



# **NEWSLETTER**

## **3/96**

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For the second time running this is a single issue Newsletter and is penned by the Chairman rather than the Editor. It is primarily to let everyone know what happened at and the outcome of the Special General Meeting which was called for the 2nd May because of the failure to elect a new Secretary at the AGM.

The issues at stake were fully dealt with in the last Newsletter and will not be revisited in this Newsletter. However if anyone wants a copy of that Newsletter (2/96), please ring 460 2828 and leave your name and address.

The outcome of the SGM was that a new Secretary was elected. His name is Roy McCarthy and his telephone No is 460 7417 but, unless it is terribly urgent, please give him time to get to grips with the job. Leslie Tucker the outgoing Secretary will continue to act as Planning Officer (Bromley) for the Society.

All told four other people were prepared to take office rather than see the Society founder.

Kay Lincoln volunteered at the AGM but needed help because of limited mobility, that help was not forthcoming at the AGM. She later stood down when other candidates presented themselves. Brian Sanders (Treasurer) offered to take on the job with typing

assistance from his wife. Wally Johnson reluctantly agreeing to fill the consequential Treasurer's vacancy with support from Brian.

David Young from Coniston Rd who had only been in the area 2 years was prepared to be Secretary but pointed out that he worked long and unpredictable hours which could impose constraints. Richard Thomas from Ravensbourne Ave was also prepared to help, but he too worked and in addition both he and his wife were involved in other activities. With a young family this called for strict time management.

The outgoing Secretary (Les Tucker) & Chairman (Peter Pain) met everyone individually and except for Richard Thomas (who had a prior commitment) for a second time at a joint meeting. The purpose of which was to frankly discuss conflicting commitments interests etc. The outcome was that Brian Sanders preferred to remain as Treasurer. Wally Johnson preferred not to be Treasurer. Roy McCarthy was prepared to be Secretary but would need assistance with typing etc. David Young was also prepared to be Secretary but in view of his workload undertook to represent the Society on Road and Traffic matters. Richard Thomas also with commitments both at and outside of work was prepared to be our Hon Legal Adviser as he is a partner in a firm of Solicitors.

The SGM were updated on the preferences of the volunteers and were given the choice of holding an election and voting for the candidate of their choice or to recognise the preferences and to reflect that in their decision. It was agreed that the latter course was the most sensible. Roy McCarthy was therefore elected Secretary with the others filling posts according to their preferences.

Just prior to and during the SGM several other offers of practical help were made. Anna Marie Bedford and Caroline Lewis both

offered to help with typing etc. And following a decision by the meeting that if necessary, up to £400 could be spent on acquiring a word processor, Steve Watts offered to help as his firm were in the process of replacing machines some of which were only 2 years old.

All told a successful SGM. Not only because we have a new Secretary but also because a lot of new faces with new skills and attitudes have expressed a willingness to become more involved in and to contribute to the Society.

Only one thing marred the evening. Your Chairman (me) failed to say thank you to Leslie Tucker for all of the work he has done for the Society during the past, quite exceptional, 4 years. I have already apologised personally to Les for that oversight and I apologise now to the membership at large for that omission. I propose to formally put that right at the next Member's Meeting on the 4th July, which will be at 8.0pm in the Bromley Court Hotel as usual.

Finally the Beckenham Place Park draft Management Plan is now available and is circulating to those at the SGM who wanted to read it. It runs to 68 pages so far (without appendices). If anyone else wishes to get onto the circulation list please contact either myself or Leslie Tucker - my co-member of the Working Party - and your name will be added.

**Peter Pain (Chairman)**

## **R.V.P.S Officers (May 1996)**

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## **Road Representatives**

Bromley Ave/Karen Ct Grasmere/Highland Rds	Leslie Tucker, 5 Bromley Avenue
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