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PRESS RELEASE

“Made In Dagenham”

The next showing at the Liphook Millennium Centre Cinema will be “*Made In Dagenham*” on Friday 4 February 2011.

It’s 1968. Rita lives in Dagenham and, like many local women, she works at the Ford plant stitching together seat covers. Its intricate work carried out in sweltering conditions, for long arduous hours which they must balance with their domestic lives, the women at the Ford Dagenham plant finally lose their patience when they are reclassified as “unskilled”.

With humour, common sense and courage they take on their corporate paymasters, an increasingly belligerent local community, and finally the government itself. The leader of the women’s struggle is fast-talking, no nonsense Rita whose fiery temper and occasionally hilarious unpredictability proves to be a match for any of her male opponents. ‘*Made in Dagenham*’ shows how, at some expense to their family lives, in a country already crippled by strikes, and with a little help from colourful political firebrand Barbara Castle, the Dagenham women managed to overturn an age old hypocrisy.

From the director of ‘*Calendar Girls*’ Nigel Cole, ‘*Made in Dagenham*’ stars Sally Hawkins as Rita O’Grady who is the catalyst for the 1968 Ford Dagenham strike by 187 sewing machinists which led to the advent of the Equal Pay Act. This uplifting, funny and typically British film boasts a strong cast including Bob Hoskins, Miranda Richardson, Rosamund Pike, Geraldine James, Roger Lloyd-Pack, Kenneth Cranham and even The West Wing’s Richard Schiff.

Doors open at 7.30 p.m. and the performance starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are priced at £5, with a concession of £4 for OAPs (60 and over). Tickets are available from the Liphook Millennium Centre 01428 723889, Bramshott & Liphook Parish Council Office – Tel: 01428 722988, and on the door. Tickets can also be ordered by e-mail: liphookmcentre@tiscali.co.uk for collection and payment on the night. A range of refreshments will be on sale.

The film is classified as a 15 – suitable for age 15 years and over. No-one younger than 15 may see a ‘15’ film in a cinema. The Liphook Millennium Centre Cinema Licence requires that young people under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.

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