

Eastcote Park Estate Association

<http://www.eastcoteparkestate.org.uk>

Newsletter– January 2022

SUBSCRIPTIONS

EPEA subscriptions are due on a calendar year basis.

2022 Subscriptions are now due and remain at £3.00 for each residence (no change since 2005).

We encourage residents to add a donation to our welfare fund which will again be for the Acorn Youth Club. In recent years donations have averaged a similar amount as subscriptions. The Acorn Youth club is a local group and is a registered charity which provides weekly meetings for those with learning difficulties.

Door to door collections will start in March from those who have chosen not to pay direct to the treasurer or by bank transfer by 28.2.22. Generally collections will be by your Road Steward but committee members will step in should any Road stewards have concerns about collecting this year. Early payments would help reduce the burden on our volunteer collectors.

We encourage you to make an early payment by cheque, payable to: **Eastcote Park Estate Association** or by bank transfer to:

Details removed from web version

Please ensure you advise your name and address with your payment. It is the treasurer's nightmare to have amounts credited to our bank account with insufficient details making it impossible to know who has paid and who has not.

Any cheques should be delivered or posted to the treasurer, Martin Hand, at (removed from web version) also advising your address.

JUNE 2022

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE EVENT VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We are now starting to think in more detail about the jubilee celebrations. Subject to Council's approval, we expect our event to be held on Friday 3rd June. This will be on the second day of an extended 4 day bank holiday weekend.

When we have had similar events (most recently in 2014) a number of residents have come forward to help out both in planning and organising and helping on the day. Should you be happy to join some of our committee members on an organising committee for this event please contact Richard Maude or any member of the committee (contact details on page 4).

The 2014 event and the 2012 event were both great successes and we hope to make this year just as good.

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21st CENTURY EPEA EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Many of the current committee have been in office throughout the 21st century to date. We have not reinvented what should be done by the committee but have carried on the good work and ideas of previous generations and committees. Now seemed like a good time to review some of what we have been up to this century based on currently available newsletters from 2002.

Autumn events

Fish and chip quiz nights in 2004, 2005, 2007 to 2008, 2010 to 2016, 2018 to 2019 and 2021.

Historical evening and buffet in 2003, Ceilidh in 2006 and a Cheese and wine evening in 2009.

Easter Egg Hunts

2002 to 2014 and 2016 to 2019.

Jubilee Street parties

2002 and 2012 and planning for 2022.

Evening Dinners

Jubilee dinner 2002 and 80th anniversary dinner in 2017.

65+ Group meetings

Monthly meetings October 2017 to February 2020 and May to December 2021. Additional four outdoor gatherings in the summer of 2021.

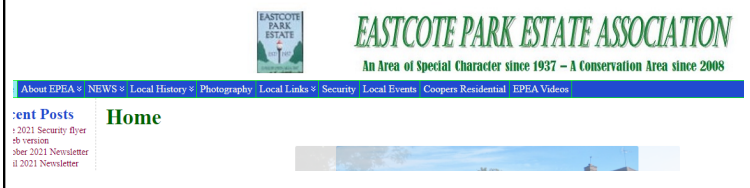
Petitions for remedial works to roads and or pavements

2009 roads and pavements.

2019 pavements.

NEW RESIDENTS WELCOME LETTER

We like to ensure that new residents see our welcome letter. A version is available on our website in the "About EPEA" section but please contact any member of the committee for a printed copy if you cannot access online.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Please contact Chris Head:
to be added to his confidential circulation list of Neighbourhood Watch issues.

The police contacts for Eastcote are:

Eascote.Ruislip.snt@met.police.uk

020 8721 2548 or Twitter @MPSEastcoteXH

Extracts from Owl reports:

A burglary occurred in Cheney Street on 29/09/21 between 00:00-07:00hrs. Residents woke up in the morning and discovered they had been burgled. Entry was gained via the rear door.

A car was stolen on 01/11/21 at 19:15hrs in Burwood Avenue. The vehicle was unlocked whilst the owner was in the process of removing items.

A burglary occurred in Rodney Gardens on the 13th November 2021 between 05.00-10.42hrs. The garage was broken into and various items were stolen. It appears suspects(s) came through the garden and forced open a door.

EMAIL CIRCULATION LIST

Chris Head remains part of the local Safer Neighbourhood team but resigned from the EPEA committee in September 2021. Over recent years he collected a confidential email circulation list for neighbourhood watch purposes and has kindly used this for circulating some items for the EPEA. With Chris's resignation from the committee we would like to build up a new email circulation list so we can contact residents quickly as and when appropriate. This list will be held confidentially by our web manager (Sam Wren). Should you be happy to be added to this circulation list please email

Webmaster@eastcoteparkestate.org.uk

advising your name and address and confirming you are happy to be added to this new confidential list. The list will not be shared with other EPEA committee members and will only be used for local issues on the estate and not for any marketing purposes. Our newsletters will be circulated by email to the circulation list but there is no current plan to stop full circulation of paper copies.

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER(S)

Chris Head resigned from the committee in 2021. We thank him for his many years of work for the EPEA and appreciate his continued efforts on Neighbourhood Watch. We would like new members to join us either formally at this year's AGM or by joining us for some of our committee meetings during 2022 (currently on Zoom) to get an idea of what we get up to so that they can consider standing more formally in the future. On average the current committee members have served for more than 14 years each, with several being on the committee for around 20 years. There are a range of profiles on the committee but it is common for members to have signed up in their forties or fifties and still be members nearly 20 years later. We welcome anyone who may like to get involved but some from the next generation would help secure the future of the association. Should you be interested do contact any member of the committee. We normally have about four committee meetings a year with sub committees where necessary.

NEW ROAD STEWARD(S)

For some years we have had a full 16 Road Stewards doing an excellent job of delivering newsletters and collecting the residual annual subscriptions etc. We currently have a vacancy and would like to make contact with any residents who would be prepared to take on this role. Should you feel you would be interested in volunteering please contact Martin Hand or any member of the committee.

ROAD STEWARDS

Thanks go to our Road Stewards. Should you wish to confirm the details of your Steward please contact Martin Hand or post a note to 33 St Lawrence Drive. The change this year is for 29-55 Rodney Gardens where Margaret Ross is filling a vacancy.

Please welcome our road stewards if they call on you as they are doing a stalwart voluntary job for the good of the estate.

EASTER EGG HUNT

This event would be due on Sunday April 17th 2022 but unfortunately we have not yet had any volunteers to run the event.

Should you feel this is something you could organise please contact Richard Maude or any member of the committee. We can then provide you with advice and support to be able to organise this event.

We feel sure there must be some residents on the estate (perhaps with children or grand children) who would be keen to get involved in this to enable our Easter event to continue.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Christmas decorations on the estate were judged again in December. It was a very close call but the winners were:

1st place..... 24 Pamela Gardens

2nd place..... 31 Pamela Gardens

3rd place 39 Rodney Gardens

Well done all of these homes and everyone who made the estate sparkle around Christmas.



Message from

The Friends of Eastcote House Gardens

www.eastcotehousegardens.weebly.com

Currently the Friends do not have anything planned for the early part of 2022. Their first major event will be the Jubilee fair and picnic on June 4th 2022.

CCTV and ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) Cameras

Following a recent high profile court case, and the potential for future changes to relevant legislation, the committee has reluctantly decided not to continue with the ANPR security project. As such, we will no longer be holding a consultation meeting as previously advised. The committee apologise for any inconvenience this change of plan may cause.

Residents may wish to make their own security arrangements with ring cameras etc. which remain perfectly legal if installed in the correct manner. The government guidelines, circulated by Owl on 13th October 2021 state:

“Residents are reminded that the rules relating to the use of all types of domestic CCTV installation are available from the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO) website:

<https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/domestic-cctv-systems-guidance-for-people-using-cctv/>

It is very clear from the ICO page linked above that it is perfectly legal to film beyond your boundary, however the homeowner is responsible for ensuring that they are doing it in ways that comply with the data protection laws”

The EPEA Committee members and contact details are:

Gerry Edwards (Chairman)

Richard Maude (Secretary)

Martin Hand (Treasurer and member of 65+ sub committee)

Marg Bacon (Member of 65+ sub committee)

Ash Dhir

Mark Lemon

Margaret Ross (Member of 65+ sub committee)

Peter Ryder

Sam Wren (Webmaster)

To contact the committee on general EPEA matters we suggest you email:

Webmaster

@eastcoteparkestate.org.uk

Message from our new newsletter sponsor

As an agent established within your local area since 1986, Coopers are delighted to sponsor the Eastcote Park Estate newsletter from 2021. We look forward to building a long standing relationship with the association!

With 7 local offices, our aim is to be a central part of the communities we work within as a customer orientated company, based on treating everyone we cross paths with as an equal and a potential customer through a team of local, talented, knowledgeable, hardworking and energetic people who take pride in everything they do.

We look forward to working with you all and discussing any sales or lettings property needs you may have over the coming years.



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