

The H.O.M.E. Residents' Association

www.home.addiscombe.net Winter 2016



From the Chair

Dear Neighbours, it has been a sad Autumn with the tram accident at Sandilands taking seven lives in such a sudden and unnecessary way. We share the grief with the families and friends of those who died. The flowers are still being brought; the candles are being lit. We shall remember them.

Our third HOME in Bloom competition for front gardens was a great success - have a look at our web page for photos and details of the winning entries in the 4 categories - all received Waveley garden centre vouchers. In May 2017 we plan to have a HOME Open Gardens

Day to showcase some of the fine back gardens. More information will be available in due course on the website and in a future newsletter.

We currently have two important planning applications to consider - see over page - and please object to them if you consider them to be detrimental to the area.

The new street signs will be installed before Christmas and our thanks go to Irmela who has driven this project. These will clearly state that we are in the East India Estate Conservation Area and will serve as a reminder to both residents and would-be developers for instance regarding the placing of satellite dishes, the preservation of trees, the fact that front gardens can no longer be hard-paved as in the past.

The new road signs are being partly funded by HOME and we would welcome any small contribution you could make to help with the funding - please give as much or as little as you can; £1 from each household would give us enough. Drop it in at Deirdre, at no 16 Ashburton Road, or Mira at no 27 Havelock Road.

HOME and other residents' associations in this area are concerned about the impact that all the new developments in Central Croydon will have on local traffic levels and air pollution. A letter has been sent to Jo Negrini, CEO for Croydon Council by 13 residents associations, part of the Shirley Forum and Addiscombe Planning Group, to request a meeting with her and Transport for London. This letter can be found on our website - see Meetings and Events.

So do keep an eye on our website where, among other things, you will find news on planning applications and an update on anything we have done or are planning to do.

Very best wishes for the festive season and 2017

******* HOME NEW YEAR SOCIAL *******

We would like to invite you to our New Year Social on Sunday 8 January from 3-6 pm at 31 Havelock Road .

Our socials are friendly, informal, with food and refreshments available, some of which we provide while other contributions will be gratefully received. "Unwanted" gifts will also be welcome for our always popular raffle. So, do come along and bring your neighbours with you!!!

RSVP please-to athome@addiscombe.net or drop this slip at

27 Havelock Road 16 Ashburton Road -----44 Elgin Road-----74 Outram Road

Name:

Number of people:

Havelock Road, Outram Road, Mulberry Lane, Elgin Road & Ashburton Road/Close/Gardens

Looking after the concerns of local residents

<http://home.addiscombe.net>; email: athome@addiscombe.net; Phone: 020 8654 6437

Planning Applications: Please help by sending your comments to: see our web please for more !!

There are currently two planning applications to which HOME will be objecting.

61 Outram Road, known as Foley Court **Planning Application 16/05884/FUL**. This is an attractive, well-constructed building at the corner of Outram Road and Mulberry Lane which enhances the area. The building project was begun with good consultation between the developer and HOME, and yet, right at the end, the developer has installed a satellite dish on the front of the building. This contravenes what is set out in the Council's East India Estate Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan which states, regarding new builds and conversions, "External fixtures that will have an impact on the appearance of a building, including meter boxes, satellite dishes and solar panels, should not be located on street-facing elevations." The developer will have been aware of this and yet has now made an application for this installation to be permitted. We would ask you to support us in this matter by objecting to the application on the Council's website.

Deadline 15.12.2016.!!! Act now please. 60 Outram Road - Planning Application 16/05740/FUL - seeks permission to demolish the current single-storey family residence and replace it with a three-storey building comprising 5 x 2 bedroom and 2 x 3 bedroom flats, provision of associated access and 3 parking spaces, integrated cycle storage for 14 bikes and refuse store. If permitted this would result in overdevelopment of the site compared to what is currently there, a failure to maintain the space between buildings characteristic of the conservation area, the erection of a building designed to fit in with blocks of flats designed in the 1960s and which, themselves, architecturally do nothing to enhance the street scene. The proposal would also mean the loss of yet another single-family residence and front garden in the road. There is no room here to provide more details of HOME's objections but these can be found on the HOME website, www.home.addiscombe.net

The planning application with its documents can be found at <http://tidy.ws/ccg7mp> You can object to these planning application or comment on them on the Council website or do it by e-mail to development.management@croydon.gov.uk **Please quote the Application Number!!!**

Someone blocking your drive?

Croydon council no longer operates a car removal service for illegally parked cars. If someone has parked blocking your drive for example then call the Parking enforcement team on 0208 7601966 anytime you find a vehicle in contravention on the public highway. If the call is relating to a dropped kerb offence the team are required to take some specific details from you to confirm residency at the address, this will be your name, address and contact number. They also require the make, colour and registration of the offending vehicle. Once these details have been taken they will then despatch an officer as soon as possible to attend and issue a parking fine where appropriate

Not yet a member of HOME? Please-mail the following details to Deirdre Rainbow
at deirdrerainbow@hotmail.com or post it to her at 16 Ashburton Road, CR0 6AL

Name(s).....

Address.....

Email.....

Please note that membership of HOME is essentially free but the Association is funded by voluntary annual subscriptions and any funds raised by raffles or donations. This helps to cover expenses incurred in maintaining the website, printing newsletters, correspondence with the Council and others, matters relating to the Conservation Area, as well as the bi-annual social events. Please also note that any personal information provided is confidential to the Committee and will not be passed on to any other organisation or individual.