

# Iver Community Libraries – Press release



## Iver Village Community Library suspends operations

It is with regret that Iver Community Libraries has decided to suspend operating its service to Iver Village from the premises it has occupied in St. Peter's Centre since November, 2007

Whilst the premises themselves are of a very high standard and we have been made most welcome during our tenancy, it has become apparent that the location of St. Peter's Centre does not generate the footfall required to allow the library to take-off with the population of Iver Village. The recently announced closure of the Tearooms at the Centre underlines this difficulty.

Rather than struggle on and waste money and resources on an under-used facility, the decision has been made to find alternative premises within the Village to house the library. To this end, some alternative locations have already been identified and discussions will shortly start with the potential providers. Further announcements will follow these discussions.

It is and remains the intention of Iver Community Libraries to provide library facilities within both Iver Village and Richings Park. This announcement does not affect the current running of the Richings Park branch which continues to thrive within the Cornerstone shop in Richings Park. Existing members of the Iver Village branch will be most welcome at this branch whilst the search for an alternative Village branch takes place.

We would like to thank our past hosts, St. Peter's Church and Iver Educational Trust, for the use of St Peter's Centre and also to all the volunteer helpers who have worked there. We look forward to welcoming our volunteers back again in the near future.

Bucks County Council closed the county libraries in both Iver and Richings Park at the end of November 2006 and replaced them with a mobile library service. Iver Community Libraries – a registered charity - was formed with the aim of providing library services and other information resources in both Richings Park and Iver in permanent buildings, for longer hours, completely separate from the County Council library service.

Financial aid has been provided from South Bucks District Council, Iver Parish Council and Iver and Langley Rotary as well as a number of gifts from local supporters. The library depends totally on volunteer help. We have set up a traditional library service assisted by these many volunteers who have spent hours referencing books, writing labels and tickets and sticking these into the books.

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