



Woodmansterne Green Belt and Residents' Association Autumn 2017 Newsletter

Welcome to the Autumn newsletter

The WGBRA committee meet in the Village Hall every month to raise awareness of and discuss the many and varied issues that affect local residents. The local and county councillors attend these meetings to answer questions and keep us up to date on current matters. You are welcome to attend these meetings which take place on the third Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

The Woodmansterne Community Garden is situated in the Carshalton Road next to the Scout Hut and the allotments. It's beautifully set out and a haven of peace. To see pictures of the garden go to our website www.woodmansternerresidents.co.uk or better still pay it a visit. To preserve this valued local amenity your help is needed. At present there is no one in the community to organise maintenance on the garden although there have been some offers of hands on help. If you think you would be able to coordinate this project please contact us at wgbra@hotmail.co.uk.

Recycling

There are now charges in place on some items taken to local amenity sites. Details can be found on Surrey County Council website under "Environment". It is possible to recycle things that could be reused on the freelywheely website where unwanted items can be either given away or sold. Large items of furniture can be collected by local council. Details can be found on the Reigate and Banstead website under "Bins and Recycling" where there is also a link to "Furnistore" in Redhill.

Reporting potholes or damaged pavements

You can report potholes or damaged pavements online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/highways or telephone 0300 200 1003.

Joint Enforcement Team

To report abandoned vehicles, anti-social behaviour, fly tipping, graffiti, litter, dog fouling etc please contact the Joint Enforcement Team (JET) online at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/report or telephone 01737 276300.

WGBRA CONTACTS

The Woodmansterne Green Belt and Residents Association (WGBRA) website can be found at www.woodmansternerresidents.com.

Email us at wgbra@hotmail.co.uk.

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WGBRA

Fly Tipping is a Crime

Fly tipping is illegal dumping of waste and includes things like black sacks, fridges, mattresses and construction waste. It is unsightly, threatens wildlife, causes pollution, endangers public health and is expensive to clear up. Householders have a "duty of care" to make sure that any waste generated on their property is disposed of correctly or risk prosecution.

If you see it, report it. Recycleforsurrey.org.uk/flytipping.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (ICE) NUMBERS

If you have a mobile phone and you wish emergency services to contact your next of kin in case of emergency, you can add these numbers in your contacts list under ICE. These numbers can be used even when your phone is locked as access is available from your lock screen. There is more information about this on the internet as some mobiles may vary in the way you set this up.

Police reports

The WGBRA committee no longer receive reports from the police in person at their meetings or tailored monthly email reports. However to get updates on policing matters, you can sign up to receive emails directly by visiting www.intheknow.community

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To keep up with local planning applications you can go to the Reigate and Banstead website and click on Planning. Applications of particular concern are listed on the WGBRA website.

Road Stewards and Subscriptions

The road stewards do an excellent job delivering the newsletters in the Spring and Autumn and also collecting subs in the Spring which mostly goes towards hiring the Village Hall, paying for the website and printing the newsletter. We are currently looking for stewards to cover Woodmansterne Lane and the even numbers of Lakers Rise. If you would be able to help with this please contact us at wgbra@hotmail.co.uk.

Many thanks to all of you who have paid your subs (£2) but it's not too late. If you would like to pay online the bank account number is 17645609, sort code 23-05-80, please quote the first line of your address as a reference. You could also pay at The Look In, direct to your road steward or to the Treasurer at 13 Prestbury Crescent.

Councillors contact details

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Generally local issues such as payments, recycling, planning, council tax, benefits and elections are covered by the Borough Council but matters such as highways and schools are Surrey County Council's responsibility.