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Newsletter

Bringing you news of all things Curzon Park

Dear Resident

Welcome to your December 2021 newsletter. I hope you all had a great summer and had an opportunity to take a break. Most of the leaves in Curzon Park have fallen and the weather is decidedly chilly. The good news is that we will be having Carols on the Green this year (see opposite). I'm looking forward to meeting people, singing and a few mince pies.

COVID-19 is still with us unfortunately, but our walking groups are running again and we are planning a host of social events next year.

In this newsletter you'll find an update on social events and details of our new management committee. We also have an update on highways. And if you'd like to make a donation to CPRA you can find out how to do that further on in the newsletter.

Best wishes
Andrew Kendall
CPRA Chair

WALKING GROUPS

The weekend and mid-week walking groups have both restarted after a long COVID break. Locations are still being decided, but both groups are now building up a programme for 2022:

Weekend

- Saturday 8 January
- Saturday 5 February

Contact Jenny on 683814 with any questions.

Mid-Week

- Thursday 13 January
- Thursday 10 February

Contacts: alisonella@btinternet.com or Jenny on 683814

UPCOMING EVENTS

It's nice to be slowly getting back to normal and to that end, our Social Committee has been working hard to come up with some great social events for CPRA members. Read on ...

Carols on the Green - Wednesday 22 December

It's back! We're delighted to be able to hold this popular event again. Starting at 6 pm, there will be mulled wine and mince pies available, along with hot chocolate for children (a donation to CPRA would be appreciated). Music will be provided by the Royal Buckley Band. We hope you'll all come to support this event and have a good sing along with friends and neighbours — hymn sheets will be provided!



Coffee Morning - Monday 17 January 2022

Save the date! Further details to follow nearer the time. The coffee morning will be held at Chester Golf Club.

Future dates are:

- 7 March 2022
- 16 May 2022
- 11 July 2022
- 12 Sept 2022



Trip to Bodnant Gardens – Wednesday 8 June



Come along to see the glorious Laburnum Arch at Bodnant Gardens. The coach fare is £11 and group entry £13.50 per person.

If you are a member of The National Trust, entry is free. For those who are interested, lunch will be available at The Groes Inn in the Conway Valley. There will be an additional cost for this. For tickets, please contact Jacky Arrowsmith on 07834 650948.



The New Management Committee

At our August Annual General Meeting we welcomed some new members to the CPRA management committee. The table below shows the new team:

Chairman	Andrew Kendall
Secretary	Dickie Danby
Treasurer	Dave Watson
Highways and Open Spaces	Allan Hogan
Membership	Dave Plunkett
Social	Jacky Arrowsmith
Newsletter	Amanda White

The Benefits of Membership

Why you should join CPRA, if you're not already a member:

- The more members we have, the stronger our voice in dealing with the council and other authorities who affect our lives here (eg planning, transport, utilities, highways and tree maintenance).
- It's a way of supporting your local Curzon Park community, and making new friends!
- You already get each newsletter, but members also get our emails about local matters, alerts, planning issues, meetings, and consultations.
- Join online at https://cpraonline.org/membership-application/ There is no fee for membership, but you may want to make an occasional donation. Use your online banking, or your banking app.

HIGHWAYS UPDATE FROM ALLAN HOGAN

Winter is upon us and the green bin collection service is suspended until 28 February 2022. If you have a hedge surrounding your property, please continue to keep them trimmed regularly, as bare branches sticking out could easily cause injury to children and those using the poorly lit paths at night. We hope to continue with our bulb planting soon, so please monitor our Facebook page for more details.

It is disappointing to see vehicles continually parking on the grass verges within Curzon Park. If you have contractors, deliveries or visitors coming to your house, please ask them to respect our local environment and park on the roads. On a more positive note, it's always great to see our own residents maintain the area outside their properties.

Remember all residents can contact the Chester West and Chester Council at https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it If you feel a need to report an issue - this process is confidential. If you are not online, one of the Committee can advise.

David Miller (my predecessor) did a huge amount of work on Traffic Monitoring and I am working to resurrect the Speed Safety Awareness committee for Curzon Park. If you're interested in getting involved, please contact either PCSO Cain Jones(cain.jones@cheshire.pnn.police.uk) or myself, Allan Hogan (allan hogan@yahoo.co.uk) and then we can start to get things moving again.



Cllr Daniels, PCSO Jones and Allan Hogan

We received a number of complaints from the negative impact on the environment of the Lord Mayor's Firework Display on the Racecourse. Please will Residents contact CPRA or comment on our Facebook page (with photographs if possible) with their views. We'll discuss these with the council and our PCSO.

MAKING A DONATION

If you'd like to make a small donation to CPRA, we'd really appreciate it!

Our bank details are as follows:

Bank: NatWest (33 Eastgate St, Chester, CH1 1LG) Curzon Park Residents Association

Sort Code: 60 40 08 32916922 Account:

Name:

The CPRA September coffee morning looked at the Climate Crisis in the run up

CURZON PARK AND THE CLIMATE CRISIS

to COP26 Summit, and what we can all do to contribute.

If your family has made changes to your lives or your home and you'd like to share what you've done, please get in touch. We'd especially like to hear from younger members.

We'll set up a webpage and list our local CPRA ideas. We can describe the general idea, possibly with a photo, but we would not publish names and addresses, or advertise any businesses.