

# The Bunny Bugle

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## Goodman Harvey does it again, thanks to silent partner

Leading Manchester property law firm Goodman Harvey is celebrating the end of a successful year, thanks to the hard work of 'silent' partner Harvey. The law firm, which is located on South King Street, has completed £500,000m worth of contracts in 2005 making it one of the region's leading property practices. Recent deals have included the successful planning application for the former Chester Police HQ on behalf of Liberty Properties, the exchange on Lancaster Luneside on behalf of CTP and Development Securities and the UK Land & Property mixed-use development deal at Styal, Cheshire.

Commenting on the Liberty Properties' application for the Chester Police HQ, founding Partner Stephen Goodman comments: "Once again, Harvey's assistance with this job was crucial. This application required a degree of hopping around on the completion

of agreements following detailed and often complex negotiations with the City Council. However Harvey's quiet, understated manner complimented my somewhat more direct approach."

Harvey says: "This application will ensure many more people will be able to see my friends hop around the Roodee when those blooming horses are not about. I suppose I have to admit that Stephen's contributions have made a difference but sometimes I find it difficult to come out of his shadow (hopefully his latest diet will ease that in the future!)"

The successful exchange on the land purchased at Luneside, Lancaster on behalf of CTP for the development of a £30m mixed use development, has also positioned Goodman Harvey as a strong

force within the regional property market. The firm acted on behalf of developers CTP on its joint venture with Development Securities.

Commenting on the recent acquisition at Styal, Cheshire Simon Parker, director at UK Land & Property says: "Harvey has had a real influence on this excellent job. I have enjoyed talking to Harvey during the past year, especially after a bottle of wine or two at the Restaurant, Bar and Grill".

Looking forward to an even busier future in 2006, Harvey adds: "I know I can be a bit short sighted but Goodman Harvey is working with the crème de la crème of the region's developers and we anticipate getting off to a flying start to next year with continued work on a number of high profile developments."

## The Building of Light arrives in Manchester



CTP's Guy Illingworth outside Aurora with Harvey

2006 is set to be an exciting year for the Manchester office market with the completion of the 57,032 sq ft (5,298 sq. m) Aurora development.

The landmark building by CTP Ltd and LNC Property Group, which will be situated on Princess Street between Albert Square and St. Peter's Square, will provide Manchester businesses with premier office accommodation in a central location.

Managing director for CTP, Guy Illingworth, says: "The speculatively built development has been specifically designed to control its impact on its surroundings and complement the 'street wall' by contributing to existing conservation areas close to its location. Hopefully the carrots we are offering will attract interest from other professional firms."

Discussing the impact that the scheme will have on the city centre market, Goodman Harvey's Stephen Goodman, the solicitor acting on behalf of CTP comments: "This building has been called the building of light because it sounds like the Stadium of Light and is much more stylish than Black Cat House or Sunderland Towers. "Again, Goodman Harvey has enjoyed working on behalf of CTP and we look forward to continuing the relationship with future projects." Goodman Harvey's silent partner, Harvey adds: "Although Aurora will no doubt prove to be an extremely successful development, I'm tired of Goodman receiving all the credit for my hard work. When he leaves the office at night, who do you think remains around to amend the drafting?"

"Mr Illingworth will testify that my involvement with this development has been invaluable. He has especially appreciated my knowledge of the local bunny clubs".

## Five minutes with ... Thumper

In an exclusive chat, The Bunny Bugle managed to catch up with Disney's Thumper, sidekick to Bambi and comedy hero to us all. He reveals his favourite...

Band – "It has to be Echo and the Bunnymen. I always put on the CD when I have had a stressful day and I want to let my hare down.  
Pin-up – "I have always had the most enormous crush on the Cadbury's caramel rabbit, she is gorgeous. But don't tell my wife, I don't think she would be impressed!  
Film – "The Deer Hunter and What's Up Doc aren't quite what I was expecting. I really enjoyed Starsky and Hutch but the scariest movie I have ever seen is Fatal Attraction.  
Sport – Hop skip and jump of course.  
Documentary – Watership Down. This had such an effect on me that I tried to get Frank Warren to produce a Live 8 concert to make other people aware of the plight of our species."

## Your Health Questions Answered

[What do you do if your baby is born without a harelip?](#)

Modern technology and advances in medical science have ensured that this is no longer a disability for rabbits. In the first instance make sure that your baby bunny is registered with your local vet and then monitor the condition.

[Seven members of my family have suffered gross abuse as a result of the lucky rabbit's foot craze sweeping the country. What can I do to keep mine protected?](#)

The number of rabbits hopping around with artificial limbs is an increasingly sorry sight, due to this sad craze and unfortunately it is a case of being in the wrong place at the wrong time for many victims. Always be aware of who is around you, do not venture into uncharted territory and if you do sense that humans may be present, offer them a four leaf clover.

[I have heard that myxomatosis is on the rise amongst urban dwelling rabbits. What can I do prevent infection?](#)

Three simple yet effective steps to help you keep 'myxomatosis free' are:

- Get a precautionary vaccine - It is essential that this be undertaken in infancy (six weeks of age) so pop along to your family vet to book an appointment.
- Avoid insects and keep clean - You can also catch it from insects including mosquitoes, ticks, mites, lice and fleas. Keep your nose and eyes clean to avoid infection spreading.
- Be aware of the symptoms - The first symptoms that you would normally experience include discharge from the eyes, swelling round the head, ears and sometimes the genitals.

However, other species cope well with the loss of sight. It has never held back Stevie Wonder or Ray Charles and the three blind mice of nursery rhyme fame should be an example to us all.

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- Carrot and celery combo

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# Goodman Harvey welcomes ex-Hammonds Property specialist to the team

Goodman Harvey has welcomed former Hammonds' solicitor Jonathan Brooke to the practice in a move that will further boost the firm's reputation as leading property specialists. Jonathan Brooke, 29, joins the firm from Hammonds' London office where he has acted on behalf of Morley, the London Development Agency and UK Land Estates.

Jonathan joins the firm as a Senior Property Solicitor building upon his previous experience including his traineeship at Hammonds' Manchester office and eighteen months in the London office.

Speaking about his decision to make the move to Manchester, one of the country's busiest regions for commercial property

development, Jonathan says: "I am thoroughly excited about joining Goodman Harvey as the firm offers unrivalled opportunities within the sector.

"I look forward to bringing my expertise to the firm and working alongside my colleagues including Stephen Goodman and of course, Harvey. Harvey is one of those figures that I could listen to all day and I am looking forward to taking part in the Goodman Harvey health and fitness programme. It will be a real test trying to keep up with their fitness coach – the Duracell bunny."

Jonathan Brooke with Stephen Goodman and Harvey



## The Legacy of Watership Down



31 years on from the original publication of the life-changing book *Watership Down*, many rabbits have questioned what actually happen to the rabbits? Did they ever get over the traumatic events of that episode? Many believe that the rabbits forced to leave Sandleford Warren must be long gone, but our roving reporter Lucinda Lop has spent the past two years investigating exactly what became of Hazel, Fiver and Bigwig.

### Hazel, 40

Currently living in upmarket West London, Hazel overcame debilitating injuries to eventually find his fame and fortune as a film agent.

"Once I had been made to leave, I knew that there was no going back." Hazel says pouring himself a glass of chardonnay. "Obviously, I suffered from post traumatic stress for two years after those frightful days, but I had to pull myself together and realise that if I wasn't in control of my destiny, then who would be?"

"That's why I decided to make the break and come to London,

armed with many personal experiences which have assisted a number of my clients such as Peter, Roger and Bugs. I'm not sure whether the latter has ever recovered from not getting the lead in *Bugsy Malone*, though."

Hazel, who is passionately career focused rarely keeps in touch with his former friends.

### Fiver, 38

Fiver has suffered a number of hardships over the past 31 years, sadly developing permanent neurosis about the future of the species. "I just can't help myself, the glass is always half empty for me", he says stroking his unkempt beard. "Ever since I had that vision of our world being turned upside down by some unspeakable horror, I have permanent flashbacks and panic attacks which have, to be truthful, ruined my life."

"It is a pity that my brain is so scrambled these days, as it is my second most favourite organ", he concludes.

### Bigwig, 39

Always known to his closest friends as Toupee, Bigwig has settled in rural Berkshire, not too far from where the original journey began. "As soon as I made myself a home and I felt secure in my surroundings, I knew that I could settle down and start my family," Bigwig says.

"I enjoy the countryside, I always have and I'm certainly glad that my eight children have the freedom that you just don't get in the city. We often spend our holidays in Cheshire, either at Delamere Forest or Wilmslow golf clubs."

Bigwig has successfully dug himself a career in the development industry, working with like-minded rural developers to provide local rabbits with luxury warrens, his most successful development being in Abersoch.

# Spotted!



Stephen Goodman and Harvey enjoying a Friday afternoon chateau neuf du pape at Sam's Chop House.

"I will get that rabbit into my hearty game pie one day"

says Steve Pilling from Sam's Chop House.

## Chas and Dave to clinch the top spot

Crooners Chas and Dave are hotly tipped to clinch the number one spot in the Christmas music chart. The popular anthem 'Rabbit, Rabbit, Rabbit' is the bookies' 2 to 1 favourite for the festive number one.

## Bad hare days Winter Fashion Dilemmas Uncovered

It seems that you can't even hop down the high street this season without every other person wearing a faux angora wrap, as originally seen worn in movie hit *Space Jam*. This fashion craze has certainly taken off this winter as we all snuggle in to beat the cold weather, but is there anything else on the market?

Recalling the Winter 2006 shows in Paris and New York this year, it looks like next year will be a throwback to designs of old with the traditional faux mohair fitted coats. Simply designed with a single-breast, the shape of the coat complements all figures and frames, making this a fashion winner for all. The coat looks simply stunning with a beret (the more camouflaged the better to avoid any run-ins with Elmer Fudd).

