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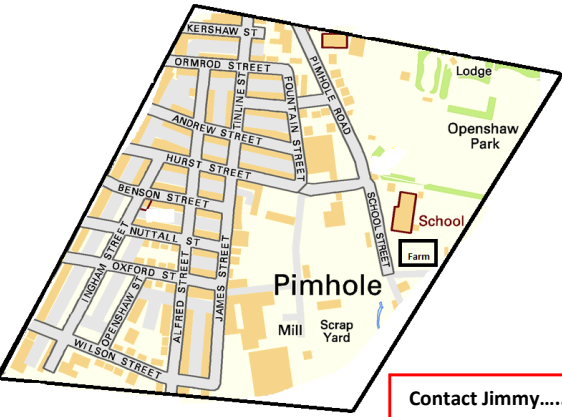
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Who Are Pimhole Residents Association? What Do We Do? How Can We Help?

Unanswered Questions about were you live?

Come and meet us, Local Councillors, Police Officials and Council Officers!



Next Meetings are:
Monday 2 September 2013 at 8pm
Monday 7 October 2013 at 8pm
Monday 4 November 2013 at 8pm

Jimmy Hill
Chairman – Pimhole Residents Association

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It's Pimhole Residents Associations 21st Anniversary next Month

To celebrate this special occasion we will be having a party on

Saturday 19 October

Entertainment on the evening will be provided by

Comedy Guitar Vocalist **Tony Marsh**

More information coming soon or contact Jimmy.

Tickets are £5 each and include hot supper

Tickets will be available from Octobers Meeting.

Don't forget to put the date in your diary!



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The Pimhole Renewal Area is complete

By **Liz Gudgeon** (Urban Renewal, Bury Council)

For those of you that have lived in Pimhole over the last 10 years you will probably remember the Council declaring it a renewal area back in March 2003, alongside the establishment of a plan to selectively improve the housing and the environment using Council resources.

The Council and various partners have worked over the years to improve selected blocks of properties, replace unfit housing with new, modern, energy efficient homes and have carried out environmental improvements to the back streets and traffic calming. All these improvements are now complete and it is hoped that the community can work together to help sustain them.

All of this was carried out with the support of residents via the Pimhole Renewal Action Group (PRAG). This group was instrumental in supporting the Council carry out the improvements, make decisions and manage their own small-scale environmental improvements with a small budget given to them. PRAG is no longer in existence due to the completion of the renewal area but its members continue to be active and support the community by being part of the Residents Association.

By way of a thank you the Council organised a community celebration event on the 2nd September for the residents that had given up their time in recognition of the efforts that had been put in by the community to help make the renewal area a success. Refreshments were kindly provided by Prospect GB.

Part of the event was also a chance for consultants, appointed by the Council to carry out an independent evaluation of the 10-year programme, to present the main findings. Part of the evaluation involved inviting both residents and non-residents of Pimhole to complete a short questionnaire to gauge the level of impact the improvements have had in the area. The report overall was extremely positive and summed up the hard work undertaken by all. Some of the findings were that:

- 72% agreed that Pimhole looks better
- 60% agree that the area has a good choice of housing
- 55% think Pimhole is a good place to live
- 32% of non-residents would consider moving there
- In 2003 house prices in Pimhole were 44% of the Bury average – in 2013 this has increased to 77%
- 78% of the new homes were sold or reserved (June 2013)

Looking forward, the Council, as part of the renewal area will not be carrying out any further substantial improvements but continued support for community engagement and support for community projects will be available to residents/Residents Association via the Township Forum/Township Forum Co-ordinator.

A full copy of the evaluation report can be found on the Council's website www.bury.gov.uk

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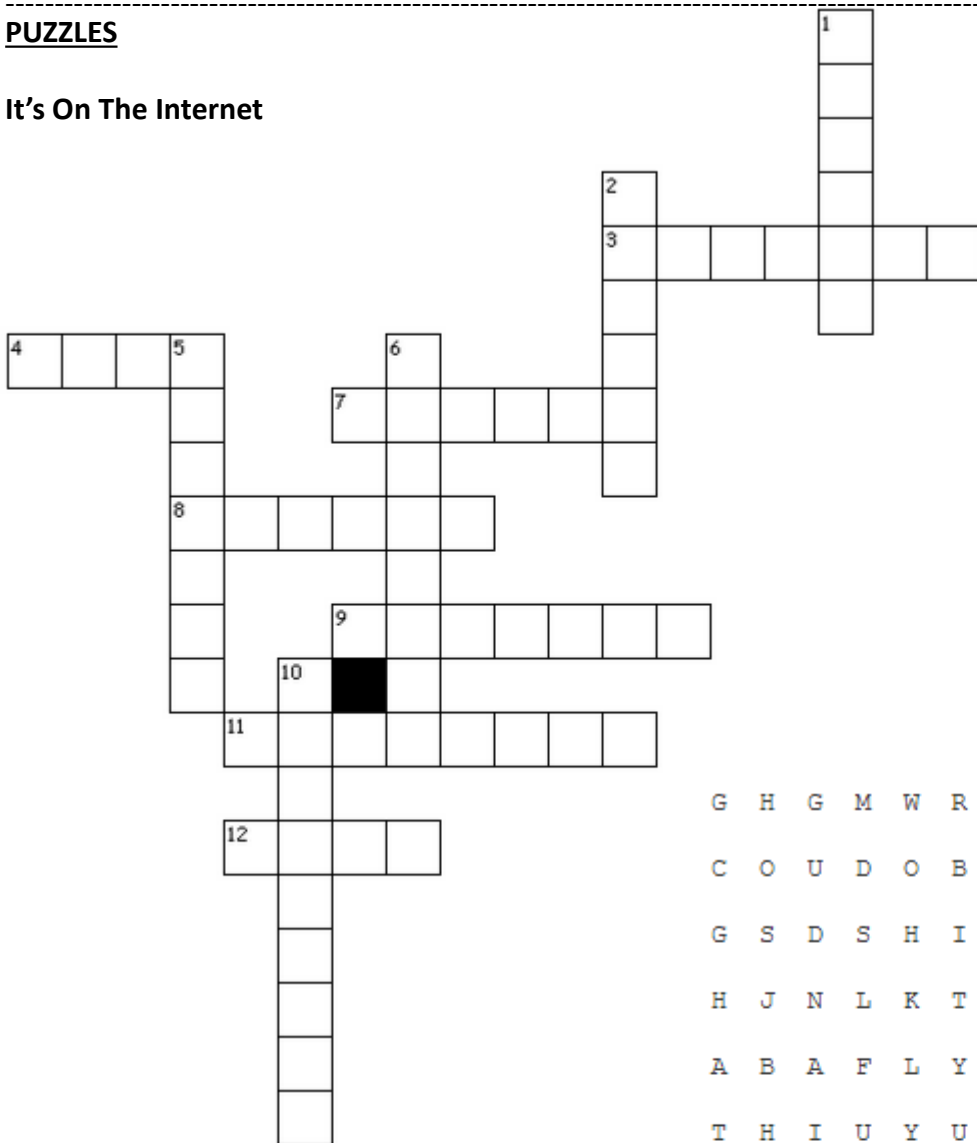


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