



Peterborough Road and Area Residents' Association
incorporating Clancarty Road, Daisy Lane, Hugon Road,
South Park Mews, Sullivan Road and Settrington Road

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1 - Summer "At Home"

As a direct result of the success of our Christmas "At Home" one of our members generously offered the use of her house for a Summer gathering. Do please join us for as long or as little as you like. No business agenda but an opportunity for you to question us

on any local matters that concern you and make our association even more effective by having greater contact with other members.

2 - Chelsea Victory Parade - 25th May

Chelsea Football Club have won the Premier League overwhelmingly, for which we warmly congratulate them. As you will have heard, they are holding a Parade from Stamford Bridge to Parsons Green, including a stop at Eel Brook Common, on the only suitable date that fits their timetable: Bank Holiday Monday 25th May.

Together with our Sands End Councillor Jane Law, the PRARA negotiating team met the Council officer responsible for liaising with the Club and the Police to discuss the details. The plan is for the Parade to start at midday; the public notification says it will finish at 1pm, but we have submitted that this is unrealistic, and will be nearer 2pm. The Club and the Police plan to start closing roads at 7.30am. We have lodged a strong protest at this: it is unnecessarily early, and the noise of assembling barriers will violate the Council's noise regulations for a public holiday.

The roads will re-open as the crowds disperse; the public notification says by 4.30pm, though this may be a bit optimistic. We are very conscious of people who will be away for the weekend wanting to return to their homes around that time. We have therefore requested that the organisers tighten their plans to move the crowds on from the Parsons Green area so that adjacent roads do not have to remain closed for as long or as late as has happened in the past.

We shall monitor the event closely, and welcome any comments after it from members. We are working with the Council to set up a process of learning from mistakes in organising these Parades, and not repeating them.

3 - Polo in the Park

This year's event will take place on June 5th, 6th and 7th. The Council is holding a ballot for 1,600 free tickets for residents. You can apply by emailing your name and full address (including postcode) to polointhepark@lbhf.gov.uk. Only one application per household is permitted but each household is eligible for four tickets. The Ballot closes **on Sunday 17th May at midnight**. Successful ticket winners will be notified no later than Tuesday 19th May by e-mail (or by phone to those without e-mail) and will be able to collect their tickets in person from Fulham Library from May 20 until June 3.

If you live in Peterborough Road, Daisy Lane, Sullivan Road, Broomhouse Lane or Sullivan Court you will be entered in a special priority ballot.

4 - Clancarty Road school traffic

We have had a further meeting with the Head Teacher and representative parents of children at the Ecole Marie D'Orliac and The Fulham Bilingual schools, and presented a list of suggested codes of behaviour both for parents delivering children by car and those whose children use scooters. The schools agreed with the codes but as they apply to what happens outside the school premises they have very limited powers to ensure they are observed. Enforcing existing parking controls, including the observance of yellow lines, can only be done by parking wardens and the police and so we were able to instigate a short campaign of enforcement during the morning rush hour and during the afternoon pick-up time. There was evidence that this is having a more lasting affect.

5 - Zebra crossing petition - please support

It is believed that a zebra crossing near or outside the schools would make the area safer for children and also improve the behaviour of drivers using the road as a through route. The PRARA Standing Committee therefore agreed to lead an e-petition to the council to be

signed by parents, residents and others. We hope you will sign the petition. It's very easy to do. Just follow this link to the petition web site and enter the details requested:

https://www.change.org/p/the-london-borough-of-hammersmith-fulham-road-safety-petition-for-clancarty-road-zebra-crossing?utm_source=guides&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=petition_created

If the link doesn't work directly, please copy and paste it into your browser. You can also access the link via our web site.

6 - Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator needed

Lance and Sue Pierson have been our lead Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators for the past 12 years. Sadly they both need to stand down at the AGM in September, so we are looking for someone (or maybe two or even three people) to take over this role within PRARA. Please consider helping your community in this way.

PRARA has always been a Neighbourhood Watch group as part of its function. The Co-ordinator's role has now evolved to representing PRARA in 4 forums, the first two of which we treat together:

- (a) H&F Council's Neighbourhood Watch Association and the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC): each of these involves one or two meetings a year with occasional e-mail communications with the Co-ordinator reporting back to the PRARA Standing Committee (of which the Co-ordinator is a member) / members when relevant.
- (b) Parsons Green & Walham (PGW) Ward Safer Neighbourhood Police Team – quarterly meetings, regular news bulletins and occasional SOS alerts from the police, reporting / forwarding to PRARA members as relevant.
- (c) Sands End Ward Safer Neighbourhood Police Team – the same pattern as PGW above. The two wards have the same Sergeant and share the same office so communications are easy.

Lance and Sue have covered all 4 forums together as a job-share. They believe the role could be covered by one person or continue to be a job-share, depending on how much time they have available. If you would like to explore / discuss this further, please contact Lance and Sue at the address on page 5.

This is a very important role. Would you take it on?

7 - Neighbourhood Watch / Scams

Pleasingly there are no serious crime issues to be reported. PC Stuart Cherrington, the designated Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) officer for Parsons Green Ward, is being transferred to Hammersmith CID and will be replaced by PC Sean Murphy. We have updated the Neighbourhood Watch page of our web site which has information about both our SNTs and links to the Metropolitan Police.

However, we do pass on the following warning.

E-mail financial scams are very common but are not the only ones that are around. Several of our members have recently received personally addressed letters sent via Royal Mail which are not what they seemed at first glance. Here are some of the things to look out for:

- Was the offer unsolicited?
- Do you have to respond quickly?
- Do you have to pay for a prize or 'free' gift?
- Are you being asked to pay an advance fee so that money can be transferred to you?
- Do you have to ring a premium rate number (e.g. 09)
- Are you being asked for your bank or credit card details?
- Is the business reluctant to give you its details?
- Is an e-mail apparently from someone you know consistent with what you know about them?
- Does the letter have the sender's postal address or just an e-mail address?
- Are you being asked to keep the offer confidential?
- If you're getting to know someone on line, are they asking for personal information while revealing very little about themselves?

8 - Thames Tunnel: latest situation

The Carnwath Road Coalition (CRC) has established a dialogue with Andy Mitchell, Chief Executive Officer of Thames Tideway Tunnel Ltd, the company which has been established independently of Thames Water to actually build the tunnel. Under discussion are (i) the mitigating measures proposed to reduce the adverse impact (as much as possible) on the residents closest to the work site which will be assessed and if necessary amended or rejected if not sufficiently effective; (ii) the establishment of an independent health survey of local residents before work commences and (iii) reducing the number of HGVs using local roads, and increasing the number of barges to take away the spoil.

CRC is pleased to report that after some lobbying, the three of the candidates standing for election in Chelsea and Fulham, Alexandra Sanderson (Lab), Simon Bailey (Lib Dem) and Guy Ruben (Green) are all supporting CRC's continuing protest against the siting of the main drive shaft in Carnwath Road. Greg Hands has already established his opposition to the Tunnel.

CRC is supporting Thames Blue Green Economy (TBGE), a company which has been set up to issue a legal challenge against the tunnel. The first court hearing dismissed the challenge, and TBGE has appealed against this decision on the grounds that it did not address the basis of the judicial challenge. The result of this appeal is awaited. Thames Water are continuing with preparatory work which they are legally entitled to do, but cannot begin work until the Judicial Review challenge has been fully addressed.

9 - South Park "Picnic in the Park"

The Friends of South Park will be holding their annual Picnic in the Park on Sunday 14th June. This year, as well as children's entertainment and live music, there will be a Dog Show. The Picnic is for the whole community and everyone is welcome.

10 - Prudential RideLondon

This event will take place again this year with three different races scheduled to pass through our territory on Sunday 2nd August, with the usual disruption. More information can be found at www.PrudentialRideLondon.co.uk

11 - SCI submission - Community Involvement in Planning

Councils are required to involve local communities in planning policies and decisions. We were asked to respond to a consultation on a revised Statement of Community Involvement in Planning (SCI). This sets out the procedures that should be followed both for borough-wide planning policies and individual planning applications. Our submission positively acknowledged the principles but expressed dissatisfaction that community comments or objections were all too often ignored and that there was inadequate feedback when comments were provided.

12 - Wandsworth Bridge development

Planning permission has been granted for a comprehensive redevelopment of the industrial land between Wandsworth Bridge and the new Sainsbury's scheme in Townmead Road. The redevelopment is primarily residential but it will include a new riverside walk and retain a working wharf for servicing an upgraded Cemex concrete plant. The Porcelanosa building is not affected.

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