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JUSTICE secretary Jack Straw has finally admitted that the Omega site would be a 'good location' for a Titan prison.

I have previously stated that if the Government decide the Omega site is their choice for a new prison in the North West - it will, in my opinion, happen, no matter how much opposition there is from the borough council, local residents and politicians.

Mr Straw says it will bring a £15 million boost to the local economy with new jobs in the employment and construction markets, which during the current climate would be more than welcome.

But one has to wonder what local democracy stands for if local residents, locally elected politicians and a borough council can't prevent a major planning development taking

# Big band charity gig BIG band enthusiasts can help raise

money for charity by attending a concert by the Harry Goulden band at the Pierpoint and Bryant Club in Thelwall Lane, Warrington

The IZ-strong band, with vocalists, will be playing favourites from the big band era on Monday, March 16 from 8pm to 11pm in aid of St Rocco's Hospice. Tickets are £.5



but if that due process involves a planning application being called in, or appealed – it will be a Government appointed inspector who gets the final say

Personally I believe the Omega site could easily accommodate a prison without local residents even knowing one was one there. Whether it is the right site for such

place in our town. Mr Straw says any planning application will follow due process –

a development is another question! The stigma it would create,

certainly in the short term, would make the site almost impossible to sell to other potential users – so I suspect it will come down to how desperate the land owners are for money in the short term – and if they are like many other developers and banking organisations up and down the country – and around the world – they could end up taking the prison option.

If they do I am sure it will continue to be a political hot potato!



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proposed in the hospital where they

were being treated for their horrific

injuries after being knocked off their

motorcycle by a car. Now Hayley, 37, from Callands, Warrington, has launched her own

holistic therapy business 'Skin and Tonic' to help others who have

suffered disfiguring injuries. She was made redundant from her

job at a call centre after the accident

and was relying on benefits for the

# Hayley's 'Skin and Tonic'!

BREAKING her neck in a motorcycle accident which left her partner paralysed with a broken back, proved to be a life changing experience for mother of two Hayley McKune.

First of all she tied the knot with her policeman partner James, after he "I realised that

"I realised that with my commitments at home, which were now greater than they had ever been, that I couldn't return to work following my previous career path. James had very serious injuries, which doctors gave very little hope of being able to heal and it was at this time I became interested in holistic and alternative therapies, to see if there was any way in which I could help with his recovery. I studied the prospectus at local colleges, and from this began a



series of intensive and in depth courses in numerous areas of Holistic therapies.

"I soon discovered that I had a passion for this, and knew I had tound my new career path. To broaden my skills base, I also completed courses in Beauty therapy, and it was when I had followed on from this to a course teaching spray tanning that I had a very upsetting and life changing experience.

and life changing experience. "As part of the course students had to spray tan each other. I had mine without any problem and expected to carry it out on the student who had just successfully given me mine. But she refused to let me tan her and would not undress to allow me to complete the tan. After a lengthy talk and a lot of coaxing I discovered that it was due to a disfigurement following a serious illness. I reassured her that this was not a problem, explaining that for me, due to my life experiences, there was nothing that I would not be able to deal with or see as being different from the norm. It seemed such a small thing – a tanning treatment, yet she was overjoyed to have had something that made her feel so good. It was her reaction that touched and affected me so deeply."

Hayley soon discovered that there were many disabled people who wanted to benefit from treatments, giving her the confidence to launch her own business Hayley said she would like to thank

Hayley said she would like to thank all of those who had helped her over the last two years to get back into the



workplace in her new career, such as Warrington Disability Partnership, Warrington Carers Centre, In Biz and Warrington Employmobility, Fund.

Now, after working with charities she has opened her own therapy room at Seventh Heaven salon in Penketh.







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known and trusted script to change, and we have to rely on our knowledge, good luck, education, support system and more. And yet everything we know is a product of change. There is nothing we know now, that was not learned, and that is change. Change sometimes can be simple. Sometimes it can be scary, sometimes frightening, sometimes stressful and many other things too, but it can also be rewarding.

Sometimes not changing can be scarier. Not changing can mean more heartache, frustration and under achievement. An unwillingness to change can also contribute to life threatening situations for the smoker, the over eater, the couch potato, the illegal drug user, the excessive drinker the over worked, and others. It is far better to make managed changes to our lives, relationships and habits, than to have nature make the decision for us. For when we don't make changes it is then that circumstances, fate, nature or whatever we call it, makes us change, and that is really is scary!



# Hypnotes About Change

This time last year, February 2008 my article was about change, relevant now as it was then, so here it is reproduced below. When you want help with change, whether it is forced change or chosen, contact me and let me help you with it.

Nothing stays the same. We live with constant change each moment being an end and a new beginning. We know change can be sudden or progressive, welcome or forced. Change can be viewed as being an opportunity or a threat.

Many people see change as being out of their control, and of course many changes are. However not all, and if we are to have happy healthy lives we We are to have happy healthy lives we need to learn to recognise that external change is constantly happening but we can make our own changes too. Those who choose not to change will find life over takes them, and they will get lost in their own memories of 'the good old

days'. When we recognise that we can change and we can introduce positive changes to our lives and environments and circumstances it is then we see

change in a more positive light. Each New Years Eve, we are more

aware of the need for change, than at most other times of the year. Need to change from being a smoker to a non smoker. The need to change destructive relationships, or working patterns. The need to change job, change eating patterns, replace bad habits and so it goes on.

And yet when we stop and think about it, why focus on change on one night of the year. The difference is, for many at least, is on that one night of the year, we decide that we have the responsibility, the power the opportunity and the authority to bring new positive change into our lives. But it is a flawed thought. Those same feelings of authority, responsibility and power are ours to use at any time in our lives. And yet, unless change is forced upon us, we continue with the established beliefs or through the lack of enthusiasm for change that it's not worth changing, it's not worth the hassle, the heartache, the uncertainty. We choo tolorate unfairness, We choose instead to inequality, unhappiness and worse, because we fear change.

It's up to us to view change in the most appropriate way possible. Change can be scary, there is no



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# Masons gift for hospice



Assistant Provincial Grand Master Dennis Rudd presenting the cheque to Beth Eccles watched by St Rocco's Appeals Manager Claire Mannock and Warrington Masonic Group Vice-chairman Barry Jameson.

ST Rocco's Hospice in Warrington and other hospices throughout the country have received a major boost thanks to Freemasons.

Assistant Provincial Grand Master Dennis Rudd handed over a cheque to the hospice for £1,952 on behalf of the Freemasons' Grand Charity

The latest donation means that in the last eight years the Warrington Group of Masonic Lodges has donated nearly £45,000 to the hospice. This year the Grand Charity has donated an enormous £600,000 to more than 220 hospices in England and Wales. Dennis said: "The money is an important contribution towards the millions of

Dennis said: "The money is an important contribution towards the millions of pounds needed each and every year to ensure these respected services can continue providing free physical, emotional, social and spiritual care to patients and their families."

Warrington Freemasons were the first group to give £10,000 to endow a room at St Rocco's when the new hospice was built.

The latest donation will be put into the fund to pay for the new £3.3 million expansion at the hospice. The existing day unit is too small and so an appeal has been launched to raise the money to expand the day care unit and to provide additional resource and education facilities.

Already St Rocco's has raised \$3 million towards the cost of the expansion, which includes a government grant of \$619,000. It is hoped the new extension will be complete by Spring 2009.





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# Pupils given insight into business

Business



PUPILS from St Jospeph's Catholic Primary School were given an insight into Warrington hair salon Callaghan and Moran as part of a special 'field

trip'. More than 40 youngsters from the school visited the town centre salon enjoying a 'hands on' experience as they 'had a go' at all apsects of hairdressing, from answering the phone on reception to washing hair. After the visit pupils had to write up their experience as part of a literacy project. Salon Director Stuart Callaghan is

pictured with five-year-old Lauren and other pupils from the school.

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# Mayor opens unique premises

WARRINGTON'S Mayor Graham Welborn was on hand to officially open a new business in the town.

Coun Welborn and his Mayoress wife Elaine cut the ribbon at 'La Lenka' which has been opened by 21-year-old Slovakian Lenka Juchova, who has been inspired by her threeyear-old daughter.

With a background as an artist Lenka produces originally designed clothes for children.

She said: "All my products are original so there won't be two mothers passing each other on the street with children dressed the same!" with Lenka using natural materials - linen, cotton, wool. La Lenka is based within Window

Dreams in Eygpt Street, Warrington.

# Top hotel sold

A WARRINGTON hotel has been sold for a figure believed to be close to £1.8 million.

The Rhinewood Country House Hotel, at Glazebrook has been acquired by Shaheen Igbal, who already owns the Hermitage Park Hotel at Coleville, near Leicester.

He intends to run the hotel under management. The Rhinewood stands in about 2,6 acres and has 32 en suite bedrooms,

extensive function facilities and a refurbished restaurant and bar area. David Blythe from Christie and Co, Manchester, who handled the sale, said: "Considerable interest was shown in the hotel over the period of time that it was on the market and at the close there were two other interested parties, both bidding on the hotel, with Shaheen Iqbal being the successful biddor." hidder





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# Spotlight on Business

# New hotel boosts economy

A NEW £8 million hotel has opened in Warrington creating around 60 new full and part-time jobs in the local economy. The 103 bedroom Ramada Encore

and fitness centre and Busy Nought hotel at Birchwood Park is a first for a to Fives nursery.

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### Leading

MEPC Birchwood Park's managing director, Jonathan Walsh said: "The hotel will affirm Birchwood Park as a leading North West destination for business and increase its competitive-

ness against city centre locations." The Ramada Encore has been developed by Ramcore Hotels and

managed by BDL Management which also owns and operates other branded hotels such as Crowne Plaza

and Holiday Inn. Ewan Campbell, Managing Director of Ramcore, said: "We look forward to this new opportunity to deliver our high-quality, value for money service. Birchwood Park is a development of increasing stature within the North West office market, and we are confident that our presence on the park will bring considerable mutual benefit.

For further information on the hotel please visit www.encorewarring ton.co.uk or call General Manager Catherine Richards on 0844 8013 690.





business park in the MEPC group and one of the few in the country, to feature a hotel. The launch of the 35,705sq ft (3,317 sq m) Ramada Encore Warrington will further raise the competitiveness of Birchwood Park, in the North West commercial property market.

It joins Birchwood Park's extensive portfolio of services, including The Centre with its meeting and restaurant amenities, the Alive and Well gym

Admin and Finance Manager Emma Littler with the new hotel's sign.

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# Spring has Sprung at Pyramid and Parr Hall!

Pyramid and Parr Hall are packed to the rafters with a brand new Spring season filled with music, dance, comedy and drama to keep you entertained until the summer months come shining through.

## Wednesday 28 January – Billy Ocean

We kick the new season off with a show from the legendary singer Billy Ocean, best known for his chart-topping hits 'Get Out of

My Dreams: Get Into My Car' and 'When The Going Gets Tough', on Weds 28 Jan (8pm, £24, PH). Renowned for his live shows – this is one event you don't want to miss!

# Saturday 7 February – The Comedy Store

The Comedy Store makes its return to Pyramid on Sat 7 Feb (7.30pm,  $\pounds12/\pounds10$ ). This festival of laughter brings the best in live stand-up from The Comedy Store and regularly sells out, so make sure you get yours now.

### Friday 13 February – Russell Kane

Russell Kane brings his inspired and hilarious, stand-up show 'Gaping Flaws' to town on Fri 13 Feb (8pm, £12/£10, PY).

The flaws in love, politics and class are all open for examination. Strap in for some super-speed sunderings and inconvenient sociology in an hour of self-soiling merriment that will leave you with rickets.

### Friday 27 February - Mind the Gap

For those who modernenjoy day drama with comic bite, you can't afford to

miss Mind The Gap on Fri 27 Feb (8pm, £8/£6, PY). It's midnight on the last tube home, stuck in a tunnel with no lights and we begin to question: how can you trust someone when you can't see their face? And can you really forgive and forget when the lights come up again?

### Sunday 8 March - Freddie Starr



The madcap comedian Freddie Starr is back on tour with another unpredictable evening of madness and mayhem as

he

brings his own brand of outrageous humour to the Parr Hall stage on Sun 8 March (7.30pm, £18.50/£17).

## Monday 9 March – Colin Fry

Colin Fry returns to Colin Fry returns to Parr Hall on Mon 9 March (7.30pm, £19.50) with his show 'In The Spirit'. Widely regarded as one of the finest spiritualist mediums, Colin returns to Warrington following the sellout success of his shows last year.

### Thursday 1 Freddie Starr 19 March –



Officially 600,000 Polish people have come to Britain to seek work since 2004. Last summer Mark and Dan reversed

the trend and set off for Poland to find employment; Poles Apart on Thurs 19 Mar (7.30pm, £10/£8. PY) is their hilarious adventure.

This is just a taster of what's in store at Pyramid and Parr Hall this season, there's even more events online at www.pyramid parrhall.com so be sure to check it out!

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# Making a will needn't kill you!

# Too many people assume that the law will provide for their loved ones in the event of their death and that Wills are complicated.

In fact, the law of intestacy (which applies if a person dies without making a Will) is itself complex and will often have undesirable results. Making a Will is straightforward.

People today organise their lives differently from the more formal relationships expected in the past, and the law has not always kept pace with changes in society. The result can be that whilst relationships are comfortable and natural to the participants, they are not recognised and treated by the law in quite the same way

So – why make a Will? Every adult should think about making a Will to set out in writing what he or she wishes to happen when they are no longer around. Careful consideration should be given to the assets that they hold and who in the event of their death they would like to benefit. Even those who have already make a Will should re-visit the issue on a regular basis as marriage, separation, bankruptcy, illness and changes in tax laws are all factors to consider as life events prompting a review of existing Wills

Factors to consider include:

"I have nothing to leave". You may be surprised as to how much you are actually worth! In reality the amount isn't actually important. What is more important is you leaving your property to who you think deserves it. Do you

really want it to be left to the Government to decide who should get your hard earned money and possessions? Who is more deserving in your eyes? Your friend who has helped you through thick and thin or that long lost cousin? By making a

Will it is your choice. "Unmarried but living with my Partner" Did you know that if your Partner died you would not automatically be entitled to a penny of their estate? You would need to make an application to Court for a share of their estate. How would you pay the bills in the meantime? This your ne only in the meantime? This can easily be resolved by you and your Partner making a Will to make necessary provision for each other, should the worst happen. "This is my second matrices but

"This is my second marriage but we both have children from our first marriages". Are your children adequately provided for, should you die first? If the house is held as Joint Tenants, then the property will automatically are to your spouse. If automatically go to your spouse. If you have not made a Will, then the you nave nor made a VVIII, then the remainder of your estate will go as to the first  $\pounds125,000$  to your spouse and half of the residue to your children. The Government has announced that this sum will increase to  $\pounds250,000$  from the 1st February 2009. On the dasth of your accurate 2009. On the death of your spouse (if they have not made a Will) then all of their estate will go to their own children, leaving your children without



their inheritance. If this is not what you want, then you should make a Will now, making provision for them. "I am a single parent or in a relationship with children". Did you know that you should make a Will appointing guardians for your children, should you die when they are young? If you don't, it will be left with the Courts to decide who should

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# A year to celebrate



FORMER students joined current staff at Priestley College's annual Presentation Evening to celebrate another year of outstanding achievement at the sixth form college on Loushers Lane, Warrington.

The academic year saw the College's pass rates remain above 99% for the fourth successive year, as entries surpassed 1000 for the first time. Thirty four Advanced Level subjects and all vocational courses achieved a fantastic 100% pass rate.

On an evening when many individual and collective achieve-ments were celebrated, certificates

were handed out to the entire class of 2008.

Seventeen individual prizes were also presented, representing the full range of curriculum areas and qualifications at the College. Amongst the award winners were Michael Christie, Graham Helliwell and Megan Tyler who have all since gone on to study at Cambridge.

# Celebrating 10 years

WARRINGTON Fire Surrounds based on Lovely Lane is celebrating its 10th anniversary throughout 2009. During the past decade owner Stephen Rockwood has been supplying quality fires and fire places at affordable prices to various homes across the town and

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# Salon is national winner

WARRINGTON based hair Salon MC2 HairDesign has reached the finals of an international beauty stylist competition after being crowned national winner of Great Britain.

Now they are competing for the renowned International Beauty Stylist of the Year 2008/09 award presented by the international cosmetics company La Biosthetique Paris.

Under the supervision of stylist Vickie Gourley, the team of MC2 HairDesign salon, based in Stockton Heath won the qualifying round title National winner of Great Britain and are now in the finals in Berlin this April, in addition to six other finalists from France, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, Germany and Canada.

### 'Modern glamour'

MC2 stylist Vickie Gourley created a graduated bob with side fringe on model April Burton. To give the style as much movement as possible, there was a lot of texturising performed during the cut. The finish was created with a curling iron for enchanting curls. The look was livened up with a fresh, intense shade of copper and alternating light and dark sections in the same shade. 'Modern Glamour' was the motto of Vickie's winning look.

The overall look convinced the judges with its creativity and charm. All La Biosthetique coiffeurs in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Italy, Canada and Great Britain were entitled to take part. The task was to create a complete hairstyle in which a competent jury of experts judged the quality of the style,



consisting of artistic performance and technical achievement, as well as the overall impression of the photo.

Participants had to submit a before photo as well as two complete finishing variants with a front and a side view.

Up until the deadline, more than 500 independently created looks from all participating countries were submitted, including many masterpieces with great looks that featured absolutely innovative cutting techniques, richly facetted colour effects and styling to suit a particular look.

From all entries, a high-calibre international jury of experts, consisting of renowned journalists of big glossy magazines such as Vogue and Gala, as well as international top stylists, selected a total of seven national winners.

The winner of the professional award will be chosen by the international star stylist Angelo Seminara, British Hairdresser of the Year, whilst the Public Award will be selected by the readers of the celebrity magazine IN. During the international La Biosthetique congress on April 26 2009 in Berlin, star presenter Nina Ruge will reveal the secret of the two finalists as part of the traditional gala evening.

traditional gala evening. Vickie Gourley has been a hairdresser for six years. She has worked with La Biosthetique right from the outset and has been a member of the 18 strong team of Martin Coleman, owner of the salon MC2 HairDesign.

The winning look in the category National Winner of Great Britain was exclusively created with the products of La Biosthetique Paris.



The Tim Parry Johnathan Ball Foundation for Peace will be hosting its annual Charity Ball at the Park Royal Hotel in Stretton, Warrington On Saturday, February 7.

Guests will enjoy a welcoming drink before making their way to the Royal Suite for a delicious 4-course meal. During the evening there will be a variety of ways to keep you entertained from having a flutter on your favourite horse, trying your luck on the Casino Tables or dancing to your favourite tunes with a first class DJ . . . there really is something for everyone.

For just £500 per table of ten not only could you have a great night but you will also be helping to raise money for young people who participate in the Foundation's programmes. This is an evening when you can help to make a difference and enjoy yourselves at the same time.

For more details call Wendy Parry on 01925 581234 / 581231



# Eileen is top cat

WARRINGTON based Eileen Fisher has become the inaugural President of the county's new Rugby League club the Cheshire Cats.

Eileen is a Skills Broker for North West Business Link with a track record of excellence in her field.

Her speciality involves advising enterprises with regard to recruitment, development, training and funding.

development, training and funding. Included amongst the successful projects Eileen has been involved with are the Welfare to Work Scheme with Warrington Borough Council of which she was co-ordinator and the town's Special Needs Youth Training Scheme.

A lifelong supporter of the game Eileen is also secretary of the dynamic Warrington Wolves Vice President's Association which has recently celebrated record numbers at its popular and established Christmas Luncheon.

On accepting the Presidency of the Cats Eileen is keen to point out: "That the whole concept behind the Cheshire Cats is one that appeals to me.

me. "The new club is professionally organised and keen to impose high standards on and off the field.

standards on and off the field. "The idea of Summer rugby for children is ground breaking in the area as is the desire to play in the Midlands League.

"Rugby League is a wonderful sport for youngsters and I am sure that rugby followers to the south of Warrington will respond in great numbers."

The creator of the club Lionel Hurst is thrilled with the appointment and said: "Eileen is perfect for the role and has all the skills,talent and passion that the figurehead of such an ambitious new club will require.

"We are all very pleased indeed that Eileen has accepted our invitation to be our inaugural President."

The Cheshire Cats have already forged links with Lymm Rugby Club and are looking for a permanent base in the town.

# Promising keeper signs

WARRINGTON Town have swooped to sign a promising young goalkeeper to provide cover for regular shot stopper Ritchie Mottram.

Aron Grundy, aged 21, has joined from care taker manager Joey Dunn's former club Burscough.

He had been at Bury from 1997, progressing through the youth academy and the reserve side, appearing twice for the first team. He joined FC United of Manchester

He joined FC United of Manchester on a short-term loan in February 2008 after an injury to their regular first-team goalkeeper Sam Ashton ruled him out for a few weeks.

Aaron was awarded with fans player of the month and also received the league's goalkeeper of the month after a very successful spell there.

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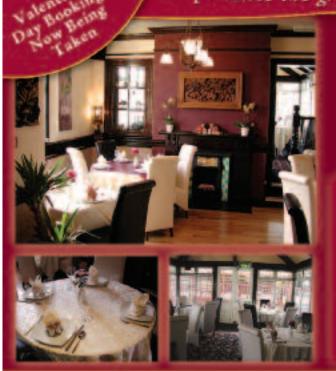
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# House prices drop 15 per cent

HOUSE prices in Warrington have plummeted more than 15 per cent during the past 12 months – and apartments have dropped even more!

But it is not such a gloomy picture for home owners at nearby Lymm, where homes have fallen by just 7-10 per cent, with unique and individual properties still selling well.

Warrington based estate agent Dave Linaker predicts a tough year ahead for home owners in the town, with builders being very aggressive on price

Dave who runs New Way Homes with offices in Penketh and Warrington said: "Overall 2009 will continue to be difficult with the need for most vendors to be much more realistic on

eventual selling prices. "With builders being very aggresive with prices, specials offers and incentives, the second hand property market will need to be more reasonable with their expectations. For vendors who are going to buy on, the need to remember that any potential loss on selling price on their property, should be reflected in the purchase price of their new home

Tough, but respectful negotiations both up and down the chain will be the key to most property sales. Overall prices in and around the

Warrington area have dropped by approx 15 % over the last year, the decrease in apartments price is generally much higher.

He says the recent decision by the Bank of England, to again cuts interest rates to the lowest in its 300 year history had seen some lenders pass on this reduction for existing customers,

but few had made any decision to

change to new deals. "With more pe "With more people refinancing difficult, if finding either remortgaging or any type of unsecured/secured lending, it is worth remembering to seek advice quickly if you are having any difficulty or indeed expect too. If advice is needed our time is free and we can help on remortgages, reducing debt, debt management and IVA's.

Meanwhile New Way Homes

have now ventured into the lettings market which remains relatively robust.

At nearby Lymm, often quoted as one of the most desirable places to live in the country - with house prices to match, local estate agent Linda Garrindo from Banner & Co says house prices have dropped by around 7-10 per cent during the past year.

But she said activity had been busier this January than the same time last year and people with individual and unique properties were still able to sell at a good price.

"Some people are realising that now is actually a good time to move to a property they may not have been able to afford 12 months ago," said linda

"I think the main ones to suffer are the modern houses on new estates where most of the houses are almost all the same

"If you have something unique, like an individual cottage which has been well renovated, you will still get a good price for it.

"People still want to live in Lymm because of its great location, the local schools and the nearby motorway networks and airport."

# Search for inspirational teenager

PARENTS, teachers, friends and families in Warrington are being urged to nominate teenagers who they think deserve recognition for doing something special.

The borough council is on the look out for 13-19 year-olds who have done something that should be celebrated as part of a project titled 'Inspire'. It could be doing really well at school, doing some volunteering work

or being musically or artistically talented or doing well in sport. Two special celebration events have

been organised by a group of local teens for the end of February to which the nominated youngsters will be invited

There they will able to showcase their own skills, get a chance to try

street dancing, singing or art and listen to DJs and live bands.

Coun Sheila Woodyatt, the council's executive member for children's services said: "The aim of these events is to highlight the positive contribution young people make to the town and their local communities. If successful it is hoped that Inspire will become an annual celebration

Forms can be found at the council website, www.warrington.gov.uk/ inspire and completed entries should be sent to Lucy Burrows, 1st Floor, New Town House, Buttermarket Street, Town House, Buttermarket Street, Warrington, WA1 2NH or emailed to inspire@warringtonyouth.org Forms can also be posted at Inspire

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# Wolves and college team up

# Warrington Wolves and Warrington Collegiate have teamed up in a unique partnership which will see both the club and college benefit from working together.

Although initially for a year, both parties see the partnership developing

long term uniting the rugby club with the largest learning provider in Warrington. The partnership will see the college link in with the club's scholarship providing educational information, advice and guidance sessions. The Warrington Collegiate logo will be used together with the Scholarship's logo on the scholarship team kit and equipment, as well as on all correspondence.

The partnership will see the Collegiate team become a feeder to the Wolves' Junior Academy. This will provide an opportunity for Collegiate players to develop at the Wolves; a

pathway into the professional game for any individual who possesses the right personal skills and ability.

right personal skills and ability. It will also provide a pathway for any talented coaches at the college to get involved with the Wolves. Player Performance Manager, Ben Lazenby said: "Individuals who work hard to improve their Rugby League knowledge and ability through a different route should also be rewarded with a pathway." "The game of rugby league in this area is heavily reliant on volunteer coaches and we will work to increase the number and quality of these

the number and quality of these coaches in partnership with the college"



Ben Lazenby (Warrington Wolves Player Performance Manager) and Mike Stoddart (Warrington Collegiate Director of Faculty of Sport, Leisure, Tourism and Catering)

The support for the players and coaches at the college will come from the Warrington Wolves Director of Youth Development, John Bastian, who will watch a number of the Collegiate games, deliver sessions to the team,

# as well as develop the coaches involved in the college along the

coaching pathway. John was keen to explain one of the reasons for the partnerships: "Creating opportunities through education will provide 16 to 19 year "Creating olds an incentive to challenge themselves at a professional level"

Mike Stoddart, Director of Sport at Warrington Collegiate said, "We are delighted to formalise the excellent links we already have with the Wolves. We believe that this will add value to both the club and the college enabling young people in Warrington to develop both in their sporting prowess and educational achievements."

Warrington Collegiate have a huge range of courses from Accountancy to Airline Operations, Carpentry to Childcare and is the recommended place of further education study for Warrington Wolves' players.

# Wolves land 'Bobby dazzler'



WARRINGTON Wolves have secured the signature of the highly rated stand off, Bobby Goulding - the son of the former Great Britain and St Helens namesake. Fifteen-year-old Goulding joins the Wolves academy setup after graduating from the Wolves Scholarship programme, which he joined as a 13 year old. After making his first move into the professional game, Goulding said:"I chose Warrington as they have looked after me since I joined the Scholarship programme, it's a great stadium here and I love working with all the coaches at the Wolves " at the Wolves

Left to right: Peter Farrell, with Bobby and Bobby Goulding snr.

Goulding, Head Boy at Fairfield High School, Widnes said watching his father was a big driver in his decision to follow in his famous dad's footsteps: "It was mainly my dad that got me involved in rugby and he pushes me to make sure I always push myself. He gives me some great advice that I always take on board." His father was pleased his son has above the Walves to

His father, was pleased his son has chose the Wolves to continue his development into the professional game. Goulding snr said: "He came to Warrington on scholarship at 13 years of age. The club have shown fantastic loyalty to him under Peter Farrell and John Bastian. I think the loyalty shown by both parties has been

"I have been impressed with Warrington for a long, long time. Everyone always says if I hadn't signed for Wigan I would of gone to Widnes my home town club, but I wouldn't of, I would of come straight to Warrington."

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But don't apply for the sake of it, take the time to research what awards are out there, make sure you choose the right category for your organisation in the first place so that you stand a better chance of winning, but as with any award, you need to have a good story to get shortlisted and to ultimately win.

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# Moore quits Town

WARRINGTON Town manager Paul Moore has resigned to concentrate on his business during the difficult economic times.

He has also been offered a part-time opportunity to coach at renowned coaching academy. Crewe's

Moore, who runs a plastering business, says he was also disappointed with the team's poor league form, which was also a contributory factor.

"Concentrating on my business, the coaching opportunity at Crewe and the poor league form are the three reasons I have decided to go," he said. "The team has not achieved what I

expected it to by this stage in the season. I also need to focus on my business to make sure the finances are



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right and it is a great opportunity to do some coaching work at Crewe.

"I brought Joey Dunn on board as my assistant and he has some good ideas and lots of enthusiasm. I am sure he can bring a few more players on board if the club decide to keep him on as

"While the club did well in cup competitions it is the league results which have been disappointing.

"I have decided now is the right time to go and I wish the club every success in the future. But I do hope to return to management in the future when the time is right."

Director of Football Derek Brownbill said: "It was Paul's decision to go and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking him for his time at the club.

Meanwhile Joey Dunn has been left in charae



# Fans show support

WARRINGTON Town FC Supporters Club made a £250 donation to football club Chairman Dave Hughes at a sportsman's dinner featuring former Liverpool legend Ronnie Whelan.

Supporters Club Chairman Gerry Liversidge (2nd left) is pictured presenting a cheque to Dave watched by Supporters Club treasurer Tim Price (left) and Ronnie Whelan during the event at the Cantilever Park Social Club.



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# Sausage man remembered

FAMILY, friends and customers have provided a commemorative bench in Warrington Market in memory a popular trader who died last year.

Russell Willis, who ran the Sausage Shop with his wife Sharon, died on September 12, aged 51. He was a market trader for 10 years and was very popular with traders and customers.

Russell - better known as Russ had a variety of careers before setting up in the market, including being a pub landlord at the Old Ball, Winwick Road.

He loved horse racing and was a keen fan of Stoke City Football Club, having met Gordon Banks on many occasions.

Markét manager Steve Pickering said: "Russ was the only person I've met who could talk for an hour on the delights of a sausage."

Russ was due to represent the market in an exchange visit with the twin town Hilden in Germany, selling sausages to the Germans.



Russ' widow Sharon and grandson Connor, aged three, at the launch of the bench with The Mayor and Mayoress of Warrington, Graham and Elaine Welborn.



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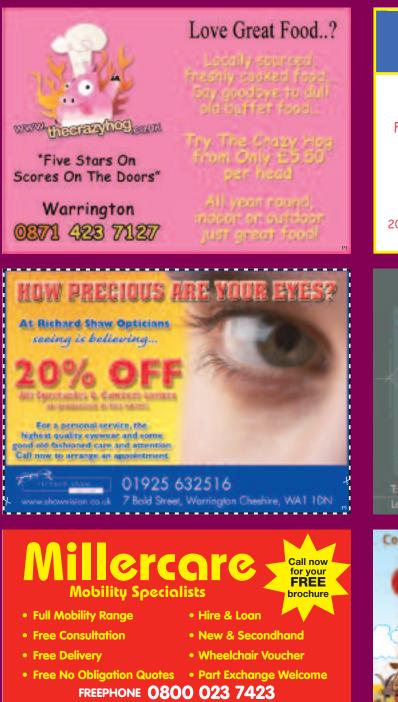
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There are a number of tax efficient

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useful exception, however, is if the clothing carries the name or logo of the employer. For instance, a discreetly placed logo on the breast pocket of a suit would normally render it unsuitable for wear other than at work and not, therefore, taxable.

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arking in a public car park. 4. Free or subsidized meals in a staff canteen are also taxfree. The canteen must be available to all employees, but must not be open to the public. Perhaps somewhere out there is a husband/wife company operating from their home who have succeeded in getting their kitchen allowed as a canteen. If so, we would love to hear from you!

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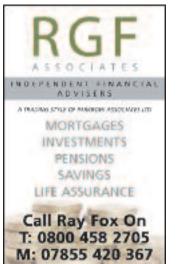


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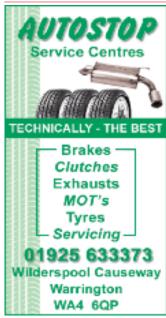


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