

TWRA Update

Volunteering

Volunteering is high up on our new King's agenda so TWRA is organising a **Volunteers' Fair** to enable residents to meet with a dozen or so organisations that can offer local volunteering opportunities. The Fair will run **from 1.30pm to 3pm on Saturday 15th April in St John's Church Hall** in The Avenue, Tadworth opposite the station. Free tea, coffee, soft drinks and biscuits will be available.

There is a link at the end of this bulletin to a poster giving further details. We would be very grateful to those of you who have a suitable location in your property if you could print the poster and display it so that it can be seen by those who live near you but do not receive this bulletin.

As further volunteering opportunities TWRA will be organising a litter pick on the Coronation Bank Holiday Monday May 8th, whilst Kingswood Village Community Association will be running a similar Volunteering Fair to our event in their Village hall during that afternoon.

Communication with the TWRA Committee

TWRA is keen to provide current or prospective members with opportunities to discuss or raise issues with Committee Members. One such opportunity will be available at the TWRA Stall during the Walton May Fayre on Saturday May 20th. From time to time in future TWRA will be publishing details of other events or venues where TWRA Committee representatives will be available for such ad hoc discussions.

From now on it will also be possible to book an appointment to meet with a representative from the Committee between 6.30 and 6.50pm in the Breech Lane Community Hall on the third Tuesday of each month before the full Committee Meeting which starts at 7pm. You can request an appointment by replying to this bulletin or using the Contact heading on the TWRA web site where you will find other TWRA news:

<http://www.tadworthwaltonra.co.uk/>

Please note the TWRA AGM will take place during the evening of May 17th also in St John's Hall.

Election Notice

Please be aware that photo ID will be required to vote in the May Council Elections e.g. Passport, driving licence, bus pass. For further information go here:

https://www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/news/article/395/you_need_photo_id_to_vote_at_elections_in_may

Health alert

The data on COVID published by Surrey is now only updated monthly so for a more up to date view I have also given you a link to the National Statistics. On the 7th March Surrey data reported 2.3% testing positive in the SE of England up until 21st Feb with 29 new admissions with COVID at Epsom & St Helier Hospital during the week ending 27th Feb.

Even with percentages as low as 2.3% that could still mean over 200 cases in Tadworth & Walton. Sadly the final message a friend of mine in Walton sent to me last week was to say that he had come down with COVID and I subsequently heard that he had died two days ago.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/health-and-welfare/coronavirus/local-outbreak-plan/figures-and-statistics/full-report>

<https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/>

THE FOLLOWING HEALTH SECTIONS ARE UNCHANGED FROM THE LAST BULLETIN

COVID-19 and flu spread more quickly in winter and can cause serious illness.

If you're over 50 or in an at-risk group, you're eligible for a free flu vaccine and a COVID-19 booster.

To prevent spreading the infection, it's important to:

- wash your hands thoroughly
- cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough
- Stay at home and avoid close contact with others if feeling unwell

For COVID-19 book [online](#) or find the nearest [walk-in](#) vaccination clinic and cross it off your 'to do list' in preparation for Christmas. For flu vaccine find your nearest pharmacy [here](#).

Cold weather can have serious consequences for health, and older people and those with heart or lung conditions can be particularly at risk. Remember that other people, such as older neighbours, friends, and family members, may need a bit of extra help this winter. Visit [GOV.UK](#)

Long COVID

It is estimated that over 2% of the British Population is suffering from various symptoms of Long COVID. These include breathlessness, fatigue, loss of taste, brain fog, muscle pain and many more. Epsom and St Helier are one of the leading hospitals in Surrey treating these conditions but sufferers need to be referred by their GP.

Autumn Booster COVID Jab Campaign

- The primary aim of the [COVID-19 autumn booster programme](#) is to increase immunity in those at higher risk of severe COVID over the winter months.
- People who are at higher risk, **including those over 50**, frontline health and care staff and those with weakened immune systems, **are now** eligible to book a COVID booster vaccine through the [National Booking Service](#).
- The [Pfizer bivalent vaccine](#) will be used as part of the autumn COVID booster programme. This follows the latest advice from the Joint Committee on Vaccination & Immunisation (JCVI).
- The nearest vaccination centre for us is Walton Pharmacy.

REMEMBER:

The COVID-19 vaccine is an evergreen offer. If you haven't already taken it up, you can still do so. Book a vaccine appointment [online](#) or find the nearest [walk in](#) vaccination site.

- 1st and 2nd doses if you're aged 5 years old and over
- additional primary doses for people with a severely weakened immune system aged 5 years old and over
- 1st booster for people aged 16 years old and over, plus at-risk children aged 12 to 15 years old
- a seasonal booster (autumn booster) for some people, including those aged 75 years or over, those who are at higher risk or who are pregnant, and frontline health and social care workers

Influenza Vaccine

Doctors' surgeries can offer the 'Flu Jab to eligible patients - it is strongly recommended that these offers are taken up.

Road Closure & Disruption Reports

Please note that the One.Network web site which used to allow residents of Surrey to view planned future roadworks will be only allowing that data to be accessible to commercial licence holders although it can still be used to see roadworks over next two weeks.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roadworks-and-maintenance/roadworks#planned>

Station Approach may be subject to parking restrictions by the Good Shepherd Hall as work has started to replace the telephone mast alongside the hall and the next step will be the arrival of the mast itself.

Long term roadworks are expected to start from March 27 to improve the safety of the intersection of Headley Common Road with Pebble Hill Road. You can find a link to a leaflet explaining these works at the end of this bulletin.

On a more positive note it seems that the car park for the Woodland Trust at Langley Vale will be opening soon the following is a link giving details of what the charges will be.

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02b3CevoJnuWNzdnuhf9NZd5ZhZrXGRreSXVFbkW8B2UNGS5aTWVpLN9C8FegLezial&id=100066827135387

Neighbourhood Watch

The national Neighbourhood Watch organisation has initiated a major campaign to increase membership – it is called “A Better Place to Live” – you can see the main themes by visiting the web site:

<https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/>

They are also suggesting that communities should consider organising a **Coronation Big Lunch**. If your road is planning to celebrate the Coronation in some special way please let me know if you wish me to help you publicise it – our emailing system can send messages to just the residents in a specific road.

Police & Crime Commissioner Anti-Social Behaviour Survey- closes 31 march

The Police and Crime Commissioner Lisa Townsend is asking for residents’ views on anti-social behaviour in Surrey.

It comes as the county’s partnership including her office, Surrey Police, Surrey County Council, housing providers and various support charities look to boost the service that is provided when residents report an issue or need help.

Getting tough on anti-social behaviour (ASB) is a key part of the Commissioner’s Police and Crime Plan that outlines the priorities for Surrey Police.

Have your say now: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GOZJN3/>

ASB takes many forms, ranging from rowdy or inconsiderate behaviour to antisocial driving and criminal damage. It can significantly increase the risk to an individual’s health and is often connected with the bigger picture of community safety.

But reducing anti-social behaviour is complex and requires coordinated support from partners in areas such as housing, care, and mental health as well as policing.

The survey is an important way of making sure residents’ views remain at the heart of the work of the partnership and capture a fresh picture of the problems that communities in Surrey are facing in 2023.

The online survey will run until Friday, 31 March.

Anyone affected by ASB in Surrey can find out which agency to contact for different problems at <https://www.healthysurrey.org.uk/community-safety/asb/who-deals-with-it>

Support is available if you experience persistent ASB in Surrey. Visit the [Mediation Surrey website](#) for more information about mediation and coaching, or visit the [Community Trigger page](#) to find out what to do if you have reported the same problem on multiple occasions but are not satisfied with the actions taken to resolve it.

Local Police Presence 29th March Tattenham Library

The local Safer Neighbourhood team will be by Tattenham Library on Thursday 29th March between 10 and 11am distributing Selecta DNA property marking kits and burglary prevention Wheelie Bin stickers. There are only 75 kits and they will be distributed on a 1st come 1st served basis.

We have a new community PC whose name is Geordie Logan.

Police & Crime Reports

Burglaries

18/03/2023 Between 21:00 to 22:00 19:00 Milstead Close, Tadworth. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through a ground floor window of the property.

Stolen: Nothing taken. (PR 45230031141)

18/03/2023 19:00 Station Approach, Tadworth. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the patio door of the property.

Stolen: Gold ID Tag. (PR 45230030603)

18/03/2023 21:24 Milstead Close, Tadworth. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the balcony door of the first floor property.

Stolen: jewellery (PR 45230030631)

Between 17/03/2023 19:00 to 19/03/2023 14:00 Petersmead Close, Tadworth. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through a bedroom window located at the side of the property.

Stolen: Not confirmed at this time. (PR 45230030683)

16/03/2023 Between 21:00 to 21:20 Monks Road, Banstead. Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- 3 Suspects have attempted to gain entry through the first floor of the property. They have been disturbed by the home owner and have left the property.

Stolen: Nothing taken. (PR 45230029748)

10/03/2023 19:00 Warren Drive, Kingswood. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- to be confirmed, but it is believed that forced access has been gained through a first floor bedroom window.

Stolen: Not confirmed at this time but including a Watch. (PR 45230027842)

06/03/2023 15:50 Fairlawn Grove, Banstead. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Entry has been gained through the rear patio door.

Stolen: Including - Louis Vuitton Slider, Gucci Bag, Gucci Heels, Trainers, Jewellery, Cash and 2 watches. (PR 45230026297)

02/03/2023 between 19:00 to 22:45 Petersmead Close, Tadworth. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry has been gained through the rear patio door.

Stolen: Jewellery. (PR 45230024280)

Vehicle Thefts

Tadworth, Shelveys Hill, 14/03/2023 00:00 – Vehicle Theft Ford Fiesta (PR 45230028988)

Tadworth, Epsom Lane South. 03/03/2023 01:00 - Vehicle Theft BMW (PR 45230024423)

The Police Reference Number (PR) with each of the reports is shown in brackets. If you have any information on any of the reports, including CCTV, please contact us quoting the Police Reference Number (PR).

How to contact the Police

As always, the local Neighbourhood Team are keen to receive information on all crime spotted or believed to have occurred as this can assist with ongoing enquiries, as well as helping to pool information to build a wider understanding.

If you believe you have any information relating to relevant information or concerns you can:

Call 101

On line reporting <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

If you have social media, why not give us a follow. You can also message us if you want to report something to us

· Our Facebook is Reigate and Banstead Beat (Surrey Police) and our twitter is ReigateBeat
You can also give information totally anonymously by contacting the Independent Charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111; or through their anonymous online form <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

In an Emergency please contact 999

SCAM Reports

You may have heard about ChatGPT and other ChatBots which use artificial intelligence to create credible text following a few guidelines. Unfortunately as with many apparently useful innovations fraudsters and scammers are starting to use this technology to improve the “quality” of their scam emails and other communications. Be on your guard against a new wave of letters and emails that attempt to persuade you to give away money or personal information about yourself.

This is a link to the latest Trading Standards bulletin on scams:

<https://scc.newsweaver.co.uk/t...>

Suspect you or someone you know has been victim to a scam?

Report it to Action fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040.

However, where the victim is vulnerable or elderly, please contact Sussex or Surrey Police directly on 101.

If it is an emergency, always call 999.

Upcoming Events

The Good Shepherd Coffee Shop operates every Saturday from 10.30am to 12 noon but not on Coronation Day Saturday May 6th.

On 25th March and 1st April there will be “Soup Lunches during Lent” in the Riddell Hall, There will be no Village Kitchen during April – it will resume regularly on the second Saturday of each month from May 13th in The Riddell Hall.

Tuesday March 28th is the date for the postponed Walton Village Forum AGM in Breech Lane Community Hall starting at 8pm.

Sunday April 2nd Good Shepherd Parish Lunch – note you must pre-book on the list in the Church.

Wednesday 5th April Open Garden in aid of “Friends of the Childrens’ Trust” at The Firs, The Hoppety, Tadworth 10.30am to 1pm adm £6. Hot Cross Buns, coffees, raffle and plant sale. Note there is no parking available in The Hoppety.

Saturday April 15th KWT Horticultural Show Good Shepherd Hall from 2pm adm £1. Tea, coffee and plants for sale.

Saturday April 15th TWRA Volunteers’ Fair 1.30 – 3pm St John’s Hall see link to poster below free admission and tea, coffee and biscuits and an opportunity to meet organisations seeking volunteers.

Sunday April 16th Open Garden in aid of TWOAT at Meon House, 4 Meon Close 1-5pm Admission £5, tea and cakes available.

Sunday April 23rd NGS Open Garden at 41 Shelveys Way 2 – 5.30pm adm £5. Tea and cake sold in aid of TWOAT.

27th-29th April The Gage Players present “Agatha Crusty and the Village Hall Murders” in The Riddell Hall at 8pm tkts. £12.50 phone 01737 812703

Friday 28th & Saturday 29th April - Street Collections in aid of TWOAT in Tadworth, Walton & Kingswood.

Sunday May 7th Coronation Parish Lunch Good Shepherd Hall - note you must pre-book on the list in the Church.

Monday May 8th TWRA Coronation Volunteer Litter Pick start from Jubilee Woodland from 11am (other start times might be available).

Monday May 8th KVCA Volunteers' Event, 2pm to 5pm, at Kingswood Village Hall, Waterhouse Lane, Kingswood KT20 6EB, a part of the national Coronation Weekend Big Help Out Campaign. No charge. Tea, coffee and cakes. Potential volunteers welcome.

Friday 12 May Friends of St Peter's presents the Royal Males Barber Shop Quartet and Friends Update – 7.30pm, St Peter's Church, Walton on the Hill.

Fri 12 May - Sun 14 May Tadworth Art Group Summer Exhibition at Peter Aubertin Hall, Elmore Road, Chipstead, CR5 3SE. Entry is free. Opening times: Fri - 6.30-10pm. Sat/Sun - 10am-5pm.

Saturday May 13th Walton Village Kitchen re-opens for light lunches in Riddell Hall and thereafter every 2nd Saturday in each month.

Saturday May 13th and Friday May 20th TWOAT "John Allinson Memorial Sponsored Walks" visit www.TWOAT.org for details

Wednesday 17th May TWRA AGM doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start in St John's Hall

Saturday May 20th Walton May Pageant & Fayre

The rescheduled date for the COGS Games Night in the Good Shepherd Hall is May 20th

For details of the many Group Activities and Events organised by Banstead u3a visit here <https://u3asites.org.uk/banstead/home>

Please let me know if you have an event taking place in the next 2 months.

Keep well

Mike Fox

For Community Support & Neighbourhood Watch

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