

# Pamber Heath Village News

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September, 2011 to October, 2013

## Bethany Residential Home to be extended

Sep, 2011: Work started during the week commencing Monday the 19th of September to extend the Bethany Residential Home in Pamber Heath Road. Piles were being driven into the ground for the foundation. The extension will create a new room on the lower floor and one above. The new room downstairs will provide a facility for those residents who have dementia and will be complete with a small open-plan kitchen. The upper floor is to be used as a staff training and meeting room but no doubt it could also be used for other purposes. The work is expected to last for several months.

## Bethany Residential Home extension completed

May, 2012: The extension at Bethany Residential Home in Pamber Heath Road was almost completed during May with the last finishing touches taking place. The new room downstairs will be furnished to provide suitable surroundings for those residents who have dementia and be known as the Emaus Room. The upstairs room will be provided with tables and chairs etc. for staff meetings and training to take place. The new facilities are welcomed by staff and residents and will enhance the home in its care for the elderly.

## Former hairdressing salon cleared out

Sep, 2011: It was noticed that during the week commencing Monday the 19th of September, 2011 the former hairdressing salon, known as 'The Hair Shack' in Pamber Heath Road, was being cleared out, presumably for a new use of the premises but I have no information at present as to its future.

## 'Bits and Bobs' is new venture at former hairdressers in Pamber Heath Road

Nov, 2011: A new business selling second hand furniture and other items is being run at the former hairdressing salon in Pamber Heath Road. A sign on the building read 'Bits and Bobs'. There seemed to be no customers about when I passed recently and I have not seen any advertising. Hopefully, in time the business will be a success.

## Garage block in Burney Bit badly damaged by runaway car

On the 30th of July, 2013 a car which had been parked opposite the garage block in Burney Bit, began to roll backwards and hit the brick pillar between garage numbers 10 and 11. The force was such that the pillar was shifted sideways off its foundation moving the door post next to it and buckling the door of garage 11. It is believed that a handbrake failed on the car, which was so badly damaged that it is expected to be an insurance write-off. The housing association were informed and soon erected safety barriers in front of the damaged garages. The garage block is sited next to the children's playground in Burney Bit. Fortunately, no one was injured. Some had difficulty in opening their garages to remove their vehicles but no other vehicles were damaged. The damage to the block is to be assessed fully and may mean a partial rebuilding.

## Garage block repairs completed

On the 16th of October, 2013 work to repair the damaged garage block in Burney Bit, Pamber Heath was completed. About half of the partition wall between garage numbers 10 and 11 was completely rebuilt, the pillar between the two garages was completely rebuilt and new door posts fitted as necessary. The garage doors of numbers 10 and 11 were replaced. The work took several days to complete and was finished to a high standard by a single contractor.

