

# Eastcote Park Estate Association

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

## Newsletter– OCTOBER 2022

### AUTUMN FISH & CHIP QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 19th November 2022 from 7.30pm

This year's event will take place in the Church Hall adjacent to St. Lawrence Church in Bridle Road.

To book a place please contact Marg Bacon (Number redacted) as soon as possible and by 12th November at the latest to ensure we can order the fish and chips for you. Places are available on a first come first served basis. Please pay in advance to avoid the rush of cash changing hands on the

**Price: £10.00 to include fish and chips — Bring your own liquid refreshment**

**Maximum team size: 6 people**



night.

### THE EPEA WEBSITE

We remind residents of some of the contents of our website pages:

**ABOUT EPEA**: Constitution, Objectives, Safeguarding policy, AGM (Minutes etc.), EPEA History, Welcome letter

**NEWS**: Current newsletter, Past newsletters, Other news

**LOCAL HISTORY**: Eastcote social history, Eastcote House Grounds, House and Bungalow brochures, Link to the local history society

**PHOTOGRAPHY**: Platinum Jubilee, Diamond Jubilee, Golden Jubilee, VE day, Picnic in the Park 2010, 2014 street party, The Stables 2010, Estate sign restored 2009

**LOCAL LINKS**: Acorn Youth Club, Eastcote Residents Association, Hillingdon Telecare line

**EPEA VIDEOS**: Links to the location on YouTube of our two estate videos

### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Christmas lights on the estate will be judged again this year.

Many thanks and good luck to all those who make the effort to brighten our estate at Christmas.



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## **NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

We currently have 9 of the 10 required 10 committee members. We would like new members to join us either formally at next year's AGM or by joining us for some of our committee meetings during 2022/2023 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 15 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.

## **EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEERS**

We had no volunteers in 2022 to run this event.

We would like to resume in 2023. but need volunteer(s) to take this on. Should you feel this is something you could organise please contact Richard Maude or any member of the committee. Richard will provide advice to those who volunteer.

The key activities are: buying the eggs, selling tickets to residents, hiding cardboard cut outs of eggs in Eastcote House Gardens, Hosting the event on the day, and accounting for income and expenses.

On the day it will be necessary to gather those with tickets, explain the process of finding the cut outs and coming back for an egg with only one per ticket holder. Previously there were also some larger eggs to be won (the golden Eggs).

## **65+ GROUP**

Our group for EPEA members who have reached 65 years of age is continuing to meet. Although we lost 16 monthly meetings due to covid, this year marks 5 years of the Group which first met in October 2017. We are not currently accepting new members but please contact Martin Hand, Marg Bacon or Margaret Ross for more information or to be added to our waiting list.

## **EPEA EMAIL CIRCULATION LIST**

Our web manager (Sam Wren) is building up his list of email addresses so he can contact residents quickly, as and when appropriate, on behalf of the committee. The list will be held confidentially by him. Should you be happy to be added to this circulation list please email [Webmaster@eastcoteparkestate.org.uk](mailto:Webmaster@eastcoteparkestate.org.uk) advising your name and address and confirming you are happy to be added to this 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.

## **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](mailto:Eascote.Ruislip.snt@met.police.uk)

020 8721 2548 or Twitter @MPSEastcoteXH

### Extract from Owl reports:

A burglary occurred in Rodney Gardens on Friday 2nd September 2022 at 00:30hrs.

Access was via a front window. After the alarm was activated suspects made off.

## **Information about the activities of The Friends Of Eastcote House Gardens (FEHG)**

The Friends web site is:

<https://www.eastcotehousegardens.org.uk>

The next event in 2022 is:

Tree-Dressing on Saturday November 26th starting at 1:30 p.m.

Gardening Sessions continue every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the year starting at 9.30am. Please contact the FEHG via the 'Contact us' page of their web site if you wish to attend any of their sessions.

**Some Facts about Eastcote House**  
**(outline of the house can be still seen in**  
**Eastcote House Gardens)**

There were archaeological digs in 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Amongst other things, the digs found foundations dating back to late 16th or early 17th century. There were also remains that date back to 15th century. Pottery found nearby dates the origins of Hopkyttes (the first known building on the site) to the around the 13th century.

The Stables building (renovated in 2014/5) is a Grade 2 listed building as is the Dovecot.

In 1881 Sir Samuel Morton Peto, Baronet and Justice of the peace, was in residence as a tenant. He managed construction firms that built many of the major buildings and monuments in London including The Lyceum, Nelson's Column and the current Houses of Parliament.

The property on the site was called Eastcote House from around the early 16th century with the building being demolished in 1964. For a good part of its life Eastcote House was owned by the Hawtrey Family including several called Ralph. One of these is pictured below.



**Ralph Hawtrey of Ruislip (1570–1638) –  
“Ralph with the ruff”**

**AUTUMN PLANTING**



We invite residents to volunteer to plant bulbs on any of the grassy islands of our estate.

Marg Bacon usually organises the bulbs so contact her or any member of the committee if you would like to volunteer. The committee will provide an appropriate number of bulbs.

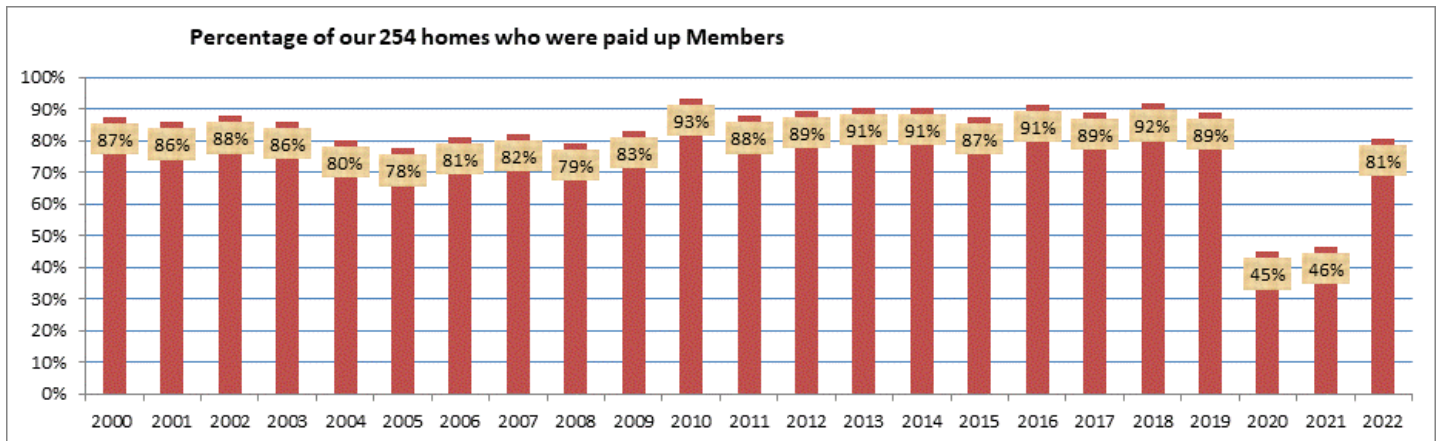
The relevant islands are:

1. At the junction of St Lawrence Drive and Rodney Gardens around numbers 51 to 61.
2. In Rodney Gardens between numbers 47 to 47 and 66 to 68.
3. In Rodney Gardens between numbers 39 to 41 and 50 to 60.
4. At the junction of Rodney Gardens and Burwood Avenue by 9 Rodney and 47 Burwood.
5. In Burwood Avenue between numbers 40 to 42 and 27 to 37.
6. In Burwood Avenue between numbers 7 to 9 and 14 to 22.
7. The main entrance island at the junction of St Lawrence Drive and Bridle Road.
8. At the junction of St Lawrence and The Glen (The oak tree island).

The junction of Pamela Gardens and Field End Road is excluded due to fast moving adjacent traffic. Good luck and thanks to all who volunteer.

Do please volunteer to plant some bulbs. They do bring some joy to the estate in the spring.

## EPEA membership history this century up September 2022



### The EPEA Committee members 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](mailto:@eastcoteparkestate.org.uk)

### Message from our 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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