

Creaton Village Shop Newsletter

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You did it! £80,000!!

Yes, CCBS have raised the target of £80,000 from the sale of shares and a huge thank you to all who have contributed. More than 100 people in the communities of Creaton, Cottesbrooke, Teeton and Hollowell bought shares which shows the great level of support for the new community shop.

Creaton Community Benefit Society Membership

If you missed the share window you can still join the Society and have a say in the shop. All you have to do is contact one of the Management Committee and ask for a membership share (£20).

What Next?

Many people have asked CCBS what is happening? What happens next? One thing that the Management Committee has learned is that things take at least twice the length of time that they thought. We still have to wait for the outcome of the LEADER grant and negotiations are still going on with the Post Office to set up that important aspect of the shop. So, whilst it is not possible to give any firm dates, if we are awarded the LEADER grant, building work will be started.

Take Me To Your LEADER?

The application for funding through the LEADER programme has been submitted. LEADER, a French acronym, funds projects that create jobs, help businesses to grow, and benefit the rural economy. Supporting new businesses is an important way of promoting growth in rural areas and we hope that our project will be successful.



LEADER has provided funding towards "The Shop" in North Marston, Buckinghamshire. "The Shop", a community success story, was visited by members of the CCBS Management Team. The team returned much inspired and full of ideas.

CCBS hopes to hear if it has been awarded a LEADER grant in March.

Fundraising



Who is who?

The Vice-Chair of Creaton Community Benefit Society is Richard Hollingum. Living opposite the current shop and Post Office, Richard knows the important role it plays in the community. He looks after the PR for CCBS, including the website, social media and the printed material.

Richard has a background in teaching and journalism. Since retiring he spends his time writing and taking pictures, mainly about the countryside and rural life, doing the odd bit of gardening and learning to play the piano.

