**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The **87th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the**

**MOTTINGHAM RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION will be held on**

 **Wednesday 1st May 2019**

at **ST ANDREW’S CHURCH HALL, COURT ROAD,**

 **MOTTINGHAM SE9 at 8.00 pm**

 **All residents of Mottingham are welcome to attend whether or not they are members of the Association.**

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| **AGENDA** 1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the AGM 2018
3. Chairman's Report
4. Membership Secretary’s Report
5. Treasurer's Report – to receive and adopt the audited accounts
6. Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members
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 Refreshments **GUEST SPEAKER: MR IAN SMALL,**  **TOPIC: The History of Severndroog Castle, Greenwich**  **and the campaign to get it restored.** |

**MRA and Social Media**

##### **The MRA Executive believe is time we caught up with the rest of society and increased our use of social media. Our website,** [**www.yourmra.org**](http://www.yourmra.org) **, has been completely updated and now includes significantly more information with links to other websites and relevant activities. We strongly recommend that residents visit the new site and we would welcome feedback and suggestions for additional information or further improvements to** **webmaster@yourmra.org****.**

**To enable us to make the most of other Social Media vehicles such as Facebook, Twitter etc. however we really need a new volunteer with expertise in this area. If you feel you may be able to help or suggest someone else who might be willing then please do contact either the Chair, Secretary or webmaster through the website.**

**Appeal:**

**The MRA urgently need more Road Stewards to help collect subscriptions and deliver newsletters etc. We currently have specific vacancies for Leysdown Road (even), Downleys Close, Bill Hamling Close, Birbets Road, Bowmead, Beaconsfield Road, Mottingham Lane and Chapel Farm Road but help in other areas would enable us to reduce their size so any offers of assistance would be appreciated. If you can spare a few hours a year to help or would like further information please have a word with any member of the Executive Committee at the AGM or email** membsec@yourmra.org .

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|  **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**: (Check [www.yourmra.org](http://www.yourmra.org) for up to date information and starting times.)**Mottingham Horticultural Society**: This year's **Flower Shows and Plant Sales** are scheduled as follows:**8th June** – SUMMER PLANT SALE – Methodist Church 9.30am – 12.00 noon**27th June** – Organised tour of The Pleasuance. The Pleasuance, ElthAM 7.30PM**24th August** – AUTUMN SHOW – Eltham College 2.30 pm – 5.00 pm **21st September**– AUTUMN PLANT SALE– Methodist Church 9.30am– 12.00 noon If you love your garden why not join – only £2.50 per annum. Further details are available from: The Secretary Elizabeth Walker, 38 Balcaskie Road, Eltham SE9 1HQ email: elizabethwalker114@hotmail.com **Mottingham Floral Arrangement Society** **Programme for 2019**The MFAS meet at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month in Chris Mumbray Hall, St. Andrews Church where demonstrations in the latest flower arranging techniques are given by experienced flower arrangers from around the country. Dates for the next few meetings are: **17th April, 15th May, 19th June, 17th July, 21st August 18th September, 16th October** **and 21st November.**  Visitors are very welcome.**Saturday 14th December Christmas Coffee morning and workshop**Further details are available from: The Chairman: Astrid Chklar, 3A Court Farm Rd, Mottingham, SE9 4JH, Tel: 020 3638 4476 email: astridchklar@yahoo.co.uk  **Mottingham Concert Band:**The band plays on various occasions and at special events during the year – it may even be available for yours!New competent brass or wind players always welcomeFurther details available from: [www.**mottinghamband**.co.uk](http://www.mottinghamband.co.uk) or email at mvconcertband@gmail.com |
| **Police contact numbers: In an emergency always dial 999 but in less urgent situations dial 101.** The current Safer Neighbourhood Teams are: |
| **Bromley**: Mottingham and Chislehurst North ’team’ is:PCSO Sue Kennedy. Contact via Bromley Police Station High Street BR1 1ER Tel: 020 8721 2889 (not manned 24/7). Email: ChislehurstNorth.snt@met.police.uk and on twitter @MPSMottChisNth | **Greenwic**h: The Greenwich team are: PC Andy McDermott & PCSO Dave Glock. Contact via Coldharbour SNT 60 William Barefoot Drive SE9 3AY Tel: 020 7161 9521 or 020 8284 5625. Email: Coldharbour.NewEltham.SNT@met.police.uk |
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**The MRA and the Festive Lights Committee would like to express their appreciation to all those who have donated to Christmas Lights appeal that we run every year. Whilst the number of donors is relatively small the number and the amount collected has remained fairly constant and just about cover the regular annual costs. Residents may however have noticed that the lights on the trees between Porcupine Close and Mottingham Road have now all passed their sell by date and need replacing. The new types of lighting now available should last longer than the old ones (about 3-5 years) but they will cost about £5000. This cannot be done from the usual annual appeal.**

**We are therefore asking any ideas residents may have for some specific fund raising ideas to enable us to re-light the trees as they do create a very welcoming atmosphere for anyone approaching the village from the Chislehurst direction..**

***MRA Privacy Policy****:*

*The MRA obtains Personal Data (such as names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses) from members. This data is obtained, stored and processed solely to assist volunteers in the efficient running of the organisation. Personal details supplied by members are only used to send them material about MRA activities and information that is considered potentially useful. Personal Data is stored either on the MRA database or in hard copy. It is MRA Policy that no Personal Data will be released to any third parties without the individual’s consent.*