

# LONGDOWN LODGE ESTATE

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION



NEWSLETTER February 2011

Dear Member,

Wishing you all a Happy New Year! and a very warm welcome to all new residents.

This Newsletter summarises recent news and activities of the Association.

### Officers of the Committee 2010/11

Life President: Mel Calvert  
Chairperson: Sue O'Sullivan  
Vice Chairperson: Pam Marshal  
Hon. Secretary: Peter Roberts  
Hon. Treasurer: Bert Hickman  
Social Secretary: Vacant

### *The Royal Wedding - April 29<sup>th</sup> 2011*

This is a great opportunity for a Street Party to follow the very successful events the Association held in 1977, 1981 1986 and many more! The younger generation are invited to organize a party to see if they can match those arranged by the folk who are now senior citizens. Some preliminary work has been done, but we are looking for volunteers to make it come about. Remember if you don't volunteer it won't happen!

Please contact our Chairman, Sue O'Sullivan on 774357.

### The Association's 48<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

The meeting was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> June and was attended by the officers and 18 members.

The minutes of the 47<sup>th</sup> AGM were approved. The Financial Report showed a net surplus of £281.10, but some bills were outstanding. The major item of expenditure is grass cutting. It was agreed that the annual subscription should increase to £3.00 per household.

Graham Ramsay gave a talk on his work as a Town Councillor for Central Sandhurst.

### Neighbourhood Watch

Unfortunately there was a break-in recently at a house on the Estate and two cars were stolen. Mel Calvert is our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator. Please inform him on 774375 as soon as possible if you experience any break-ins, thefts or vandalism so that other residents can be warned. The Police number is 0845 8 505 505.

An Appeal from our Chairman

With the ever increasing number of cars on the Estate, could members please keep as many of them off the road as possible by parking in garages or on drives. This will help to create a clearer street-scene making it safer for young children. Cars are also much less likely to be stolen or vandalised if they are on your drive. Also please remember that it is an offence to block the pathway and to park near road junctions.

P.S. Our Chairman also writes: As residents will be aware, the roads on the Estate have been marked for repair. The Council are unable to tell us exactly when these repairs will happen. Can I appeal to you to keep your vehicles off the road as far as possible so that the repairs can take place?

Compliments have been received regarding the excellent state of the Island and the outstanding cedar tree in the centre, planted by Mel Calvert and Col Mike Norman in the mid 1980s. Let us aim to maintain a high standard by keeping the roads and verges clean and tidy. We appreciate that the Estate roads are used by non residents as a means of getting to Wildmoor Heath and to the Crowthorne Road and unfortunately there has been persistent dog fouling on some verges. Please remind dog owners of their responsibilities.

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