



THE BULLETIN

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LOOKING AFTER OUR COMMUNITY

FEBRUARY 20

Harold Wood Evening WI

Ladies if you fancy making new friends, share knowledge, learn new skills, and have fun come along and give your local Women's Institute a try.

Our programme is varied with interesting Speakers, craft events, social nights and there is always time for tea, biscuits and a chat.

In addition we run various clubs i.e. book, crafts, walking, games, cuppa, cinema and theatre trips. We also have a Dames that dine club every other month.

We welcome new visitors to our meetings where you will always find a friendly face to sit with.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month, 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall, Gubbins Lane. For more info call Jo 0787 567 0419 or go to: www.haroldwoodwi.co.uk



Muddy Grass Verges

We would urge all residents to be considerate towards others and to not drive over the grass verges as this brings mud onto the pavement which makes it slippery to walk on for all pedestrians.

The Council enforcement team can fine householders if they persistently drive over the grass verges and damage the grass or pavement especially if the property does not have a vehicle crossover. We are receiving a number of complaints from residents so we are asking everyone to consider the above and refrain from damaging the grass verges.



A12 Gullies Cleared

Following notification from a resident about the drains and gullies being blocked by the retail park and causing a large amount of flooding at Gallows Corner Entrance, I contacted TfL via the Council and was pleased that they came along and cleared the drains from any blockages and therefore this area is not being flooded now when heavy rain occurs.



CLLR DARREN WISE

Recent Anti-Social Behaviour

We are aware of recent issues within the Kings Park Estate and have met with some of the residents. We will be organising a further meeting so that some initiatives such as Street Watch and Neighbourhood Watch can be introduced if there are volunteers willing to do this. We will also be working with the local HW Police Team to ask them to increase uniformed patrols as well as demanding more Police for our area from the Mayor of London.

CLLRS EAGLING, GOODE AND WISE

Council Motion on Fireworks

In conjunction with the RSPCA, we have submitted a motion to council to adopt the following requirements:



- To encourage all public firework displays within Havering to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people
- To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people – including what can be done to mitigate the risks
- To encourage local suppliers of fireworks to stock 'quieter' fireworks for public display

CLLRS EAGLING, GOODE AND WISE

Saint Francis Hospice

Haircraft in Oak Road would like to announce that the final total for their festive tea in support of St Francis Hospice is £1541.70 of which £184.60 was raised from the sale of hand made cards donated by our lovely client Jacqui Brown. Thank you all very much
CAROLINE

Housing Issue

I was contacted by a resident on the Kingsbridge Circus Estate with regards to them being removed from the Housing list by the Council and I am pleased that following my intervention that their case has been re-opened and the decision will be reconsidered.

CLLR DARREN WISE

Green Waste Collection

Following a complaint from a resident about green waste not being collected when it should have been, we contacted the Council and this was picked up within a few days.



CLLR GOODE AND WISE

Gooshays Ward News

- Following months of chasing the council about a resident's complaint of a neighbouring property having a front garden full of rubbish, I am pleased to say that finally the Council issued a CPW notice and the front garden is now clear of rubbish.
- A resident contacted me about crime issues in Hildene shopping centre and in particular their concerns for her elderly father. I have informed the local Police Team for that area and they have stated this will be an area of focus for them in the coming months. The Police will also contact the resident concerned to discuss the issues with them as well

CLLR DARREN WISE

Havering Antique & Collectors Club

FEBRUARY 21st - ANNE WILMORE - ANTIQUES & MEMORABILIA QUIZ

Harold Wood Neighbourhood Centre, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood

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A bit of Good News

My elderly parents had a problem regarding having their rubbish collected so I contacted Cllr, Eagling and the very next day this problem was resolved. I would to thank him for caring about our Community.

A LOCAL RESIDENT

St. Peter's Men's Lunch

This will be held on TUESDAY, 11th FEBRUARY 2020, from 11:30am in St. Peter's Church Centre, Harold Wood. Our Spring Season of lunches is now well under way, and for our February event we are



thrilled to announce that TONY JARRETT former Olympic Hurdler will be joining us as our special guest speaker. Tony obtained many medals during his 20 year

career, including the 4x100 relay Silver and a Gold at the 1998 Commonwealth Games. Tony will be telling us of his career and sharing his faith story with us – an occasion not to be missed!

To reserve your lunch place (or cancel), please telephone St. Peter's Welcome Desk on 01708 342 080, or email: welcome.desk@stpetersharoldwood.org

We look forward to welcoming you on the 11th February.

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

Parks Protection Service

If you see any problems in any of the Council's parks or open spaces then please call the Council's Parks Protection Service. Please telephone 07904 805872 or email: parkspolice@haverling.gov.uk

Advice from our Local Police Team

We have had an increase in motor vehicle crime recently. We urge you to do what you can to secure your vehicle. Faraday bags are excellent for keyless cars, and steering wheel locks are great for any vehicle for that extra bit of crime prevention. Although Faraday bags are great, also remember that they are not a one-off purchase. With the friction of the keys going in and out of the case the lining does wear down and the signal can then leak. So keep an eye on the lining and replace the case if the lining appears damaged.

Reporting Crime

Please do not report any crime via social media!!!! To report a crime you can do so via the Metropolitan Website on www.met.police.uk or in a non-emergency you can call 101 or in an emergency you can call 999. If you would like to report a crime anonymously you can do via the Crime stoppers website which is www.crimestoppers-uk.org or 0800 555 111. If you would like further advice on a matter in your neighbourhood please ring the Harold Wood Safer Neighbourhood Team on 0208 721 2509 or contact us at haroldwood.snt@met.police.uk

A Nation Of Shopkeepers

The sight of the boarded-up façade of the travel agent and sweet shop at the junction of Station Rd and Gubbins Lane, got me thinking about the loss of amenities in Harold Wood. Since the early 50's, when I came here, we have lost a shoe shop, a shoe repairer, barber, milliner, a glazier and wallpaper shop, a timber merchant, seed merchant, couple of iron mongers and 3 banks. On the Oak Rd side, we had two butchers and paper shops. In all, there were getting on for 40 shops, now I make it no more than half that number.



The proliferation of the car, leading to out of town supermarkets, gives more choice, but to young mums and the elderly, the local shops are essential and give a sense of community. It would be nice to have a rebirth of local shops, the station booking hall reopened and breath the clean air of a traffic free Station Road. At least we still have a funeral parlour, which I don't wish to take advantage of just yet!

DENNIS GOODWIN

CHRISTMAS CRACKER



Answers from the December quiz:

- 1) St. Nicholas, 2) Holly, 3) Pear, 4) Boxing Day, 5) Seven, 6) Libra the scales, 7) Charles Dickens, 8) 364, 9) Nana, 10) No "L" (Noel)

Tickets Please

At long last the ticket hall at Harold Wood Station, has now be re-opened, and work is continuing to progress for the remainder of the works required, including the new plaza that has been designed. Hopefully, it will not be too long now before Harold Wood Station is fully operational. We will keep you informed of the expected completion dates as soon as they have been confirmed by TfL.



CLLRS EAGLING, GOODE AND WISE

Gallows Corner Potholes

Over the Xmas period, I noticed there was a large pothole on the roundabout and thus was causing damage to car tyres. I reported this to TfL and they had advised that contractors had been informed and this was dealt with quickly.

CLLR DARREN WISE

A Big Thank You

Ciaran White of Haverling MIND would like to thank Cllr Brian Eagling and Cllr Martin Goode for helping out at the Winter Wonderland in the Santa's grotto.

A New Venture



We were recently delighted to meet Michael Pusey MBE whom has recently taken over the former Morris Dancer Public House to develop a facility to improve the lives of vulnerable young people and support them to be independent and build a positive future for themselves. Michael is also involved in other London boroughs in developing BMX Tracks and clubs. He also coaches BMX riders and had nine riders in the Olympic programme, some of these individuals are World and National champions.

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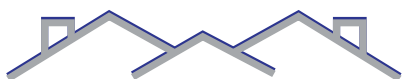


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