

IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE

**Aliens
riddle
after
blast
near
village**

A BIZARRE explosion near Aynho has sparked off a UFO mystery.

The blast, on Sunday night, followed two independent reports of an aircraft falling rapidly.

And firemen who rushed out to the area are refusing to treat the reports as a hoax.

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Firemen and police from Brackley and Banbury scoured the area off Oxford Road between Charlton and Aynho for three hours, but could find nothing.

"It's a complete mystery," said a Brackley fire service spokesman.

"But I believe in UFOs and I think this could have been one.

"We contacted air traffic control at Upper Heyford, but they had no knowledge of the incident."

In nearby Kings Sutton, landlady Olga Kevelos said the sighting could herald a spate of UFO visits.

"UFOs are attracted to this area because two ley-lines cross here and it has mysterious magnetic powers," said Olga, landlady of the Three Tuns.

"We had a visitation in 1967.

The locals called the aliens the gingerbread men, because that's what they looked like."

Sighting

And UFO researcher Derek Mansell, of Wheatley, near Oxford, said dozens of sightings had been reported around Banbury in 1971 and 1981.

"UFOs often appear in 10-year cycles," said Derek.

"The last batch of sightings was in 1977, so we're due for another lot soon."