

EDITORIAL FOR FLEET MAGAZINE

COLLINGHAM BUSINESS CLUB UPDATE

By kind permission of the Committee, the May meeting was held on Wednesday the 10th at the splendid refurbished premises of **Collingham Football Club**, attracting a record attendance.

Following a quick review of the highly successful April meeting, featuring guest speaker Marc Woods, it was noted that the Club's participation in the **Collingham May Fair** had proved equally successful, with the cider-making demonstration raising £45 and the "sumo-wrestling" attraction £100.

The meeting was also briefed by the Chair of the Parish Council of the intention to produce a **"Neighbourhood Plan" for Collingham**. This will set out policies for the future shaping of all aspects of the village, and be subject to a local referendum before adoption. Volunteers are being sought from across the community to assist in the development of the Plan; details of this are available from the contact below. Several of those present volunteered their services, and it was agreed that the Business Club would also provide support-in-kind on behalf of the local business community.

The meeting also heard for the first time that the **Tour of Britain 2017** cycling event would uniquely have a sole County-based Stage here in Nottinghamshire on the **6th September**; the route passes through the length of Collingham High Street (from north to south), making for an exciting spectacle and numerous opportunities for associated activities. It was agreed that the Business Club would support any central coordination of village events on the day, and help to generate suitable ideas.

Business Club meetings are held between 6:00pm and 7:00pm on the second Wednesday of every month (excluding August & December), with the next meeting taking place on **14th June**. All meetings are free to attend, and are open to anyone from the Collingham area with an interest in business matters.

For Club or Neighbourhood Plan information, please contact terrynash@gusto-uk.com