

'Bargain' store set to open

THE former Woolworths building in Oswestry, which has been vacant since the historic chain went bust, will open as discount store Home Bargains this weekend.

Home Bargains is investing approximately £500,000 in the new store, and after months of shopping will be bringing with it 30 new jobs to the area when it opens on Saturday.

Joe Morris, Operations Director at Home Bargains, said: "We are excited to be opening this new store in Oswestry, bringing with it 30 top quality jobs."

"Oswestry will be a great location for us. We're thrilled to be in a position to offer local people top branded goods at exceptionally low prices."

Home Bargains, which will open seven-days-a-week stocks homewares, health and beauty products, sweets and snacks and drinks and alcohol.

Sex assault charge man in court

THE case of an Ellesmere man who faces a charge of rape and sexual assault has been adjourned until August. Simon Roy Hoare appeared before Shrewsbury Crown Court last Friday, where Judge Robin O'Leary granted an adjournment until August 7 for the preparation of further forensic reports.

The offences related to an alleged rape and sexual assault that took place at Hengoed on April 6

Hoare's conditional bail was extended until August 7 when he will appear for a plea and case management hearing.



● New look: How English Walls, Oswestry would look under the J-Ross Developments proposals.

COUNTER PLAN

Fourth supermarket scheme to be submitted to planners

THE fourth application for a new store to serve Oswestry is expected to be submitted within the next four weeks, J-Ross Developments has announced.

The proposals have been amended to reflect the views of the public expressed during a consultation programme attended by nearly 500 people at Oswestry's Wynnstay Hotel in April.

A spokesperson for the developers said that the principal change was the ability for the 170-seat digital cinema to be used for other functions.

"By amending the plans, J-Ross Developments has been able to deliver 100 per cent flexibility allowing the space to be used for live music events, stage performances, product launches and the streaming of live shows."

Other changes made to the scheme include: Enhanced designs for the frontages onto English Walls and Smithfield Road; enhanced pedestrian links and sight-lines between

the development and the rest of the town centre; the introduction of a ground floor bar connected to the cinema, overlooking Festival Square; the provision of a green room adjacent to the new digital cinema, to allow for live music and stage performance events; a reduction in the height of the scheme; improved hard and soft landscaping.

Spencer Cooper of J Ross Developments said: "As it is a digital cinema, we have tremendous flexibility and now with the addition of the Green Room we can give people the flexible performance space they have been asking for."

He said that the company had spent the last three months working with Shropshire's officers, listening to people's ideas and comments and have amended our scheme where we can.

"We have received overwhelming support from the townsfolk who are keen to see Oswestry reinvigorated by the scheme and protected from out-of-town developments as experienced in Wrexham," he added.

Three hurt in town

centre crash

THREE people were taken to hospital following a three-vehicle crash in Oswald Road, Oswestry last Wednesday afternoon.

Two rapid response vehicles, three ambulances and the Midlands Air Ambulance from Staffordshire attended the scene, though no one was seriously injured.

Two females and a male were taken by ambulance to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital suffering minor neck pain. The air ambulance was not used to convey anyone to hospital.

A police spokesperson said they were called to the incident which involved a red Peugeot 206, a silver Vauxhall Astra and a red Vauxhall panel van at 2.55pm.

Flower power!

By Jonathan Drury

THE annual Oswestry in Bloom competition is taking place over the next couple of weeks with a large number of residents and commercial businesses taking part.

The competition, which takes place all around the town, is being judged by Margaret Thrower, gardener and daughter of the late TV gardener, Percy Thrower. She believes the competition is a great thing for the town.

"It gives the people of Oswestry something that they can be proud of. With higher quality displays coming in every year it can only be a good thing. And it brings in business as an attractive town invites people back to shop."

● Bloom lovely: Left, Cllr Betty Gull, left, chairman of Oswestry in Bloom with Margaret Thrower who is judging the local competition.

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Plan appeal refused

PLANNING inspectors have turned down an appeal against decisions by officers of the former Oswestry Borough Council.

An appeal against an amended scheme for a three-storey block of flats on the site of Autocare garage in King Street, Oswestry, has been refused by the inspector, Clive Sproule, on the grounds that it would be overbearing and intrusive to adjoining properties.

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