

Newsletter

Bringing you news of all things Curzon Park

Dear Resident

Welcome to your November 2022 newsletter. I hope you all had a lovely summer and had an opportunity to take a break.

As you'll see opposite we have some exciting social events coming up. Not only do we have Carols on The Green, we can confirm the Italian meal we highlighted in our last newsletter. Page 2 has more on social.

We held a successful AGM in August. There has been lots going on around our Highways and Open Spaces. The Dingle Project met its funding target, and together we planted 2,200 bulbs ready for Spring.

We are all lucky to live in Curzon Park and I love the quote from David Miller on page 2.

Every residence in Curzon Park receives this newsletter. But if you'd also like to be on the mailing list we show you how on page 2.

Donations are always welcome. Many thanks to all who have sent us a donation this year.

Best wishes
Andrew Kendall
CPRA Chair

WALKING GROUPS

The 2023 programme for our Walking Groups is not finalised yet.

Weekend Walks are normally on the first Saturday of each month, and Midweek Walks are halfway through the month

Both Weekend Walks and Midweek Walks are weather dependant.

To find out more please email alisonella@btinternet.com or call Jenny on 683814

UPCOMING EVENTS

Carols on The Green - Thursday 22 December



Please come along to this annual fixture in Curzon Park.

Starting at 6pm, we will have mulled wine and mince pies available, along with hot chocolate for children.

Music will be provided.

We hope you'll all come along and have a good sing along with friends and neighbours – hymn sheets will be provided!

Italian Meal - Thursday 8 December 2022

How would you like a wonderful Italian meal for three tenners? We can't guarantee any Puccini with your zucchini but the food will be top-notch and the night will be a

highlight of anyone's social

calendar.

CPRA are delighted to host this Italian-themed meal on the 8 December at Chester Golf Club.

The event will start at 7pm with dinner to start at 7:30pm. Last orders will be at 10:45pm and the event will wrap up at 11pm.



There will be a three course set meal with a vegetarian option. The price is just **£30 per person** which includes a welcome drink. There will be a raffle and a quiz.

All residents are welcome and you can bring your friends along.

If you'd like to come along please visit our website **www.cpraonline.org** where you will find a simple online form as well as the menu.

You can choose whether you'd like the vegetarian option, state any allergies you have and identify whether you are in a group of friends.



MORE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES



Thank you to everyone who came to the Ideas Coffee Morning at Deanne's house on the 4th November.

We had some offers of speakers for 2023, some excellent suggestions for future events, and reminders about successful events that have run in the past. Thank you to Yvonne who will talk about the deportation of Chinese Seaman after WW2 and Peter who will tell us about The Scottish Mountain Bothies Association and boat building.

We hope that **Martin Brown's plant sales** on Curzon Park South will be arranged for early May. Martin has suggested that we could share what we have by splitting a decent clump of perennials to pot up for the sale.

We currently don't have a social working group to run social events so it was suggested that people may like to get together in pairs to organise an event or an outing to a place of interest. For example: a theatre trip, a visit to RHS Garden Bridgewater, open gardens, an Easter Eqq Hunt.

Craft Meetings: a group get together at the golf club on the first Monday in the month from 10:45 to 1pm. This is £3 a session and everyone is welcome to come along. The group work together helping each other.

Event on 3rd December at 7pm: Charity Evening in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind. 2 course meal and music £25.

Contact Beryl on 0757 0989897

Chester Mystery Plays 2023: Currently you can book tickets for this 5 yearly event with 20% discount; for a limited period only. Promotional code: CMPEARLY

HIGHWAYS UPDATE

The Historical Dingle Woodland Project

The Dingle Project met its funding target of £7,339. Thank you to everyone who supported it. The next step is to commission the interpretation boards and biodiversity survey. Well done to Tony and Allan for making this happen.

Bulb Planting

Our recent bulb planting was very successful with many residents joining in. Together we planted more than 2,200 bulbs and we look forward to Spring.

Love your Curzon Park - Quote from resident David Miller

"We live in one of the best neighbourhoods in Chester. I want to ensure residents and visitors who drive into the estate see it as this. Having pride in our neighbourhood and community not only makes it an aspirational place for people wanting to live, but also shows as residents, we have pride in living in one of the most sought-after and affluent areas in the city."

Positive action around highways with our council

In October we met with our local councillors and Kay Parry from CWAC Highways to discuss several issues. CWAC have since cut back the hedges and cleared the path on the Curzon Park North approach to Overleigh Roundabout. We also reported several blocked drains.

Kay Parry asked that we continue to use the confidential "Report it" function on the CWAC website to report damage to roads, blocked drains, obstructed paths. CWAC investigates all issues we report and takes action as appropriate.



We raised again the issue of poor lighting to paths. CWAC's position is that the LED lighting is "no worse than before" and any changes would be an upgrade, which is not funded. Engagement is ongoing.

We met with Cllr Karen Shore to discuss the possibility for the whole of Curzon Park to have a 20mph speed limit. This will depend on whether CWAC roll out a further phase of their 20mph limits and would be subject to a business case.

HOW TO JOIN THE CPRA MAILING LIST OR MAKE A DONATION

Every house in Curzon Park gets our quarterly CPRA Newsletter. Please mention CPRA to any new neighbours. If we have your email address, you will also get our occasional emails about local matters and alerts. To join CPRA please go to the website www.cpraonline.org

More members would mean we have a stronger voice dealing with the council and other authorities who affect us (eg planning, transport, utilities, highways and tree maintenance). There is no membership fee, but if want to make a small donation, or set up a regular donation, please use online banking, or your banking app. Curzon Park Residents Association, Sort Code 60 40 08, Account Code 32916922