Curzon Park Residents' Association

# **WELCOME**

Happy new year to you all and welcome to the first edition of the 2016 Curzon Park Newsletter.

Our January edition is a bit shorter than usual, but hopefully we've still managed to pack in all the information that's important to you.

As ever, please email newsletter@ cpraonline.org if you have any comments or suggestions.

### Happy reading!

And - don't forget you can follow us on Twitter and Facebook now!







# WALKING GROUPS

2016

## WEEKEND WALKS

WILLINGTON Sat 6 February

PARKGATE OLD SEAFRONT

Sat 5 March

**ALDFORD** Sat 2 April

Further details from John Jones-Pritchard on 07876 381652 or email weekendwalking@cpraonline.org

### MID-WEEK WALKS

**WEPRE PARK** 

Thurs 25 February

**THURSTASTON COMMON** 

Tues 15 March

**CAERWYS** 

Thurs 14 April

Further details from Roksana Fennell on 07765 404186 or email midweekwalking@cpraonline.org

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS

# **CPRA** Quiz Evening

Friday 26 February 2016 The Ship Inn (upstairs room) Handbridge 7-10pm

Please arrive in time - quiz will start promptly 7.30pm.

Supper will be served at half time.

Tickets £12 per person

(includes hot pot supper or vegetarian option).

Book early to avoid disappointment but no later than 19 February - book on your own or as a team (max 6).

Tickets are available from Liz Neeves Tel 07759 477750 or email socials@cpraonline.org



# CPRACoffee Morning

Monday 29 February Chester Golf Club 10.30am (£3)

PCSO Fox will be giving a short presentation on local policing and home security.

Assistance with transport can be provided. Tel Liz Neeves on 07759 477750.

### **USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS**

Crime/Incident Reporting

Non-Emergency 101 **Emergency** 

(including culprits at the scene) 999

www.cheshire.police.uk

**Police Community Support Officer** 

Christopher.fox@cheshire.pnn.police.uk

**Cheshire West and Chester Council** www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

### **Local Councillors**

Cllr Razia Daniels 01244 312392 razia.daniels@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Cllr Neil Sullivan 01244 671099 neil.sullivan@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

0300 123 8123 **General enquiries** enquiries@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Waste Collection, Litter 0300 123 7026 chester.waste@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk



### PREVIOUS EVENTS

# CAROLS ON THE GREEN (21 DECEMBER)

Once again a popular pre-Christmas event for residents, featuring our guest musicians, The Royal Buckley Town Band.

Many thanks to all those volunteers who made it possible – from those who set up the gazebos and lighting earlier in the day (in the wind and rain!), to those who led the singing, served the refreshments, and not to mention those who took down the gazebos and packed everything away after everyone had gone home...Thank you!







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His many friends in Curzon Park were shocked by the sudden death in October of Dr. Peter Bingham.

Since the first days of CPRA, eight years ago, Peter had been a pillar of the Highways and Open Spaces Group, which benefited a great deal from his extensive knowledge of the built environment and local government. More recently, he also contributed to the Management Committee. Many other residents will have known him through participation in the guided walks he organised annually for CPRA members, pointing out fascinating features of local architecture around the City centre. He will be greatly missed.

# PREVIOUS EVENTS BODNANT GARDEN AND LUNCH AT BODYSGALLEN HALL (16 DECEMBER)

A very enjoyable day with good weather, and an amazing garden for December with many plants and bulbs in flower.

It was followed by an excellent lunch in an enchanting hotel. Thanks to Jacky and Christine for organising yet another successful garden visit!





# VISIT TO CHESTER CATHEDRAL

The last event for the CPRA walking group for 2015 was a very interesting but comparatively short one.

We were fortunate in having as our guide a volunteer who seemed to know the history of every stone in the building. He gave us a guided tour and talk covering the early life of the cathedral when it was a Benedictine abbey.

We came away knowing much more than we did but with many of us anxious to visit again. And, perhaps, climb that tower!

# Message from PC Chris Fox

Have you signed up to the Cheshire Police Alert yet? To receive information direct from Cheshire Police about any security issues, just type 'Cheshire Police Alert' into Google – registering is very quick and easy.

In the meantime, ensure you are making your house as secure as possible to deter an offender from targeting your address!

# Nuisance Issues

CPRA often gets contacted about environment or neighbour nuisance, which we cannot deal with. However, CWAC has a very useful section on their website for how to deal with and hopefully resolve issues that are troubling you.

http://www.cheshirewestandchester. gov.uk/residents/pests-pollutionfood-safety/noise-toolkit.aspx

# CHECKLIST

If you have an alarm, do you use it when leaving the house and going to bed?

Are sheds and outbuildings secure?

Are door and car keys kept out of sight?

Is there outdoor lighting to deter trespassers?

Are lights left on when you go out?

Are valuables left out of sight?

Is the garden restricted by a fence / gate?

Cheshire Police

# Are you on the Electoral Roll?

In autumn 2015, Cheshire West and Chester sent all households the 'household enquiry form', and you were asked to check the names of the people who are currently registered to vote at your address.

Under the new IER (Individual Electoral Registration) system, anyone who has not individually registered by

1 December 2015 has been removed from the roll.

Being registered means that you have the right to vote at elections and it could also improve your credit rating. You can always check by going to any council premises and ask

to see the full roll.

http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/your\_ council/voting\_and\_elections/electoral\_register.aspx