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### Thank you 1

ONCE again, despite strong winds and rain, we had a lovely day with a great show at Great Yarmouth. Des O'Connor was at his best with jokes which kept the whole theatre having two hours of fun, plus his songs of the past which we all joined in.

Thank you for the day Mr Gredley and of your choice of Des.

JOAN EASTELL  
Moulton Avenue  
Kenford

ON behalf of myself, my wife and all the pensioners who enjoyed the Gredley trip to Great Yarmouth, I would like to thank Bill Gredley for a memorable day out. The weather could have been kinder but it did not overshadow a great day out.

SA PEACOCK  
Stundlands Park Estate

In spite of many of us looking as if we had risen from our sick beds and should be going to Lourdes, I, and I believe most of the be-draggled seniors would not have missed last week's Yarmouth trip for the world.

So thank you Mr Gredley, sometimes you seem to be out in the cold but you have a warm

# Yes, Bill, you have missed the point ...

THE answer to Bill Sadler's (theoretical?) question, "Have I missed the point about Hatchfield Farm?" is, of course, a resounding, "Yes, Bill, you have."

Nobody wants to prevent sustainable housing development using the ample brownfield sites that exist in Newmarket to ensure that there is sufficient housing supply for the town's current and foreseeable needs.

However, to permit a vast area of prime agricultural greenfield land in Newmarket to be used for not merely 1200 houses, but for a massive 36,000 sq mtrs of industrial/employment development (equivalent to around 13 Tesco megastores) will destroy our unique and historic town, the worldwide centre of horseracing and turn it into a faceless, traffic gridlocked urban sprawl.

People will not want to have their horses trained in Newmarket, when it is no longer a rural market town.

Bill Sadler also "missed the point" when he inexplicably, outspokenly berated us all and opposed the Charles II

statue project, which the community he represents so enthusiastically supported.

It is no coincidence that the entire racing and breeding community and many of the residents of Newmarket are unanimously opposed to Lord Derby's Hatchfield Farm scheme.

It is very worrying to hear that Bill Sadler's partner, Mrs Janet Rose Clark, has been selected by the local Conservative Party for the forthcoming Newmarket Town Council elections.

We would like to be told whether, if Mrs Clark were elected to Newmarket Town Council, she, too would ignore the informed views of the racing and breeding industries and members of Save Historic Newmarket Action Group and lend her support, contrary to Conservative Party policy, to the Hatchfield Farm development proposal, which our former Conservative MP, Richard Spring described as obscene

SAVE HISTORIC NEWMARKET ACTION GROUP

## John Bone

To judge from the number of cases I have noticed in our community news in recent weeks where garden parties have had to be held indoors, would it not be wiser in future to call such summer events simply "parties" and hope they can be held in a garden as a pleasant surprise?

I see Brandon police station will now be open for three two-hour periods each week. So if you live at Brandon and are planning to be robbed, assaulted or run over you had better get your timing right.

Ivily Lakenheath village hall committee want to give the kids a treat on Saturdays mornings by organising special film shows. But they have had to put off the plan because "a special licence would be required."

Is there now any activity on God's earth that does not require some sort of licence? No-one can just have a good idea and do it. First they must jump through hoops of red tape. Meanwhile, the kids must wait.

On balance what we want is fewer rules and more freedom. That said, we all have our pet hates and I'm glad Newmarket police are clamping down on drivers who sound their horns unnecessarily.

Why snout whole streets or suburbs be forced to share the news that hubby's home or that mummy 'is too-tooting bye-bye to the kids?

Drivers who hoot private messages without regard for others are a public pest. A friend whose wife hates racing

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