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## Dangerous stories from boys around the world



### Chairman's report by Colin Smith

THE ARTICLE in this issue (*That's the last time I'm fixing your bike*, pages 4,5) is my reflections of growing up in the neighbourhood. Since I wrote this I have had contact with former residents from around the world and I'm collating the memories of others, so look out for more dangerous stories.

## Hall improvements

AFTER MANY years of sterling service, the heaters have decided to be erratic therefore we have decided to replace them all and they should be serviceable for another 20 years or so. As a safety issue we are also replacing all of the external doors in the hall with up-to-date ones and they will be fully compliant with current safety requirements.

## Family Loss

MY DEAR MUM, Bessie Smith, sadly passed away on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at the age of 92. She had struggled with a raft of problems for many years; fortunately her brain remained active to the very end and as a former resident of New House Lane was a staunch supporter of Hilltop.

As one of the wives of the volunteers who built St Faith's hall she knew the tremendous effort they all put in. She also spoke fondly of various people who raised the funds in the first place, in particular Annie Milgate of Stuppington Farm (now Stuppington Court), her neighbour Mrs Smith, Mrs Miles and Mrs Boughton, to name but four.



Bessie Smith