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# THE BULLETIN

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## Gooshays Drive Roundabout



### Good news

We are very pleased to see that the Council has turfed the Gooshays Drive roundabout and that they have planted some trees in this location which is sponsored by Harold Wood Funeral Services. We are sure you will agree that this is good news and is very welcome as this roundabout had been looking very neglected.

### BUDGET UPDATE

Following approval of the Council Budget for this Financial Year, we can confirm that:

- Free parking for up to 1 hour **still remains** in **Harold Wood** and **Harold Hill** and also other on street pay and display shopping areas within the borough.
- **No increase** in parking charges in the borough's car parks
- **Sundays** will remain **free** parking

## Heaton Action Team



[Mary Bakoulas](#) [Wendy Brice-Thompson](#) [Martin Glenn](#)

## Action Team for Heaton Ward

We would like to introduce you to the action team for the Heaton Ward. We have **Mary Bakoulas**, **Wendy Brice Thompson**, and **Martin Glenn**.

Wendy previously served as a Havering Councillor and after taking a break, she has now joined us as an action team member. Wendy was Mayor in 2006/7 and served on many committees and in Cabinet. Mary and Martin are also action team members and are active in the community and they are here to support and serve the residents of Heaton Ward. Please **support them** and if they are successful in next May's local elections, they can **support you** with your issues.

If you can help to deliver this Bulletin regularly in your road, or you might want to **advertise** here, then please email us at [heaton@hwhpra.org.uk](mailto:heaton@hwhpra.org.uk) or call us as we will be distributing our newsletter regularly to over 6000 residents across the Heaton Ward.

### Boundary Changes

Due to recent boundary changes some parts of the Harold Wood Ward have been redrawn and now fall into the Heaton Ward for electoral voting. Parts of Gooshays Drive, Faringdon Ave and Camborne Ave and those roads within that boundary will now form part of the Heaton Ward. The Boundary commission reviews warding patterns approximately every 20 years and they look at various factors. The changes will take effect in May 2022 so please support your **new** action team.

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### MORE POLICE, SAFER STREETS!

Over the last few years, we have seen increases of Knife Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour, Drug Use and Dealing within the Harold Wood and Harold Hill areas which comprise of three wards - Harold Wood, Gooshays and Heaton Wards. The Policing ratio for these areas is insufficient and more police officers should be allocated. Residents would like to see more regular patrols, more 'stop and search' powers, and more education about drug running (County Lines) to our young and vulnerable residents.

#### Please sign our petition

<http://chnq.it/ff8RYxDRT6x>

### Public Toilets in Hildene, where are they?



Whilst we were out and about in Hildene shopping centre we noticed that the Council had removed the automatic self-cleaning public toilet. We understand that these types of toilets have been removed across various parts of Havering as the contract with the provider has ended. The average cost to the council is approximately £13 each time they are used. We are, however, requesting that new toilets to be available for public use in the Harold Hill Hub and hopefully this will stop anti-social behaviour; having witnessed individuals urinating in the bushes.

## Chippenham Road Footway Resurfacing

Following representations made by your Action Team and in consultation with the Gooshays Ward Councillor (Jan Sargent) and the Harold Wood Councillors (Brian Eagling, Martin Goode and Darren Wise), we are delighted that the footways in Chippenham Road have recently been resurfaced as they were in such a poor deteriorating state and the current Councillors for Heaton Ward failed to do anything. We know there are many roads and pavements that need repairing and we are actively drawing up a list. If you have any pavements and roads that require attention in your area, then please email them to [heaton@hwhpra.org.uk](mailto:heaton@hwhpra.org.uk) and we can submit them to the council to inspect and review though it will be for the Officers to make a final determination on the state of repair.



## POMPADOURS

You're probably thinking the same as us...what's going on! It's awful! We feel bad for the residents looking out on to it every day.

The planning department have said that the application (P1301.19) for demolition and the construction of 21 new houses is still being processed. This eyesore is depressing and brings the area down. The Heaton and Gooshays Action Teams are working with the Gooshays Cllr Jan Sargent in trying to see what can be done here; Environment services have also been contacted. We will keep you posted. It's a shame to see the old Pompadours like this. Please bear in mind that this site is privately owned.

## Vehicle Crossovers and Parking

We would like to remind local residents that if you are parking on your property on your own frontage and that you access this by driving over a grass verge or driving over a raised kerb stone and you do not have a vehicle crossover, the Council could fine you for any damage that you may cause to the public highway as you are not allowed to do this and the Council are enforcing in this area.

## Harold Hill Community Hub

Havering's first community hub, in Harold Hill, is now open and is ready to welcome residents. The community hub is part of the new way the Council are delivering localised services, in partnership with the voluntary community sector making it easier for Havering residents to access the support they need.

Designed and developed with local residents and partners and tailored to meet local needs, the flagship hub will be temporarily based in the old Housing Office at Chippenham Road, until the Harold Hill Library location is ready later in the year. The hub will help residents to access frontline Council services, such as housing advice and Havering Works.

They will be able to get advice and support on matters that affect them, help to find a job, provide access to free Wi-Fi and equipment alongside training and skills opportunities, as well as a wide range of social activities. For more information then go to

<https://www.haveringcommunityhub.com/harold-hill>

## Terrible Pavements

Whilst on our walkabout of the ward, we have reported this pavement to the Council for repair in Harrow Crescent. It beggars belief why the current Councillors had not previously addressed this!



## Harold Wood Funeral Services Garden



We would like to highlight the lovely garden that has been put in place outside the Harold Wood Funeral Services branch in Chippenham Road in Harold Hill. This looks very presentable and provides a focal point for the community to look at whilst visiting the area and attending St. Georges Church next door. Well done to the team for replenishing and maintaining the small garden.