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COLLINGHAM BUSINESS CLUB UPDATE

Along with many of its members, the Collingham Business Club takes a holiday in August, making the meeting held on 12th July the last in the summer series; as usual, the meeting took place at Collingham Football Club, by kind permission of the Committee.

The main topic of conversation at the July meeting was the upcoming Tour of Britain cycle race, which is scheduled to pass along Collingham High Street (north to south) at around 2:30pm on Wednesday, 6th August. This major international event will make for a great spectacle, particularly as Collingham coincides with a designated sprint section which will see riders jostling for position at around 40 mph as they head for the finishing line in Newark.

To avoid wasting this opportunity for local people to see world-class athletes in close-up action, the Business Club accepted at the meeting the suggestion that it should help to publicise the event, and also help coordinate the efforts of volunteers to make the day of the race special for Collingham.

Subsequently, a whole host of activities have been underway, ranging from ensuring the village is decked-out with bunting, yellow balloons and yellow bikes on the day of the race, to the siting of a big screen TV, sponsored by the Co-op and Gusto Homes, in the car-park opposite the Memorial Hall, where ninety John Blow School pupils will be watching the race. Refreshments will also be available on the day at selected viewing points, such as the Methodist Church, the Grey Horse, and adjacent to the TV where they will be provided by the Medical Centre Pharmacy and the Co-op.

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 **13th September**. All meetings are free to attend, and are open to anyone from the Collingham area with an interest in business matters.

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