

Views from the Hill

NEWSLETTER OF THE TEWKESBURY LODGE ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Update - Mothers Against Motoring Mayhem



Many thanks to all the residents who are showing great support for our campaign to reduce rat-running and dangerous driving on Canonbie Road, and to improve road safety around Fairlawn Primary School, as outlined in the last newsletter.

After considerable letter writing, the Council finally agreed to send engineers to investigate the situation, and they met with a core group of us outside the School last week. We were able to take them from the junction of Honor Oak Road/Forest Hill Road, past Fairlawn School, and up and down Canonbie Road. The engineers came in the afternoon during half term week, but have agreed to come back early in the morning during term time to witness the worst of the traffic. We hope that after that they can come up with a viable and practical plan of action.

In brief, MAMM (Mothers Against Motoring Mayhem), has been set up by concerned residents and parents of children at Fairlawn School to improve road safety in the area. Canonbie Road is now a busy and dangerous rat-run, especially in the mornings when rush hour co-incides with the school run. Many drivers show no care or consideration and race down the street, more often than not overtaking slower vehicles. There is also a rapidly increasing number of large commercial vehicles using the street which causes excess noise and vibrations as well as increased exhaust emissions. Many children use Canonbie Road on their way to school and often find it hard to cross the road. Honor Oak Road, around the School, is also very busy, with many heavy vehicles thundering past the all too narrow pavements, making the morning rush hour a potential death trap.

We have also had a very interesting and encouraging meeting with the London Co-

ordinator of the nationwide campaign 20's Plenty for us that has been hugely successful in urging councils to implement road safety measures, including 20mph zones, around the country. He has offered to lend us their speed camera so that we can conduct our own study/survey of the traffic. This will be very important in stressing our case to the Council.

None of the measures implemented over the years to put an end to rat-running and speeding on Canonbie Road have worked. The traffic will only get worse and we need to find a long term solution. Thank you all again for your support - and fingers crossed for a positive outcome.

Dagmar Vesely

Editor's note

Lewisham has been ranked among the worst three boroughs in London for air pollution-related deaths. Studies have shown high levels of nitrogen dioxide, mainly from vehicle exhaust fumes. The Council agreed to set up an air quality management area, including Honor Oak, last summer, but an action plan to improve air quality will not be published until the second half of this year.



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Summer Picnic

The annual Summer Picnic was to be held on 6th July in the Triangle between Liphook Crescent and Horniman Drive.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it will have to be rescheduled. We will let you know the new date as soon as possible.

Chair's report

The last few months have been a relatively quiet period for the Association. It is normally this time of the year that we start the new year subscription process. As part of that, our team of road representatives spend some of their spare time delivering the annual Estate-wide newsletter and a reminder that subscriptions are now due. I do encourage everyone to contribute £5 to the Association in order to keep it running for the benefit of the local community.

That leads me on nicely to our social events calendar. The annual National Garden Scheme opening by the Tewkesbury Lodge Garden Group was, yet again, a great success. About 400 visitors came along to view the gardens (and sample the cakes made by members!). The weather was glorious and just over £3,500 was raised for charity. A big well done to all who were involved. It seems as though the summer has now finally got going, and hopefully that will continue in July, as our next event will be the annual summer picnic.

It is with regret that I have to announce that two people have stepped down from their positions in the Association. The first is

NGS Garden Opening

As relatively new residents to the area, we hadn't been to an 'open gardens' event before - so on Sunday 8 June, my family of four headed out to explore and see just how amazing a garden can be!

We first went to Frankie's and were greeted with smiles, a fantastic garden with hidden gems and a 'story hunt' for the boys - the youngest loved chatting away to the chickens; the eldest, the fun of running around a garden finding all sorts of references to books (although a little disappointed not to find the actual Gruffalo!). Next we headed just round the corner to Valerie's and into what felt like a 'secret garden' - amazing views in this multi level garden - made even more fun by the dazzling array of

David Otway, who joined the Committee as the Tewkesbury Avenue road representative in 1998, combining that with the Vice-Chair role soon after. He also represented the Association as a member of the Forest Hill Regeneration Steering Committee. David wants to concentrate more on his work with the London Narrow Boat Project, a charity which received the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2006. His commitment and dedication to the Association is something that we will always be very grateful for.

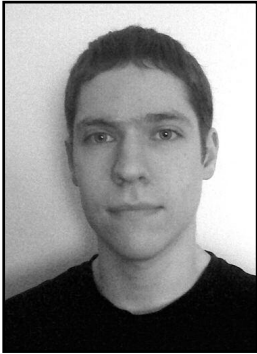
Ken MacLennan, road representative for Netherby Road, is also stepping down. Ken has always carried out his duties as road representative with great efficiency and commitment, and he will be missed. Leanne Panni has taken over his role and I would like to extend a big welcome to her. Details of other Committee changes can be found in this edition. As always, if you'd like to be involved, no matter how large or small an amount of time you can volunteer, we'd really like to hear from you - please contact Sally, our Secretary for more information.

Dave Lowe



cakes on offer, which of course we got stuck into and enjoyed whilst exploring the garden.

Then it was across the road to Rose's garden where I spent most of my time trying to restrain my boys from man-handling the beautiful flowers and wondering whether I'd ever be able to achieve such a fantastic looking garden. The views from



the garden were wonderful, over and across Kent - not a view I'd seen clearly before so that was a treat too. Finally, it was down the hill to Pat's garden of treasures where we were warmly welcomed and, despite my angst at my boys' thrill of seeing sculptures and water features galore (as of course they

wanted to play with them all), we managed to explore (without breaking anything!) and have Pat herself show my eldest her two potter's wheels and how they operated. A fantastic afternoon exploring four wonderful, very different and very enchanting gardens. Now I just need to convince my eldest that Father Christmas probably isn't going to buy him a potter's wheel for Christmas!
Sally Tuhami



Editor's note
Frankie has told me that immediately after the garden opening she obtained a pattern and is, even now, knitting a Gruffalo ready for next year's event!



*"All right," said the Gruffalo, bursting with laughter.
"You go ahead and I'll follow after."*

TLERA Garden Group

The Garden Group meets in the evening on the first Wednesday of each month to exchange advice (and plants); arrange visits

to gardens open to the public; and organise bulk purchases of gardening materials. If you would like more information, contact

Autumn Harvest

I was chatting to a resident in Tewkesbury Avenue last autumn about an idea she had for the Association to organise an autumn fruit harvest event - she has a fruit press to turn apples and pears into juice. The Estate has an abundance of fruit trees, so my thanks to Jessica for suggesting this event and offering to provide the equipment.

So this year the Social Committee, together with the Garden Group, are planning the first autumn harvest event for three weekends over September and October in the Triangle between Horniman Drive and Rocombe Crescent. As well as being able to mash and juice their fruit, it will be a chance for our members to share recipes and knowledge on how to get the most out of the fruit we grow. We hope there are many residents who would love the chance to do something different with the fruit harvest, or maybe just want to offer a helping hand in picking and collecting up the fruit.

As the fruit harvest is generally spread over many weeks it won't matter if your fruit

tree produces its harvest early or late: we hope that holding the event on three separate weekends will enable everyone to join in. If you have a fruit tree and want to try juicing your apples or pears this year, or would like to help someone with their fruit picking, do join us for the autumn harvest event this September and October.

Meanwhile, let's all get thinking about what we can make - Jamie Oliver and Jimmy Doherty in their recent Channel 4 series suggested making a champagne style cider, and Monty Don from *Gardeners World* believes the natural form of apple/pear juice is the best. So let us know what you think - do you have a tried and tested recipe for mulled cider?

More information on the event will be available soon. If you have any suggestions for other events TLERA could organise do let us know.

Rowena Lowe



Planning

All has been relatively quiet for the planning sub-group since the last newsletter update, except for another planning application for 51-53 Canonbie Road. A new set of plans were submitted in mid-April under the existing planning application reference for two modern designed four bedroom houses on the site, each with basement gym/cinema room. Although an improved set of plans from the perspective of giving detail on the size of the houses, the proposed development would look out of

place in the streetscape of Canonbie Road and would overlook neighbouring properties. The Association therefore submitted a letter of objection to these updated plans.

A second planning application submitted for 46 Ringmore Rise was refused. The planning sub-group will continue to liaise/consult with local residents for their views on the development of this site.

Rowena Lowe

Transport and travel

Roads: Transport for London (TfL) are planning to redesign the junction at Honor Oak Road and London Road in order to slow down traffic turning into Honor Oak Road. Although this would benefit pedestrians, TfL do not plan to install a pedestrian phase on the traffic lights, which would make crossing this busy junction much safer - especially for young children. This would be our preferred option, but TfL consider it would slow down traffic further, creating even longer traffic queues at busy times.

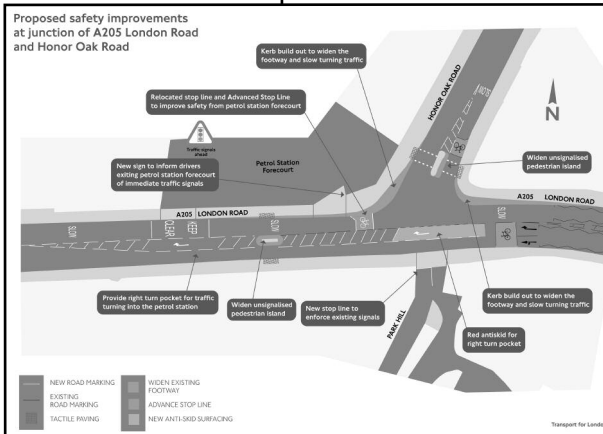
The plans include widening the pavements on both sides of Honor Oak Road by the Esso garage so cars will have to slow down when turning the corner, and widening pedestrian islands to accommodate not only a

pushchair but also the person pushing it! Entry and exit into the garage will also be improved. A filter light for traffic turning right into the garage will be installed to prevent waiting vehicles from blocking westbound traffic on London Road, as well as signage giving advanced warning of the traffic signal ahead and vehicles exiting the petrol station. Other improvements involve upgrading signalling equipment and road surfaces/markings. Work is planned to start in the Autumn.

Buses: The London Assembly's Transport Committee recently identified that the 185 and 176 buses are among the ten most overcrowded bus routes in London. TfL has been asked to look into this to ascertain whether there is a need for additional buses at peak times on these routes.

Trains: Trains on the Overground are to be extended to five carriages to help with overcrowding. The longer trains should be in service by the end of this year.

*The junction of Honour Oak Road and the A205
A larger version of this map can be downloaded from the TfL Website:
<https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/streets/a205-london-road-and-honor-oak-road>*



July events

Open Gardens

Between 2-5.50pm on Sunday, 13th July, June Wiseman will be opening her garden at 7 Canonbie Road for the National Garden Scheme (NGS). Admission £3.50, no charge for children. Also opening close by is 4 Piermont Green, East Dulwich. For more information about the gardens, go to <http://www.ngs.org.uk/gardens/find-a-garden/>

Open House

To mark the re-opening of Louise House as

an Artists' Studio building, an open house and tea morning will be held on Sunday 6 July between 11am-1pm. Situated between Forest Hill Pools and the Library, this Grade II listed building was formerly an Industrial Girls' Home, but now houses fifteen artists' studios and an exhibition space. There is also an open house and evening drinks on 19 July between 7-9pm.

The events are hosted by V22, a publicly owned art organisation which specialises in the collection of contemporary art, and



aims to build a strong community and cultural centre at Louise House by providing affordable long-term studios as well as encouraging new relationships and networks amongst artists and creative organizations.

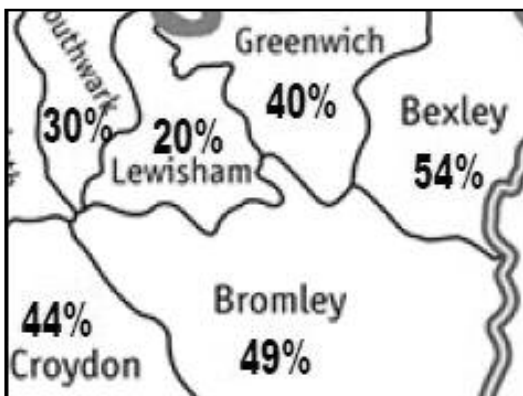
Festivals

The Sydenham Art Festival will be held between 5 – 20th July. Details of the full programme can be found at <http://www.sydenhamartsfestival.co.uk> This will coincide with the Forest Hill Film Festival which will be held between 16-19th July (www.fhff.co.uk).

Louise House

Rubbish at recycling?

It is disappointing to read that Lewisham has been bottom of London's league table for recycling for the last two years. In 2012/13, only 20% of household waste was sent for reuse, recycling or composting. The neighbouring boroughs of Greenwich, Bromley and Croydon are achieving more than double that rate. It takes a few minutes to separate empty bottles, plastics, and cardboard from the general waste, and clean clothes or textiles such as curtains, bedding, and towels in good condition that can be re-worn or re-used can now also be put into our green bins. Even items too old to be reused can be reprocessed into other fibre based products.



So why not sort out the clothes you no longer wear, and go through the linen cupboard to see what household items you no longer use? Then hopefully Lewisham will not end up at the bottom of the recycling league table for a third successive year....

Call the midwife GP

Those of us who are registered with the Forest Hill Group Practice will know that any telephone call to the surgery tends to be expensive. You will be pleased to know that there is now a local number you can call them on (020 3376 0100).

One of our members has been contesting the change to a premium rate number since the change from the previous local rate. The Practice was the only one in Lewisham that was pursuing this path. Several letters written to the surgery questioning this change were sent, but no reply was ever received. In early 2013, the Primary Care Trust (PCT) Complaints Department was contacted, and they made overtures to the surgery regarding this issue. Unfortunately the PCT ceased in April 2013 but the case was taken up by Complaints Team London

which resulted in a fairly prompt response from the surgery.

There are other issues with this surgery. It can take 16 days to get a non-emergency appointment and, compared to other local surgeries, this delay is very much on the high side. There is also a lack of on-site facilities such as blood tests which results in quite an inconvenience for many. Again, there are local surgeries which have this facility.

Perhaps more of us need to let our GPs know if we think the service they provide falls below acceptable standards. If you are registered with this Practice and think the service they offer needs to improve, do write to them and let the Association know the outcome.

Local history research

The Association is named after the original Tewkesbury Lodge Estate, upon which most of our properties were built.

Tewkesbury Lodge was a large house built in the 1850s in Honor Oak Road near the bottom of Horniman Drive. Subsequent owners acquired extensive land to the west and south of the property, adding a folly in about 1880 at the highest point of the Estate. It is now in the back garden of a house in Liphook Crescent, and has a grade II listing.

Over the past months, the Association has

been undertaking research into the history of the Estate and the three families who owned it before it was finally sold to developers early in the 1930's. We plan to publish our research in another leaflet similar to the one included in this newsletter. After that, the plan is to do more research covering the period from 1930 to the present day. If you have any old photographs, anecdotes, documents, maps etc., do let Valerie Ward know. Even better, if you are interested in helping us make a study of the Estate, you would be most welcome!

Growing for Gold in Forest Hill

The Forest Hill Society is hoping to turn the centre of Forest Hill gold and edible for the summer! They have combined the Edible High Road scheme with the Golden

Anniversary of the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) by planting tubs of sunflowers, poppies and strawberries throughout the town to mark the centenary of World War One and the 50th anniversary of the RHS's *Britain in Bloom*.

This year's launch of the scheme was on 10th May, on the forecourt of Forest Hill station. As well as being able to enjoy music, there were lots of free edible plants for the children to take away: 200 seedlings were generously supplied by Wesley Shaw and the gardening staff of

Horniman Gardens. Once again local traders have taken responsibility for looking after the pots, so we can look forward to seeing the sunflowers surviving to flower, and the strawberries surviving to fruit. Once they have flowered the birds can enjoy the sunflower seeds, and probably the strawberries, providing passers by don't eat them first – definitely not allowed!

Not only will shoppers in Forest Hill and Honor Oak have their day brightened by the displays outside many of the shops and businesses supporting the initiative, but the bees will also be happy - all the seeds donated by the RHS are pollinator friendly varieties.

Our thanks and congratulations to the Forest Hill Society for all the work they have done, and continue to do, to make our Town Centre a greener, and more pleasant place. If you want to know more about the FHS, the web-site is www.foresthillsociety.com

May 10th 2-4pm
Come and join the
Edible High Road
at the car-park, Forest Hill Station
with music and free edible plants!

Grow Your Own!

A Forest Hill Society
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Seasonal recipe

British Asparagus Spears with Mature Cheddar Crème Brûlée

Serves 6

Ingredients

3 bunches of British asparagus, trimmed
260ml double cream
5 free range organic hens eggs
55g extra mature cheddar
Salt and freshly cracked black pepper
50g Demerara sugar
Chive flowers (optional)



Method

1. Finely grate the cheddar and set aside.
2. Bring the cream to the boil, remove from heat and pour over the egg yolks, whisking the whole time.
3. Return this mixture to the pan and cook to a thickened custard consistency.
4. Whisk in the cheddar until melted and combined and then pour into six mini glass

jars or ramekins. Chill overnight.

5. When ready to serve, boil the asparagus until tender (2-5 minutes, depending on thickness) and meanwhile sprinkle the cheddar brûlées with Demerara sugar and place under a hot grill (or use a blow torch) to caramelise the top. Serve immediately with the asparagus spears to dip in, and garnish with chive flowers.

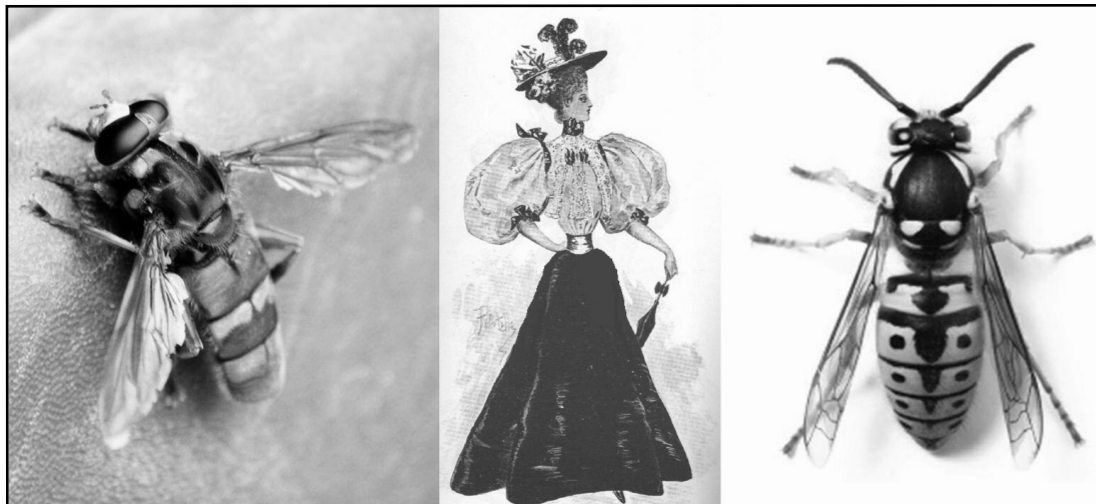
When is a wasp not a wasp? When it's a hoverfly!

When gardening one July afternoon last year, I was suddenly aware of a high pitched humming- far too close for comfort were some black and yellow striped insects. They seemed to be immune to my attempts to swat them away, and then I realised that although a few were actually on my arms and legs, they weren't stinging me. When I calmed down, they began to settle on the flowers and closer inspection revealed that they seemed to be rather fatter than wasps. By co-incidence, my copy of the London Wildlife Trust's quarterly magazine *Wild London* had arrived that morning. Inside, was an article entitled 'The other pollinators' with a picture that closely resembled my flying insects- *Volucella zonaria*, commonly known as the hoverfly.

immediately labelled as public enemy number one! The black and yellow banding is a very good defence against predators such as birds, yet disadvantages the hoverfly when it comes to humans. So how can you tell the difference?

Hoverflies, as the name suggests, are more skilled at hovering, and do it more than wasps. They are also less likely to be attracted to sweet things - the pest at any picnic will probably be a wasp. The most obvious difference is that the thorax and abdomen of hoverflies has less of a narrowed section (or none at all) whereas in wasps it is very marked (and gave rise to the expression 'wasp- waisted' -the Victorian ideal of female beauty achieved by wearing a tightly-laced corset).

Valerie Ward



As their name suggests, these insects are often seen hovering over flowers. The adults are very good pollinators, and the larvae are excellent at pest control – as well as feeding on decaying plant material, they also prey on aphids, thrips, and other plant-sucking insects. Unfortunately, hoverflies share the same colouring as wasps, and anything black and yellow and flying is

Editor's note

Some people think that hoverflies don't buzz. However, exhaustive research (Google can be very useful...) reveals that the wings of many species do indeed buzz and the sound is striking, especially on lazy, warm summer days. A very scientific article on the subject in Behavioural Ecology convinced me!

*What would you rather
bee,
or a wasp?*

News from the Horniman Museum and Gardens

There are changes afoot here at the Horniman this year, offering visitors new displays, upgraded facilities and exciting events to enjoy. Earlier this year we announced a revamp of part of the historic Natural History Gallery, thanks to funding from the DCMS/Wolfson Museums and Galleries Improvement Fund. The Horniman team will create a new display area at the entrance to the Gallery, highlighting star specimens from the collection unearthed by the recent Bioblitz review, as well as improving physical access to the original 1901 gallery. Work will begin this year and we hope to open the new display in spring 2015.

Our Cafe has undergone internal refurbishment and, after a brief closure, re-opened in mid-May with a new look and updated menu. The new Cafe Terrace is now open, providing extra seating and a food kiosk for

the world – from Balinese Gamelan and African dance to Japanese Bunraku Puppet Theatre. *Behind the Scenes* at the Horniman is a new series of monthly after-hours talks and tours for adults. The coming summer months will bring still more events for all the family to enjoy, including the arrival of the Great Animal Orchestra to our Music Gallery Performance Space.



Natural History Gallery

This unique sound installation, created by leading natural The sound expert Bernie Krause from rare recordings of natural habitats, gives visitors the opportunity to explore nature's music and its 'orchestra'. The installation launches on 27 July with a day of live music and activities inspired by the animal world. The Horniman's Summer Festival takes an Edwardian theme this year with music, film, dance and activities inspired by this age of optimism prior to the devastation of World War I. The season begins on 12 July with the Horniman's *Curious Tea Party*, a weekend of Edwardian-inspired entertainment with a contemporary twist, in partnership with Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance. There's also an evening of entertainment for adults at our *Edwardian Late* on 7 August, and midweek *Big Wednesdays* afternoon events for families and play schemes.

Further information on events and activities throughout the summer can be found at www.horniman.ac.uk.

Alison McKay



Buy something or I'll hit you with that tenderloin...

alfresco dining. The Farmers' Market is now a regular fixture for local foodies and shoppers every Saturday morning, having received its permanent license in February.

New for 2014 is our programme of workshops and short courses inspired by our global collections, specially designed for adults. *Learn Create Explore* offers creative courses on Tuesday evenings while Saturday afternoons see adult-only music, dance and theatre workshops from around

The new Horniman Members scheme

At the end of 2013, this scheme replaced the annual Aquarium and exhibition tickets.

Horniman Members will now receive:

- Free, unlimited entry to the Aquarium
- Free, unlimited entry to our exhibitions
- A 10% discount in our gift shop
- Exclusive members' offers and events

There are three types of membership: (all children under 3 go free throughout the Museum).

- Individual Member £24 (Direct Debit £20) per year
- Member and Guest £28 (Direct Debit £24) per year
- Family Members £36 (Direct Debit £32) per year



A night in the Museum - Forest Hill style

The traffic streams along the South Circular Road, faster now that the main rush hour is over. The headlights shine through the rain and pick out a few people, muffled against the cold, clutching bottles of water and folders, slipping through the gate of the Horniman Museum. In ones and twos they walk through the darkened Africa gallery, past the lion, into the gallery square. There are chairs in a circle and a few people are already seated, waiting for the class to begin.

This is *Raise the Roof*, one of the evening activities at the Museum. Women of all ages, and a few men, meet to learn songs which they then perform at a free end-of-term concert. The class has been going for about 15 years and members join and leave and sometimes come back again. There is no audition, but somehow everyone can keep in tune, unaccompanied and singing three or four part harmonies.

As befits the Horniman Museum, the repertoire comes from around the world and across the years. We have sung in French, Georgian, Bulgarian, Hebrew, Arabic, Welsh, old English and Ladino. We have sung folk and pop, from Gershwin to Jessie J. When I joined, the teacher/musical director was Melanie Harrold, a very talented singer-songwriter. Mel moved on after ten years with the group and the current teacher is Kirsty Martin, who comes up from Brighton especially to do this. Kirsty has brought new material and new styles, and *Raise the Roof* is flourishing under her leadership.

Anyone can join. Just go to the Horniman

Museum website, www.horniman.ac.uk, and look for Adult Learning. Maybe I'll see you next term!

Carole Abrahams

Editor's note

On 6 July Raise the Roof is holding a concert between 1:30 - 2:15pm on the Bandstand. Why not pop down to listen to them?

*Lalala,
Lahalla ladeedaa
Ladeeda lalla la*

*and again from the
top...*





Philip Peake

Our councillors

We were sorry to lose Alex Feakes as our local councillor. Both he and Philip Peake (who did not stand this year) have represented our ward since 2006. They have always been very supportive of the Association, and worked with us on a number of issues affecting the Estate, more recently the campaign to reduce the volume and speed of traffic in both Canonbie Road and Honor Oak Road.

Our new Labour party councillors are Maja Hilton, Peter Bernards and Paul Upex. We look forward to meeting and working with them.



Alex Feakes

Crime and policing

The Forest Hill Ward Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) consists of police officers and police community support officers (PCSOs) whose aim is to make our neighbourhood a safer place. Key members of our SNT are Sergeant Christopher MacKin, PC Michael Hill, and PCSO Amie McCreery, who are supported by a number of other police officers and PCSO's as and when required. They hold quarterly ward panels, when the SNT meet with community representatives to identify local priorities and then work with them and other agencies to find possible solutions.

Maynard Firth is now attending these meetings as a TLERA representative, together with Rowena Lowe. At the May Ward panel meeting, the following priorities were identified:

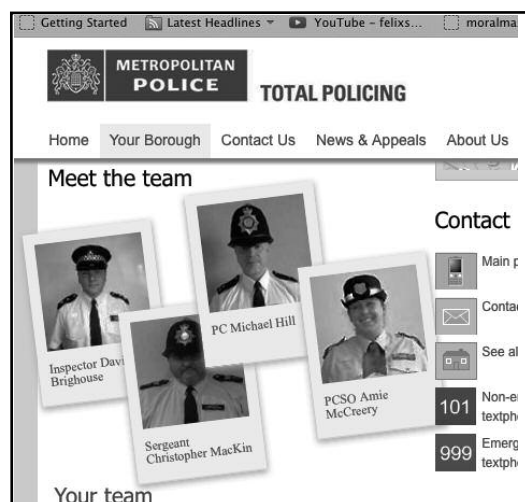
- To focus on road safety around schools.
- To target instances of cycling on pavements.
- To focus on setting up Neighbourhood Watch schemes.

Crime remains low on the Estate, but do let the Association know of any crime/policing concerns you have, and let us know about any criminal activity that has occurred by

contacting Maynard or your road representative. We can then let members know and remind them to be vigilant by way of our crime cascade e-mails. If you want to receive these email updates, please add your email address to the subscription envelope when you return it.

Editors note

In an emergency, the contact number for the Police is 999. In a non-emergency, just dial 101. The Forest Hill Safer Neighbourhood team can be contacted on 020 8721 2723 (this is not monitored 24hr a day).



New trade directory

The Association is planning to republish the local directory and members' handbook. So if you can recommend any good reliable businesses, services, or trades people that we can list, do let us know. You can either

use the form enclosed with this newsletter and return it in your subscription envelope, or e-mail your recommendations to secretary@tewkesburylodge.org.uk

Committee changes - new faces, new places?



Rowena Lowe stood down as Secretary of the Association at the AGM in September 2013, and since then has focused on the Association's Planning Sub Group, taking an active part

in monitoring local planning applications and assisting local residents with responding to proposed developments

Sally Tuhami recently took over the role of Secretary to the Association. She moved to the area in July 2013 with her husband and two boys, having lived in Honor Oak for 7 years.



Now that she has taken on the secretarial role, Sally hopes to put her organisational skills to good use and get to know all her local neighbours better, as the family plan to live here for a long time. They love it so far, and Sally says "the walk to the top of the hill is so worth it, and it's like living outside of London in terms of open space but inside London for views and convenience!"

Maynard Firth is now acting as Police Liaison representative for the Association. He and his family moved to Canonbie



Road just before Christmas 2009. They have three children, two at Fairlawn School and one at Forest Hill Boys School. Maynard really loves the area, not only

because there is a great sense of community on the Estate and the family have met many friendly neighbours, but also because of the wonderful trees and the fact that they can walk everywhere – "it's great exercise up and down the hill!" He took over as Police Liaison as the police are having a tough time with cutbacks and increasing anti-social behaviour, so he is hoping to give them as much support as we can to keep this area a great place to live and bring up a family.

Leanne Khan Panni has taken over from Ken MacLennan as road representative for Sydmons Court and Netherby Road. After living in the area for 12 years, she moved to the Estate with her husband Adam and four young children three years ago. With a background in advertising, she launched and ran SE23 Living. It was while delivering the magazine in the early days that she fell in love with the Horniman area with its amazing views and sense of space - and knew that if she could pick one place in SE23 to live this would be it! Her two sons are at Forest Hill School and Fairlawn Primary School, which Leanne thinks are great educational facilities that we are very fortunate to have on our door step. She has made some brilliant and hopefully life-long friends here and finds it to be a wonderfully friendly, relaxed place - and sincerely hopes it stays that way.



Carole Abrahams is assisting the newsletter team by proof-reading the newsletter, and is also going to help with the Membership Database. Carole and her husband Neil have lived in Liphook Crescent since 1986. Their sons went to Eliot Bank Primary and then Forest Hill Boys School, and she served as a parent governor at both schools. Now that she has retired, she hopes to be a useful member of the TLERA committee. She is also an active member of the Forest Hill Society. "Forest Hill is a very special part of London, with a strong sense of community, and we are very lucky to be living in quite the nicest part of it."

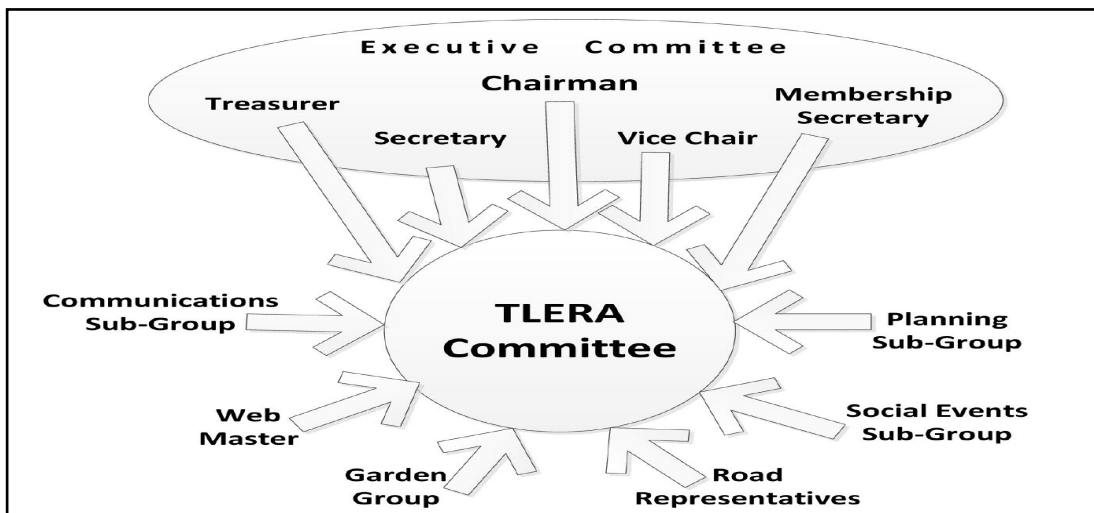


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TLERA - how it all works

As you can see, the TLERA Committee includes many different subgroups that have a focus on one particular aspect of the

Association's activities, and together form the overall Committee. If you want to be involved in any of our activities, please contact Sally, our Secretary.

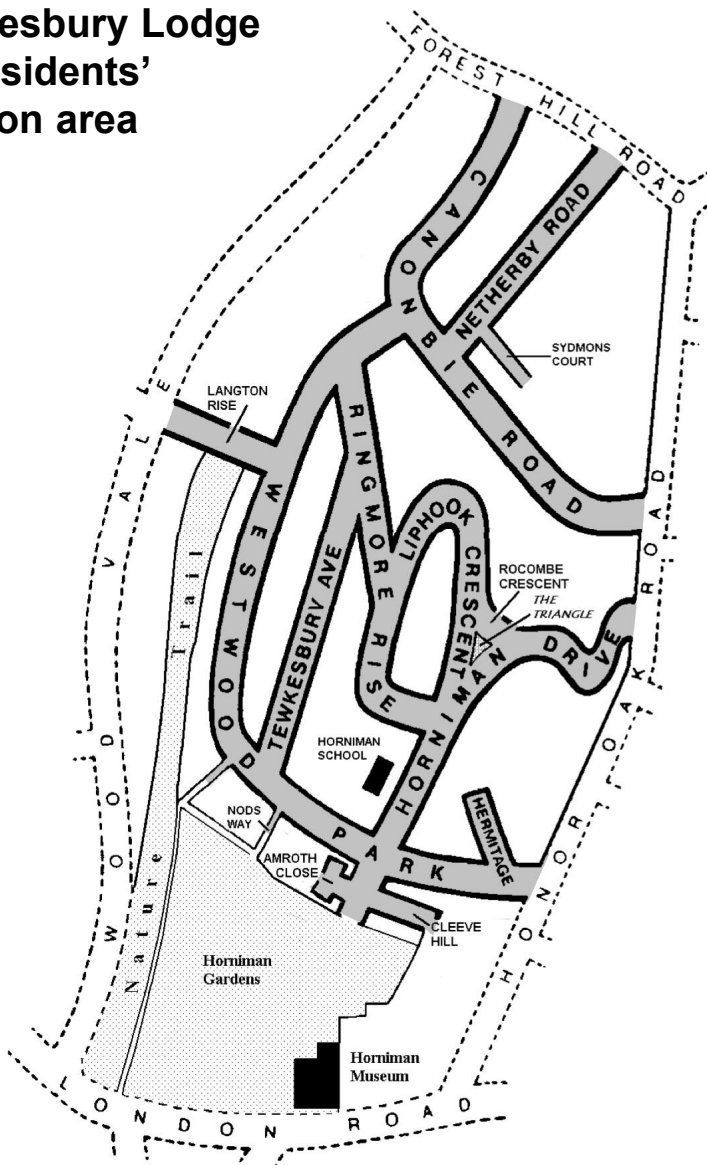


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