

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

In 2009 you will be asked to elect a representative for Surrey County Council and we would like to hear from you if you have a desire to serve our community in this way.

Please contact our Vice Chairman, Colin Bird on 01372 723 443 if you would like to put yourself forward as a Residents' Association candidate.

Downs Road traffic calming

The delay is not due to Surrey County Council dragging its feet, or to problems with contractors. The government has changed the regulations on the spacing of speed cushions which forces the County to amend the plans and conduct a new consultation exercise. All those affected should have received the amended details and the plans can also be inspected at the Town Hall and the Ebbisham Centre 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday.

Closing date for responses is 24th October (ref JY/6915/014).

Epsom Town Centre Area Action Plan

The Action Plan aims to strengthen the vitality and viability of the Town Centre and provide a framework for future change up to 2026. Have your say! Visit the exhibition at the Town Hall. See the proposals at <http://epsom-ewell-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/>. Register your details and comment on line. Consultation period runs to 7th November.

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Recycle to keep Council Tax down!

Watch out for the Council leaflet giving details of the latest recycling initiatives -

Weekly kitchen waste collection

Fortnightly cardboard & plastics collection

Our aim is to recycle 50/60% of our waste.

Recycling saves you money and Epsom & Ewell is one of the most cost effective recyclers in the UK.

Are you disabled/have difficulty carrying out your box on recycling days? There may be a solution in the form of a special trolley - personally recommended by CWRA secretary!

For further details contact:-

JSharpe@epsom-ewell.gov.uk or 01372 732 521

Police Boundaries

The Police have reorganised their boundaries and College Ward has been split in two! The dividing line is Alexandra Road, so if you live on the South side (College to Ashley Roads area) your PC's and Specialist Officers are:

PC Sarah Campbell - Phone: 07967 987765 - FIN: 3382

PC Becky Clarke - Phone: 07967 987668 - FIN: 3009

PCSO Shawkat Al-Hakem - Phone: 07967 986122 - FIN: 12534

PCSO Stewart McKenzie - Phone: 07772 222501 - FIN: 13019

If you live on the opposite side of the ward (Links, Mill Roads, Wallace Fields area) you should contact:-

PC Diane Walker - Phone: 0845 125 2222 - FIN: 3847

PCSO Caroline Tims - Phone: 07967 986071 - FIN: 11973



Going round in circles or back to square 1 on the future of Epsom Hospital?

The Trust has now appointed new consultants to look at the issues. We wish we could give you more concrete information.

Meanwhile, the residents of Epsom & Ewell and the hospital staff continue to play the waiting game - except it's not a game is it?



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Planning Issues

We are becoming increasingly concerned and frustrated at some very inappropriate extensions to property which contravene the Borough's Design Guide. We are investigating this.

Railway land

As you probably know the stretch of land alongside Mill Road was sold at auction in the summer for circa £259,000 to Gladedale. Developing this site will be very costly as the embankment will have to be strengthened to facilitate this. The cost of building materials has already increased by 20% this year and in the current climate we do not expect to see any action here - yet. However, we will continue to keep a close, watching brief especially having regard for the rich wildlife on this site.

Upper High Street

We understand that Tesco has purchased the Iceland/Allam Motors site but at the time of writing no plans have been submitted. Although this is not in College Ward, a large development will affect our residents which is why we are keeping a close watch on any development.

Where were they?



Q. Who is nowhere to be seen when an issue which may affect you arises?

A. The 'politicals' of course!

When the question of concerts on Epsom Downs arose in July, College Ward Residents Association acted quickly to tell those who would be most affected by the plans. We informed residents via a leaflet drop, by email, and a posting on the Residents Associations of Epsom & Ewell website, of a meeting at The Queen's Stand to view the proposals and discuss the issues.

Conservative, LibDem, Labour & UKIP representatives were only noticeable by their absence. Of course, and somewhat belatedly, they have since jumped on the bandwagon!

We had some concerns which we expressed to the Chairman of the Conservators, Cllr Jean Smith and to Nick Blofield, Managing Director of Epsom Racecourse but generally we are supportive of the proposals which can only be to the benefit of Epsom.

If you would like a full copy of our comments via email, please contact the Secretary at gillheim@ntlworld.com

Hello Neighbour!

We've been trawling the Ward throughout the Summer to find out what issues concern you and we've been delighted with the warm reception we received. If we haven't met you yet- we will!

We're not just interested in your views at election time - we're here, working for your interests, every day of every year and we are taking action on the issues you raise with us on your doorstep.

But you don't have to wait for a personal visit, if you have a problem you would like us to help you with, you can contact any of CWRA Officers listed on the back of this Flyer,



Three of our 'trawler fleet' pictured from L to R. Mark Walter (CWRA Chairman), RA County Cllr, Chris Frost and Colin Bird.

From CWRA's School Representative - A Message from the Children

Dear Residents,
Everyone is hoping our School will become an Eco School. We have to make sure we keep our School tidy so we always put our fruit skins into the compost bins and don't drop any rubbish on the floor! We have a 'old, poly, pig' compost bin and we use the compost to grow our own vegetables.
We hope you've enjoyed reading our news.
Wallace Fields Infants School Council
"High achievement and success with a smile"