

Dear Resident

The weather is a little warmer, the days a little longer and hopefully we are approaching the light at the end of the tunnel.

As lockdown restrictions ease, I hope you are able to safely get back to some form of normality, see friends, family and enjoy summer (whatever the weather).

We have lots of social events planned. Curzon Park residents have shown true community spirit over recent months and hopefully we can continue to bring everyone together, this time in person.

Finally, this will be my last newsletter as Chairman, as I will be stepping down at the upcoming AGM. Thank you to the CPRA committee and all Curzon Park residents for your support and hard work in helping make Curzon Park such a lovely place to live. It has been a fantastic couple of years and a pleasure to take on the role of Chair. I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming events this summer.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Despite the lockdown restriction, two of our fantastic residents, Matthew Burman and Jessica Edholm, have been collecting litter each week from around Curzon Park to work towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards. Bags upon bags of litter have been collected over the weeks, whatever the weather and their volunteering efforts certainly have made a difference.

On behalf of CPRA and the Curzon Park community, I would like to thank Matthew and Jessica for all their hard work and best of luck on achieving their Duke of Edinburgh awards.

Mike Davies

Chairman

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UPCOMING EVENTS

24 June
Chester Golf Club
7pm

The CPRA Annual General Meeting will take place on **24 June** at **Chester Golf Club**.

With COVID restrictions easing, we will aim for this to be an in-person event.

The agenda is outlined on a separate page that you will get with this newsletter. Please do attend, we want to hear your views on the current issues related to Curzon Park that will help to improve our community.

Also, I – along with two other committee members – will be stepping down at the AGM after what has been a wonderful few years with the CRPA. The following positions on the committee will be available:

- Chair
- Secretary
- Highways and Open Spaces

The time commitments are very manageable, it is a wonderful team and ultimately the committee requires willing residents in order to keep it going. If you are interested in taking on one of these roles or have any questions, please do get in touch (cpraonline@qmail.com)

SOCIAL EVENTS

Now that restrictions are starting to ease, the Social working group has been working hard to plan some events over the next few months:

Garden Visits

Would you be happy to open up your garden to other Curzon Park residents on Saturday 10 July, between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm? If so, please contact Jacky Arrowsmith on 07834 650948.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings at the Golf Club are back! The first one will take place on Monday 21 June, from 10 am to 12 noon. Everyone is welcome, it's a great opportunity to get together for an informal chat. Members of the CPRA social committee will be there to greet you.



Gathering on the Green

According to the survey carried out last year, events on The Green are popular, so it was agreed to hold a Community Picnic event on **Bank Holiday 30 August 2021**. Music to be provided by CPRA but residents to provide their own picnic, drinks and chairs. More details to follow, but in the meantime, save the date!



WEEKEND WALKS

Saturday 3 July: Eccleston/Aldford,

led by Jenny and Dave

Saturday 7 August: Whitegate,

led by Mary

Saturday 4 September: Chirk,

led by Jim

Photo: Chirk Castle by Greg Montani on Pixabay



MID-WEEK WALKS

Mid-week walks will resume soon.

In the meantime, if you would like more information, please email Alison (alisonella@btinternet.com) or ring Jenny on 683814.

HIGHWAYS UPDATE FROM DAVID MILLER

Over the last few months the CPRA has been approached in relation to speeding and excessively noisy vehicles that are prevalent around our roads within Curzon Park. We're now working with the local police to help monitor and enforce the need for a safer and quieter residential area.

Working with the local PCSO, there are two initiatives taking place:

- 1. **Police traffic monitoring** (speed and vehicle noise) on Curzon Park has already commenced and anyone caught will be fined under the Road Traffic Act
- 2. In conjunction with the local police, a **Speed Safety Awareness Committee** is being introduced where locals are given the opportunity to catch and report speeding drivers using a police provided hand-held speed camera.

We've eight people who've already shown interest in being part of this committee and the local PCSO officer (Cain Jones) has asked us to publish her email address should anyone else wish to join.

If you'd like to be part of this initiative, please email cain.jones@cheshire.pnn.police.uk with your name, address and contact details. (Note: Cain's email address is not monitored 24/7 so if anything needs reported, please contact 101 for police non-emergencies or 999 in an emergency).

To help residents further, the CPRA has also opened a police incident number (IML970252) and have reported a number of vehicles that reside in the area for both speeding and excessively loud exhausts over-revving. The police have advised that should anyone wish to report further incidents, please contact 101 with the vehicle make, model and registration number.

As a community we need to respect the neighbourhood by ensuring our roads are safe for all users and free from excessive vehicle noise pollution.

Parking on grass verges

A number of residents have contacted the CPRA Committee about excessive damage to verges recently. This includes using the verges for vehicle parking by contractors, and as storage areas while work is being carried out. Unfortunately as a residents group, CPRA can do nothing about individual cases. We can only urge you to talk calmly to neighbours and contractors about the problems caused. If you are having building work done, you could make it clear to your builder, workers, contractors and delivery drivers that parking on the grass verges is not acceptable, as well as being against the bylaws, and any accidental damage to verges must be repaired as soon as possible. You can also contact our two councillors.

Other blockages to roads and paths, including overgrown hedges, can be reported directly to CWAC at https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it/potholes-and-road-faults.aspx
You have to give your name and details but that is not passed on by the council to the house causing the problem.