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## 1 - Christmas Party

We'll be sending out invitations next month for our Christmas Party on 4th December. Note the date and we hope you will join us.

## 2 - Neighbourhood Watch

Fortunately our area is considered a low crime area by the Police. Nevertheless we average 1 to 2 residential burglaries a week. The vast majority of these break-ins are at the front of the house. The front door is either knocked open or the sash windows levered up. It is important to always double lock your front door at all times, whether in or out. Secure bolts on the windows help prevent them being levered up. Also heavy window-boxes are also a deterrent. Advice on how to secure your home can be found at <https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residential-burglary>

Thefts from cars continue, averaging 2 to 3 a week. These thefts are mostly from cars visiting the area and not from residents' cars. It is therefore important to warn friends etc. visiting. The thefts increase on Chelsea home match days.

There has been a recent spate of cars having their exhaust systems removed for the platinum in the catalytic converters. Older cars have more platinum than the more modern car. Hondas and Toyotas seem to be the favourite targets. Please dial 999 if you see suspicious behaviour i.e. a car being jacked up or someone under a car.

CCTV - A camera has been put up on the Thames Path near Imperial wharf to deter antisocial behaviour and drug taking. A camera is also going to be put up at the junction of Peterborough Road and the New Kings Road. The Police and Council feel they cannot justify putting cameras elsewhere in our area, as they are expensive to install and to monitor.

Our two dedicated SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team) Police Officers are at the moment PC Simon Elworthy and PC Brendan Chalmers. They are very keen to help and to be informed of any worries or something you wish to report. You can ring 101 or e-mail them at [sandsend.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:sandsend.snt@met.police.uk) There is also now a place on the Metropolitan Police's web site to report antisocial behaviour of any sort, the link is <https://www.met.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb/report-antisocial-behaviour>.

Our SNT officers also have regular coffee sessions in the area. The times and location of these are published in advance on Nextdoor. It is a great opportunity to meet the Police and to air your concerns. These are very badly attended and makes the Police feel no one really cares what is going on.

### **3 - Neighbourhood Watch extra**

Our Safer Neighbourhood team (SNT) have specifically asked us to remind you of the importance of reporting any incident including anti-social behaviour. The more intelligence that they have the better the picture they can build up and the greater likelihood that they can take against perpetrators.

### **4 - Committee changes**

Following the elections at the AGM, Luiz Motta has taken over the Membership Secretary / Treasurer role; Sue Pierson has replaced Ann Rosenberg as the road representative for Peterborough Road south (the PRARA constitution does not permit local councillors to be officers or members of the association in order to maintain our non-political status); and Alexandra Umbleby has moved over to become the Hugon Road representative. This means we are again looking for a Secretary - **can you help?**

### **5 - Thank you Jonnie Godfrey**

Business pressures forced Jonnie to give up as Membership Secretary / Treasurer, a role he fulfilled superbly for seven years. The handover to Luiz went very smoothly as everything was so well organised. We owe Jonnie a very large thank you.

### **6 - Your newsletter - paper or digital ?**

If you receive a paper copy of the newsletter and would like to have a digital copy instead, please tell your road representative. All contact details are at the end of this newsletter. Reducing the number of printed copies saves PRARA money, is ecologically good (and makes your Committee's life easier).

## **7 - Do we have your correct name?**

If your newsletter is not addressed correctly please tell our Membership Secretary, Luiz Motta so that he can amend our records.

## **8 - The Castle Centre**

Formerly known as the Castle Club, Thackery Estates who now own the listed building and associated land, had been expecting to develop the site as a school. Planning issues, especially in relation to traffic, have meant that this use has been abandoned and Thackery have advised us that they are now pursuing a care home scheme.

## **9 - Clancarty Road traffic issues**

Traffic congestion outside the Ecole Marie d'Orliac and Fulham Bilingual Schools in Clancarty Road continues to be a problem, even though the school has staggered some class times. The problems are mainly around 8.15/8.30 in the morning - which is the peak time for through traffic - and 3.00 to 3.30 in the afternoon. The Council has recognised this location as one of several in the borough for which a solution has to be found. A test of a possible scheme was conducted in Hammersmith earlier this year but has not yet produced any proposals to discuss with us.

## **10 - Bollard**

The rising bollard in Peterborough Road, which dramatically reduced heavy lorry traffic when it was introduced, has been inactive for some weeks. The reason appears to be a change of buses with the new vehicles not carrying the necessary transponders. The council has been pressing Transport for London for a solution. The Council will now be making adjustments to the control mechanism so that it responds to special cards or fobs which will be issued to drivers. These changes should be implemented by the end of this month.

## **11 - Aragon House**

This Georgian house fronting Parsons Green (formerly the Royal British Legion) has been sold to the City Pub Co. who are currently restoring the building, much of which has been unused in recent years. Public house use will be retained on the ground floor with hotel bedrooms on the upper floors.

## **12 - Thames Tunnel matters**

Tideway have responded to very substantial community pressure and are now using barges to deliver tunnel sections and remove spoil. This has removed several hundred lorry movements to the benefit of the larger area surrounding the Carnwath Road site. The impact of the works is now largely confined to those residents living in or just off Carnwath Road. The excavation of the main shaft has been completed. Construction of the two side tunnels started this month. One of these tunnels will eventually receive the boring machine (named Millicent) that is coming from Kirtling

Street in Battersea, the other is the launch tunnel for the boring machine that is waiting on site to head to the Acton Storm Tanks. A reminder that if you have any concerns, issues or complaints about the tunnel works it is best to call the 24 hour Tideway help desk: 08000 30 80 80 or e-mail [helpdesk@tideway.london](mailto:helpdesk@tideway.london). The helpline is considered to be more practical and effective. The on-site Community Information Centre in Carnwath Road is now only open once a month, on the first Tuesday, from 3.00pm to 7.00pm.

### **13 - Hurlingham Retail Park**

PRARA was consulted when the scheme to replace Currys/PC World with housing was originally submitted for planning approval. The developer recently proposed some amendments to the approved scheme. These were discussed with the senior Planning Officer for Fulham South and we concluded that the proposed changes were an improvement. PRARA therefore submitted a comment supporting them. There will still be some retail on the site but much less than before which has enabled a reduction in the number parking spaces needed and hopefully traffic as well.

### **13 - AGM Minutes**

The Minutes of the 2018 PRARA Annual General Meeting, which took place on 9th October, are attached to this Newsletter.

*15th October, 2018*

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# AGM

## Minutes of the 2018 PRARA Annual General Meeting held on 9th October at 7.00pm at 21 Clancarty Road, SW6 3AH

1. 18 people were present.  
Apologies: Robin Bath
2. The Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting were approved.
3. **Co-ordinator' Overview**
  - Sue Oriel welcomed Luiz Motta as the new treasurer and membership secretary elect, and presented a review of the committee' involvement in local issues over the year:

4 news letters had been sent out
  - A successful objection was raised to a proposed development of Open Land in Daisy Lane.
  - Plans for the use of the Castle Club by Fulham Prep School have been withdrawn.
  - The tender process for the new Arts and Community Centre in South Park had started for the second time. It is hoped that it will open next year.
  - Ride London: to everyone's surprise a limited crossing point from Wandsworth Bridge Road to Harwood Road was opened after we objected to massive traffic congestion last year.
  - Bollard: Down at the moment. Problem will be resolved by new fob cards in the buses.
  - Trees: A eucalyptus tree in a garden in Beltran Road fell on to an adjacent van parked in Settrington Road. PRARA was able to persuade the house owner to cut down a second eucalyptus tree to the benefit and safety of three PRARA members.
  - Thames Tunnel: Anthony Williams represents PRARA on the Community Liaison Working Group with Tideway. Spoil has been taken away by barges which has saved a very large number of lorry movements. Concrete for a 96 hours pour had to arrive by road and was monitored by a council representative, with no serious problems recorded. The people most affected by the works continue to be those who live in or just off Carnwath Road.
  - Jeremy Gilkes, the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, reported that there are only 2 police on the Safer Neighbourhood Team now and they are under considerable pressure. He asked everyone to make sure their doors and windows were secure and to warn visitors not to leave anything on view in their cars. CCTV is being set up to catch drug dealers.

Questions were asked about: The Nursery/ Cricket Pavilion which is to become a cafe and meeting room and the closure of roads during the 10K Run for charity on 18 November.

#### 4. **Treasurer' Report**

Jonnie Godfrey, outgoing Treasurer and Membership Secretary, reported on

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the PRARA finances and membership numbers. He began by explaining that the PRARA financial year runs on the calendar year, and then presented the figures for the last full year (2017), and the the year to date (Jan 1 2018 to Oct 9 2018).

In 2017, we started with £50.70 in the cash tin, received £235.00 in donations, and spent £138.40 on expenses (the vast majority being related to hardcopy newsletter production). This produced a total, on paper, at the year end of £ However, checking the contents of the tin, the actual cash total was found to be £147.30 – i.e. a discrepancy of £5.00. This would almost certainly be due to a mis-counting or mis-assignment of a donation.

So far in 2018, on paper, we have received £440 in donations (including £200 for a wine tasting evening), and have spent £258.75. This produces a total for the year so far of £ 323.55. The expenses were for newsletter printing. The £200 cost for the wine tasting evening was paid entirely by those who attended. As at to-day's date we have £353.55 in hand.

The way donations usually work with PRARA is that members hand you a five pound note when the join and its not always easy to keep track of what has been donated from which member. Jonnie apologised for any errors.

Hewas thanked for his 7 years as treasurer and membership secretary.

Current membership is 144 households.

### **5. Members' questions**

Q: Had anyone heard about a planning application for houses on the Matrix Studios site? Nothing had been heard for 18 months. AW to follow up.

Q: Thames Tunnel noise level? Acoustic sheds have been built.

Q: What is happening about a pedestrian phase at the traffic lights at the foot of the bridge? To cross there continues to be very dangerous. The hold up is with TFL but the council want to implement the crossing.

### **6. Special resolution**

A resolution was passed to amend Clause 3 of the constitution so that the road in which the coordinator lives may also have a separate road representative.

### **7. Elections**

No other nominations having been received, the committee were re-elected en bloc as listed in the Agenda. Alex Uempleby is now the rep for Hugon Road, Sue Pierson for Peterborough Road south and Luiz Motta is now Membership Secretary/Treasurer. The position of Hon. Secretary remains vacant. Brendan Bird would like a second rep to join him in Sullivan Road.

### **8. AOB**

There being no other business, Anthony Williams thanked Sue Oriel for her work as coordinator and for hosting the meeting.