

# Newton Action Group

## Stop Newton Asylum Centre

### RALLY A SUCCESS

Thank you to the 3,000 residents who attended the rally in Bingham on the 7th June. The rally's objectives were:

- to make the Government and County and Borough Councils listen to us, the people of this area.
- to gather support from the people
- to publicise our case.

**KENNETH CLARKE, MP** and many local councillors attended the rally and have offered support. Ken Clarke, in conjunction with the MPs for the other sites, will lead the fight to **get Government policy changed**. We will support him with our petition and your letters to Councils and Government.

The rally not only won support from residents but also from refugee action groups such as the National Refugee Council who also oppose rural accommodation centres.

The Police commended the organisation and outcome of the event which passed off without serious incident, thanks to all.

**IN ADDITION TO** fighting to change Government policy we will also object to the Home Office Planning Application.

### CAN YOU HELP?

We need help in many ways, if you have time, resources or skills that will help us to oppose this development please get in touch.

We have no formal funding, if you feel you could make a contribution **COSTCUTTERS** in Bingham have kindly offered a collection point, please make cheques payable to:

**NEWTON ACTION GROUP**

# NEWS LETTER

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**THE NEWTON ACTION GROUP** is made up of local residents from the villages and hamlets in the area; people who are concerned for this community. We have no political or racial motives.

Our objections are simple -

**It is wrong to hold 750 people in a rural Asylum Accommodation Centre.**

The local communities and infrastructure can not cope with such a high number of people and there are real concerns experienced in other areas such as crime, family security and the financial implications.

### WHAT TO DO NEXT

**THE HOME OFFICE** have arranged exhibitions for the public to view the plans and to ask questions. They are as follows:

18 <sup>th</sup> June RAF Newton	2pm to 8pm
19 <sup>th</sup> June Toothill School Bingham	4pm to 8pm
19 <sup>th</sup> June Sports Pavilion, Bingham Road, Radcliffe	10am to 2pm

We suggest you go - and ask questions.

**FIND OUT WHEN** your Parish Council meets and give them, either in writing or verbally, your views on this issue.

**IT IS ESSENTIAL** that we all write to the MPs and Councillors, a full list is printed on the back of this newsletter.

**PLEASE DO WRITE** and sign one of the many petitions in the shops and pubs of Bingham;

**WE WILL WIN** this fight with the help and support of the community.

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