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## FRONT PAGE LETTER

# "WE SHOULD ALL UNITE FOR A NICER TOWN CENTRE"

Dear Sir

I am disappointed and angry at the poor state of our town centre. As much as anyone else in Newton Aycliffe, I want to improve it. Since I became Chairman of the Environment Committee on Great Aycliffe Town Council we have set up, and I have attended, "The Town Centre Forum".

Progress is painfully slow. But, in the long term, it is a much more likely way forward than threats and empty posturing.

At the moment, the Forum is discussing how to make Christmas a more joyful occasion in the town centre. As a gesture, the Town Council has offered to organise live outdoor entertainment during the Christmas period. Now we look to our partners on the Forum to match our initiative.

The town centre is private property. The rights there of County, Borough and Town councils are strictly controlled by law. There is no magic wand to turn this pumpkin into a royal carriage - in the real world, as we all know, things are never so simple.

It is not very glamorous, and it does not gain instant publicity, to attend meetings, to discuss and persuade, to chip away at a problem. But that is what I am doing, and I believe that this reasonable pressure will slowly bring real results. Yours faithfully  
Terry Hogan

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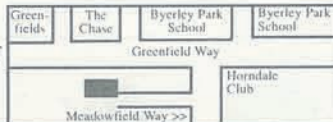
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## Cancelled After Stroke

Dear Sir  
The Tuesday evening class at The Greenfield Centre, has been cancelled due to the illness of the instructor. We are unable to provide this activity at this time. We wish to thank all those who have attended the class over the past few weeks and will endeavour to find a replacement instructor in the near future. Many thanks  
Frances Vickerstaff  
Head of Centre

On behalf of everyone at the After Stroke Club, we had a most enjoyable evening as well as a successful one when we realised £788 to help our club. Thank you to the Royal British Legion, to the people who donated prizes for the raffle and to all who helped make it a wonderful night. A special thank to the Dave Cart Management who provided the entertainment which was superb.

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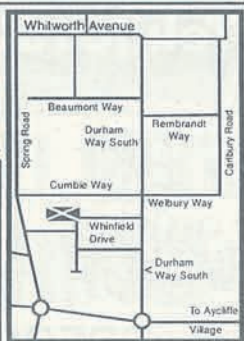
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## SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Dear Sir  
St. Mary's PTA are in the process of organising this year's Christmas Fair which will be held in the School Hall on Friday 21st November 1997 from 6pm. There will be a large selection of stalls and lots of opportunities for everyone to win prizes. Santa will be making his usual appearance and will be taking orders for the children's presents. The Grand Raffle will be drawn which includes a large selection of prizes, of which tickets are available now. Admission to the fair is free, but of course any donations will always be accepted.

We are hoping that the Christmas Fair will be as big a success as last year, all the money raised will go towards buying essential equipment for the school and the pupils of St Mary's. This year we are hoping to provide a Multimedia CD ROM Computer and a new photocopier for the school. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the fair so far and look forward to seeing lots of the townspeople of Newton Aycliffe at our Annual Christmas Fair on Friday 21st November at 6pm  
Mrs J Watson  
PTA Secretary

## CHILDREN'S SAFETY CAROUSEL

Over 1000 children descended on Newton Aycliffe this week for a Children's Safety Carousel organised jointly by Sedgefield Borough Council, the Police and the Fire Brigade. Aycliffe Young People's Centre are hosting the event which is designed to help primary school children to know what to do in a range of difficult situations. The children will go

through the Centre's conference area, in small groups, spending 10 minutes in 6 different rooms. Each room was set up to simulate a dangerous situation, for example - a fire, a road traffic accident, or an approach by a stranger. They then had a chance to talk about the situation and get advice from experts. The children also made a 999 call and had the role of the Emergency Services explained to them. The Safety Carousel was the first one organised in Sedgefield Borough and it is being funded through the Single Regeneration Budget and the Fire Service. It was opened on Monday 3rd November by Brian Avery, Borough Mayor and was attended by 32 local schools, and it is hoped that the children all left with a clear idea of what to do in an emergency.

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# A MEETING PLACE FOR THE YOUNG OF HEIGHINGTON

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The proposal is that some of these young people, between the ages of 14 and 17, shall have the opportunity to join with a small number of responsible adults to regulate and operate a "drop in" or other type of club on Friday evenings between 7-

10pm. What is required is a number of responsible adults to join with the young people to assist in the setting up and supervision of such an enterprise. Both men and women are needed, the prime qualifications being an ability to operate in partnership and empathise with today's young people. Persons who are interested in joining such and enterprise should leave their name, address, telephone number and background details in a sealed envelope with Sandra Ross at the Spar Village Shop, Church View, Heighington. Time is short to get this running for the winter and we wish to hold an exploratory meeting with the young people on Friday 14th November.

## Neville Parade Christmas Fayre

On Saturday 15th November a Christmas Fayre will be held at the Neville Parade Methodist Church from 10am-2pm, admission 20p. There will be lots of stalls to interest you, from bric-a-brac, Christmas fayre cakes, handicrafts, haberdashery, toys etc. This year there are 4 craft stalls including decoupage, Colliery Crafts, Blakeley Kelds and Margaret Willis. Entertainment will be provided by local school children, Elmfield Junior and Vane Road Primary. Mr Farrell a local resident will give free puppet shows throughout the morning. Don't forget Santa will be there too. Morning coffee and lunches will be served from 10.30am. On Sunday 16th November, Morning Worship will be conducted by our new minister Rev Jeffrey Spencer and to conclude our weekend we invite you all to fill our church at 6.30pm with "Songs of Praise". Singing your favourite hymns, both old and new as we meet new friends and renew old acquaintances.

## Class of 1992 Reflect on Exam Results

On 13th November 1997 at 7pm, pupils, parents, staff, governors and friends of Woodham School, will gather in the Main Hall to reflect on the examination results and other achievement of last years Year 11, the class of 92. Examination certificates and testimonies will be presented to all the pupils, along with awards for effort and achievement in all areas of school life. Local business and industry have kindly agreed to sponsor some of the awards. The school choirs and music groups will provide the entertainment and the guest speaker is Mr A F Hunt. The school is justifiably proud of the achievements of these young people and is looking forward to this opportunity to celebrate their success. All the pupils have been sent a personal invitation for themselves and their family and friends. Anyone who has not replied, but would like to be part of the Presentation Evening, should contact Mrs Sewell at the school.

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## Volunteer Agency To Close

Unfortunately, due to lack of funding, The Sedgefield District Volunteer Development Agency will be closing on 21st November 1997, and all services to individual volunteers and voluntary organisations will no longer be available. After continuous battles to survive the Volunteer Agency, based in the Town Centre is to finally close on 21st November

## Panto "Dick Whittington"

Dear Sir  
Following their huge success with "Cinderella" last year, the Acorn Players are well into their rehearsals for this year's production "Dick Whittington". It is to be staged at Woodham Comprehensive School on Wednesday 26th November to Saturday 29th November. Tickets may be booked at our local John Eliots shoe shop or through Mrs Christine Robertson on 320205. Ticket price £3 adults, £2 children and OAP. Anyone interested in helping back stage, front of house, stage crew, please give me a ring (Anne 316956) or call at John Eliots, 55 Beveridge Way. If you want a good night out, book your tickets before it's too late - remember last year was a sell out.  
Anne Harland  
Chairman

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# Fujitsu Canteen Given "Heartbeat" Award



Health is the name of the game for Fujitsu staff in Newton Aycliffe. For the canteen at the site has been awarded the prestigious "Heartbeat" award for the healthy quality of its cuisine. The award, designed to counter heart disease, was awarded by the Health Education Council as part of their "Look After Your Heart" programme and is handed out to establishments which can show they serve food low in ingredients such as salt and fat. Site services co-ordinator Geoff Woodward said "We are delighted with this award. We always try to plan our menus carefully with the idea of health in mind. This means that our efforts have been rewarded."

The award was given on the recommendation of the Institute of Environmental health Officers members of which visited the canteen to inspect the Fujitsu menus.

Picture L-R: Vera Davison (Fujitsu), Geoff Woodward (Fujitsu), Shichi Mishima (Fujitsu), Tom Carver (Sedgefield Borough Council, Mayor of Sedgefield Brian Avery, Dave Walker (Sutcliffe Catering) and Beverley Palmer (South Durham Health Care NHS Trust)

# BACK PAIN Assoc. A.G.M.

Dear Sir  
There will be a meeting of the National Back Pain Association, Newton Aycliffe Branch) on Thursday 13th November at St Elizabeth's Hall. Mr Krishna, consultant orthopaedic surgeon to the North Tees Hospital has just advised us that he cannot attend to talk at this meeting, but he will attend the meeting on 8th January 1998.

Meanwhile our AGM will proceed as planned, followed by an open forum in which the latest back pain remedies will be discussed. Admission is free, everybody is welcome and refreshments will be served.

Brian Crawford Wilson

# AYCLIFFE ATHLETICS RESULTS

In the first cross country of the season at Monkton, Aycliffe had the best turn out at an event for many years, with 16 runners representing the club. The race was run on the hottest day ever known for a cross country 19°C, as a result there were many casualties including three from Aycliffe.

First home and fastest time was Joe McReady (25th) with Paul Guy next (57th), Ian Monkman (85th), followed by Colin Gibson (152nd), Alan Wilkes (192nd), Dave Middleton (192nd), Derek Smith (221st), Cec Sugden (226th), Chris White (261st), Rob Nicholson (272nd) and finally John Armstrong making a rare appearance (300th)

The team managed 5th place out of 11 teams in division 2 and 14th overall on the day, despite three runners failing to finish (Trevor Needham, Dave Thomson and Ian Williams).

Colin Gibson ran well in the Shildon Handicap (25.15) but had to be content with 2nd place behind the very fast Wesley Tarn (24.06) from Shildon. We are very pleased with the response to our indoor circuits (Tuesday nights Oak Leaf, 6-7pm), so if you still want to have a go why not come along, do as little or as much as you like!

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The joint venture transfers the day to day management of Tynemouth ITEC to ITEC North East, however Tynemouth College will still maintain a share in the overall strategic control. The combination of these two experienced partners will further strengthen and develop training and education in the North Tyneside area.

Tynemouth ITEC previously known as Brass Tacks, has been established now for twelve years. The National Vocational Qualifications offered by Tynemouth ITEC give the trainees the opportunity to train, learn new skills and also gain valuable work experience by means of a placement with a local employer. Tynemouth ITEC is contracted by Tyneside TEC to deliver both NVQ and Modern Apprenticeship courses in business Administration and Information technology. It is also a specialist provider of Computer Aided Design. These three courses are available at levels one to three to young people and adults through Tyneside TEC's Tyneskill and Training for Work programmes.

ITEC North East is based in Newton Aycliffe in South West Durham and has centres in Team Valley, Gateshead and Nottingham. Like Tynemouth ITEC it provides vocational qualifications in Business Administration and Information Technology. ITEC North East is committed to providing the region's employers with hardworking, knowledgeable and conscientious workers and it is a policy which is clear providing results for all concerned. Last year 94% of a ITEC North East trainees walked straight into a job on completion of their courses. This is a performance level that ITEC North East is determined to bring to Tynemouth ITEC.

David Baker the Managing Director of ITEC North East feels very positive about the new joint venture and future of Tynemouth ITEC. "I am looking forward to the collaboration with Tynemouth College who have a very high reputation in the Tynemouth area for quality education and training. ITEC North East very much welcomes the partnership and feels that it will broaden its ability to provide a high standard of specialist IT training to a further area of the North East".

Tynemouth College has over 25 years experience of delivering quality education and training in North Tyneside. It offers a variety of A Levels, GNVQ's, Access to Higher Education Return to Work and various other programmes of study. Roy Bailey, Principal of Tynemouth College says "This joint venture will further develop the range of vocational training available for the people of North Tyneside and we are looking forward with enthusiasm to working with ITEC North East."

Picture: Roy Bailey (left) with David Baker (right)

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and new customers are  
welcome to attend.  
Tickets are priced at £3.50  
and include a buffet. A  
bar will be provided and  
a chance to win a prize on  
the tombola.  
If you would like to  
purchase a ticket, they are  
available from the  
nursery or contact Pat  
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## Hole-in-One



12 year old Ross Turnbull  
currently on trial for  
Sunderland A.F.C. under  
13's achieved his first  
"hole in one" at the 175  
yard, par 3 at Woodham  
Golf Club.  
This after only 3 months of  
playing golf. His shot was  
with a 6 iron and witnessed  
by his elder brother Craig  
and father Steve - Well  
done Ross!!

## Autumn Fair

Thanks to everyone who  
came along to St Clares  
Autumn Fair last Saturday  
afternoon and helped to  
make it a successful event.  
The sum of £1300 was  
raised for church funds.  
Unclaimed raffle numbers  
are 179 (V Whyvel), 201 (B  
Buttle) and 109 (Buckle).  
The prizes can be claimed  
on Saturday mornings  
between 10-11.45am.

## Fireworks Cause Upset

Dear Sir  
On Saturday 1st  
November at about  
9.30pm the Mormon  
Church on Shafto Way  
held a fireworks display  
above our gardens.  
It probably would have  
been a nice event if they  
had bothered to let us  
know about it, but they  
didn't, our kids were  
woken and our pets were  
frightened.  
Maybe the Mormon's will  
have a bit of consideration  
in the future and inform  
their neighbours of  
activity such as this.  
Name & address supplied

## Fresh Beginnings



John and Trisha Rubens

A young church has recently found new premises in Aycliffe town centre. The church is Aycliffe Evangelical Church, who have been meeting for the past ten years at the Greenfield Meeting Hall. Now they have a new meeting place for their services - at Sugar Hill Infants School, where they meet each Sunday at 10.30am and 6.30pm. The church has also just welcomed its first minister, John Rubens. John and his wife Trish, arrived at the church in October. John is manager of Evangelical Press who have a warehouse on Faverdale Industrial Estate in Darlington. A firm who publish Christian books which are distributed throughout the world. Aycliffe Evangelical Church believe in the age-old truths of the bible. They preach the love of the Lord Jesus Christ for the world He came to save by His death on the cross. The church has, from its beginning, tried to reach out into the community of Aycliffe. It has held services in local old people's homes and has welcomed old people into its own services. It has also run a weekly children's club and has organised 5-a-side football and family fun nights at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex. Members might also have been seen from time to time holding meetings in the open air in Aycliffe shopping precinct. The members are a friendly bunch and their worship is a healthy mixture of the traditional and the contemporary. They welcome visitors, who will find services warm, relaxed and friendly - yet revered. Now the church has a new beginning and new hopes of serving Newton Aycliffe from the centre of town. If you would like more information please ring 353634 or 46994

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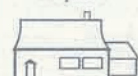
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**MARGARET PARNABY** 10th November, have a wonderful 50th birthday, with all our love, hugs, kisses, love Lisa & Paul X

**MARGARET PARNABY** Happy birthday Nanna, lots of love from Terri-Ann Francesca XXX

**MARGARET PARNABY** To a wonderful wife, happy 60th birthday, all my love your husband Edgar XX

**WILLIAMS** Happy 18th birthday Andrew, love Kathy and Jack

**WILLIAMS** Lots of love on your 18th birthday Andrew, love Nannie

**WILLIAMS** 6-11-97, have a great 18th birthday Andrew, love Granda John XX

**WILLIAMS** Happy 18th birthday Andrew, lots of love May, John and girls

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**WILLIAMS** 6-11-97, Best wishes on your 18th birthday Andrew, have a great birthday, with love from Uncle Euan, Aunty Susan, Iam, Rebecca and Lewis

**ANDREW** Happy 18th birthday from Grandad Cliff, good luck to you (5-11-97)

**OLLOCK** Happy 7th birthday 10-11-97, to a special little girl, Lucy, love and kisses, Nan

**MITH** Happy 4th birthday 10-11-97, to a smashing little boy, Iain, love and kisses Nan

**ANYA COATES** Happy 21st birthday on 9th November, lots of love Mam and Dad

**ANYA COATES** Have a lovely 21st birthday on 9th November, love and kisses Sister Tracey

**ARDIN MACK** Happy 10th birthday love Von, Stew, Tanya and Tracey

**CHRISTOPHER PATRICK** Congratulations son on your 18th birthday, love from the Army. Good luck for the future, love Mam and Dad

**INKLER** Darryl Annalise Jade, happy 1st birthday, all our love and kisses, Mam, Dad, Dez, Stacey, Vikki and Simon

**JUDITH KELL** Happy birthday to a very special Mam and Grandma, love you loads, Claire, AnneMarie and Chelsea

**ONNOR COLLIN** Happy 5th birthday, 9-11-97, lots of love from Grandma and Granda Collin XX

**ONNOR COLLIN** Sending all our love on your 5th birthday, 9-11-97, we love you loads, from Mammy and Martin XX

**ONNOR COLLIN** Happy 5th birthday, lots of love to a special nephew from Beverley and Eddie XX

**ALLACHER** To a wonderful daughter Joanne on her 18th birthday. We couldn't ask for a better daughter lots of love always Mam & Dad X

**ALLACHER** Happy 18th birthday Joanne, all my love always Martin XX

**ALLACHER** Joanne, to a special granddaughter on her 18th birthday, lots of love always Nanna XX

**ALLACHER**, Joanne. To a lovely sister and auntie on your 18th birthday, lots of love David, Elaine and Ryan XX

**ALLACHER** Happy birthday Joanne, we've both made it, love Mam & Dad XXXXX

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7-11-97

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## Thanks

**RONA CORNLEY** Would like to thank all family and friends for the cards and gifts to celebrate her 40th birthday

**I WOULD** Like to say that I had a great night on Friday - thanks Deb, Janice and Rossy. Sorry you couldn't make it Val (this Friday eh?) I am going to miss you all very much, we've had some brilliant times since the reunion. Don't forget to organise the next re-union, August 2000!! I'll be there, take care everyone

Arrivederci, love Lorraine X

**THANK YOU** To everyone at Woodham Burn Infants and Horndale Infants for my lovely leaving fits. I will miss you and the children very much. Take care, love Lorraine XX

**A BIG THANK YOU** To my family and friends who came to my surprise 60th birthday party, also for the lovely presents. A special thank you to Kenny, Ian, Gillian, Val and Beatrice for all there hard work. Audrey Barker

**MRS JOYCE MARSHALL** and family wish to thank all friends for there cards and kind wishes during her recent stay in hospital

**RICHARD, ANDREW** and the family of the late Dawn Francis wish to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for cards, beautiful floral tributes and messages of sympathy at the sad loss of Dawn. We also thank the Vicar, Doctor Smith and staff of Pease Way Surgery, John Meynell Funeral Services for their care and attention, South Durham Hospice and Darlington Hospital Laundry staff. A special thank you to Dawn's many work colleagues at Sanyo for caring so much and for the donation to Cancer Research

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**KENWOOD** Health grill, cooks meat, fish, poultry, eggs, sausages and vegetables, use in outdoors kitchen for BBQ's, brand new, still boxed, can be put in a dishwasher, cost £60, will accept £40 Tel 301839

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# Letter to the Editor

## WHATEVER HAPPENED TO TRADITION?

Dear Sir

Regarding the letter in the "Newton News" entitled "Stop the little beggars".

Come on dear resident, loosen up and try to think back to when you were a child (if you can of course). Certainly we must deplore those youngsters that pester people for money, especially if it's done in an intimidating way), without any attempt being made to dress the part or by using their imagination to provide some sort of pleasure.

But what about all those children that do try? My own grandchildren (with some help from us) dressed up as witches, made a pumpkin lantern and went out with their mother knocking on doors, everybody accepted in the spirit it was given, as a tradition, along with childlike wonder, surely it reminds us as adults, what we once were, young and full of imagination. It provides a lot of people with great pleasure. It also allows us to retain a long standing tradition, too many others have gone, or are in danger of finishing. So come on "resident", whoever you are, stop being so stingy and think back to your youth.

Roger McNeal

## Accountancy

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## Tuition

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**GUITAR** Lessons from conservatory of Music Student £7 per ½ hour, all styles, all ages, specialising in Jazz, Phone Warren on 321539

## In Memory

**MICHAEL HALLIMOND** Died 11-11-93. Special memories of our dear son and brother, always in our thoughts, lots of love from Dad, Denise and family

**ROB RUMNEY** 8-11-94. Ever remembered by his loving family. Margaret, Katherine, Lorraine, Andrew, Geoff and grandchildren

**WINFRED BROWN** (Freda) Died 10-11-94. Dearest mum of Val and friends to Catherine. Time passes but memories linger, forever in our thoughts, sadly missed XXX

## Pets

**BOARDING KENNELS** and **CATTERY** (established 18 years), White House Farm, Bolam, Near Darlington (off A68). Approximately 3 miles from Heighington - 01388 832635

**VAL BROWN**  
**Dog Beautician**  
**Tel: 315654**

## Shoe Shop Awarded Investors in People

It's no secret that shoe retailing is an exceptionally competitive business; the recent announcement that the British Shoe Corporation, until recently Britain's biggest shoe retailer, is either selling or closing all its stores, bears witness to that effect Add to this the difficulties of retailing in smaller towns - competition from large shopping centres and retail parks and the effect of Sunday trading - and you begin to understand the challenge facing shoe retailers.

One local business John Eliot Footwear, which runs seven branches across the north east, from Alnwick to Selby, has been tackling the problem head on since the recession hit in 1993. They saw that exceptional service was the key to their success. "We had always offered 'good' service but we saw that if we were going to succeed in a competitive market place, this wasn't enough. We needed to deliver 'exceptional' service so that customers saw every visit as a truly memorable experience and returned time and time again to become customers for life.

However, identifying service as the solution was relatively easy - most of our competitors had seen the light too. The real problem - and where most retailers have come unstuck - was how to deliver this level of service consistently given that we had a number of branches.

Managing Director Jeremy Eliot says "We saw that the key to this dilemma was our staff; we needed them to perform with the same dedication as if they owned the business. To enable this, they needed an in-depth understanding of our business, its goals and market in which we traded. They needed an inside-out knowledge of their jobs, too; shoe fitting, the product, merchandising and stock control.

Here, Investors in People came to rescue. It offered a structured approach to training and developing our team. To become Investors in People the team would have to satisfy an independent assessor that we exceeded their standards across a wide range of business and training indicators. After a rigorous programme, John Eliot Footwear achieved Investors accreditation in September this year.

## Sits Vacant

## Part Time Shop Assistant

**Required for busy florist** living ability an advantage apply to Box No: SYN11 c/o Newton Press St Cuthberts Way Newton Aycliffe

**URN SPARE** Time into 10 a month or more. For information pack phone 325) 308176

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**WANTED**  
China Cabinets, Old furniture, China, Silver, Linen, Clocks, Watches, Jewellery, Mirrors, Lamps

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**C.A.** need furniture, a-brac etc.

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**£37,500**  
**Tel 01325 311388**  
**Mobile 0411 163676**

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