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Editorial

Ruislip Manor and help needed

In this edition of the Town Crier we have a couple of articles with a special focus on Ruislip Manor.

We have an article on the two luncheon clubs run by Ruislip Northwood Old Folks Association - the Elm Park Club in Ruislip Manor and the Tudor Lodge in Eastcote. John Hawley gives us a breakdown of the changes in Ruislip Manor shops and restaurants.

Our treasurer, John Hawley, has written an article on why we need your subscriptions. At present our income is not covering the cost of producing the *Town Crier* and organising the meetings, so we need your help. You can pay online or use the form included with this issue, which this time is in the centrefold so you can just remove it without cutting up the magazine.

And no editorial would be complete without a plea for more volunteers! We really need some help - look at the vacancies on the right for ideas.

Graham Bartram

Graham Bartram, Editor Pro Tem

Please note that the views expressed in articles in the Town Crier are those of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the position of the Ruislip Residents' Association.

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FRIENDS OF EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDEN

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Eastcote House Volunteer Gardeners meet on the 1st Friday, 2nd Friday and 3rd Thursday of every month, at 9.30am.

Everyone welcome - tools and refreshments provided - no experience necessary.

Meet in the car park at Eastcote House Gardens.

Gardening dates: September 7th, 14th, 20th; October 5th, 12th, 18th; November 2nd, 9th, 15th; December 7th, 14th, 20th; January 4th, 11th, 17th.

Conservation dates: September 27th; October 25th; November 22nd; December 27th.

The Gardens Café is now open daily from 8.30am (10am on Sunday) until 4.00pm.

THE ARTS SOCIETY, HILLINGDON

Lecture Programme September-December 2018

Wednesdays at 2.00pm, Winston Churchill Hall - admission £7 to non-members

12 September Gericault's "*Raft of the Medusa*"

Daphne Lawson

10 October War Memorials Trust

Vicky Thompson

12 December Santa Claus

Christopher Bradley

RUISLIP, NORTHWOOD & EASTCOTE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Lecture Programme September 2018 - February 2019

Meetings held in St Martin's Church Hall, 8.15pm. Visitors welcome.

17 September The Story of Thames Watermen

Pat Hilbert

15 October AGM & Old Houses of Uxbridge

Tony Mitchell

19 November From Blackwall to Bishop Rock -
Britain's historic lighthouses

Tom Nancollas

21 January West House, Heath Robinson and
the HR museum

Cynthia Wells

18 February Saxons at the Adelphi, Strand

Douglas Killock

Chairman's Message



The last few weeks have seen some very changeable weather - stifling hot to torrential downpours. Fortunately, the only part of Ruislip I know

flooded was the underground car park in my block of flats! But water has managed to inconvenience us in other ways, particularly with the major works on Breakspear Road South to prepare for HS2. As we have come to expect with HS2 their planning was lacking in detail, so only twelve hours before the two-week project was meant to have been completed HS2 announced that they would need another week. Maybe we should always multiply any timescale supplied by HS2 by 150%?

Talking of HS2, Phil Taylor has volunteered to help Ruislip Residents' Association out with keeping up with HS2 developments, help that is most warmly welcomed.

Talking of major projects that affect Ruislip, Parliament gave the initial go-ahead for the third runway at Heathrow. There is still a very long way to go, but it now seems more likely. One concern is that the new runway will lead to changes in flight paths which could bring aircraft over Ruislip, so we will need to keep an eye on developments.

There is better news on the Elizabeth Line (CrossRail) which should open between Reading and Shenfield in December 2019. London Buses have decided to add a new bus route to serve Hayes & Harlington station. The 278 will run from Ruislip Station, via the Ickenham Road, Hillingdon Station, Long Lane, Uxbridge Road, Hayes & Harlington Station and ending in Heathrow Central, with a bus every 15 minutes during the day, and 20 minutes in the evening and weekends. It will give Ruislip a direct bus link with Hillingdon Station, which is fully accessible, to the Compass Theatre and to Heathrow Airport. There is no starting date given, but presumably it will be tied into when Elizabeth Line trains start serving Hayes & Harlington Station.

You may have noticed hoardings have gone up around the old CAB building on Eastcote Road. Apparently, the old prefab building is to be demolished so that an archaeological survey can be carried out. We do not yet know what is proposed for the site, but we will be keeping a close eye on it.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at our meeting in September (see page 11), but in the meantime if you see me on the High Street feel free to stop me for a chat! ♦

Graham Bartram, Chairman, ☎ 01895 673310

Education News

Susan Midgley

BISHOP WINNINGTON-INGRAM PRIMARY SCHOOL CELEBRATE THEIR FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

During the week beginning July 9th the school celebrated fifty years on their current site at Southcote Rise. In 1968 the school moved from Eastcote Road to their brand new building. Mrs S Johnston, Deputy Head Teacher, had managed to unearth an old video of the school being built and its opening day.

All through the week pupils were engaged in a variety of activities such as making bunting and decorating cloths and place mats in preparation for the main celebration.

On Friday, July 13th the celebrations were in full swing. On that sunny afternoon the playground was full of brightly decorated gazebos under which all the pupils were seated at tables covered with the cloths they had created. All the staff and pupils were wearing 1960's clothes – flares, flowers in their hair and sporting CND necklaces. Mrs Johnston's outfit was reminiscent of Twiggy with short hair, mini skirt and white boots and Mrs Westbrook, Head Teacher, was wearing a very "snazzy" and colourful mini skirt.

After lunch the entertainment began. Every class in each year group from Nursery to Year 6 performed a well known 1960's pop song much to the delight of all the adults present. These included *Summer Holiday*, *Hey! Hey! We're the Monkees!*, *Twist and Shout* and *Build Me Up Buttercup*. The children were all brilliant, performing songs with appropriate actions and dancing to the music.

It was a very entertaining afternoon. Here's looking forward to the next fifty years for BWI!

BISHOP RAMSEY'S PRODUCTION OF THE SOUND OF MUSIC

The school presented their production of *The Sound of Music* from Monday, July 16th to Wednesday, July 18th. Many people are familiar with the story of Maria and the Von Trapp family as well as the many songs from the musical, but this was a freshly, exciting new production directed by Mrs Helen Simmons, Head of Drama, with a very talented cast. In the past all of Bishop Ramsey's musicals have been of the highest standard and this one did not disappoint.

Maria is a postulant nun in Nonnberg Abbey in Austria but Mother Abbess soon

realises that she is not yet ready to embrace religious life so she is sent to become governess to the seven children of Captain Von Trapp, a widower and very strict disciplinarian. Soon after her arrival he departs for Vienna and in his absence Maria teaches the children to sing, dance and enjoy life. When the Captain returns he is accompanied by Baroness Elsa Elberfeld whom he announces that he intends to marry. Maria realises that she is falling in love with the Captain so returns to the Abbey. However, the Abbess persuades her to return to the Von Trapps and tell the Captain of her feelings for him which she does. Captain Von Trapp's attitude softens, he realises he is in love with Maria and begins to enjoy singing and dancing once again with his children and Maria. The pair are married and the family are entered by Uncle Max in the Kalzberg Festival which they win. However, in the meantime Nazi Germany has annexed Austria, so on their return the family escape over the mountains into Switzerland to begin a new life.

The action was interspersed with so many of the well-loved songs including *The Sound of Music*, *My Favourite Things*, *Do-Re-Mi*, *Climb Ev'ry Mountain* and *So Long, Farewell*.

The final performance on Wednesday produced some stunning performances. Maria played by Ayesha Adey embraced this challenging role admirably. She has a beautifully expressive singing voice



Pupils at BWI celebrate the school's 50th anniversary in 60's style



The Von Trapp family in Bishop Ramsey's *The Sound of Music*



Captain Redbeard and the crew of *The Curry Bean* at Lady Bankes Junior School

and very credibly portrayed her character's emotional journey from beginning to end. AJ Russell-Sjollema was amazing as Captain Von Trapp. He, too, was able to convincingly portray both sides of his character: the rigid disciplinarian and the gentle lover. He has a very powerful voice combined with good acting ability. Another performance worthy of mention was that of Amie Sullivan who played the Baroness. She was able to portray her disapproval and growing jealousy of Maria with her tone of voice and very expressive facial expressions which left the audience in absolutely no doubt of her feelings.

The students who played the Von Trapp children brought great energy to their combined roles, with excellent singing, dancing and acting. They were Liesl played by Janette Osnan, Louisa played by Alana Lynch, Freidrick played by Dylan Thurley, Brigitta played by Ella Child, Kurt played by Edward Britton, Marta played by Sienna O'Connor and Gretl played by Elizabeth Gallup.

LADY BANKES JUNIOR SCHOOL'S MUSIC CONCERT 2018

The school held its annual Music Concert on Wednesday, June 27th. to showcase the diverse musical talents of its pupils. Over fifty children of varying levels of performance took part. The school is fortunate in having a great team of peripatetic music teachers. Some of the pupils had only been learning for a relatively short time but it was great

to see how confident they were in performance. Other pupils from Years five and six who had been learning their instruments for longer gave excellent performances.

The concert opened with an enthusiastic performance by the school choir who sang *The Tiger and The Rose*. There were solo and duet performances on a variety of instruments which included piano, violin, drums, guitar, keyboard, trombone and French horn. There was also a performance by The Clarineo Club which consisted of five pupils playing instruments which are a cross between a clarinet and a recorder.

Some memorable performances were given by Thomas Nettleship, Year 6, who played *The James Bond Theme* on the trombone. Two other pupils, Reuben and Caitlin Moore, Year 5, each gave excellent solo performances on the French horn followed by a duet from the talented brother and sister entitled *London Bridge*.

One of the performers on the keyboard was Sam Langford who gave a very polished performance of *La Donna e mobile*. David Chen, Year 6, also gave a very accomplished piano solo towards the end of the evening.

The concert closed with a performance by the school choir who sang *This Is Me*.

Finally Mrs Kate Needs, Head Teacher, thanked everyone for coming, expressed

her thanks for the hard work of the peripatetic music teachers and congratulated all the pupils for their excellent performances. The audience showed their appreciation with loud and long applause.

LADY BANKES JUNIOR SCHOOL'S YEAR 6 PRODUCTION

The Year 6 pupils presented their production of *The Pirates of the Curry Bean* on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th July. The show was full of fun and laughter from start to finish; the pupils delivered their witty lines with perfect timing, much to the amusement of the audience.

The opening scene introduced the Periwinkle family : Pearl (mother) played by Eva, Jack played by Bradley, Liza played by Annabelle, Stanley (father who was missing) played by Klea and Fiddlestick the cats played by JoJo and Maika. They discover an unknown treasure map but the pirates from the ship *The Curry Bean* somehow find out about the secret map and break into the family tavern and kidnap Mrs Periwinkle. Amusingly they had been instructed to also bring "the bag" but had mistaken their orders!!

Next the audience meets Captain Cod from the ship *SMS The Crunchy Frog* played very confidently by Scarlett and Admiral Horatio Hornhonker played by Lola who was able to successfully portray all the humour in his characterisation. There was an excel-

lent comic touch when, before setting sail, the ship was boarded by two Health and Safety officials, aptly named Mr A Wally played by Harry C and Mr A Pratt played by David L, who inform the captain that the ship must be insured. His witty reply is I have insurance. I'm with the Admiral!

The two Periwinkle children are offered a passage on *The Crunchy Frog* with the promise of help for finding their mother if they also bring their rat catching cats.

At this point we meet the pirate Captain Redbeard (whose beard is pink!) played by Ruby. The two ships unexpectedly collide and the Periwinkle family is reunited. A fight then breaks out between the two crews but soon a storm approaches and both crews and the Periwinkles are washed ashore on the island of Lumbago.

Finally the Periwinkles are reunited with Mr Stanley Periwinkle, now known as Captain Swaggersword, who relates how he became a pirate. The treasure is discovered and shared equally between all the characters.

The whole story moved with pace and included some lively songs. Mrs Kate Needs, Head Teacher, congratulated all the pupils on their brilliant performance and thanked the Year 6 Staff Team for all their hard work in the preparation of such a fantastic production.

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Elm Park & Tudor Club

Where can you get a 3-course lunch for under a fiver? Where can you get an afternoon's entertainment on three afternoons a week? Where can you enjoy regular outings to various places of interest? The answer to all of these questions is at one of our lunch and social clubs.

You might have seen our minibus out and about picking up some of our members to dine at one of our clubs. The Ruislip Northwood Old Folks Association (RNOFA), a registered charity, has been going since 1949 and runs the two lunch and social clubs for the over 60s, Elm Park on Park Way, Ruislip Manor and the Tudor Club on Field End Road, Eastcote.

At present we have just over 200 members who come and join us on a weekday, either once a week or every day of the week, the choice is yours. Whether you are lonely, find cooking a chore or just want to get out of the house, come and see what we have to offer you. At either club we provide a wholesome home cooked 3-course meal every weekday. Sometimes, on special occasions, in other words if we can find a good excuse, we do an afternoon tea. For example, we celebrated the fairly recent Royal wedding

of HRH Prince Harry to Meghan Markle with an afternoon tea.

During this last 12 months we have served over 12,500 lunches to our members. You can take part in many social activities, arts and craft afternoons, bingo, quizzes, trips to the theatre and visits to places of interest such as Kensington Palace and Woburn Safari Park. Also we plan two 5-day holidays to the seaside every year for you to enjoy. In December the clubs hold Christmas lunches and parties which are attended by almost all our members. Post lunch entertainment is provided by either local school children singing carols, singers or musicians.

Unlike most other local boroughs, the London Borough of Hillingdon recognises the benefits of such lunch and social clubs and supports us with a grant to subsidise the meals for Hillingdon residents. Our small team of paid employees and many volunteer helpers provide the support that many of you want and need.

Should you be interested in joining either of the clubs just call in or ring 01895 634962 for Elm Park or 020 8866 8603 for the Tudor Club. We look forward to seeing you. ♦

Annual General Meeting

*7.45pm, Thursday, 13th September 2018
Winston Churchill Hall, Pinn Way, Ruislip HA4 7QL*

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Talk by Mark Mullally, NatWest Bank, on money scams
3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2017
4. Chairman's Report
5. Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts
6. Proposed change of subscription level to £5
7. Election of Chairman and Executive Committee 2018-2019
8. Open Forum - with questions to a panel of RRA representatives
(Items to the Secretary by Thursday, 6th September)
9. Any Other Business
10. Close of Business

Followed by informal discussions.

Wine, fruit juices and snacks will be served. The meeting will end at 10pm.



The Winston Churchill Hall



The Foyer

From the Treasurer

John Hawley

Many thanks to those of you who have taken out memberships for 2018, either using the online system or by post to Mail Boxes in Ruislip High Street. It now seems clear that some members did not want to cut up their *Town Crier* in order to send in the printed membership form, so in this issue we've grouped the subscription form and AGM information in the middle, so you can just remove the centrefold from the magazine without destroying the rest. It's not too late to send in your 2018 subs and donations. Those who have taken out memberships already can still use this form to send in donations.

For the most part, the door-to-door collection of subs has ceased, many people are no longer comfortable collecting money door-to-door, so we are largely reliant on the online and Mail Boxes options. With the changed methodology of collection, it is important that the arrival of the *Town Crier* is seen as a 'prompt' for action on subscriptions.

The Association needs, roughly, £6,000 each year to pay for two print runs of the *Town Crier* and to book the venues for the

monthly committee meetings, the AGM and General Meetings. We give £100 annually towards Christmas lights in Ruislip Manor and Ruislip and have had to fund the initial costs of the online membership database.

The time and services of our very active committee members are given entirely free of charge; they engage in many areas of local concern: planning, woodlands, the Lido, flooding, Pinn Meadows, health, transport, the High Streets, etc. and many are involved in other local interest and focus groups.

As we approach the Centenary of the Association in 2019, we can be proud of what has been achieved since our formation, but we do need more subscriptions and donations. It has become necessary to propose raising the subs to £5 for 2019, but this does not mean that the funding situation is solved and donations are still an important part of the 'mix'.

Please help to keep the Association alive and well by your interest and generosity. ♦

PAYING YOUR SUBSCRIPTION ONLINE

To use the new payment system, visit: <http://www.ruislipresidents.org.uk>, and choose 'Online Membership Payment' from the 'About Us' menu. This will take you to the payment system, which is on a secure part of our website.

Enter your email address and postcode. Your email address is needed to send you the payment receipt, and the postcode is how we locate your home in our list of all the houses in Ruislip. Click 'Find My Address'; a drop-down menu will appear, which contains all the homes that share your postcode. Choose your home and

then click on the 'That's My Address' button.

The system will then tell you if you have already paid your 2018 subscription and give the option of adding a donation. Below this is a grey box for entering your card details. It needs your card number, the expiry date and the security code. When you have entered the details click 'Pay with Card'. If the payment goes through successfully you will then see your name as it appears in our records. If it's wrong then just type the correct name in the boxes and click 'Update My Details'. That's it - you're all paid up! ♦

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Cheques should be made payable to 'Ruislip Residents' Association'. Please do not send coins by post, and avoid using staples or sellotape. The cashing of your cheque is proof of its receipt.

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We are always looking for volunteers, so please supply your email address if you are interested in helping to deliver the *Town Crier*.

Email address:

Ruislip Manor Focus

John Hawley

I recently spoke with Manish Pethad, proprietor of 'Pricewise' in Ruislip Manor, who commented on the reduced footfall since the opening of the new cinema and shopping complex in South Ruislip in 2017 (the Arla Dairy site). Despite the vibrancy of the parade, he said, "times are hard for all of us".

Maybe the 'good news' is that premises in Ruislip Manor rarely stay empty for long, with new businesses setting up soon after a closure has occurred.

2017/2018 saw more than the usual changes, summarised below:

Retailer/Business	Type	Location	New Retailer/Business
Bobbi Parka	Boutique	Victoria Road west	Vacant
Elachi	Bangladeshi & Indian restaurant	Victoria Road west	Dominos Pizza
Corinne	Restaurant	Victoria Road west	Vacant
66 Bakery	Bakery	Victoria Road west	Vacant
Scarlatta	Italian restaurant	Victoria Road west	Vacant
Adam's Schoolwear	Clothing	Roundabout	Beauticians
Hartex	Camping/clothing	Victoria Road east	Adam's Schoolwear
Roders	Portuguese restaurant	Victoria Road east	Vacant
Manor Lighting	Electrical contractors	Victoria Road east	Wenzel's Bakery
Sri Aishwayra Sarees	Clothing	Victoria Road east	Urban Nomads Cyclewear
Furnish	Recycled furniture	Windmill Hill	Vacant
BnP Newsagents	News and convenience	Manor Way	Vacant
Soulsby Williamson	Solicitors	Park Way	Vacant

The list makes for depressing reading – all the more important to forsake online retailers and pharmacies* and support our local shops and community.

The 'Manor', as we residents like to name the parade, is a diner's delight; a fact on which I will comment in a longer article in the Spring.

[* Online pharmacies often give the impression that they are run by the NHS, but they are private firms sending prescriptions through the post. Our local retail pharmacies are there to give face-to-face advice, are connected to local doctors and are able to supply repeats etc. at short notice. Please support them.] ♦

Conservation Concerns

Paul Mitchell

PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN RUISLIP CONSERVATION AREAS AND AREAS OF SPECIAL LOCAL CHARACTER RECEIVED DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 2018

Following positive feedback on the article in the last edition, I have decided to repeat the analysis and provide a summary of the planning applications received during the latest half year – in this case the first half of 2018. This is intended to help residents understand the scale and nature of the planning activity, indicate why applications have been refused by the Council, and highlight any key trends.

In total, within the Ruislip Conservation Areas and Areas of Special Local Character, 50 planning applications were received during the period January to June 2018 (some of which were multiple related ones at the same site).

Of those 50 applications, 21 were approved, 15 refused, 1 was withdrawn and the remaining 13 remained undecided as at end July 2018. Of the 15 refused applications, one had gone to appeal.

The locations of the 50 applications were widespread across the area but the two roads with the most applications were High Street (12) and Kingsend (10).

The most common types of application were for an extension or roof conversion, though there appears to be a possible trend towards more grouping of several changes together in a single planning application (eg. roof conversion and extension) which may help explain the higher rate of refusals in this period (30%) compared to the previous six months (16%).

The 15 refused applications were again of various types (ie roof conversions, extensions, raising of roof, signage and other), but the common core reason for refusal was the impact on the character of the locality. This was evident in the reasons for refusal quoted - whether it was due to the size and design of the extension or loft conversion, overlooking adjacent properties, or the visual intrusiveness of the proposed new signs. In addition, where the application included the creation of new residential accommodation, the reasons for refusal generally included the fact that

the proposed accommodation was sub-standard for future residents.

One application was withdrawn. That was the proposed demolition of the existing petrol station at 2 Midcroft, and the erection of a 4-storey building containing 9 residential units in its place. This was the

latest of several recent plans for that site and we are unclear of the reasons for it being withdrawn, though we did have concerns about the design which we shared with the Council.

Below is a list of the applications refused during the first half of 2018:

Reference	Address	Application
24650/APP/2018/117	51 Ickenham Road	Single storey side extension and first floor rear extension with two roof lights to create additional habitable roof space
2101/ADV/2018/4	107 High Street (Nationwide)	Installation of various illuminated and non-illuminated signage
33389/APP/2018/469	Jebson House, 53-55 High Street	Erection of rooftop extension providing 9 units residential accommodation plus facade alterations to second floor.
60079/APP/2018/597	21 Bury Street	Conversion of roof space to habitable use to include a rear dormer, side dormer and 1 x rear roof light.
64711/APP/2018/631	3 Pembroke Road	Conversion of roofspace to habitable use to include 1 x rear rooflight, 1 x front rooflight and 3 x side rooflight to create 1 x 1 bed self contained flat with associated amenity space.
14756/APP/2018/752	34 Kingsend	Installation of canopy to side
52484/APP/2018/836	13 Midcroft	Conversion of roof space to habitable use to include a rear dormer, 2 x front roof lights and conversion of garage to habitable use involving alterations to front elevation
69986/APP/2018/1023	34 Ickenham Road	Two storey side extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension involving demolition of existing garage

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Reference	Address	Application
73728/APP/2018/1327	128D & 130D Manor Way	Raising of roof to add 2 x studio flats, ground floor infill extension, single storey front extension and conversion of 2 x 1 bed flats to 2 x studio flats
24650/APP/2018/1479 (Appeal 8583)	51 Ickenham Road	First floor rear extension and extension to the roof to create additional habitable space
23460/APP/2018/1725	40 Kingsend	Two storey rear extension and single storey side extension
10105/APP/2018/1680	Ruislip Telephone Exchange, High Street	Details pursuant to Condition 5 (noise) relating to planning ref: 10105/APP/2018/181 (15/01/2018) for installation of replacement lattice stub tower supporting headframe supporting 9 antennas and transmission dish and ancillary apparatus, removal of 2 pole mounted antennas, all on rooftop of building, and installation of ground based equipment cabinet (removal of existing redundant cabinet) and ancillary apparatus.
16587/APP/2018/1759	17 Manor Road (First-floor flat)	Single storey outbuilding to rear for use as a gym and additional windows to approved extension
25113/APP/2018/1818	45 Pinn Way	Single storey rear extension, involving demolition of existing conservatory.
72223/APP/2018/1845	18 Manor Road	Single storey rear extension.

More information is available via the RRA website under “Conservation”. ♦



Jebsen House, High Street



128 & 130 Manor Way

Health Matters

Joan Davis

REGIONAL ISSUES

London Ambulance Service - new targets after request received:

- ◆ Category 1 life threatening conditions - 7 minutes
- ◆ Category 2 emergencies eg. stroke - 18 minutes
- ◆ Category 3 urgent (may be treated at home) - 2 hours
- ◆ Less urgent - may give phoned advice or refer to GP or pharmacist.

ROYAL BROMPTON & HAREFIELD NHS FT

Finance: The Harefield Transplant Service's 2017/18 activity increased significantly, but its cost was greater than its income. This led to dialogue with commissioners and a joint presentation with Papworth Hospital.

CENTRAL & NORTH WEST LONDON NHS FT'S HILLINGDON SERVICES

District Nursing access times: In Hillingdon emergency access is targeted within 4 hours and urgent access within 24 hours.

HILLINGDON CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP (CCG)

Heart Failure project: 50% of heart failure patients will be readmitted to hospital or

die within a year. Medical optimisation reduces the risk of hospitalisation by 63%. Hillingdon CCG, in collaboration with Imperial College Health Partners, therefore set up pharmacist audit of GP records to identify patients whose medication should be reviewed.

Brunel Development: The pre-strategic outline case for a new hospital on the Brunel site proposes to replace the current Hillingdon Hospital in February 2021, and to include the services of Central and North West London FT, the academic health centre and the planned medical school.

Hillingdon Out of Hospital Hubs: The North Hillingdon hub, due to open February 2021, will be on the Northwood and Pinner Community Hospital and Northwood Health Centre site which will house the hub, the Health Centre, and up to 84 residential units, 35% as social housing. The Uxbridge / West Drayton plan is to replace the Uxbridge Health Centre. The third hub, the Hesa Centre in Hayes, is to be extended.

HILLINGDON HOSPITALS NHS FT

A&E demand: The A&E treated an aver-

age of 145 patients per day in 2014 but it now treats an average of 189, with peaks of up to 225. Eight more A&E cubicles are to be provided in time for the winter of 2018-2019; during this work the Urgent Care Centre, now renamed the Urgent Treatment Centre, will be moved to a temporary location on the north side of the hospital.

Care Quality Commission Inspection:

The Trust overall is rated as “Requires Improvement” and the Hillingdon Hospital site is rated “Inadequate”. Concerns about the Emergency Department included medicines’ storage, infection control, cleaning, waiting room congestion and escalation beds. Outpatients’ concerns noted lasers, and Surgery concerns noted sepsis.

Temporary move of the Coronary Care Unit:

This unit is temporarily relocated to the Acute Medical Unit to enable the Trust to undertake upgrade work to the ventilation system in its Intensive Therapies Unit, which is expected to take up to 12 weeks to complete.

Winter Plan: This faces challenges including lack of A&E capacity, lack of additional escalation beds and too many long-stay patients. At 95% bed occupancy the Trust has an average gap of 40 beds, increasing to 60 beds with 90% occupancy. The Trust plans to open 25 beds on Edmunds Ward

at Mount Vernon and 16 beds on Northwood / Pinner Ward.

Cancer care: The Trust is a partner in RM Partners, the Cancer Alliance across west London, hosted by The Royal Marsden Hospital, which partners with University College London Hospitals and Greater Manchester Cancer Vanguard Innovation to trial new technologies. In March 2017 the Trust secured £20m to improve and provide, over a two-year period, earlier and faster diagnosis for its cancer patients.

MOUNT VERNON NEWS

New Mount Vernon Skin Centre: This will provide a specialist service for treatments not available in other hospitals.

Minor Injuries Unit: This is a Hillingdon Hospitals’ service. It sees over 24,000 patients a year and is open 9am – 8pm seven days a week.

Michael Sobell Hospice: The hospice was declared unsafe and had to close. Its cancer patients are now in Edmunds Ward.

THE COMMUNITY VOICE

The Community Voice closed in June, but Joan Davis has subsequently been co-opted to Hillingdon Healthwatch as a Director and Trustee and she will continue to monitor NHS services in Hillingdon for RRA. ♦

Police Points

Brian Gunn



Well, you would have thought that things would slow down a bit with the advent of summer months – but that hasn't been the case for this year! As those who attended our General Meeting back in April will know, the new Police tri-borough system is now in place and Ruislip is within the West Sector, under the auspices of Chief Superintendent Paul Martin. We also, at that meeting, heard from Superintendent Ricky Kandohla about how the new system would be working and the pending changes to the Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT). Sadly, we lost Sgt David Peaks, due to a move to another "patch", but we also welcomed Sgt Samantha Quinn as the supervisor of the SNT for West Ruislip Area (amongst others) and Sgt Damian Keyes for Eastcote and East Ruislip and Manor wards. Inspector Rob Bryan is still with us but now his remit covers Hillingdon Area, supervising the Neighbourhood Teams.

At the April meeting of the West Ruislip Safer Neighbourhood Panel (SNP) we heard that there were incidents of shoplifting and pickpocketing on or around the High Street as well as distraction thefts from residents using the ATM cash machines. Crime prevention advice has been given

where appropriate. As for the pickpocketing, which apparently is still an issue, police advice to prevent you becoming a victim is to keep valuables within sight at all times and for bags/handbags to be kept closed with the "opening side" facing inwards to your body. At the May meeting of the Eastcote and East Ruislip SNP the main topic was vandalism and anti-social behaviour. Sadly, this is getting all too common, but the police and local Council are onto this issue and taking measures to address the problem. There have also been reports of anti-social behaviour by local youths across the area – including reckless cycling, putting pedestrians' and other road users' safety at risk. Again, the police have been made aware of these incidents so that action can be taken – whether it be a warning and advice about the consequences of their behaviour or more formal action.

Hopefully you may have read my article posted on our website regarding the new (for us) Police/Neighbourhood Watch initiative called On-line Watch Link – or OWL for short! The Met Police are rolling this out across all London areas and are keen to get as many residents as possible to sign up to it as it has been successfully trialled in dif-

ferent County Police Areas with reports of increase in public confidence as well as reduction in crime – especially burglaries - as intelligence is shared amongst residents and preventative advice disseminated locally. OWL went live for our area on the 13th June. It works as follows: OWL is supported on a website <http://www.owl.co.uk> – residents can go on-line and sign up - it is a secure site and registration should only take five minutes or so. OWL allows the police to pass on, as well as receive, information about crime. Information that is sent to the police by a resident is done anonymously – no-one else can see what you have posted. This is particularly helpful as there are obviously occasions when it is important for residents to pass on information anonymously – for example where something has been witnessed by them, but they may feel uncomfortable about that becoming public knowledge.

The police can share information through messages, for example, providing alerts and intelligence about what is happening in residents' local area. The police have access at different levels – so your SNT officers will only get relevant information to their specific patch and likewise residents will only get information that is relevant in their locality – right down to street level – so information being filtered in this way will not result in your in-box being flooded with 100s of e mails! Similarly, residents with businesses can also sign up to OWL business watch

in their area. OWL should facilitate better communication between the police and residents as it allows also for surveys to find out what concerns residents for the most part and allows for scheduled on-line talk with local SNT officers. However, please do note that OWL is not a tool to be used to report crime instead of calling 999 or 101. By all means though, particularly if calling 101 (which is appropriate when a crime is not actually taking place there and then), should you wish to, you can share that information on OWL.

So please consider signing up to OWL – the more who sign up the more effective it can be for our community and local police teams.

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Planning Update

Mike Hodge & John Williams

LAND FORMING PART OF 2 ARLINGTON DRIVE:

A proposal to redevelop this site by erecting two new detached two-storey houses having twice been refused by the local authority has gone to appeal and will be determined on the basis of written representations. There is an existing listed dwelling adjacent and as such Listed Building Consent would also be required. Due primarily to over dominance and failure to harmonise with the existing street scene we have lodged a further letter of objection with The Planning Inspectorate.



2 Arlington Drive

WARRENDER PRIMARY SCHOOL:

A number of extensive improvements have been carried out to the school since planning approval was given in February last year. Traffic congestion at peak times remains an issue according to local residents.

ORA BRASSERIE, VICTORIA ROAD:

Installation of mobile telephone masts proposed. Planning permission sought. Still a thorny subject given differing opinions as to a possible health hazard.



Ora Brasserie

GARAGES SITE, BETWEEN 15b and 17/17a NORTHDOWN CLOSE:

A proposal to demolish the garages and erect 2 x two-storey dwellings having been refused by the local authority has gone to appeal and will be decided on the basis of written representations. Given parking problems generally maybe it is no surprise that there is no appetite to demolish garages.



Garages in Northdown Close

67 DARTMOUTH ROAD:

Another case of demolishing a garage in order to create an extended dwelling so as to convert to 1 x two bed dwelling and 1 x one bed dwelling. Could raise local concerns.

GREEN BELT PROTECTION BILL 2017-19:

A bill to establish a national register of Green Belt land in England; to restrict the

ability of local authorities to de-designate Green Belt land; to make provision about future development of de-designated green belt land; and for connected purposes. This bill is a Private Members Bill and if successful would represent an important change to existing legislation by virtue of offering added protection to Green Belt land. ♦



67 Dartmouth Road

Houses of Parliament Visit

Vivien Alcorn

I am pleased to announce that another guided Tour of the Houses of Parliament has been arranged for the morning of Tuesday, 9th October, courtesy of our local MP, Nick Hurd's office.

As before, the 20 places on offer will be reserved on a first come, first served basis (two places per resident household).

To apply, please send your request to: social@ruislipresidents.org.uk stating

whether you would like to reserve one or two places. Let me know whether you have previously applied without success.

These tours are always popular, so don't delay! ♦



RUISLIP RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.45pm, Thursday, 13th September 2018

Winston Churchill Hall, Pinn Way, Ruislip HA4 7QL

Doors open at 7.30pm

The Guest Speaker will be Mark Mullally of NatWest Bank on Money Scams, followed by an Open Forum, with questions to a panel of RRA representatives. The meeting will end at 10pm. Wine, fruit juices and snacks will be served.

Open Forum items to the Secretary by Thursday, 6th September 2018.

