broad daylight while listening to her iPod.

It happened on November 16 at 1pm as the 22-year-old victim walked between Pennyland and Downhead Park.

As she walked under the H4 Dansteed Way, she was approached from behind and pushed into a wall. The offender demanded she hand over her phone and when she refused, he punched her in the face and stole £55 from her purse. He then walked off towards Downhead Park.

The man is white, 5ft 9ins and slim. He was wearing a grey hooded top with the hood up, a chequered white and black scarf over his face, blue jeans and white trainers.

If you have any information contact DC Matt Hemming at Milton Keynes police station on the 24-hour non-emergency number, 0845 8 505 565 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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AN off-duty police officer who was shot at was among those to be acknowledged at a special ceremony last week. Inspector Neil Spencer was commended for his actions during an armed robbery on Lesley Davis jewellers in CMK in December 2009.

Mr Spencer, of Hertfordshire Police, was shopping with his family when he swung into action and chased the robbers from the shop towards the exit when one of them turned and fired a gun loaded with CS gas cartridges at him. He still followed them to their car, which was located as a result of his description.

Mr Spencer was one of 19 officers, staff and members of the public who received commendations from Acting Chief Superintendent Nikki Ross in front of family, friends and colleagues at Milton Keynes Police Station.

Some of the others awarded were PC Steven Loft, who was off duty at the time, and two members of the public, Craig Goodridge and Karen Elliott, who stopped at the scene of a road traffic collision and attempted to save the life of a critically injured motorcyclist in May. Special Constable James Horn was commended for saving the life of a man who suffered an epileptic fit and ended up unconscious in the canal on Wolverton Road. James entered the water and held the man’s head above water until further assistance arrived.

PCs Ian Canty and Ryan Pavey were commended for saving the life of a man who tried to hang himself inside his house. They forced entry to the house and managed to support the man taking the weight from his neck before cutting him down.

PC Lisa Stanhope, Special Sergeants Sam Arnold, Rebecca Brown, Rachel Nash, Paul Mongston, Lisa Taylor, Fiona Merritt and staff member Norman Hunter were all also honoured for their work. Ms Ross said: “Once again I am honoured and incredibly proud to have awarded so many deserving people with commendations this year. “The list of commendations included a number of life-saving acts of bravery from both police officers and members of the public who put the safety and lives of others before their own.”
YOUNGSTERS and adults alike united across the city for this year’s Children in Need.

Nurseries, schools and businesses all took part in the event last Friday, which saw thousands raised.

Among those chipping in with their efforts, Midsummer Place training club Energie Fitness took part in a 24-hour spin-a-thon from noon on Friday to noon on Saturday, raising an impressive £1,405.11.

Manager Jason Lombard-Jordon, who took part in the spin-a-thon, said: “It was really tough but we’re so pleased we raised such a huge amount. Thank you to all who came down to support us and of course to those who donated.”

Elsewhere, one 18-year-old went all the way when he raised more than £1,000 getting waxed.

MK College hairdressing student Jacob Clarke had his underarms, chest and stomach done for the cause.

And Busy Bees nursery, in Oldbrook, raised £50 by cooking Pudsey biscuits, making masks and badges, and having a raffle.

Nursery manager Julie Boulton said: “Children in Need is a great event as the children love taking part in all the fun activities. “The event is an opportunity for the children in nursery to learn about those less fortunate than ourselves, and for us to get together and raise some money for a deserving cause.”
Children from the Redway School

Left:
Students from Long Meadow School

Above:
Natwest staff raise money – and noise!

Milton Keynes College student Jacob Clarke was left red in the face and red in the torso after getting waxed

Milton Keynes Partnership Committee
Public Meetings

The next public meeting of the Milton Keynes Partnership Committee will take place on:

Date and time: 7th December 2010 from 3pm

Venue: Homes and Communities Agency, CBX II, 414-428 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 2EA.

For an agenda and more details of the meeting either contact the Committee Secretariat at the address below or view five working days prior to the meeting on www.miltonkeynespartnership.info.

Anyone wishing to address or submit questions to the Committee should contact the Secretariat in writing by 12 noon on Friday 3rd December 2010 to Milton Keynes Partnership Committee, CBX II, 414-428 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 2EA.

E: committees@miltonkeynespartnership.info
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Milton Keynes Partnership was established by Government in 2004 to work with Milton Keynes Council to co-ordinate the successful and sustainable growth of Milton Keynes. The Partnership is governed by the Milton Keynes Partnership Committee, a committee of the Homes and Communities Agency Board.

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CHILDREN’S welfare and safety were on the agenda last week at an annual conference.

Two hundred people attended the Milton Keynes Safeguarding Children Board’s (MKSCB) meeting, the focus of which was working together.

MKSCB is the key body for agreeing how organisations in the city work together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, and last week’s conference tackled issues affecting children and young people today, such as e-safety, honour-based violence, sexual exploitation and forced marriage.

Those attending included school staff, probation, youth workers, nursery leaders, social workers, health professionals and police gathered for the event at the Ridgeway Centre, Wolverton Mill, which was an opportunity to share expertise and develop ways of working better together.

Young people also helped run the conference, with Milton Keynes College students and volunteers from VTalent supporting the MKSCB team.

They also got the chance to make their views heard by taking part in workshops.

A hard-hitting drama presentation brought safeguarding issues to life, when the Eye Witness Theatre Company acted out a scenario to demonstrate how vulnerable young people can slip through the net if organisations do not work together to support them.

MKSCB chairman Elaine Coleridge-Smith said: “The conference was a fantastic way to bring organisations together to talk about common issues and share good practice with the aim of creating a safer and more integrated children’s workforce in Milton Keynes.”

“There was great representation from all sectors and I was particularly pleased that so many voluntary and faith organisations were able to attend.”

Student Heather Bennett enjoyed taking part in the day, saying: “It was really good to help out and get experience of planning a large event.

“We have learnt a lot, not just about conference planning, but also about issues that affect people our age and younger, and how people are trying to work together to safeguard them.”

We are holding our next Housing Services Forum meeting on Thursday 2nd December 2010. This informal meeting is open to residents and anyone with an interest in housing issues in Milton Keynes.

The main focus of the meeting will be Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs). Council staff will be there to talk about planning and regulation issues and to explain about recent changes in the law governing HMOs and how this will affect Milton Keynes. Come along and get involved in this important debate.

We want to talk to you - to hear your views and to find solutions together.

The meeting will be held at Acorn House, Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes on Thursday 2nd December 2010.

The meeting will start at 7.30pm and finish at 9.30pm.

Light refreshments will be available. Parking is free and we can arrange transport if necessary.

This is likely to be a very popular meeting so you must book in advance - please call Kat now on 01908 679250 to book your place. Alternatively you can e-mail get.involved@milton-keynes.gov.uk.
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BT has launched a trial of energy-efficient electric vans in the city. Milton Keynes is one of the first locations in the UK where engineers at its Openreach division have started using the new electric vehicles, as part of the communications firm’s commitment to reduce its carbon intensity by 80 per cent by 2020.

Openreach, which is responsible for connecting homes and businesses to communications providers’ networks, has begun testing two vans in Milton Keynes as well as two in East London, and, if successful, plans to roll them out more widely across its fleet of 23,400 vehicles.

The vans have a restricted top speed of 70 mph and can cover up to 100 miles between battery charges - more than the average 60 to 65 miles per day covered by an Openreach van on a normal day.

The vans offer the same payload capabilities as an equivalent diesel vehicle, but with no environmentally harmful tailpipe emissions.

The two Peugeot and two Ford zero-emission vans, converted by Allied Electric and Smith Electric Vehicles, will be tested for things including suitability for engineers’ work patterns, battery life and energy usage.

Openreach engineer Clive Workman charges up his new electric van, part of the company’s trial of electric vehicles launched in Milton Keynes.
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Lots of love any family
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We all miss you Jason and always
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Mum, Dad, Lisa, Barry, Hayley, Simon, Natalie
and all the grandchildren.

In Memoriam
JASON MANN
27th October 1951-20th November 2008
You rest in peaceful sleep where no
shadows fall and the heart is
untroubled.

In loving memory of Jason MANN.
Love Frank, Dave, Promise,
Liam, Al and all the family.

Raymond Michael Kinsman
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Six of the Lions’ star basketballers have relocated to the Wolverton Park development, once home to the Royal Train and steeped in railway history.

The members of the team, currently in the British Basketball League, have moved into The Triangle, a section of the development that retains the workshop’s original steel girders, gables and brick arches creating a distinctive and unique design.

Vince Macaulay, chief executive of MK Lions, said: “We are delighted with their new surroundings - to say that we really feel at home would be an understatement.

“The Triangle really represents modern living and the whole development fits in so well with Milton Keynes as a city.

“It has been a really successful move for the players; their demeanour at the 8.30am practice is certainly a lot brighter.”

John Saunders, spokesman for scheme developer Places for People, added: “We are extremely proud to support the MK Lions by providing team members a fantastic place to live at Wolverton Park.”

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FOUR men have been jailed for their part in a robbery on a McDonald's drive-thru.

On August 2, at the outlet on the A5 in Watling Street, Hockliffe, three of them approached the serving hatch, threatened staff with violence and demanded the till and safe be opened. They made off with a ‘large amount’ of money in a white Mercedes van. Armed police and dog handlers were joined by the force helicopter which tracked them to a block of flats in Houghton Regis.

Officers recovered money bags containing coins and notes taken from the Watling Street, Hockliffe, three of them sent to jail for their part in an robbery.

They all pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery. Moshin Ali, 26, of Naseby Road, Luton, Moshin Ali, 24, and Shawkat Uddin, 25, both of Francis Avenue, St Albans, were each jailed for four years. Stephen Seaton, 39, of Mullen Road, Luton, was sentenced to three-and-a-half years. They all pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery.

DC Louise Howards aid: “This was a classic example of good policing, since they were arrested within minutes of the robbery in Houghton Regis by officers who were able to second guess where they were hiding with the assistance of the police helicopter. Since then we have worked hard to piece together all the evidence needed to secure the successful convictions achieved this week.”

Aerospace company moves to university site

AN aerospace organisation has moved to Cranfield University after winning a multi-million dollar contract with the US Government.

Hybrid Air Vehicles (HAV), whose chief executive is Cranfield graduate Gary Elliott, has relocated its entire 70-strong workforce as part of its continuing expansion.

The university boasts a 60-year history of being at the forefront of aerospace technology, having close commercial partnerships with Airbus, BAE Systems, Boeing and Rolls-Royce. "We are delighted to have secured space along with the knowledge-based companies looking to take advantage of Cranfield’s Innovation Habitat, with industrial scale facilities and world-class expertise, along with the knowledge-based companies in the Innovation Centre and on the Technology Park.”

Four sent to jail for drive-thru robbery
Stowe one of TV star Titchmarsh’s secrets

A local garden has an outspoken celebrity fan.

Last Tuesday night, Stowe Landscape Gardens was the main feature of Alan Titchmarsh’s latest TV programme, Alan’s Garden Secrets.

In it, he talked viewers through how the gardens rose to be Europe’s finest, created by a family who were once richer than the king. The programme included shots of Stowe, showing off its temples, meandering paths, rustic grottos and sweeping views. Alan enthused that ever since he first visited Stowe he has been ‘astonished by its beauty’.

Stowe Landscape Gardens is open every weekend until Christmas from 10.30am until 4pm.

The National Trust, which looks after the gardens, has produced a walk-through guide for enjoyment of the same views and beauty spots.

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Birthday store gets a brand new look

DEBENHAMS in CMK will celebrate its tenth birthday tomorrow with a new look. Almost £3.5 million has been spent on the upgrade, to be unveiled in a grand opening, and customers can expect a host of brand new features and more designer names.

Store manager Lindsey Cuthbertson said: “We’ve been here ten years and you just can’t afford to stand still in the business. “Everything was just looking a bit tired and dated, so we’ve put everything into making this the best possible store for our customers here in Milton Keynes. The staff are so excited at the prospect of welcoming our shoppers back with a complete new look.

The changes include new lighting and signage, specially created to make for a more spacious and modern shopping experience. In response to customer comments, the revamped store will offer all-new fitting rooms with a completely new, 16-bay fitting room section in womenswear, new customer toilets, and modernised exit points at pay stations.

All cosmetics houses have been relocated and given new shop fits, making them bigger and more accessible. New additions include Smashbox, Urban Decay and a Benefit Brow Bar, and in the process a small number of new jobs have been created.

The shoe department has moved from the ground to lower-ground floor, gaining significantly more space, and the handbags department has doubled in size. The large womenswear department has added the Planet, Precis and Ted Baker Lingerie lines, while there have been new shop fits for Wallis, Oasis and Jacques Vert.

Customers watch beautician go botox

A BEAUTICIAN became a human guinea pig for a botox procedure to help other women to decide whether to have it themselves.

Myra Gittings had the operation on her forehead last Thursday in front of regular customers to her salon, Unwind, in Bishopstone Close, Bradville. Myra hopes that by volunteering herself for the procedure it will enable women to make a better informed decision as to whether it is for them or not.

She began her beauty treatments business after being made redundant as an office assistant in Milton Keynes two years ago, using some of her redundancy money to create a salon equipped to offer state-of-the-art treatments.

Myra had worked on and off in the beauty industry over the years and decided that the time was right to start her own business.

She said “I was heartbroken when I was made redundant but I’m a great believer in a positive new attitude and decided to use the situation to move forward.”

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New chair a boost to hospice

A NEW easy chair has been donated to Willen Hospice. The chair, made by Joynson Holland, features an adjustable back and recline system, which reclines to a flat bed position for sleeping and tips forward to make sitting down and getting up easy.

It was donated by Aspley Guise furniture store Larkswood, whose manager, Sam Spivack, said: “Here at Larkswood we are delighted to now have Joynson Holland chairs on our shop floor as we know how essential these chairs can be to an individual.”

“We are also excited to be donating our chair to a very worthwhile cause.”

Meanwhile, this week the Hospice announced it has received £225,000 thanks to a fundraising event held in July. The money, raised by the MK Midnight Moo this summer, means the Hospice can now fund nine nurses to help continue providing free specialist care for a further year to patients and their families.

The event saw 2,000 women take part in a ten mile walk starting and finishing in Midsummer Place.

THE Milton Keynes Lymphoma Association support group will hold a Christmas lunch next month. The group is made up of individuals who are, or have been, affected by lymphoma in some way, whether patient, family member, friend or carer.

The meal will take place on Thursday, December 2 at 2pm at The Peartree Centre in Chads Lane, Peartree Bridge.

If you would like to attend the meeting, or would like further information about the group, please contact the association’s freephone helpline on 0808 808 5555 or visit www.lymphomas.org.uk.

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Park and ride to run through year

A PARK and ride service at M1 Junction 14 will open on Saturday – ready in time for Christmas.
The permanent PlatinumMK 300 bus route will link the Park and Ride, in the Coachway building at the motorway junction, with the city centre.
It will also move on to Milton Keynes Central Station every 20 minutes during the day between Monday and Saturday, and every 30 minutes on Sunday.
The Coachway site has 350 parking spaces, and from next month users will have access to the facilities when they are opened to the public on December 11.
Parking is free and there is a special return fare on service 300 of £2 for passengers boarding at the site. Each adult fare-payer can take one accompanied child, age 15 or under, free of charge.
It is the first Park and Ride service since 2008, and the first time it will be operated throughout the year since April 2007.
The PlatinumMK 300 buses have low-floor easy access space for wheelchairs and buggies, air-conditioning and a free Wi-Fi connection.
From December 11, the Coachway and Park and Ride site will also be served by Stagecoach X5 (direct links to Bedford) and Arriva/Vale Travel/Ze’s Services 24/25 (giving a weekday daytime link to Newport Pagnell and Bletchley).
MK Cllr Vanessa McPake said: “I am delighted to announce the opening of the Park and Ride site which will provide easy and convenient access to the city centre while encouraging the use of more sustainable modes of transport.
“The new facility will help ease traffic in the city centre not just during the busy Christmas period but all year round.”

Gift-wrap service aims for Africa cash

MIDSUMMER Place is once again gift-wrapping for charity – and hoping to raise £8,000.
Volunteers will be setting up a service near Debenhams where donations will be collected for Advantage Africa from December 9 until Christmas Eve.
Advantage Africa identifies and supports the continent’s inspirational people who work with and create opportunities for men, women and children who are doubly disadvantaged by disability or HIV/AIDS as well as poverty.
Midsummer Place centre manager Martin Hindson said: “We’re really pleased to see the return of our gift-wrapping service at Midsummer Place and of course to be able to support Advantage Africa once again. It’s great to be able to offer our customers this helpful service, while giving something back to a most deserved charity.”

Volunteer for the gift-wrapping service by contacting Jackie Andrew-Barrett on jackiegiftwrap@btinternet.com
A PANTO dame will be drawing inspiration from the late Sir Norman Wisdom for his performances this Christmas.

David Pibworth, from Olney, says he is following some sage advice from legend Sir Norman, a former colleague, by playing Widow Twankey in Aladdin.

Mr Pibworth, 50, said: “I knew Norman well, he was a wonderful man and a great entertainer.

“Not that long ago he told me I ought to get back to performing, having spent much of my time over the last few years off stage rather than on it.

“So I’m sure if he’s looking down on me, he’ll be delighted that I’m finally taking his advice.”

Mr Pibworth is a theatre director as well as actor, and produced a series of shows in London called Norman Wisdom and Friends.

He added: “I got to know him as an easy-going man, but a bit pedantic when it came to his work.

“He was a perfectionist, and would work on something like a trip for half an hour until he got it right. Every time he walked on stage he wanted to make the most of it, and he was much the same off screen.

“When you talked to him seriously about work then he was serious, but generally speaking he was a laugh a minute.

“Norman loved panto, but then Norman and panto were a perfect match. He was a wonderful man, a fantastic comedian, and someone who has been a big inspiration to me.”

You can see David as Widow Twankey in Aladdin at The Deco Theatre, Northampton, from November 30 to December 24.

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Shine a Light
On Stony Stratford
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This weekend Stony Stratford turns on its "Christmas Lighting Display" for the 50th Glorious Year. The display first started in 1961 by the (then) Chamber of Trade, was taken over by the Stony Stratford Business Association in 1982 and has continued ever since. Stony Stratford has a wonderful feel to it, especially in December with the lights on and people scurrying about their shopping, exploring the shops tucked away in Yards & Mews, as well as the main shopping street, all offering a wide range of unusual products not found in the large shopping malls.
A CITY company is sponsoring the new Scouts DIY Activity Badge.
Kiln Farm-based WD-40 has created a new interactive resource to help scout leaders and members achieve the badge, teaching basic tasks and safety considerations.
It includes tips and suggestions for ways in which WD-40 can help around the home, including cleaning paintbrushes, removing crayon from walls and preventing corrosion on DIY tools.
Also featured is a step-by-step guide to creating your own toolbox and features a game where Scouts must put each action in the correct order against the clock.
WD-40’s senior brand manager, Neil Gow, said: “With membership numbers soaring to 500,000, and 65,000 teenagers involved in the association, the future of the country rests in the hands of the Scouts.
“Recent research by WD-40 found that people would rather call in a professional than tackle simple DIY tasks by themselves, but we believe by sponsoring the Scouts DIY Activity Badge and providing this interactive resource we can educate the DIY experts of the future.”
Nikki Mason, head of corporate partnerships at The Scout Association, said: “The involvement of companies such as WD-40 can give Scouts a real boost, providing new resources and exciting ways to pass their badges. The family brand values of WD-40 tie in superbly with the Scouts movement and we’re delighted with the joint venture.”
AS Formula One fever gripped Milton Keynes, the city’s MPs celebrated Red Bull Racing’s double World Champion success by taking to the track. After MK-based Red Bull’s milestone, clinching the Drivers’ and Constructors’ F1 Championships, they continued the racing theme by visiting — and getting behind the wheel themselves — at nearby Daytona.

In fact, the two politicians who went head-to-head at the go-karting track also used it as a chance to shout about MK as a ‘city in the fast lane’.

The members for Milton Keynes North and Milton Keynes South, Conservatives Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart, said they are determined to ensure Milton Keynes is about much more than concrete cows and roundabouts.

Mr Lancaster said: “It was brilliant to celebrate the city’s motor racing prowess, after Red Bull ‘did the double’ last week, by having our own go around a circuit.

“Daytona is a fantastic facility to have on our doorstep and I will definitely be going back. It just goes to show that Milton Keynes is about so much more than concrete cows and roundabouts.

“We are firmly on the map and our racing credentials are just one of the many things about which we can boast.”

Mr Stewart said: “Building on the traditions of the Open University and Bletchley Park, our really strong racing industry proves that Milton Keynes is a leading centre of innovation and research.

“It is no wonder that Daytona is one of our top attractions, and visiting was a great way to celebrate Red Bull’s double victory. Although none of us quite matched Sebastian Vettel’s lap times, we had an exhilarating morning.”

MK MPs celebrate Red Bull’s success with a race around Daytona. From left: Jessica Cunniffe, political assistant, Mark Lancaster MP, Iain Stewart MP and his case worker Jinmi Macaulay
E-Learning wins award for garden centre

GARDEN centre staff are celebrating this week after helping scoop a national top trade award.

Wyevale Woburn Sands Garden Centre, in Newport Road, helped win a Commitment to Training and Education Award thanks to the training it offers its employees.

Before the autumn of 2009, the garden centre only undertook statutory training such as forklift, first aid, food hygiene and had a limited number of workshop-based horticultural and non-industry specific NVQs.

The garden centre, which is part of The Garden Centre Group, now offers an innovative E-Learning programme.

The initiative, thought to be the first of its kind in the horticultural industry, was launched to enable all team members to use technology to receive exactly the same training, wherever they are based in the country at any time of day to suit them.

Manager Dominic Wright said: “The E-Learning modules contain video, photographs, illustrations, as well as detailed content written by experts from within the group. There are assessments, which test and ensure that the employee has learnt and understood the training and is a permanent record of their achievement.”

The scheme covers statutory elements such as health and safety and specific horticultural modules.

The 2010 Garden Retail Awards, which are presented by the horticulture industry’s leading business and professional magazine, celebrate the best of the gardening industry.
Shine a Light On Bletchley
Saturday 27th of November 2010
Stanier Square Queensway
The Bletchley Christmas Lights switch on will take place in Stanier Square Queensway.
The fun starts around 10 am. Bring along the children for some rides and festive treats.
Music throughout the day will be provided by Bradwell Silver Band in Stanier Square and Milton Keynes Youth Band on the Bandstand in Elizabeth Square. At 6pm Father Christmas will arrive in Fenny Stratford, on his way to Bletchley. Father Christmas will be joined by stars from Milton Keynes Theatre pantomime, to switch-on the lights by the tree in Stanier Square at 4:30 pm.

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A SIXTY-YEAR-OLD android TV star has chosen to retire to a quieter life at Bletchley Park.

George the Robot began his career with a short-lived moment of fame, starring in Pathe News reels following his birth. As a somewhat elderly mechanical being, George has now settled at his new home at The National Museum of Computing, in Bletchley Park.

Life wasn't always red carpets and caviare for George. After his short-lived fame on television, he found himself becoming a recluse - locked away from the outside world in his maker's garage. When Aardman Animations discovered his footage from the 1950s, they called him back to screens to regain his fame.

And on special days, George has pledged, he will even perform some of his old tricks.

George's creator, Tony Sale, said: “George was one of my early ventures into electronics. It took me three weeks to build him in 1950 and he created quite a stir at the time, attracting the attention of Pathe News.”

And Wallace and Gromit fans are also in for a treat, as the World of Invention Road Show will visit thecentre:mk on November 27 and 28, from 10am to 6pm.

Wallace is asking the public to unleash their inner inventor and create their own device, and the winner will be given the opportunity to have themselves or their contraption immortalised in a future Aardman production.

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I’m well aware that the radio stations are probably so giddy at the prospect of having a ‘new’ Michael Jackson single to play that there’s no way on earth they won’t announce it beforehand. However, in case there are any doubts as to who you’re listening to once the song starts, Akon takes the trouble to namecheck both MJ and himself at the start, even if he does do it in the wrong order.

Now, once I got past the initial feeling of ‘gosh, I really wasn’t expecting somebody to dust off a half-finished Michael Jackson song and tidy it up ready for a full release’, to my disappointment I found this song to be embarrassingly average. It’s mid-paced, there are lots of tingly pianos, there’s a (yawn) choir at the end, that’s it.

Billie Jean and Thriller can be sung by anybody, but their originator absolutely OWNED those songs. Here, it just sounds like he’s passing through – quite honestly, if Michael Jackson wasn’t singing this, Michael Bolton could’ve sung it instead and that is not something I say lightly. In fairness though, I’m not blaming this on the singer; his contribution’s fine (and just as with last year’s This Is It, he holds back on the whoops and hollers), but it’s such a whip-snap, whip-snap tune there’s not really a great deal anybody could do to save it and as the end results indicate, even a big finish can’t do the job. I think it’s safe to say that the next time Sony release a Greatest Hits package, this won’t be on it.

MEET ME ON THE DARK SIDE
Melissa Auf der Maur
Ah, now there’s this, much, much better. For one thing, it hasn’t been over-produced, mind you, there’s no place for a choir on a song like this anyway.

You’ve got your standard issue quiet verses / louder choruses structure performed with ‘proper’ instruments and sung by someone whose voice is constantly at risk of getting drowned out by the guitars once the song bursts into life, but just about keeps it together. Actually, do you know something? This is the only song where any number of things could’ve gone wrong and wrecked the whole thing, but they didn’t.

It works and not only that, it’s a storming tune to boot. That’ll do for me.
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Next up is Channel 4 actress and stand-up comedian Kerry Goldman. In 2003 she appeared in The Babycham Funny Women Stand-up competition, for which she received a special mention.
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**WIN a great Christmas party night for 8 people**

WIN a Christmas party for eight at The Living Room, worth up to £500.

MKNEWS has teamed up with the Hub hotspot to offer readers the chance to win a three-course meal for eight at the chic, upbeat venue.

One lucky winner and their companions will enjoy the lavish Christmas meal with 'amuse bouche' (literally translated as mouth appetisers) and extra special Christmas drinks.

The winner will also be able to craft the meals from the Living Room’s Christmas menu, according to taste or dietary requirements, as they would were the paying for the event. Which means all the fun of planning, without all the stress of paying, leaving you with more cash to enjoy the festive season.

For more information on the Living Room and their Christmas parties visit www.thelivingroom.co.uk or call 01908 827299.

**How to enter**

**Answer** the following question to be in with a chance of winning.

At Christmas time it is traditional to exchange kisses beneath a cutting of what plant?

Answers should be complete with name, address and daytime telephone number, and sent to competitions@mk-news.co.uk

The first correct answer drawn will win the prize. Editor’s decision is final.

Closing date November 30.

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**The big Christmas switch-on**

**BLETCHLEY**

Town centre - Saturday from 10am.

BRING along the children for some rides and festive treats. Enjoy music from Bradwell Silver Band and Milton Keynes Youth Band, street dancing with Leon School, or join in the singing with the rock choir or the community choir, who will be performing festive music. Father Christmas will be joined by stars from Milton Keynes Theatre panto to switch on the lights Stanier Square at 4.30 pm, followed by a lantern parade and ‘The Xmas Factor’.

**STONY STRATFORD**

All day Saturday

STREET entertainers, a shop window competition, fairground rides and festive stalls during the day build up to the annual lantern parade at 4.15pm, with the switch on at 5pm in Market Square. The High Street will be closed to traffic all day.

**THEATRE DISTRICT**

Sunday at 4pm

THE switch on in the city’s entertainment hub takes place in aid of the Mayor’s charities Willen Hospice and Bletchley Park. Activities start are 4pm till 6pm, and include the Mayor switching on the lights, Milton Keynes Brass, Britain’s Got Talent finalists Nemesis, Mascot fun and much more.

**WOBURN SANDS**

High Street from 1pm

ENJOY all the fun of the Christmas Fayre with bands, food and craft stalls, fairground rides (for the little and big kids), Father Christmas, and teas in the chapel and institute. The lights will be switched on around 4pm by local Olympic long jump star Greg Rutherford.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST THE CORNERSTONE**

Wednesday at 6pm.

THE biggest Christmas tree in Milton Keynes will be outside the Church of Christ the Cornerstone this year. The lighting-up ceremony is being performed by Mayor, Cllr Debbie Brock, when the 25 ft space will be transformed into a magnificent, glittering symbol of the city’s Christmas celebrations. It will be the first time the church has had a Christmas tree outside, opposite the Marks & Spencer’s end of the shopping centre. With carol singing and music from local bands and choirs.

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LONDON BOULEVARD
Colin Farrell, Keira Knightley, Ray Winstone, Ben Chaplin
From Friday
AFTER his release from prison, South London criminal Mitchell tries to give up his life as a gangster by becoming a handyman for Charlotte, a reclusive young actress.

MACHETE
Danny Trejo, Steven Seagal, Jessica Alba, Michelle Rodriguez
From Friday
RENEGADE hitman Machete hides out in Texas after being left for dead by Mexican drug lord Torrez. However, when he finds himself framed for an assassination, Machete must use his deadly skills to clear his name and uncover an evil conspiracy.

THE AMERICAN
George Clooney, Violante Placido, Thekla Reuten, Paolo Bonacelli
From Friday
ASSASSIN Jack is constantly on the move and alone. After a job in Sweden ends badly, he decides he wants out. Retreating to Italy, he holes up in a small medieval town and accepts an unusual assignment - constructing a weapon for mysterious contact Mathilde. Jack begins to develop a relationship but may just be another way of tempting fate.

THE GIRL WHO KICKED THE HORNETS’ NEST
Noomi Rapace, Michael Nyqvist, Lena Endre
From Friday
IN this explosive finale of the Millennium trilogy, Lisbeth is under police guard in hospital, charged with murder and awaiting a trial that promises to be a media sensation. Cut off from all communication with the outside world, she must rely on Blomkvist to prove her innocence.

HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS PT 1 (12A)
Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson
Now showing
HARRY, Ron and Hermione set out on their perilous mission to track down and destroy the secret to Voldemort’s immortality and destruction – the Horcruxes. The Death Eaters begin their hunt for Harry with orders to bring him to Voldemort - alive.

CHICO AND RITA
Fernando Trueba, Tono Errando
Now showing
IT’S Havana in 1948. Chico is a young piano player with big dreams, Rita is a beautiful singer with an extraordinary voice. Music and romantic desire unite them, but their journey – in the tradition of the bolero – brings heartache and torment.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS
MK NEWS has teamed up with Cineworld at the Xscape to offer readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to see the film of their choice. Just tell us who does Mitchell become a handyman for? Answers by e-mail to: competitions@mk-news.co.uk Please include your name, address and daytime telephone number. Closing date Tuesday, November 30. Editor’s decision final.

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Christmas Party
Bookings now being taken

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TAYLORS are delighted to offer for sale, this spacious and very well presented five bedroom detached property with self contained one bedroom annexe in the prestigious Plantation Road.

The accommodation in brief comprises lounge, formal dining room, play room, kitchen/diner, utility, study, workshop, five bedrooms with ensuite bathroom and dressing room to master, bedroom two also features an ensuite wet room.

The self contained annexe offers lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom and conservatory. The grounds offer a large frontage and a rear garden in excess of 200ft with feature areas and generous lawns.

Price £810,000 freehold.

For further details contact Taylors Executive Homes Tel: (01908) 240981.
Furzton

£625,000

- An impressive five bedroom detached residence
- Benefiting from an elevated position looking down onto Furzton Lake
- The standard of the property’s decorative order is excellent throughout
- Offering extensive off road parking
- Detached double garage
- Four receptions
- Five bedrooms
- Three en-suites and family bathroom
- This imposing property must be viewed early to avoid disappointment

Downhead Park

£600,000

- This individually built substantial executive residence is situated in a generous plot in the highly regarded location of Downhead Park
- The property has been substantially yet sympathetically extended throughout
- Kitchen/potting room
- Diner
- Lounge
- Study/family room
- Utility and downstairs cloakroom
- Upstairs there are five bedrooms
- Two with en-suite and a family bathroom
- There is under floor heating to the extended part of the property to both first and ground floor
- There is ample off road private parking to the front of this residence with generous lawn and vegetable garden to the rear
- This property offers a wealth of both parking, accommodation and garden space

Caldecotte

£465,000

- This five bedroom detached executive residence is situated in a popular location in Caldecotte
- This property boasts open plan entrance hall with galleried landing
- Lounge, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room and downstairs cloakroom
- Upstairs there are five bedrooms, family bathroom with an en suite and dressing room to the master suite

Kingsmead

£450,000

- A beautifully presented five bedroom detached executive residence offered with no upper chain in the very sought after area of Kingsmead
- This property boasts a lounge, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast/family room, 22’ conservatory, utility and cloakroom
- Upstairs there are five double bedrooms, three with en-suite facilities and a further family bathroom
- This property enjoys a beautiful position in an exclusive private development on the edge of Milton Keynes and has some glorious views from the top floor across the open countryside beyond
- There are generous gardens and ample parking to this property

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**Walnut Tree**

- £350,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/breakfast, and utility
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Secluded rear garden
- Block paved driveway
- Ample parking leading to the detached double garage

**Oakhill**

- £395,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/breakfast, and utility
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Secluded rear garden
- Block paved driveway
- Ample parking leading to the detached double garage

**Broughton**

- £525,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/breakfast, and utility
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Secluded rear garden
- Block paved driveway
- Ample parking leading to the detached double garage

**Hartwell**

- £425,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Kitchen/family/dining area
- Games room
- Utility and w/c.
- 3 reception rooms
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, pantry and cloakroom
- Three bedrooms, en suite to master and family bathroom
- Detached double garage also boasts a workshop to the rear and the gardens are private and overlook open countryside.

**Leckhampstead**

- £765,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Kitchen/breakfast, and utility
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Secluded rear garden
- Block paved driveway
- Ample parking leading to the detached double garage

**Tattenhoe**

- £450,000
- 4 bedroom detached property
- 3 reception rooms
- Kitchen/family room
- Utility and w/c.
- 3 reception rooms
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, pantry and cloakroom
- Three bedrooms, en suite to master and family bathroom
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**Gayhurst**

- £369,995
- A rare opportunity to purchase a 1st Floor Apartment in the Grade I listed stately home Gayhurst House
- Set within 15 acres of communal gardens and maintains its historical charm
- This first floor residence boasts impressive living accommodation within the country home with a communal state entrance hall, reception hall, drawing room (formerly the Ballroom with high vaulted ceiling), kitchen/breakfast room, study, family room, master bedroom suite and further double bedroom, double garage, communal gardens, tennis courts and well stocked lake.

**Loughton**

- £435,000
- Withdeane is spacious
- Three bedroom detached property
- On an excellent size plot (approx. 0.33 acre)
- In the sought after area of Loughton. • The property is originally thought to have been built around the turn of the century.
- Has been extended by the current owners to create a fantastic family home.

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Shenley Brook End £239,995
- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
- En Suite
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Garage
- Viewing Recommended

I had my property on the market with yourselves for the past couple of weeks. Today your agents have managed to sell my property and I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the great service I have received from Taylors. Devin was most helpful and I would like to say that Sam at the Westcroft office has been fantastic. Please pass my thanks to both Sam and Devin for their help and I will definitely recommend you to others in the future.

Downhead Park £249,995
- Well Presented
- Four Bedroom
- Detached Property
- Extended Lounge & Conservatory
- Refitted Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Milton Keynes £69,000
- Two Bedrooms
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Communal Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- No Upper Chain
- 70% Share

Conniburrow £74,950
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- No Upper Chain
- Viewing Recommended

Coffee Hall £75,000
- Three Bedrooms
- End of Terrace
- Parking
- No Upper Chain
- Cash Buyers Only
Oxley Park
Guide Price £110,000
• Extremely Well Presented
• One Bedroom
• Apartment
• Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen/Diner
• Off Road Parking
• Viewing Recommended

Walnut Tree
£159,995
• Well Presented
• Two Bedrooms
• Semi Detached
• Front & Rear Gardens
• Allocated Parking
• No Upper Chain

Neath Hill
Offers Over £140,000
• Two/Three Bedroom
• Semi Detached
• Refitted Kitchen
• Front & Rear Gardens
• Garage
• No Upper Chain

Netherfield OIEO £115,000
• Second Floor Apartment
• Two Bedrooms
• Double Glazing
• Gas to Radiator Heating
• Lounge/Diner
• Allocated Parking

Monkston
£222,995
• Three Bedroom Detached
• Two Reception Rooms
• En Suite to Master
• Front & Rear Gardens
• Off Road Parking & Garage

Bradwell Common
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Wolverton £195,000
End Of Terrace
Three Bedrooms
Two Reception Rooms
Rear Garden
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Wolverton Guide Price £160,000
Three bedrooms
Victorian style property
Double glazing where specified
Gas central heating
Re-fitted kitchen
Offered with no upper chain

Wolverton Guide Price £150,000
Three bedroom
Lounge/diner
Kitchen
Bathroom with separate WC
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Semi Detached
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Wolverton Mill £72,500
Two Bedroom
End of Terrace
Lounge/Diner
Conservatory
Garage and Gardens

Bradville Guide Price £100,000
Two/three bedroom property
End of Terrace
Re-fitted kitchen
Conservatory
Front & Rear Gardens
Viewing Recommended

Deanshanger £160,000
Three Bedroom
End Of Terrace
Three Bedrooms
Two Reception Rooms
Rear Garden
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Deanshanger £155,000
Refurbished Victorian style property
Two bedrooms
Re-fitted bathroom
Re-fitted kitchen
Lounge/Diner
Rear garden

Deanshanger £175,000
Semi detached
Three Bedrooms
Double Glazing
Re-fitted Kitchen
Conservatory
Garage

Stony Stratford Guide Price £165,000
Three Bedroom
Refitted Kitchen
Separate Reception Rooms
Front and Rear Gardens

Stony Stratford Guide Price £315,000
Terraced
Four/Five Bedrooms
One Reception Room
Two En Suites
Garage
Garden
Allocated Parking
No upper chain

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Two Mile Ash Offers Over £235,000
Well presented
Four Bedrooms
Detached House
Three Receptions
En Suite To Master
Gardens and Garage

Fullers Slade £110,000
Very well presented
Two bedroom
Top floor apartment
Gas central heating
Double glazing and a balcony
Allocated parking
50% shared ownership

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Refurbished Victorian style property
Two bedrooms
Re-fitted bathroom
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SIMILAR REQUIRED
- Recently Refurbished
- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- View Recommended

Bletchley Guide Price £175,000
SOLD STC
SIMILAR REQUIRED
- Extended Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

Emerson Valley £54,000
SOLD STC
SIMILAR REQUIRED
- Semi-Detached
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Racecourses £145,000
- Semi-Detached Property
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley £124,950
- Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Garden
- No Upper Chain

Church Green Road £179,995
NEW
- Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Garage
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley Guide Price £170,000
- Well Presented
- Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Double Garage
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley £135,000
- Semi-Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Garden
- Driveway
- No Upper Chain

Rickle Lane Guide Price £225,000
- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking

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Mr and Mrs B are looking to buy a four bedroom detached property in Tattenhoe. Can you help? Please call 01908 524456

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- House Of The Week
- Extremely Well Presented
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- Four Bedrooms
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- driveway and Double Garage

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- Rear Garden
- Driveway and Double Garage
- Internal Viewing Recommended

Furzton
£60,000
- Well Presented
- One Bedroom
- Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Offered For Sale As A 50% Share

Shenley Church End
£160,000
- Well Presented
- End of Terrace
- Two Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage
- Newly Replaced Double Glazed Windows

Tattenhoe
£185,000
- End of Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Driveway and Garage

Emerson Valley
£54,000
- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Shared Ownership Scheme
- Viewing Recommended

Tattenhoe
£189,995
- Semi Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

Westcroft Guide Price £215,000
- Well Presented
- Detached Property
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Rear Garden
- Driveway and Garage

Kingsmead
£309,995
- Well Presented
- Four/Five Bedrooms
- Two Ensuites
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Carport and Garage

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• Make sure your CV looks the part. Your CV should look clean and tidy - don’t scrawl it out on a piece of A4 paper. If you haven’t got access to a PC or printer, ask a friend or use your local library. Use a good quality paper and steer clear of fancy borders and front covers.

• Watch out for silly spelling and grammar mistakes. They make you look lazy and show employers that you don’t really care. It’s not difficult to do a spell check on your PC and if you’re really stuck then don’t just guess, reach for a dictionary. Get a friend to read through your CV for you - a second opinion is always useful.

• Make sure your CV is well organised. When you list your previous jobs, make sure the dates are correct and try not to leave any gaps. If you took time out to go travelling then say so - employers won’t mark you down just because you’ve tried something new.

• Don’t waffle. Remember that employers don’t have time to read every word of your CV. Long paragraphs and sentences put people off, so try bullet-points to break up text. Make sure your CV is no longer than two pages long - employers don’t want your life history, they just want to see that you’ve got what it takes to do the job.

• Don’t list any failures. Employers have enough trouble finding someone who is right for the job - they don’t need help finding reasons not to employ you. If you have to include a mistake from your past, make sure you show the employer that you learnt something from the experience.

Summary/professional profile
This is the No1 area for selling yourself. Set out your main skills and personal qualities but keep it interesting and tight - one paragraph should do to cover everything.

Education and qualifications
List your qualifications and education history, with the most recent first. You don’t need to list the grades for each exam you have passed unless they were exceptional results - simply listing the number and type of exams you’ve passed is fine. Also, list any relevant professional organisations you belong to and training courses you have been on.

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Start with your most recent position and work backwards, giving addresses along with start and finish dates. Set out your main responsibilities, duties and most importantly achievements, along with any skills you picked up or improvements you made while you were there. This is a really important section in your CV so make it count - but don’t waffle.

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Add a covering letter

The main aim of a covering letter is to encourage an employer to give you a chance. You want them to read your CV, so sell it to them. You should always enclose a covering letter when applying for a job - most employers won’t consider you unless you do.

A covering letter should let the employer know why you are interested in the job and why you think you can do it.

The hints and tips below should point you in the right direction:

• Keep it simple. A covering letter should be short and to the point - no more than six paragraphs.

• Mention the job. If you are replying to an advert, mention what the job is and where you saw it. The company may be advertising for other positions and it may not be clear which job you are applying for.

• Sell yourself. Explain why you are the perfect candidate for the job. Show off your strengths and experience. Refer to your CV - if it goes missing then at least an employer will know that you’ve sent it.

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Most major credit cards accepted (American Express small charge)
There is always going to be games at home where things don't go right and we have setbacks, at the end of the day we lost 4-1.

I would say that Sheffield Wednesday, with Neil Mellor, Clinton Morrison, Tommy Spur and Gary Teale, are one of the strongest teams in the league but they don't perform consistently. Their quality didn't surprise me. It thought we started off very well on Saturday, we looked very badly but we let in a couple of bad goals before half-time.

The second one - an own goal - was very unfortunate and I thought we would overcome that because we started the second half so well.

The third goal was the killer. It's a cliché but we spoke to their manager Alan Irvine after the game and he agreed that the next goal after half-time was the most important one.

If we'd got it everyone's spirits would have been lifted, but they broke away and it was a bad goal from our point of view because Mellor got a free header.

We should have done better with the goals we conceded.

By the time the fourth came the game was virtually won and the lads looked tired mentally.

One of the positives we have to take from Saturday is Mark Carrington. He's stepped up to the plate recently and I don't really surprise me, I was really pleased for him.

In the second half we've had a lot of fixtures to fall back on, but I'm really pleased with our run-over the last three weeks in the FA Cup.

It will be good to have a weekend without a game especially knowing the ones that we have coming up after the New Year and don't have an impact on our position in the league.

It gives us chance to focus on the training ground, look to tactics, our shape and hopefully the extra time will allow us to regain some of the injured players.

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**HEAD AND SHOULDERS**

THE spinning head of Neil Mellor will cause MK Dons players nightmares for some weeks to come as his hat-trick of headers ended their unbeaten home record in League One.

The impressive former Liverpool striker stunned the Dons time after time with headed goals which proved all to easy for Sheffield Wednesday to create.

But anyone sat in stadiummk for the opening 20 minutes would never have predicted such a heavy score line to go against the Dons. Especially when Mark Carrington struck his first goal of the season fell to the feet of Rhodes the striker controlled brilliantly before thunderously firing in Huddersfield's third.

And a superb double save from Martin prevented the Dons from falling even further behind when he bravely dived at the feet of Pilkington and then tip away at his far post when the cross came back in for the lively winger.

But a minute after the restart of further exposure the weaknesses in the Dons' back four.

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**MK DONS 1**

Carlington 6

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 4

Mellor 22, 71, 83, Chadwick (Og) 27

with less than six minutes on the clock.

Inevitably, Wednesday, packed with names of players who have spent their careers running out in the Championship and Premier League, found their way back to level terms through Mellor before an unfortunate own goal by Luke Chadwick gave Owls the lead.

Dons boss Karl Robinson felt the changing point in the game came on the half an hour mark when striker Sam Baldock limped off injured - a

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**Assault and battering sees Dons leak four**

FROM BACK PAGE

And from the resulting Peter Leven corner the Dons were denied by one last-gasp defending which saw Danny Woodards' header cleared on the line.

Moments later Martin, who has come in for criticism for recent mistakes against Stevenage and Sheffield Wednesday, denied Anthony Pilkington whose diving header seemed destined for the back of the net, before a tame 12-yard Jordan Rhodes shot found the Dons goalkeepers grateful arms.

But Town's threat continued to build and when Mathias Kouo-Doumbe failed to clear a cross from Pilkington the awaiting Kay was on hand to manoeuvre a composed shot into the bottom corner.

At times Dons were guilty of allowing Town to play around them, but they were on the ball Lee Clarke's men were quick to close them down and force the visitors into rushed decisions.

A prime example came when their best spell of the first half - involving Michael McIndoe, Stephen Gleeson and Lewis Guy - eventually saw the lively winger.

But the Dons, on the pitch for a minute, gave Dons hope when he made an immediate impact when he stabbed Guy's cross past Town keeper Smithies.

However, Town's threat continued to expose the weaknesses in the Dons' back four.

The defence once again failed to clear their lines, despite several attempts, and when the loose ball hit the upright and Rhodes drilled in the follow-up.

There was a late rally by the Dons, who were furious when Clarke appeared to block a low Wilbraham shot with his arm. However, it was too late to late and the defeat leaves the Dons falling further behind the pack in the hunt for the play-offs.

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MK Lions have announced the signing of Frank Holmes just days before the season starts.
Holmes signing
adds inside
power to Lions

The 6ft 9ins American centre becomes Lions seventh new addition to the Lions squad, following the recapture of Yorick Williams.

It is Holmes’ first professional position after a successful career at the University of Alabama Birmingham in the NCAA Division 1.

Lions’ head coach Vince Macaulay, who has been looking to seal Holmes’ signature for several weeks, said: “We wanted to get more athletic and deeper this season, Frank will give us extra power inside whilst being very agile in and around the basket, he has played at a high level and with great players – this is his time to shine.”

Holmes joins Robert Youngblood, Mike New, Yorick Williams, and Dru Spinks on this year’s team alongside new faces, Irmantas Griksas, Craig Pringle, Maximillion Simon and EJ Harrison.

The new British Basketball League season begins in earnest on Friday for Lions when they host Worcester Wolves at Bletchley Leisure Centre.

Lions warmed up for their opening match with a 75-84 defeat to Team USA.

The home side opened the scoring through Griksas before New and Williams both got their names on the scoresheet as the first period was tied at 21-21.

Ab listering 12 points from New put Lions back ahead yet it was the visitors who had a slender one point advantage at half-time.

Team USA stretched to a ten point lead in the third before back-to-back threes from Spinks and Williams reduced the score to 53-60.

The teams continued to exchange baskets in the final quarter, but Team USA managed to stay just ahead of the Lions.

LIONS are at home to Worcester Wolves on Friday, tip-off 7.30pm. On Sunday they travel to Cheshire Jets, tip-off 5.30pm.

HUDDERSFIELD 4
Kay (24) Roberts (36)
Rhodes (47, 67)
MK DONS 1
Wilbraham (56)

HUDDERSFIELD Town ran riot as MK Dons suffered back-to-back 4-1 defeats in League One.

The Terriers cut through a leaky Dons defence to carry a 2-0 advantage, thanks to goals from Antony Kay and Gary Roberts, into the interval.

But the Dons’ half-time team talk was wasted within two minutes of the restart as Jordan Rhodes netted the first of his second-half double.

Substitute Aaron Wilbraham bagged a reply for the Dons, yet Rhodes found a fourth for Huddersfield to win by a

scoreline which could have been heavier had it not been for some great goalkeeping from the under-fire David Martin.

The defeat at the Galpharm Stadium saw the Dons fall to 12th in the table and three points off the play-offs.

Town had a glorious opportunity to break the deadlock within six minutes when Alex Smithies’ long punt punn down field released Gary Roberts, and a slip from Sean O’Hanlon, allowed the Terriers man a one-on-one but he failed to test Martin as he fired over.

Dons found gaps down the Terriers’ left flank with Lewis Guy’s dazzling run ended in a deflected shot.

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