



OBA NEWS

MAY MEMBERS' MEETING

Just a reminder that our next full **Members' Evening** is on **Thursday 5th May 2016** at 7.30pm at the Red Lion. As we really want to push ahead with our plans to replace the OBA Directory with a village map/business info flyer to distribute around the area and at prime locations (eg Bombay Sapphire, Forest Holidays), we would like this meeting to be an interactive session to work on contents.

Please email Alexis (alexis.walmsley@vbms.co.uk) or call 01256 773126 to confirm your attendance or click on [Facebook](#) to go to the event page and sign up.

To read the minutes of the last Members' evening or the latest Committee meeting go to: <http://www.overton-business.uk/about-us/documents/>

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS WEEK— APOLOGIES FOR LATE NOTICE!!

Wednesday 27th April Silk Mill Business

Breakfast 8am-9am: Sonia Hutton Taylor is interested in going if anyone would care to join her
sdht@me.com

Thursday 28th April

Keith Green—Anderson Moore is holding a business valuation open day on at Basing View Marketing Suite. For further info go to: <http://www.andersonmoore.co.uk/valuation-open-day.html>

PARKING CONSULTATION

We hope that all members have had a chance to review and comment (positively we hope) on the proposed changes to parking in the centre of the village.

These should improve parking for customers/clients. If you've not seen the notices, check out the information on the OBA website.

<http://www.overton-business.uk/wp-content/uploads/Overton-Parking.pdf>



Walkers are Welcome!

Just a reminder that all signatures being collected for the **Walkers are Welcome** accreditation process need to be returned to H C Travel by Wednesday 27 April.

Thank you to everyone who has collected names for Denise Williams and she is hoping to have Overton accredited by early June. At that point Overton will be on the WaW website.



FINAL CALL FOR PITCHES AT SHEEP FAIR

It only seems like a month or two ago that the Sheepfair Committee came along to the Clock & Thyme to present to OBA members about marketing/sales opportunities for this wonderful village event.

Advertising space is now almost sorted but if you are still interested in having a pitch on either Saturday 16th or Sunday 17th July please contact Jane F Anthony at overtonsheepfair@yahoo.co.uk

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS AND RAISE FUNDS FOR NAOMI HOUSE

In September 2016 **OBA Member Zeb Inker** and a group of friends, will be attempting to complete the Thames Path Challenge. This is a 100km walk along the banks of the river Thames. This is will be a huge challenge as they usually only walk to the pub!

They are raising money for Naomi House Children's Hospice in memory of Zeb's son **Aiden Inker**. Aiden was diagnosed with leukaemia at just six months of age and unfortunately lost his battle and died aged just one year old in January 2010. In the last two months of his life Naomi House was a huge help to Aiden and have been an enormous support to his family ever since.

Zeb and his team are currently looking for businesses to sponsor them in exchange for their logo to be used on their clothing etc, which will be seen at many fund raising events, training walks and of course by thousands who are involved in the actual event. They are in the process of designing the clothing and already have a couple of sponsors, but are keen to fill the clothing with many more logos!! They are asking for donations of £100+ to qualify for logo space. Other donations accepted towards the cause if logo space isn't required but if you do want to advertise your logo, please contact Zeb **before 15th May 2016**.

Tel: 01256 770074/07789 004155. Donations can be made at: <http://tiny.cc/lc21ay>

NEED PART-TIME OFFICE SPACE?

Sonia Hutton-Taylor can offer two half days at Worting House for just £32 per half day. Lovely building and location; would suit someone working from home who needs an efficiency boost, or someone who has face to face client meetings and wants to up their "prestigious" quotient a bit.

For further info call Sonia on 07702 182418



WORK EXPERIENCE REGISTER

At a recent OBA meeting there was another discussion about the possibility of developing a register of businesses willing to offer work experience/work tasters to local Year 5 students and Further Education students. There appeared to be considerable enthusiasm for moving this idea forward and it would clearly meet community needs.

If you might be willing to go on a register of OBA members willing to offer work experience or work tasters, please can you confirm this with either **Alexis** or **David**.

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