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## LOOKING AFTER OUR COMMUNITY

**JULY 21**



Following what happened to my dear son Harvey Tyrrell at the King Harold Pub back in 2018, I am so grateful to Cllr. Brian Eagling for his help in arranging meetings with Andrew Rosindell MP and Julia Lopez MP to get my petition regarding Electrical Safety in pubs, clubs and restaurants to be raised in Parliament. We now have over 50,000 signatures and my aim is to present this petition to number 10 Downing Street. Please would you kindly sign and share my petition if you have not already done so, it literally takes 30 seconds and every signature really does count. The link for Harvey Tyrrell's law is: [www.change.org/Harveytyrrellcampaign](http://www.change.org/Harveytyrrellcampaign)

Thank you Brian for your continued support.

DANIELLE JONES

### Why not pick a side?

Last summer I spent my daily walks round Harold Court Woods grumbling to myself about all the litter in the surrounding undergrowth. By the Autumn I was sick of looking at it and decided to take action myself; so I started by removing years worth of rubbish from around the car park, it was SO satisfying to see the transformation! Brian and Bunny soon enrolled me in the Harold Wood Wombles so that I didn't have to drag bin bags of rubbish home with me and I became a 'woman on a mission' - to clear the whole area where I walked. When the ground had dried out after a wet Winter, I started 'picking' again with Gina, Dianne and Jane helping when they were free. And we now have a couple of new recruits joining us next time, they stopped to chat after passing us 'in action' and

they volunteered on the spot.

People will continue to pollute our streets and parks every single day until the generation of children who are currently being taught about the damage that litter does to the environment grow up and show them how we should be looking after our planet. So why not 'pick' a side as we have. You can either try to ignore it OR you can do something about it!

TERESA KEENS

### Quick Response

Knowing Cllr. Eagling gets things done I contacted him regarding an overflowing Dog Poo bin on the large green in Cornflower Way, Harold Wood. He came to check it out for himself and reported it straight away and within two days it was emptied. Thank you Cllr Eagling once again for listening to the residents and actioning our complaints.

JACKIE, A LOCAL HAROLD WOOD RESIDENT

*Nb: I was also contacted by a resident on the same matter and a replacement bin has been requested in this location as the old one is corroded at the bottom.*

CLLR DARREN WISE

### Mrs Nell Wadley

We would like to pay tribute to Mrs Nell Wadley who sadly passed away on the 7th June at the age of 96. The family moved here in 1955 having lived here for 66 years.

She was involved in the community from arranging swimming galas to being one of the first volunteers in the St. Francis Hospice shop and then the Rainbow shop helping to raise money at

fetes etc. She also worked in the kitchens at Harold Court School. After retirement she helped elderly neighbours. She led a very full life in the local community.

### Found a Phone!



Whilst out litter picking with the Harold Wood Wombles I encountered a distressed young lady who was frantically searching for her iPhone which she had lost over Harold Wood Park the day before. The phone was on silent so we couldn't ring it but she knew it had to be in the area as she was getting a signal. I was determined to find it knowing how upset she was and after searching the bushes and the ditch I got on my hands and knees in the long grass and to my delight I found it. When I showed the phone to the young lady she was absolutely relieved and the smile on her face made the search worthwhile. Following a message from the girl's mum on Facebook saying that she had lost her phone the other Wombles searched along the way as they litter picked but I was so pleased that I was the one to find it.

CLLR. BRIAN EAGLING

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## LIFE on MARS

Recently, the Guardian newspaper celebrated its bicentenary and displayed a reproduction of the 1st issue. I noticed the price then was 7d, which would be about £2 today, slightly cheaper than the current price. I find it dangerous to do price comparisons, yet am always doing it. My father earned about £2.25 a week in the thirties, yet managed to get a mortgage and paid about £2.25 a month repayments. In 1953, I too got a monthly mortgage of £9.50 equal to my weekly salary. It doesn't seem such a millstone now, looking at the situation today.

At my Great-grandson's 7th birthday I noticed the expensive looking electronic presents and tried to recall my childhood gifts in the Thirties. They wouldn't have been electronic, we didn't have mains electric. If it didn't run on gas we didn't have it (Dad worked for the Gas Company). Our wireless ran on an HT 120v battery and a 6volt accumulator that regularly needed recharging. My favourite present was a 7-volume set of Newnes Pictorial Knowledge bought from a tally man on the door step for seven guineas. It served me through my childhood and I still have it. It reads so dated now with Baird demonstrating his new TV system and the building of the yet unnamed Queen Mary liner. Thinking back, Dad spent almost a month's wages on that present! Another non electric one was Devil amongst the Tailors, a skittle game with a diamond shaped array of pins on a board that could be flattened by a swung ball on a string anchored to a rod above the table. The only clever bit was a handle that when yanked, reset the pins for a new game. These gifts kept me content for the whole of the thirties. Something similar today is on sale for at least £100. Dad couldn't have paid more than £2 or £3 pounds then.

I often compare the cost of things by referring to the price of the Mars bar. I bought a Mars Bar recently at 60p The first thing I noticed was it's only about two thirds the size of my pre war 1p Mars bar, so it can no longer be a reliable cost of living indicator. The trouble is I'm running out of contemporaries to tut-tut over today's prices, so I'll have to stop going on about how it was in my day.

DENNIS GOODWIN

## ULEZ Zone expansion

The central London Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) is expanding to create a single, larger zone up to (but not including) the North Circular Road (A406) and South Circular Road (A205) from 25 October this year.

Many cars already meet the ULEZ emissions standards but you can check your vehicle at the following link - <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/ultra-low-emission-zone/ulez-expansion>

## Overgrown foliage

I was contacted by a resident with regards to overgrown foliage in a neighbouring property. I raised the matter with the Council and they sent a letter to the homeowner to request that they cut back the foliage which has now been done.

CLLR DARREN WISE

## Dog Poo Signs



You may have seen Dog Poo signs on some lamp columns in your Road, which your three Councillors have been putting up, to remind some dog owners to clean up and bin their dog's poo. If you have an issue in your road and you require a sign to be erected please let us know.

CLLRS EAGLING, GOODE AND WISE

## A QUICK JULY UPDATE from the Men's Lunch Team at St. Peter's Church, Harold Wood

Men's Lunch



When you read this, we will know the outcome of the Government's June 21st 'roadmap' – all social distancing rules may have been recinded, or they may not have! The decisions will have a big impact on how Men's Lunch proceed with our plans.

The Team are hoping to provide some sort of re-launch in September. We're considering a few different scenarios, and expect to be able to give more detailed news in August so, as they say, 'watch this space!'

If you'd like to get in touch, please contact us via email:

[welcome.desk@stpetersharoldwood.org](mailto:welcome.desk@stpetersharoldwood.org)  
OR telephone: 01708 342080 and leave an answerphone message. The St. Peter's staff team are picking up messages fairly frequently.

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

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We are delighted to announce that services will resume on Sunday 27th June at 10.30 a.m. Masks will be required. All are welcome.

## Squirrels Block in Douglas Ave



A resident contacted me about the state and neglect of the Squirrels Housing Block in Douglas Ave and I undertook a site visit with the resident. During the inspection we saw electrical wires exposed to the weather elements, rubbish dumped behind one of the buildings and there was also rubbish all over the floor in the designated refuse area which was attracting vermin. The electrical meter boxes had also been left exposed to the weather elements. After I contacted the council, they issued a Community Protection Notice to the landlord whom subsequently contacted me to advise that the matters raised have been resolved.

CLLR DARREN WISE

## Fun Park Tickets

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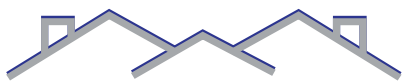
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