



# Heathfield Residents Association (HRA) Newsletter

## News From the Committee

In this edition we have included several items of interest that affect residents on Heathfield. There has been quite a lot of movement in house sales on the estate recently and we are pleased that several new residents have moved here. We hope they have settled in to what is considered a great place to live.

On a more sadder note, one of our long standing residents, Mr Brian Green, passed away at his house in Whitehall Gardens in September after a long illness. Mr Green had been a resident on the estate since 1989.

## Heathfield House

Following on from the information provided in the last newsletter the owner, Mr Gupta, has contacted HRA and stated he still intends to extend the fence on the eastern (playpark) side of the property. This will cut into the children's mud kitchen and two gardens in Queens Row. Mr Gupta has also indicated he intends to incorporate a lot more greenery to the site, which he hopes will improve the area once the plants become established. We will monitor this.

## HRA Website

Unfortunately, a virus corrupted the HRA website recently and it is now inoperable. HRA has approached a design company in Sawston to produce a new website and we hope to have it functioning as soon as possible. We apologise if this has caused any inconvenience but we hope the new site will be up and running soon with all new and important information that residents may require.

## HRA Accounts

The HRA Accounts 2018 have now been published and they will be placed on the website (but see item above). No AGM will be convened by HRA this year (following poor attendance) but we are still required to send the accounts to HRA shareholders if requested. Therefore, if any shareholder specifically requests either a hard copy or electronic copy of the accounts could they please contact [Martin.Johnston@Hra-duxford.co.uk](mailto:Martin.Johnston@Hra-duxford.co.uk)

## Gardens

We remind residents that they should ensure that overhanging bushes, shrubbery and trees should be cut back if they overhang public spaces, especially paths and road. Although generally gardens are kept tidy there are some areas where greenery has been allowed to grow over boundaries and this causes an obstruction to pedestrians and vehicles. It is also unsightly. If any resident is unable to accommodate this request due to ill-health or other frailty they should contact HRA and we will look at what assistance can be provided.

## Playpark Nuisance

There have been several instances recently where some children have caused a nuisance in the children's playpark. This includes swearing loudly, throwing stones and using the equipment designed for children under eight. The park has been improved at great cost over the past few years following the hard work of our charity HeART. It would be a shame if any equipment is damaged or younger children are discouraged from using it due to the actions of a few older children. HRA take this matter seriously and will report any criminal damage or other criminal activity to the police. New warning signs will be erected in the park to this effect.

## Anglian Water Effluent Lorries

Residents may have noticed an increase in the number of effluent lorries entering the estate recently to use the sewerage plant. Some of these lorries have caused damage to kerbstones. There is an agreement that these lorries are only permitted to enter the estate on air show days and at all other times they must access the plant via the Officers Mess. HRA has approached Anglian Water about this matter and they have informed us that they employ contractors to dispose of sewerage. It would appear that some contractors are ignoring the agreement and are still accessing the plant via our estate to offload their effluent. To overcome this Anglian Water intends to install CCTV at the site.

If anyone notices lorries contravening the agreement it is requested they report the matter to HRA as soon as possible, noting the time of the occurrence. If you are able to take a photo this would help.

## Cycling on the Estate

Sorry to sound like a 'nanny state' but we do advise anyone cycling on the estate to ensure they have appropriate bike lighting and fluorescent clothing, especially as it is now darker in the evenings. This is mentioned as there have been several instances where cyclists have had near misses with cars.

**The Heart Charity Halloween party is being held again this year in the playpark.  
Please come along and enjoy the event and support our local charity**



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