

The Village Newsletter

FOR THE RESIDENTS
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RESIDENTS MEETING

Unfortunately the agreed CBCT transfer of the playground to the council has stalled.

The VA feels it is important to update Village residents on the current situation with a question and answer session.

We are therefore calling a residents' meeting about this matter on Monday 24th April, to be held at The Fleeting Brook, at 7:30pm.

Also invited to this meeting will be representatives of the District Council, the Parish Council, Linden Homes and CBCT.

This meeting will be of particular interest to residents who may be concerned about possible future changes of use to the public assets on The Village (Arc, Green, Rifle Ranges) which have now become pre-conditions to the playground transfer.



NEW WARDEN CONTRACT



NEW WARDEN EMAIL
VillageWarden@gmail.com

Following an extensive retendering process and mindful of residents' feedback from the 2016 Warden Survey the new contract to provide a warden service at the Village has been awarded to John West Consulting Ltd. who we felt offered the most comprehensive service package and at a reasonable price.

John West is a Village resident and he worked with the Met Police as an inspector for 30 years, more recently he has helped the Met develop technology to assist crime prevention and detection.



NEW WARDEN PHONE
01883 770611

We are also pleased to announce that Jamie Hanmore, current assistant warden, will transfer over to join John West and become Deputy Warden. We are confident that together they will provide a visible and effective service for the benefit of all residents. The new contract will be effective from the 1st April 2017 onwards.

Finally, we are really grateful for the 20 years of service that Terry Pritchard has provided as Village Warden and we wish him every success and happiness for the future.

DIRECTORS VACANCIES

Earlier this year Lyn Robinson-Jones resigned her position on the Village Association board after being offered the Chair of a committee close to her heart. On a practical level she felt she could not dedicate the quality time to both the VA and her new committee. We take this opportunity to publicly thank Lyn for the work she has done within the VA.

As a result of Lyn's departure, the VA has a vacancy for a resident member director to join the board to work with the present members for the benefit of all residents, to help maintain the Village as an attractive a place to live, to secure the repair of the public buildings and to help us manage the services here. In the first instance, please email a brief CV to office@thevillageassociation.org

In addition there is a vacancy for a commercial member to become a commercial director on the estate. If you or your company owns a property on the estate and you would like to put yourself forward again please contact us via office@thevillageassociation.org

PARKING



Residents have expressed frustrations and concern at the way vehicles are parked and the implications this has on fellow road users and pedestrians alike.

We are therefore undertaking a review of the parking arrangements on site which will take time and include considering more yellow lines, signage and the possibility to create more parking spaces.

These are all medium to long term solutions and so as a start we will be rolling out the use of parking notices where it is thought the vehicle has been parked inconsiderately or dangerously in

an attempt to change parking behaviours. The notices will be issued by the new wardens from April.

If any resident or business owner has additional thoughts or ideas on how we can improve the parking on site then please do contact the VA office at office@thevillageassociation.org to share these.

NEW BENCHES

It had been reported that the benches nearest Banner Homes had sunk into the ground and were too low for residents to sit on. We have therefore purchased and installed two new hardwood benches overlooking the green for everyone to use. During spring we will be refurbishing the remainder of the benches and waste bins.

COMMUNICATIONS

The VA also sends this mailing out electronically. Please do subscribe to our mailing list at www.thevillageassociation.org

We also host The Village, Caterham-on-the-Hill Facebook group. The group is intentionally a small community which consists of home owners, tenants and business owners in the Village. If you would like to join then simply email office@thevillageassociation.org and we'll send you an invite.



IMPORTANTLY

The VA looks forward to seeing you at the Residents' Meeting on the 24th April to update you on events and hopefully answer any questions you might have.

Monday 24th April

7:30pm

THE FLEETING BROOK