



In **February**, a record 23 of us went to the huge Measham potato factory of AB Produce PLC, and were privileged to be shown around by **managing director Andrew Bridgen**. In a memorable personal talk, Andrew (shown in shirtsleeves with PMG above) described how he had started his company age 23 after leaving the Royal Marines, and worked it up from a single barn beside his father's farm in Netherseal, to the giant 70,000 sq ft purpose-built buildings of today. We enjoyed tea and biscuits (twice) and an amazing md-guided tour of the production areas, to see tonnes of potatoes and vegetables being processed and coolly stored.



On **Thursday 12th March** we meet at the Rear Room of HR Church, with sherry at **7:15 pm for 7:30**, to hear speaker **Rev Vivien Elphick** ask "**Can you regulate and improve society by law?**". Vivien, who needs no introduction in this magazine, will describe moving to her present role after an early career as a lawyer.



Date for your Diary: Thursday 9 Apr 09 PMG

Visits the **National Motorcycle Museum NMM**, the largest in the world, just half-an-hour away at junction 6 on M42. If you know of a motorcycle, it will probably be there, among the 250 NMM exhibits. We leave Packington at 9.15am, to tour



the museum, and may finish the visit with individual refreshment at the renowned on-site self-serve restaurant, to be home by 1.30pm. Contact Wally on 416786 to confirm your place and transport. *More about PMG - see rear of this magazine, and the village website "packington dot info"*

