

# Debenham Welcome Pack

Progress report, April 2010

Visible progress on this project has been non-existent for some time, but I am hopeful that it can be started in the near future and Sue Jackson has offered to help. I hope to work with the Lay Elders of the parish church, a team of eight who endeavour to welcome people when they move into the village and keep alert to any crises, needs or other pastoral matters in their "patch". At present they cover most of the High Street and Aspoll Road, Gracechurch Street, Henry Street, Priory Lane, a part of Gardeners Road and the north-west area of the village. The Forge Community Church also have a "village pastor" in Debenham who mainly looks after those in the church's congregation who live in Debenham, and I will be contacting him to see if he wishes to be involved in the process. If anyone else wishes to help they would be most welcome.

This is what I proposed to include in the pack, based on Framlingham's version:-

- Parish Magazine, which contains a good selection of business adverts
- Debenham Leisure Centre A5 leaflet or brochure
- Parish Council leaflet – whatever the council wish to include
- Recycling leaflet from MSDC and timetable
- The dark green Debenham tourist leaflet from MSDC
- Bus timetable and a concise leaflet of Debenham bus times
- Website leaflet or card
- Surgery brochure or leaflet
- Library leaflet or card
- A leaflet from churches in Debenham and near Debenham - URC, The Forge, Anglican benefice, No Sect. Churches near Debenham could also be included, eg Framdsden, Rishangles, Mickfield Evangelical, Catholic.
- A limited selection of leaflets from businesses who wish to contribute them, because we have no current village guide
- "Recommend a friend" card – if you hear of a new resident, you give them the card to obtain the pack

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