

FIELDEND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION LTD

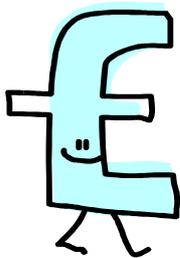
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New plans for Newland House

You will all know by now that Newland House are preparing to submit new plans for a development within the grounds of No 28 Waldegrave Park, thereby enabling them to move the pre-prep school onto the main site. They have appointed another firm of architects: Meadowcroft Griffin Architects (MGA). This firm wants a 'fresh start' and are very keen on public consultation; they are seeking to develop an 'exemplar school' and their plans involve building classrooms to the boundary line of Fieldend in the area known as the cage.

Unfortunately only 3 people from Fieldend were able to attend their first consultation meeting held at the school on May 11th but they are seeking more consultation with us and it is essential that the Board know your views so that we can represent you. They are hoping to make a formal planning application in August and will be in touch with us again. Could we therefore ask you to try and attend any meeting they hold and to then pass your views to Board members. Many thanks.

Please also note that we have no news about what will happen to No 11 as this is not included in MGA's brief. You will, however, remember that as a result of the first planning appeal, the school already has permission to put a swimming pool on that site.



A money saving tip

Chandy has managed to get Thames Water to reduce our bill for all three blocks of garages by getting the charge for the surface water drainage removed. Chandy reminds us that all households are also eligible for this discount. If you haven't already done so, you can apply to Thames Water ... as the advert says: "every little helps!"

And talking of helping ...

Thank you Allen!

Allen Craig has written to us to say that, in recognition of the difficult economic climate, he has decided not to raise his charges to us this year. We feel that this is a generous gesture on his behalf and thank him. Our thanks also go to him and to Neil for continuing to keep the grounds looking so beautiful.

Porches

Those of you who were at the AGM will have seen the sample piece of 'diffused white laminate' glass which, it was suggested, could be the answer for those Residents wishing to do something to hide the contents of their porches. The Conservation Officers at the Council have now approved its use, in preference to the boarding up of the porches. The Board has also given approval and No 38 will be the first house to use it. The Board, following advice from the Conservation Officer and in the spirit of maintaining the integrity of the design of Fieldend, has therefore agreed that the future position will be as follows:

*All Residents who have already boarded their porches may keep the boarding.
All Residents who wish to replace their current glass can do so either:
with the same (or modern equivalent) style of glass or
with the diffused white laminate if they wish a more opaque look.*

No additional permission is needed, either from the Board or the Council. The glass is available from A1 Glass in Heath Road, Twickenham and the full costs will be available from Barbara in late June. If anyone really wished to board up their porches in future then an application to the Conservation Officer will be needed.

The Fieldend Party



... will be held this year on Saturday 11th July. Sarah (No 8) and Dawn (No 11) are co-ordinating everything so all offers of help to them please.

Neighbourhood Watch

PCSO Paul Spratley came to Fieldend 2 weeks ago and spoke to a number of Residents. He is arranging a Fieldend 'event' to include cycle marking and advice on household security, during the afternoon of Saturday 20th June. We will send a note round giving more details shortly.

Conservation Area update

Many thanks to all who took part in the Conservation Area consultative meeting and to all those who have sent back the questionnaire. The Conservation Officer, Rachel Case, was delighted with the responses and is currently working her way through all your comments. More news when we have it!

And finally

a very warm welcome to Mandy and Kieron, new owners of No 45.