

# THE BULLETIN

Harold Wood, Hill, Park Residents Association



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# LOOKING AFTER OUR COMMUNITY

August 2018

# **Harold Wood Polyclinic**

Barking and Dagenham, Havering and Redbridge CCGs are looking at how they can improve the way community urgent care services are accessed locally and are currently carrying out a consultation exercise until 21 August 2018. There are 2 options which will affect the Harold Wood Polyclinic walk in service. More information can be found on the following link

http://www.haveringccg.nhs.uk/ Our-work/community-urgent-careconsultation.htm

Your local Councillors are supportive of Option 1 whereby patients can walk in or book urgent appointments at four Urgent Treatment Centres, at King George Hospital, Queen's Hospital, Harold Wood Polyclinic and Barking Community Hospital and bookable appointments available at eight community urgent care service locations, and no walk-in service at Loxford Polyclinic or South Hornchurch Health Centre.

#### 'And There It Was Gone!'

Yes, it seems only like yesterday that our 'Men's Lunch' group from St. Peter's, Harold Wood began its 2017/18 season, but now its all over! It's been a great season and now we're taking a short summer break.

To keep up to date with all things at St. Peter's, please visit the website: www.stpetersharoldwood.org.uk

We wish all readers a restful summer break and we look forward to welcoming you back to the first lunch of our 2018-19 season beginning on 11th September.

CHRIS KNOWLES, JULIAN HARRIS AND ALL THE MEN'S LUNCH TEAM.

## **Our Thanks**

I would like to express a big thank you to our local councillors, who responded immediately to our concerns over the overgrown brambles that were encroaching over the fences in the alley at the end of Halidon Rise to the A12.

The brambles were causing damage to the residents and school children when passing though this cut through. The brambles have now been cut back.

LOCAL RESIDENT

# Town Hall Insights, putting our Residents First!

Sometimes we get asked about what goes on inside the Town Hall, so here we are looking to give you an insight!

Within the Town Hall there are 6 groups of Councillors which make up the 54 representative Councillors of Havering. Each of these groups has a leader and are all vying for pockets of monies to be released for each of their respective areas that they represent as they want to support the residents whom supported them at election time.

We all have our own pet projects and goals for our areas to improve the environment and community around us with no augrantees we will receive these monies. With the continuing backdrop of Government austerity and budget cuts, we achieve these goals and projects by negotiating with all of these other groups and Council officers to get monies released for our area. There are of course, times when we may have to make decisions that are not popular but ultimately it is for the benefit of our residents to get the best improvements for our area. Putting Harold Wood, Hill, Park first and Putting our Residents first!

#### **Litter Pickers**

A Big thank you to our Volunteers from the Friends of the Park who give up their time and go litter picking in Painesbrook Park every 1st Sunday of the Month at 11am. With the school holidays now upon us please help keep our parks clean & tidy. Please ensure you place all litter in the bins provided. THANK YOU



# **Keep Our Community Tidy**

If you see litter around your property please pick it up and dispose of it as this will help to keep our Community litter free.

# Double yellows at The Drive

We were so pleased to see that the junction protection request for double yellow lines at The Drive that was requested on behalf of a local resident have been implemented to make it safer for car users entering and exiting the road as well as for pedestrians crossing the road.

CLLR DARREN WISE CLLR MARTIN GOODE

# Queens Park Road -Additional Residents Parking bays

On behalf of residents in Queens Park Road, I have submitted a petition to Council for additional permit parking bays in this road. The council will consider this and consult with residents in due course however these schemes can take some months to implement due to requests from all over the borough for parking schemes.

**CLLR DARREN WISE** 

#### **Travellers**

Over the last few months, we have been liaising with Council officers with regards to Travellers occupying public and private land in Spilsby Road, Amersham Road and the Morris Dancer Pub in Melksham Close to get eviction notices so that they can be moved on. In addition, we have also managed to get bollards put in around the green in Amersham.

The council is applying for a high court injunction which will make it easier for these Travellers to be evicted in the future and we await the outcome of this however any injunction can only be given on named individuals only.

# Sultan Indian Cuisine and Takeaway

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# **Work Completed**

I am pleased to announce that these two areas have been cleared of weeds and I would like to thank the residents who reported the problem to us

- Corner of Ingreway
- The Asian Garden in Gubbins Lane.

# A Great Day

Opening the Harold Wood School summer fayre brought back many memories as I was involved with the P.T.A. some 35 years ago. Myself and fellow councillors Darren Wise & Martin Goode spent time looking around and speaking and thanking the volunteers for helping to make this day successful. If I could just make a comment to parents of the school children, please get involved with these school events as every little helps.

CLLR. BRIAN FAGLING



# **Drivers Please** Take Notice:

All vehicles will not be able to turn left or right into Gubbins lane from Colchester Road or turn out of Gubbins lane into Colchester Road due to road closure from 27nd July until 18th August.

## Pleased to Announce

The large round planters that are sited In some parts of Harold Wood have now been planted with red and white flowers.

During the summer period if you live nearby could you please water them as We would hate to see them die off.

# **Street Cleaning**

I'm pleased to report that after our continuous complaints to Havering Council's street care department, the daily schedule for the street cleaners to visit Harold Wood ward has been revised.

The shop areas in station road and Oak road are now cleaned manually twice a day. Mon - Fri and once a day at the weekend. All residential streets are swept every 10-15 days by mechanical sweeper plus team.

I was also very pleased to see recently our previous road sweeper 'Steve' return on one of the teams. A big improvement.

CLLR MARTIN GOODE

## **HWNC Treasurer Needed**

The Executive committee team need a Treasurer to join them in the running of the Harold Wood Neighbourhood Centre, HWNC is a charity and our current Treasurer will be stepping down soon, full training will be given. Estimates 4 hours a week. Will suit a retired numeric person or someone with some spare time to complete weekly tasks and attend a meeting on alternate months. Please contact Beverly on 01708438883 or by email beverlyfleet 1 @aol.com

## On Our Ward Visit

We noticed a badly damaged vehicle in Ethelburga Road so we contacted the appropriate Council Department and we are pleased to say it was promptly removed.

**During our recent ward** inspections with council officers, the following highway defects were identified and have been reported:

#### **Homeway**

O/S 14, Carriageway pothole

#### **Halidon Rise**

O/S 38, raised b/top footway around water cover

O/S 34, b/top footway damage

#### Elain Avenue

O/S 1, concrete trench sunken in concrete footway

O/S 7, uneven paving

O/S 11, cracked concrete footway

O/S 14, carriageway pothole

O/S 26, concrete verge raised next to h/way tree

O/S 33, uneven paving

#### **Geoffrey Avenue**

O/S 55, uneven paving

#### **David Drive**

O/S 24, uneven paving

#### **Court Avenue**

O/S 10, carriageway pothole

#### **Camborne Avenue**

O/S 83, carriageway pothole O/S 64, Carriageway pothole

#### Halesworth Road

Jnct. Leyburn Crescent, b/top footway damaged

#### **Kettering Road**

Opp. 29, b/top footway damaged O/S 9, b/top footway damaged

#### A BIG Thank You

I am sorry that I did not have time to thank you all for your custom during my 20 years working for Betterwear but the collapse of the Company happened overnight. May I wish you all well and once again thank you Joy.

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