



Season's Greetings from the Longdown Lodge Estate Residents Association December 2020



Dear Resident

This year has been a strange and unprecedented time for all of us. As a Community we have all come together to support each other in several ways. The Longdown Lodge Help Group was created to support those residents unable to go shopping and to check neighbours were safe and well during lockdown. During the period of the first lockdown and into the summer month's groups of residents would meet outdoors, social distancing, catch up with each other to exchange news and views. To me, these activities demonstrated how good the community spirit is across the Estate.

During the spring, the display of daffodils across the Estate was not as good as it has been in previous years. As a result, members of the Committee and residents planted additional bulbs. Hopefully, there will be a better spread of colour for spring 2021.



In August the Estate sign was reinstalled. It is so good to see it beautifully restored and back in its rightful place.

The commemorative sign celebrating the Royal Wedding by the tree at the junction of Greenways and Beech Ride has also been restored.

Throughout late September and into October SGN were busy across the Estate enhancing and updating the gas suppliers to our homes.

The LLERA sent a letter to the management of SGN to put on record how impressed we were with their operative's hard work and consideration to residents.

**Your
Association
Needs You!**



The Association maintains the character of the estate and will soon enter its 59th year. Its very existence relies on residents volunteering to help in its running. This year sadly a number of long term members have either moved/ are moving from the estate or have retired from their duties due to personal commitments. We have struggled to replace them, a task made harder due to Covid.

Without new volunteers the association will cease to exist and as the saying goes "You don't know what you have until you lose it". We need a new Treasurer, Secretary, General committee members and street reps.

If the association is to make it to its 60th anniversary the time to stand up and be counted is now. It's a great opportunity to meet new friends and be a part of the community.

Contact us at committee@llera.org.uk and volunteer for your community before it's too late!

Social Events - Due to Covid restrictions, we were unable to hold our annual drinks and nibbles event, however, we thought it might be nice to cheer everyone up in gloomy January and organise a quiz night which will be held on Zoom. So a date for your diary – 21 January. The quiz will be free and will hopefully be something to look forward to in the New Year. Please email committee@llera.org.uk to let us know if you're interested – we need a minimum of 20 for it to go ahead.



Remembrance Sunday

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there was no Sandhurst Town Remembrance Service this year. On the afternoon of Remembrance Sunday Sue O’Sullivan accompanied by David Markby, Coralie Ramsey and

myself laid a wreath at the Town memorial on behalf of Longdown Lodge Estate residents. In this way we were able to pay our respects to the service men and women who have lost their lives in the service of this country.

Cold Callers

We have recently experienced the return to the Estate of the “Nottingham Knockers” and cold call double-glazing salesmen. The Committee have been looking at making the Estate a “No Cold Calling Zone”. To achieve this, we need approval from all residents. If anyone objects to making the Estate a cold calling free zone could you inform us by emailing committee@llera.org.uk, or send a written objection to the Secretary at 11 Primrose Way.



Your Annual Subscription Due to the government’s instructions to social distance the Estates street representatives have not been able to visit residents to collect the annual subscriptions. Could you please pay your £5 subscription via bank transfer?

Bank: Barclays Bank
A/C name: Longdown Lodge Estate Residents Ass.
Sort Code: 20 65 20
Account number: 13005461
 Reference: House number and Street abbreviation E.g. 7 Beech Ride = 7BR

Road	Abbreviation
Beech Ride	BR
Primrose Way	PR
Broomacres	BA
Orchard Gate	OG
Greenways	GW
Spring Woods	SW
Kings Keep	KK
Little Moor	LM



Estate Speed Limit - Within each Newsletter reference is made to the Estates 20 mph limit. Whilst most adhere to this there are still a few residents and visitors who believe it does not apply to them. With more young children on the Estate it is important that we all adhere to the 20 mph limit.

Christmas and New Year bin collections - Zone 2

Waste Type	Normal Day	Revised Day
Recycling*	Fri 25 th Dec	Tues 29 th Dec
Refuse	Fri 1 st Jan	Tues 5 th Jan
Recycling	Fri 8 th Jan	Mon 11 th Jan
Refuse	Fri 15 th Jan	Sat 16 th Jan

*There will be no garden waste collection.

Christmas tree recycling - Real Christmas trees will be collected as garden waste if cut up and put in your brown bin on your recycling collection day; please ensure the lid is closed and all decorations and lights are removed.



It’s lovely to see some houses already decorated for Christmas on the Estate, it certainly makes us feel more festive. I would like to take the opportunity to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter.
The LLERA Committee

