



Langley Park

Residents' Association

NEWSLETTER July 2021

Picnic

In The
Park

2:30pm - 11pm Saturday 14th August

This year's Picnic In The Park will be scaled down due to possible restrictions.

Please bring your own food, and a *bottle for the raffle.*

There will be a DJ

www.langleyparkbeckenham.co.uk

Please bring your own food and drink (no displayable barbecues on the grass please).



Please drive carefully in Langley Park.



Parents.

Please note, some youths have been inhaling nitrous oxide behind Langley Manor.

Thankfully one of our committee is on the local police panel and has asked **Peter Woodfine** our local Police Constable on the beat, to look around there whenever he's in the area.



Anti Sociable Behaviour

If you are experience ASB in Langley Park. As well as contacting the police and council (if noise) please contact FirstPort help@firstport.co.uk, so they can write to the residents concerned.

Please note CCTV cameras are now all working.



Work is due to start on the next section of the paths in the main area in July.

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Dear Langley Park Residents

As your LBB Councillor, I serve on Children, Education and Families PDS, Renewals, Recreation and Housing PDS, Clarion Scrutiny committee and now on 3 LBB Planning committees, one of which I am Vice Chair. I have recently been the subject of some verbal accusations on twitter and Facebook, when I spoke in favour of a variation to Northern Land Development's S106 agreement, i.e. why is Cllr C Harris on DC and is Chair of LPRA. I was basically accused of not wanting S106 housing on the land next door to us as I am putting the residents of LP before the residents of Kelsey & Eden Park Ward as a whole. This being the case, I have decided to resign as Chair officially at our next AGM. The other LBB Cllrs attend RA meetings in their Ward and therefore the committee have agreed that I will remain on the LPRA committee as a visiting Ward Cllr. This will allow me to be around and help, but not be accused of any conflict of interest as I will not have a vote on the committee. It will also mean I can still be involved even when I eventually sell my house! Occasionally Cllr Peter Dean will attend the meetings so that it can clearly be seen that the position is for Ward Cllrs not for C Harris.

Some years ago, I delegated a great deal of the various responsibilities to committee members and I think it worked well, everyone now has a responsibility on the committee, it works well, and all avenues are covered. Regarding replacing me, until my resignation is formal at our AGM and nomination papers completed and agreed in the AGM, Colin Hughes will step into this role. We are still agreeing a date for the AGM and it is likely to be Sept / Oct 2021.

I have been Chair of Membership and Events from Aug 2005 to 2009 and then took over as Chair in 2009 when Bill Tuck resigned. It has often been a pleasure, including growing our social events and encouraging more interaction between residents, and more than often very frustrating when dealing with FP issues. It may appear sometimes that LPRA are not achieving the results we all want, especially regarding the Falkner Issue and the departure from FP. These have both been very complicated, trying matters and please rest assured we have worked extremely hard to resolve them. Martin Bellinger is still pursuing both issues and he will report further to you, hopefully soon. I do have to add, that although we have these issues to resolve, Colin and Bill do have a very good working relationship now with Fadi, our FP manager, and over the past 16 years (and 8 managers) of my involvement, I find him very helpful and proactive, hopefully we will have him on board until our FP departure. I am sorry these matters have not been resolved on my watch, but the remaining committee will do all they can to continue the good fight.

Hopefully there will be no further Covid restrictions introduced in June, and I look forward to seeing you at the Picnic where I will be relaxing and enjoying the day instead of organising it!

Regards
Christine Harris



Please don't park on the pavement, people with prams and wheelchairs are being forced in to the road.

