

LONGDOWN LODGE ESTATE

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

President: M Calvert, Chairman: S O'Sullivan, Hon. Secretary: P Roberts, Hon. Treasurer: B Hickman

Dear Member

Annual General Meeting with a difference!

Enjoy a glass of wine and see and order copies of photographs of the Golden Jubilee Party at the Association's 40th Annual General Meeting. This is to be held at Uplands Primary School, Albion Road, Sandhurst at **7.30pm on Thursday July 4th 2002**. The agenda is detailed below:

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Chairman's Report
5. Financial Report
6. Honorary Secretary's Report
7. Election of Officers and Members to the Committee for the year 2002/03
8. Subscriptions
9. Any Other Business

Yours sincerely,
Peter Roberts,
Hon. Secretary

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New residents are especially welcome at the AGM, which gives Members the opportunity to make comments, seek information and put forward ideas on the running of the Association.

The Queen's Golden Jubilee Street Party

We hope you all enjoyed the Golden Jubilee celebrations. We are sure that those of you among the 200 who attended our own celebration street party would agree that it was a great success. Some wonderful millinery creations were paraded for the competitions. These were judged by Dorothy Crow, whose mother, at the age of 99, had judged the competition at the Silver Jubilee Party. A grant from the Council allowed us the freedom to buy the children souvenir mugs, put flowers on the tables and have champagne for the loyal toast. The culinary expertise of many people came together to produce a veritable feast and our thanks must go to all those willing chefs. Our chief thanks however must go to our Social Secretary, Lesley Jones, who worked tirelessly to make the event the success it was. The hundreds of telephone calls, frustrations with bureaucracy, worries about the weather etc. etc. were all dealt with with great patience and charm. Thank you very much Lesley and your team of helpers, you did a great job. Remember, it's only another ten years to the Diamond Jubilee!

Neighbourhood Watch

Please inform Mel Calvert, our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, if any break ins or other problems occur. Other residents can then be warned.

Water Windfall

There has been recent publicity about a rebate on the water rate for houses on the Old Dean Estate Camberley, which have soakaways to dispose of rainwater. Soakaways are used for the disposal of rainwater on our Estate too, so Mel Calvert wrote to Thames Water and was successful in gaining a rebate. Applications for rebates have to be from individuals. Ring Thames Water on 0845/920 0888 for a form. Further details are given on the back of your Water bill.

Estate Entrance

There have been a number of near miss incidents recently with vehicles entering via the "Out" route. Sue O'Sullivan has been in touch with Bracknell Forest Borough Council, asking for better definition of the "In" and "Out" routes. The Council have agreed to make improvements to the road markings on the Crowthorne Road and to erect an official "No entry" sign on the "Out" side during the current financial year.

Reminders

Please be considerate and do not light bonfires until after 5p.m., also keep speeds down on Estate roads.

Around the Estate

There is strong demand for properties on the Estate, with a particularly high turnover so far this year. New members may like to know that the Association has a number of items of equipment for loan or hire and a list is kept of tradesman who have given satisfactory service - ring Mel on 774375. Many thanks to all Members for their efforts to maintain the high standards of appearance of their homes and the surroundings.