



## New Management Committee *See article on page 2*

## FUTURE EVENTS

*Carols on the Green* Mon 21 Dec  
*Quiz Evening* February 2016

### Family Fun Day

**Monday 31  
August 2 - 5pm**  
on 'The Green'  
(Northway/  
Greensway)



-  Children's Quiz Trail  
(each group must be accompanied by an adult)
-  Refreshments
-  Bar (weather permitting)
-  Cake and Produce Stall
-  Plant Stall
-  Children's Sports
-  Traditional Games
-  Tai-Chi demonstration
-  Cheshire Fire and Rescue



**SAVE THE DATE!** This event will only go ahead with the help of volunteers. Can YOU help? We need volunteers on the day, as well as volunteers to bake cakes, donate plants and homemade jams and chutneys.

Contact Liz Neeves at [socials@cpraonline.org](mailto:socials@cpraonline.org) or Tel 679888.

### Coffee Morning

The next CPRA Coffee Morning is on **Monday 14 September** starting at **10.30 am** at Chester Golf Club (£3 entrance fee is payable).

Bronwen Scott from Cheshire West and Chester's Library Service, will be giving a short presentation on the Library Service and how residents can make full use of its many services – and it's not just books!

Contact Liz Neeves on 679888 or email [socials@cpraonline.org](mailto:socials@cpraonline.org) for further information including help with transport.



### QUOTE FROM AN APPRECIATIVE RESIDENT...

"The majority of residents probably enter Curzon Park from Grosvenor roundabout and, like me, must have been cheered on many a spring day – particularly the damp and chilly ones – by the sight of crocuses, then drifts of daffodils, across the grass verge."

"So, a huge thanks to all the willing volunteers who planted them – no doubt on a damp and chilly autumn day! I was unable to volunteer but am grateful for all your efforts."



# Meet your new Management Committee

Following the recent AGM, we're pleased to announce some changes to the CPRA management committee.



**Pictured left to right (front row):** Yvonne Foley, Liz Neeves, Amanda White **(back row):** Steve Telford, Phil Mole, Jim Shapton, John Bowyer, Dave Plunkett and Peter Bingham (Peter is a co-opted member, representing the Highways & Open Spaces sub-committee)

Welcome to Steve Telford (our new chairman), John Bowyer (back by popular demand as secretary!) and ordinary members Yvonne Foley and Phil Mole. Committee members rotate off the committee after serving three years in role, so it's great to have some new faces on board, with fresh ideas and opinions. Our previous chairman, Jim Shapton, remains on committee as an ordinary member.

Phil Mole has taken up the position specifically reserved for someone under the age of 39. The purpose of designating a Committee place in this way is to try to ensure that the twenty- and thirty-somethings in our community are represented and that there is a focal point for involving them.

If you have any ideas, please email [under39.rep@cpaonline.org](mailto:under39.rep@cpaonline.org)

**Chairman:** Steve Telford

**Secretary:** John Bowyer

**Treasurer:** Edward Shiu

**Ordinary member:**

Liz Neeves (Social Events working group)

**Ordinary member:** Dave

Plunkett (Membership)

**Ordinary member:** Amanda

White (Newsletter editor)

**Ordinary member:**

Yvonne Foley

**Ordinary member:**

Jim Shapton

**U39 member:** Phil Mole

## MEDIA CENTRE VISIT, SALFORD QUAYS

A group of 19 Curzon Park residents recently visited BBC Studios at the Media Centre in Salford Quays, organised by John Bowyer, a member of the Social Events Working Group.

On arrival, the group was met by BBC guides Lindsey and Lee, who explained that the site consisted of various buildings: Quay House is for live broadcasts, which is where the North West

Regional programmes are made, and Bridge House contains most of the TV studios, many of which are shared spaces and adapted to suit individual programmes which could be used by the BBC or independent production companies.

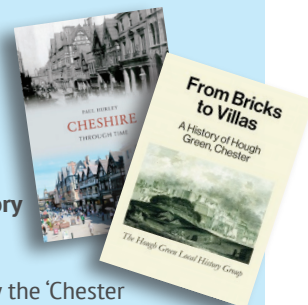
The guides took the group on a tour of a number of studios, including 6 Music, the Match of the Day/Football League Show studio, and the Blue Peter studio. Last but not least was a trip to the visitor interactive area, which is very similar to the regional TV studios. Trip organiser John Bowyer tried his hand at being a weatherman, whilst others from the group had a go at being newsreaders.



"It was great fun and the hour and a half went very quickly. The guides were really informative and we had a very interesting tour. Different groups then went off for lunch before we headed back. All in all, a great day out," commented John.

## Curzon Park then and now...

Hough Green Local History Group recently produced their excellent book 'From Bricks to Villas' on the history of Hough Green.



You may also know the 'Chester Through Time' book which shows an old picture and then a modern one – taken from the same spot – to highlight what has changed.

We thought we could try to do something like that on our web pages – but just for Curzon Park!

Do you have any old photographs of your house or area from a few years ago? If you have please contact Adrian (679888) or Dave (683814), or email [photos@cpaonline.org](mailto:photos@cpaonline.org).

We will collect the picture, scan it, and return it to you undamaged. We will then take a photo to match the location, and put everything side by side on our CPRA web pages.

## We hope you can help!



**Pictured above:**  
Curzon Park from the South circa 1930

## More on history...

We already have valuable contributions from residents on our own web site that tell us much about the origins and social history of Curzon Park.

**If you would be interested in helping to form a local history group, then email [history@cpaonline.org](mailto:history@cpaonline.org) or contact Peter (674255).**



# Estate Agent Signs

*If you have recently moved in to Curzon Park – then welcome!*

If the estate agent for the vendor has left the 'For Sale/Sold' sign in your garden, we ask you to contact the agent and ask them to remove it. The reason we offer this advice is that there is a pattern of agents leaving signs in gardens – no doubt in an effort to advertise their services to other potential customers.



## MID-WEEK WALKS

**Tuesday 11 August:**

**Duke's Drive/The Meadows (5 miles)**

A local walk down the popular Duke's Drive into Eccleston and back along The Meadows to Handbridge. Children welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.

**Tuesday 13 October: Penycloddiau (5 Miles)**

The walk starts from the Llangwyfan Forestry Car Park and partly follows the Offas Dyke Path over a large Iron Age hill fort and has great views over the Vale of Clwyd.

**Thursday 24 September:**

**Heswall Dales & The Dungeon (5 Miles)**

Starting from the marshy foreshore of the River Dee to the sandstone gorge of The Dungeon and through lowland heath of Heswall Dales, returning along the marshes.

To join the mailing list for the mid-week walks (further information is sent out nearer to the date of the walk), contact Roksana Fennell on 07765 404186 or email [midweekwalking@cptraonline.org](mailto:midweekwalking@cptraonline.org)



Pictured below: Canal Trip from Wednesday 27th May

Pictured above: Walkers enjoying the May walk around Nercwys Forest and Bryn Alyn

**Saturday 1 August: Alvanley**

Jim leads a popular two hour walk with gentle gradients and wooded tracks, taking in part of the Sandstone Trail and offering spectacular views over the Mersey Basin, followed by lunch at the White Lion pub.

**Saturday 3 October: Malpas**

Janet and Mary will lead this enjoyable, interesting, fairly easy five mile walk, with a few stiles. It includes woodland, sandstone cliffs, some ancient history, the Twelve Apostles and the 14th century St. Oswald's Church.

## WEEKEND WALKS

**Saturday 5 September: Willington**

Janet and Jenny lead a varied walk through forest tracks and country lanes, taking about two hours, starting and finishing at the Boot Inn, Willington.

For further information, contact [jjp2@live.co.uk](mailto:jjp2@live.co.uk)





### Diary Dates

#### Weekend Walks

Saturday 1 August - **Alvaney**

Saturday 5 September - **Willington**

Saturday 3 October - **Malpas**

#### Mid-Week Walks

Tuesday 11 August - **Duke's Drive/The Meadows**

Thursday 24 September - **Heswall Dales**

Tuesday 13 October - **Penycloddiau**

#### Other events

Monday 31 August - **Family Fun Day**

Monday 14 September - **CPRA coffee morning**

#### Coming up

Monday 21 December - **Carols on The Green**

February 2016 (more details to come) - **Quiz evening**

### NUISANCE NEIGHBOURS!

From time to time we receive enquiries from residents who feel a neighbour is causing a nuisance.

Frequently the issue is noise disturbance from vehicles, DIY, musical instruments, or pets.

If you feel your peaceful enjoyment of your property is being disturbed, the first step is always to go and have a word with the neighbour and see if the issue can be resolved in an amicable way.



If you feel unable to take that first step, or if reasonable discussion has not resolved the issue, Cheshire West and Chester Council has issued a useful guidance booklet: a 'Self Help Guide to Dealing with Neighbourhood Problems'. It gives practical advice on what can be done by the householder, including escalating a serious issue to a Magistrates Court. The document is available online: [www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/pests\\_pollution\\_food\\_safety/noise\\_complaints.aspx](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/pests_pollution_food_safety/noise_complaints.aspx)

### Membership of CPRA

As mentioned in previous newsletters, just because you're receiving this newsletter doesn't automatically mean that you're actually a member of CPRA.

Membership is open to everyone who owns or rents a home in Curzon Park and to those who own a property here, but are not resident. If you'd like to join CPRA, please contact Dave Plunkett on [membership@cpraonline.org](mailto:membership@cpraonline.org). There is no fee for membership, but a number of members choose to make one-off or occasional donations to our funds – which are obviously welcome and help us to organise events such as the Carols on the Green. If you'd like to make a donation, you can do it electronically through your own bank directly into the CPRA account – or you can set up a standing order. The CPRA account details are as follows:  
**Account name:** Curzon Park Residents' Association  
**Bank:** NatWest (33 Eastgate Street, Chester, CH1 1LG)  
**Sort code:** 60-40-08 **Acct no:** 32916922

### Cheshire Police Alert

#### Message from PCSO Chris Fox

Cheshire Constabulary is currently trying to sign people up to the alert scheme so that we can get information to residents quickly and efficiently. If you type in Cheshire Police Alert into google it is easy to register to the alert scheme. In the coming months we will be looking to improve the system and to provide residents with information about anything we feel they could benefit from knowing.



During July there are to be numerous changes within the Police to the personnel who are looking after the area that Curzon Park falls within. Sergeant Alex Jackson will be the new Sergeant responsible for Curzon Park and PC Michelle Flanagan will be the Beat Manager for the area. Their email addresses are [alex.jackson@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:alex.jackson@cheshire.pnn.police.uk) and [michelle.flanagan@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:michelle.flanagan@cheshire.pnn.police.uk). I will remain as the Police Community Support Officer responsible for Curzon Park. Please contact us through 101 or via our email addresses if you would like to speak to us about any issue.

### USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

**Police** [www.cheshire.police.uk](http://www.cheshire.police.uk)

Crime/Incident Reporting Non-Emergency **101**  
Emergency (including culprits at the scene) **999**

**Police Community Support Officer**  
[Christopher.fox@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Christopher.fox@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)

**Cheshire West and Chester Council**  
[www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)

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