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Issue 1



Welcome to our latest newsletter which contains important news about our AGM.

## AGM - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

This year, our AGM will be on-line via Zoom and will be purely formal business. We invite Members to stand for the following posts: -

**Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Secretary.** The current incumbents are Clive Lees, Beatrice Osborn, Dave Wiltshire, Jacqueline St Quinton and Linda Müller respectively. All have indicated their willingness to stand again, except Clive Lees, who is standing down as Chairman.

We will therefore have **a vacancy for Chair after March**. Duties are to chair bi-monthly meetings, set strategic direction and liaise with local councillors and other stakeholders.

If you wish to stand for any of these posts, please send a nomination signed by a proposer and seconder to the secretary at [secretary.rvr@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.rvr@outlook.com).

## Agenda

Please note: other officers' reports will be posted on our website prior to the meeting. They will be taken 'as read' and there will be an opportunity to discuss them

1	Chairman's welcome and opening remarks	CL
2	Approval of Minutes of previous AGM	CL
3	Chairman's Report	CL
4	Treasurer's Report	DW
5	Determination of subscriptions for 2022-23	DW
6	Reappointment of Auditor	CL
7	Election of Officers: members are invited to stand for election: please contact the Secretary	CL
8	Chairman's closing remarks	CL
9	Any Other Business	
10	Next Members' meeting: Thursday 5th May, 2022	

CL: Clive Lees, DW: Dave Wiltshire

## Other RVR Business

### Annual RVR subscription payment by standing order

Many members have taken the opportunity to pay their annual subscription by standing order. While we have always enjoyed meeting members in person and collecting subscriptions in cash, when distributing the annual roundup newsletter in summer, we hope to increase the percentage paying by standing order when we visit this summer.

### Our membership database

Our membership system now provides in one place a comprehensive and accurate record of the data we hold. Our road reps will continue to update information we hold about existing members, as well as attempting to recruit new members. If you would like to receive our newsletter by email plus news about local issues and RVR projects, please let us know [here](#). Just to reassure you, we never send marketing and spam!

### And welcome to....

- Two new road reps, who can be contacted via the [Secretary](#):
  - **Jane Willcocks** Bromley Avenue / Grasmere Road
  - **David MacKenzie** Ravensbourne Avenue (Odds)
- Our new Roads and Traffic Officer:-
  - **Nicholas Ansdell-Evans** ([roadsandtransport.rvr@outlook.com](mailto:roadsandtransport.rvr@outlook.com))
- Our new Secretary:-
  - Jacqueline St Quinton ([secretary.rvr@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.rvr@outlook.com))

We would like to express our thanks to all these new volunteers for helping to cement a sense of community.

## Twitter

We are now celebrating eleven years on Twitter, and always try to post things that are relevant, interesting – and sometimes urgent, such as burst water mains and traffic problems. We gained many new followers in 2021. Join them via the link on the right.



## Planning

### Results

Since our last newsletter, our efforts to block what we believe to be inappropriate planning applications have had the following successes:

**79 Coniston Road** - Permission refused for massive House of Multiple Occupation (HMO) This application led to two enforcement investigations, highlighting the importance of checking you have planning permission for any modifications to your property. Details [here](#).

**71 Coniston Road** - On this occasion, LBL require owner to make a full planning application. Details [here](#).

**2 Warren Avenue** - Permission refused a second time for multiple reasons. Details [here](#).

**Land adjacent to 37 to 45 Oaklands Road** - Permission refused for multiple reasons. Details [here](#).

### Outstanding

Other planning applications that affect our area and which await decision:

**Verge Outside 60 Foxgrove Road** - a telecoms company is planning to make a formal application to erect a 17.5m phone mast (and cabinet) at this site. Details [here](#).

**Shortlands Station Lifts** - Summarised [here](#).

**76a The Avenue** - The main proposed building is now slightly different but we can't find an up to date artist's impression. If you approved the proposal because of the promised road upgrade, this upgrade is now NOT proposed. Instead, this proposal will be a massive eyesore and will generate yet more traffic to damage the road even more which will have to be repaired at RESIDENTS' expense! Many objections have already been posted [here](#).

**Land to east of railway line, Beckenham Place Park** - LBBromley have objected to LBLewisham's proposals for BPP. Details [here](#).

## Meeting Dates

In pre-pandemic times, meetings were held on the first Thursday, every other month, at 8pm at Bromley Court Hotel. During the pandemic, meetings have been held via Zoom, often complemented with much-acclaimed slide show to illustrate the issues, which makes them more interesting than watching a dreary Zoom screen! All members and prospective members are welcome. The meetings normally last about 60 minutes and focus on local community and planning issues. There is normally at least one of our local councillors in attendance to answer questions and log concerns. This year's AGM will be held on Zoom on Thursday March 3rd at 8pm.

If you are registered for email delivery, you will receive minutes of completed meetings, agendas for forthcoming meetings and a Zoom link for the forthcoming meeting.

From May on, we plan to re-commence meeting in person at Bromley Court Hotel. This will be confirmed nearer the date.

In summary:

Forthcoming meetings are as follows:-

Thursday 3rd March 2022 - The Annual General Meeting, via Zoom;  
 Thursday 5th May 2022 - Members' Meeting, at Bromley Court Hotel;  
 Thursday 7th July 2022 - Members' Meeting, at Bromley Court Hotel;  
 Thursday 1st September 2022 - Members' Meeting, at Bromley Court Hotel.

### Current Officers

Chairman	Clive Lees	chairman.rvr@outlook.com
Vice Chairman	Beatrice Osborn	vicechairman.rvr@outlook.com
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Hon. Legal Advisor	Richard Thomas	
Auditor	Alan Williams	

### Road Representatives

Bracken Hill Lane and Close / Highland Road  
 Bromley Ave / Grasmere Rd  
 Calmont & Ashgrove Roads / Belgravia Gardens  
 Coniston Road / Ullswater Close  
 Downs Hill / Crab Hill  
 Elstree Hill / Erin Close / Hillbrow Road  
 Farnaby Road (1-81)  
 Farnaby Road (82-194)  
 Madeira Avenue (Evens)  
 Madeira Avenue (Odds)  
 Oaklands Road / Spencer Road / Hawkshead Close /  
 Lullington Garth  
 Ravensbourne Ave. (Evens)  
 Ravensbourne Ave. (Odds)  
 Ravensmead Road  
 Warren Avenue

Linda Müller  
 Jane Willcocks  
 Rita Smith  
 Sandra West  
 Wendy Watmore  
 Mick Pinson  
 Jaki Moody  
 Cathy Davies  
 Judy Adcock  
 Anne Lancaster

David Page  
 Monica Wiltshire  
 David MacKenzie  
 Peter Saunders  
 Clive Lees

**If you wish to contact your road representative please email the RVR Secretary or write to:**

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