# **CPRA** NEWSLETTER

Bringing you news of all things Curzon Park

September 2023

## **INTRODUCTION**

Dear Resident

I hope you all have had a good summer.

Looking towards the Autumn I'm delighted to share that we'll be hosting a themed meal, building on the delightful Italian one last year.

We now have a new Treasurer. We are still looking for someone to be our Membership Officer. Could that be you?

We are running a family litter pick soon, and we're planning the next round of bulb planting so if you'd like to get involved let us know.

Enjoy your September newsletter.

Best wishes Andrew Kendall CPRA Chair

## **WALKING GROUPS**

#### WEEKEND WALKS

- 7 October
- 4 November
- 2 December

#### **MID-WEEK WALKS**

- 12 October
- 9 November

All are weather dependant. To find out more please email

**alisonella@btinternet.com** or call Jenny on 683814.

#### **FAMILY LITTER PICK (NEW!)**

• 1 October

This will depend on the weather, but please bring your own gloves and litter picker (available online or in shops). Look out for a CPRA email with final details.

## **SAVE THE DATE:** FRENCH-THEMED MEAL ON 23 NOVEMBER

Following the very successful Italian-themed meal last year we will be holding a French-themed meal this Autumn on the **23 November at Chester Golf Club**.

Like last year, we can promise excellent food (Lance the chef trained in France), and plenty of social activities to make this a highlight of the Curzon Park social calendar.

Tickets will be **£40 per head** including a three-course meal and a drink on arrival.



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## THE CRAG CONFERENCE

CPRA is part of CRAG which stands for Chester Residents' Associations Group. On 5 October CRAG are holding their first conference called **Chester - The Big Conversation** at the racecourse on 5 October.

If you are keen to hear more about the big things going on in the city over the next few years, and you'd like to contribute to the discussion, then this is strongly recommended.

Details are at: www.crag.uk/conference/

#### **OUR AGM AND CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

We held our Annual General Meeting on 20 July at Chester Golf Club. The two highlights of the year are the social events we've enjoyed over the last 12 months, and the fact that we've secured significant funding for The Dingle Project (see below).

The minutes of the AGM are now on our website. The current committee members are shown to the right, together with when their term comes to an end.

We are delighted to have a new Treasurer but no one has yet come forward to be our Membership Officer. If you'd consider getting involved please drop us a line at cpraonline@gmail.com

Role	Individual	То
Chair	Andrew Kendall	2024
Secretary	Dickie Danby	2024
Treasurer	Jeremy Bishop	2026
Highways	Allan Hogan	2024
Social	Deanne Garrett	2024
Membership	Vacant	NA

#### HIGHWAYS AND OPEN SPACES UPDATE

#### **BULB PLANTING**

One of the highlights of living in Curzon Park is seeing the bulbs flower in the spring. Would you like to support CPRA in our bulb planting this year, and have a say where they are planted? You might also want to consider making a donation (see below for how to do this).

If you'd like to get involved then please drop us a line at highways@cpraonline.org



#### **HAPPY VERGES**

It is wonderful to see so many residents maintaining their verges (and perhaps those of their neighbours) to a high standard. It makes Curzon Park looks so much better...thank you!

## **DINGLE PROJECT UPDATE**

We have received a draft summary of the Biodiversity Survey. It says that although The Dingle is relatively small, it is diverse in terms of the flora and fauna living there. The report sets out several recommendations to improve the biodiversity of the area which we will discuss with Cheshire West and Chester Council. We will share the summary on our website and on Facebook.

We are working with Chester Art College on the design of the three Interpretation Boards that will be placed around The Dingle explaining its history.

## **DONATING TO CPRA**

Would you like to donate to CPRA? Our annual running costs include insurance, printing and website hosting and we are reliant on occasional donations from residents to keep things running, as we don't charge any membership fee.

If you'd like to make a donation that would be greatly appreciated. Our bank details are shown opposite:

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