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When Lily calls in superwoman

► LILY ALLEN shares a secret with fellow singer La Roux and TV presenter Rav Wilding – they all use professional de-clutterer Vicky Silverthorn to keep their home life under control.

“I call on Vicky when life is too busy. She helps me with all my house moves,” says Lily. Rav confesses: “When Vicky came to my house she sorted out bags of unopened mail – and even found three unbanked cheques. Result!” Since she set up youneedavicky.com, Vicky, 32, has also been called in by members of the England rugby team.



Homes gossip

By Amira Hashish

A heritage home for fans of jazz

► JAZZ fans with an appetite for good food will love this three-bedroom Thames village retreat that once belonged to composer Laurie Holloway and his wife, the singer Marion Montgomery.

Like many other people, the couple fell in love with its location – cute little Bray in Berkshire, now home to Heston Blumenthal’s restaurant The Fat Duck, and Alain Roux’s The Waterside Inn, both with three Michelin stars.

The Grade II-listed property for rent, one of the oldest homes in the area, is in the heart of the village, and is available through Hamptons for £2,500 a month (01628 675881; Hamptons.co.uk). While living

there, Holloway composed songs for Cleo Laine, Judy Garland and Liza Minnelli, while his wife’s relaxed singing style had countless fans, including Nat King Cole and Frank Sinatra.

The area has always had showbiz allure, partly because it is within easy travelling distance of London.

The nearby Bray Studios has produced many movie blockbusters, including Alien and the film version of The Rocky Horror Picture Show.

High-profile residents in this celebrity hotspot include Michael Parkinson, Billy Connolly, Blumenthal and Rolf Harris.



You’ve heard his songs, seen his movies – now buy Justin’s knick-knacks

► AS IF being a chart-topping international pop star and an A-list Hollywood actor were not enough to keep him busy, heart-throb Justin Timberlake, 31, has teamed up with interiors expert Estee Stanley to create his own house décor range.

Available from next month, his collection of homeware accessories, plus paintings and pictures by up-and-coming artists and photographers chosen by Timberlake, can be purchased from subscribers website homemint.com.

“HomeMint combines my love of interior design with my passion for technology and innovation,” chirps the Cry Me a River singer. I bet his fiancée Jessica Biel is loving her beau’s domestic bent, too.

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Transformed: the old Crown & Dolphin has been turned into an attractive two-bedroom home



Find heaps of history on the shelves at the Crown & Dolphin

► AN EAST London property with a famous past is for sale. The Crown & Dolphin pub was built in 1850 and sits on the corner of Cable Street and Cannon Street Road in Shadwell.

The area is known for The Battle of Cable Street in 1936 and a mural commemorates the clash

between police and anti-fascists at the entrance to the graveyard of St George in the East, a magnificent Nicholas Hawksmoor church just behind the old pub.

ITV crime series Whitechapel recently used the building exterior as the backdrop for some of its scenes but inside the property has

been transformed by its architect owner, turning the historic alehouse into an attractive two-bedroom flat, with worktops made from a reclaimed Victorian shop counter and an open log fire among its gems.

It is on the market with Foxtons for £434,999.

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