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THIS WEEK

Home-Start donation



Ellie Howard and Karen Collins from McColl's presenting the cheque to Tracy Aggett of Home-Start.
Picture: HOME-START ROYSTON & SOUTH CAMBS

Staff at a Royston shop have donated a handy sum to the local family support charity.

Home-Start Royston & South Cambs helps families in crisis and relies on donations to allow them to continue what they do.

McColl's in Queens Road chose the charity to benefit from the £95

raised through the 'Make a Difference Locally' charity scheme, whereby a percentage of specific purchases are added to the pot. McColl's manager James Coningsby said: "We chose Home-Start to benefit from this fund because they are a small charity that helps give support to local families with young children in a non-judgmental way.

"Plus they're amazing, wonderful people who will do anything they can to help you if you need it."

Home-Start's Tracy Aggett said: "These funds will enable us to continue supporting vulnerable families in our local community, therefore, donations such as this one from McColl's are very much appreciated by everyone at Home-Start."

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Pub petition

Campaigners hoping to save a 400-year-old pub in Reed from being turned permanently into a house have launched a petition to the Planning Inspectorate.

The Save the Cabiet Action Group have been fighting to have the only pub in the village restored since it was bought by a housing developer in 2016.

The group believes a public hearing or an inquiry into the appeal is essential, "given the disputed evidence and the level of local interest in the case".

Group chair Mike Howes said: "This case has become a real test of public trust in the planning system.

"It's essential that the appeal in this case is held in public – and not just on paper behind closed doors – so that interested parties can attend and make representations.

"It's also important that the planning inspector has a proper opportunity to probe all the evidence in detail. That's why we have launched our petition, and why we are inviting supporters to sign."

Search "The Cabinet at Reed Pub" at change.org to view the petition.

Norovirus warning

Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Trust, which runs Addenbrooke's and the Rosie, has urged the public to stay away unless absolutely necessary due to increased cases of norovirus and flu at the sites.

Visiting hours are being restricted to 3pm to 5pm and 6.30pm and 8pm as a mark of the rise in escalation, and children are being told not to visit unless it is on compassionate grounds and if it has been agreed in advance by the ward manager.

A CUH NHS Trust spokesman

said: "Measures are being taken to stop the spread of these highly contagious viruses.

"Anyone with norovirus symptoms – diarrhoea and vomiting – should not visit the hospital, including the food areas, until they have been free from symptoms for 48 hours.

"If you are unwell and require medical advice, please contact NHS 111 and only attend the hospital if advised or in an emergency."

For updates see www.cuh.nhs.uk/addenbrookes-hospital.

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