### MOTTINGHAM RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION

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- Mr D Drucquer
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- Mrs Mackway-Jones
- Mr P Norman
- Mr P Noble
- Mrs C Witchlow
- Mr S Yates
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- 7 Carters Hill Cl, 857 1944
- 16 Elmhurst Rd, 857 2065
- 9 Birbetta Rd, 857 6051
- 57 Leyesdown Rd, 857 5498
- 20 West Park, 857 3366
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- 33 Highcombe Cl., 857 6347
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- 12 Avondale Rd, 857 9025
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**COUNCILLORS**

- D Richards JP (Tarn Ward)
- E Dyer (Mottingham Ward)
- R Yeldham (Mottingham Ward)

- 10 West Hallowes, 857 5299
- 8 Cherry walk
- Members Room
- Civic Centre BRI 3UH 464 3333
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**COORDINATES**

- Insp. Horak (Greenwich)
- PC. Magee
- Insp. Botting (Bromley)
- Sgt. Hughes

- Eltham Police Station 853 8254
- Chislehurst Police Station 697 9521

**COMMITTEES**

- Bromley Residents' Federation
- Environment
- Membership Coordinator
- Planning [Bromley]
- Planning [Greenwich]
- Publicity and Newsletter
- Greenwich/Police Community Consultative Group
- Major Developments Standing Committee

- Mrs Mackway-Jones & Mr D Edgar
- Mr S Yates
- Mrs J Edwards
- Mr A York
- Mr G Howard
- Mrs C Witchlow

- Mr D Edgar & Mr T Hodges

**AFFILIATED TO:** LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY RESIDENTS' FEDERATION
Chairman's Comments

Following from the changes to the Borough Boundaries earlier this year, a substantial majority of the members present at the Annual General Meeting in April supported an amendment to the Association's Constitution. Consequently, the Association now represents only those residents whose homes or places of work lie within the Boroughs of Bromley or Greenwich.

I also regret to report that the Secretary of State for Transport has turned down our request for a roundabout at the Dutch House junction of Nottingham Lane with the A20 and has confirmed that all the gaps in the central reservation of the A20 will remain closed indefinitely. We shall, however, continue to press for pedestrian crossings (with traffic lights) over the A20 at the Green Chain Walk and at the top of West Park.

For the past five years, Mrs Mackway Jones on behalf of the Association, has worked tirelessly, and with considerable success, with Bromley Council Leisure Services Department to improve the amenities at the Nottingham Sports Field. It was therefore a great disappointment to us all, but particularly to Mrs Mackway Jones when a group of vandals totally destroyed sixteen saplings at the Court Farm Road corner of the Sports Field. There have also been incidents of broken shop windows and other damage in the village recently, and the police at both Chislehurst and Eltham Police Stations are taking action to catch the culprits. If residents see anything suspicious they are urged to dial 999 immediately.

We congratulate Councillors Erny Dyer of Nottingham Ward and Derek Richards of Tarn Ward on their re-election. We also welcome Councillor Tom Yates. We thank Tom for all he has done for this Association and wish him well in the ward that he now represents.

We are grateful to Inspectors Kim Botting of Chislehurst Police Station and Brian Pearce of Eltham Police Station for their continued interest in the Association. Brian has recently been transferred and we wish him success in his new post. Inspector Graham Horak has now taken over at Eltham and we give him a warm welcome.

I regret that, due to pressure of work, Mrs Maureen Carter was unable to stand for re-election to the Executive Committee and I thank her for her past support. However, it is with pleasure and gratitude that I report that all of the other members of the Executive Committee have been willing to continue to serve. Since the AGM Mr. Norman has volunteered his services and has accordingly been co-opted. There are still two vacancies on the Executive Committee and some roads still require Representatives, if you feel that you would like to play a part in preserving and improving the amenities of the Parish of Nottingham, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Executive Committee whose names, addresses and telephone numbers are given elsewhere in this issue.

Dave Edgar

Councillor Rob Yeldham writes

This is my first opportunity to introduce myself to the members of the Nottingham Residents' Association as your new councillor on the Bromley side of Nottingham. I believe that the role of any council is to build up and protect the group of communities which it serves.

Few people come into contact with the council itself, that is the sixty elected members who meet to agree policies, but we are all touched by those policies. Collecting rubbish, vetting planning applications or organising a home help are not particularly dramatic but they are all important to the people who use those services.

The Council supports or directly provides services which every community needs, such as schools and waste removal. Without the Council local communities would not have access to those services which are too complex or costly to provide privately. The Council also has an important role in supporting other organisations which provide local services.

A great deal of the Council's efforts now goes into assisting other organisations who meet local needs on a voluntary basis. In Nottingham for example the Social Services Department is working with residents groups, charities like Age Concern and with the health service to develop better community care facilities. The Council has agreed to help fund improvements to church facilities which are used by local groups to provide these services and a Community Development Worker is to be appointed. Local Councillors have been arguing for sometime for these improvements.

The Council also helps to protect the individual and the community through its services. Planning policies should prevent the physical destruction of the local environment. The work done by the Council's Environmental Services Department helps to limit the damage to families because of noise problems. Trading Standards Officers are also there to protect us from the unscrupulous trader. In doing so they help to keep the traditional small shopkeepers in our midst. Without protection from unfair competition the local trader who knows, and is part of, the local community is driven out of business. Of course we can all help too, by using our local shops too.

There are growing number of agencies which influence local services; Training and Enterprise Councils, the Police, NHS Trusts, funding bodies for schools and colleges. As a local body which the public can directly influence, your Council has added legitimacy when speaking on your behalf.

Individuals and community organisations can come to me or Cllr Dyer with suggestions, comments or complaints about any local service run by the Council, by contractors or by independent agencies. We can intercede on behalf of individuals who are not getting the services to which they are entitled. We can refer you to specialist organisations for advice or assistance.
You can also monitor what we say and do. All Council and Committee meetings are open to the public. A full calendar of meetings is available from Bromley Council.

During the next four years I hope that you will give either myself or Cllr Dyer the benefit of your ideas and views. Then the Council will be able to fully serve the community which it represents.

To contact your Bromley Councillors:
Visit – the surgery between 10am and 12 noon on the third Friday of each month at the Kimmeridge Road Community Centre, or their street stall 10am – 12 noon on the third Saturday of each month (weather permitting) outside Lo Cost supermarket in Kimmeridge Road.
Write to – Rob Yeldham or Enry Dyer at: The Members’ Room, Civic Centre, Stockwell Close, Bromley BR1 3UH.
Call – 081 658 5455 (Rob Yeldham) or 081 462 8635 (Enry Dyer).

COUNCILLOR DEREK RICHARDS JP writes

Greenwich Council also regularly receives lists forecasting impending Council and Committee meetings at the Town Hall. There are three, four or five meetings sometimes simultaneous, three days a week and a lesser number on two days. My attendance at perhaps a dozen of these each month is rewarding but makes large demands on time and energy.

It is nice to anticipate August, when the Council is in recess, when only emergency meetings are held – and some always occur. Then there'll be time to redress the omissions of busier days. I'll read, write, sail, play some undemanding cricket, watch some good cricket, see in another football season, phone distant relations – even sort the filing cabinet.

Promises, promises, which mostly prove to be pious aspirations.

In August a more than the average number of Tarn Ward people tell me of their problems, often with the Council, and request help and advice. These people quite properly prefer confidentiality and they get it. I help as best I can. However, matters affecting groups and places come into sharp focus in the summer and action needs to be taken about them. I bring them to the attention of the appropriate Council officers suggesting and requesting remedial action.

1. Sidcup Road Service Road [North Side]. Vehicles use this as a 'rat run' and exceed the speed limit. There has been another recent road accident. Residents seek traffic calming measures and I have presented their petition to Greenwich Council.

2. Fairy Hill Park and The Tarn. These precious amenities have been somewhat neglected and have been littered, vandalised, ill-used and sometimes unopened. Tarn Ward people want these parks restored to pristine conditions.

3. Too many roads and pavements are in need of repair. Their condition is a hazard to vehicles and/or pedestrians, especially the elderly. Holes in the carriageway do not heal themselves.

4. There is a deal of fly-tipping, often by night visitors and sometimes in black bags but otherwise bare. The Council does collect the authorised refuse as and when forecast but leaves other rubbish where dumped, until particular request brings a particular Council response. Street can thus remain uncleansed, an eyesore and in bad odour which is very unfair to people who live there and who don't deposit that litter refuse and grime.

5. Mottingham Railway Station and its car parking area seem to be unsupervised and not under surveillance in the evening and at night. There is evidence of vandalism, criminal damage, drug abuse and other shady business and the vicinity is non to safe for children, women and the elderly.

What about the cricket then? I have a recurring dream. I go out to bat and Courtney Walsh or Merv Hughes bowls me through the gate first ball. Abject failure! but I'm playing for England.

In reality, with my surname, although unrelated to Viv, Barry, Jack or David, I captain Greenwich Councillors' cricket team and we comprehensively defeated Lewisham. Councillors and I took three wickets.

Life can have its rewards.

To contact your Greenwich Councillor:
Write to Councillor Richards at: The Members' Secretariat, Greenwich Town Hall, Wellington Street Woolwich SE18 6BE.

MR BRIAN SLADEN is the Service Officer for The Bromley Association for People with Handicaps. Membership of the Association is free and Brian is able to offer help and advice to handicapped residents. He is anxious to help and can be contacted on 081 663 3345.

THE POLICE wish to emphasise again the importance of ensuring that garages and garden sheds are securely locked and protected against burglary. Usually they contain expensive tools and equipment and while people are becoming increasingly aware of safety and security within their homes these outbuildings are often forgotten thus making them easy targets for burglars.

The police are also asking for our help in their drive to crack down on the stealing of unroadworthy cars on the roadside. Any one who notices such a car should note down the registration number and any telephone number and report it to their local police station. To discourage and deter unwanted and unwelcome callers to your door the police through your Neighbourhood Watch Representative can supply you with stickers for your front door which clearly stated the procedures that you are prepared to follow to ensure that callers are bona fide personnel. If you are not a member of a Neighbour Watch Scheme these stickers can be obtained from your local police station.

PC KAREN HARTLEY - Karen our Home Beat officer based at Chislehurst is unfortunately still on sick leave. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to her return to duty in Mottingham. In the meantime we give a welcome to PC Gerard McEwan who is temporarily standing in for Karen. You can contact him on 081 697 9521.
DOGS - If you find or lose a dog, telephone immediately 464 333 (ask for the Dog Warden) they keep a register of all rescued dogs, which are kept in their pound until every possible contact is made to find their owner. They respond to a call within two hours and are always delighted to hear from anyone able to offer a stray dog a good home.

While on the subject of dogs Bromley Council have announced that it is their intention, at the beginning of next year to bring in their "pooper scooper" by-law to include Nottingham Sports Field and the King George V recreation Ground.

They have also stated that bins will be in placed well before the by-law is brought into force.

MACINTYRE CARE is a registered charity. It incorporates MacIntytre Enterprises a trading subsidiary set up to provide training and employment for people with a disability. As such it runs the MacIntytre Garden Centre in Nottingham Lane. At present they are seeking to recruit a larger and wider number of long term Friends to Support MacIntytre's work into the 21st Century. If you have any queries or would like to support a local charity please contact Ann Martin, Membership Secretary, 602 South Seventh Street, Milton Keynes, Bucks MK9 2JA.

ROAD REPRESENTATIVES

Being a Road Rep. takes only a few hours of your time per year but our Association could not exist without them. They are our link with the community. If you feel that you could fill one of the few vacancies in our lists please contact the Chairman or any member of the Executive Committee.

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Court Rd 201-277 Mr Carter 256 Court Rd 857 8413
Court Rd 202-286 Mrs Jones 286 Court Rd 857 8712
Lulworth Rd Mrs Mitchell 11 Lulworth Rd 851 3092
Nottingham Rd 100-154 Mr Dartnell 16 Elmhurst Rd 857 2065
Porcupine Cl. Mrs Washbrook 63 Chapel Farm Rd 857 8122

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Sidcup Rd 449-511 VACANT
Sidcup Rd 452-508 VACANT
Sidcup Rd 522-620 VACANT
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West Park even VACANT
West Park odd Mr Treadwell 236 Court Rd 857 3433

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Cedar Mount Mrs Cobb
Colview Court Mr Searle
Grove Park Rd even Mr Winpenny
Grove Park Rd odd Mr Barker
Hall View Mr Barker
Model Farm Cl. Mrs Payton
Milton Cl. Mrs Barker
Nottingham Lane Mr Donoghue

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Court Farm Rd Mr Jenkins
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Evelyn Court Mrs Swanston
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Layzell Walk Mr & Mrs Foster
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Nottingham Rd 2-58 Mr Noble
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Sycamore Cl. Miss Foster

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Birbetts Rd Mrs Pass
Bowmead Mrs Pass
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Chapel Farm Rd odd Mr Stageman
Chapel Farm Rd even Mrs Wedgebury
Crossmead Mrs Byrne
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