



North West Bassett Residents Association

Newsletter to all Residents of NW Bassett

Welcome to the Summer Newsletter 2018

Parking

The long running saga of the parking controls in Chilworth and Roman is coming to an end, although not necessarily an agreed or successful one. At the last minute the City Council seems to have amended its original proposals and, as a result, there are new parking problems in Roman Road which are causing some concern. No accidents yet we believe, but at times the parking is again a problem

House Burglaries

With the recent increase in burglaries in NW Bassett, Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) remains as relevant as ever, and groups remain committed to noting and reporting anything suspicious. We reported on the efforts of Jackie Pye in getting a NHW in Saxholm Way last time and if you are in Saxholm Dale then a resident is trying to start one up there. They have already circulated notes to all residents in that road and are hoping to get a good response. Given more recent criminal activity, they are hoping that local residents on reading this note will get in touch or come to the AGM and get the group off the ground. Any households not currently in a NHW group can find out if they have one by asking around, or by contacting PCSO Bob Stafford at Portswood or on 101.

The Cops & Coffee informal meetings, where our PCSO is available to discuss any crime/safety/police matters raised, will take place as follows, 9-10am:

St Michael's Church Hall (Bassett Avenue), May 25, Aug 17.

Bassett Tea Rooms (Winchester Road), April 27, July 20.

Bassett Green School (Honeysuckle Road), June 22.

NWBRA Membership 2018

Subscriptions for 2018 are now due and it was set at the AGM at the still ridiculously low sum of £5 per household. Please renew or join and help us keep NWB as we would like it to be.

Name:Date:

Address:

..... Post Code:

Email Address:

Please make cheques payable to NWBRA and post to Treasurer John Pye at 23 Saxholm Way, Southampton, SO16 7GX.

General Data Protection Regulation Consent Form

We would like to use your email address to contact you if there is an important or urgent matter that needs the attention of the membership. Your details remain secure and confidential to the Association and will never be disclosed to third parties.

Changes in UK data protection law mean that we now need your written consent to hold and process personal data relating to you. The personal data is your name, address and contact details.

The data is stored on memory sticks/computers and may be provided to committee members, when it is needed to facilitate membership of the Association.

You have the right to request that your details be removed from our stored records within 28 days of a written request to the Association Secretary but by doing so your membership will cease. Please sign and print your name in the form below to confirm your consent to the above.

Signed.....

Full name (in capitals).....

Date.....

Return both reply slips to Treasurer John Pye, 23 Saxholm Way, Southampton, SO16 7GX.

You are invited to register to get information, crime alerts and witness appeals local to the area in a way that suits your needs and lifestyle by two way messaging but may also hear about positive police action in your

community, help identify suspected or wanted criminals or learn about community groups, events or meetings in your area.

The NWBRA Committee

We really need a few more Residents to join us on the Committee . We don't meet too often and try and reduce the impact of our work on any of our precious spare time. But if we are to try and get things done and raise your concerns here in NWB, we need your help so please think about getting involved. If you are interested please contact Bob Merrett at bobmerrett@btinternet.com in the first instance and he can give you some more details.

The Residents Association AGM - 25 April 2018

This is the formal Notification that this year's AGM will take place on Wednesday 25 April at the St Michael's Church Hall starting at 7.00pm with the delicious refreshments. As indicated above, as well as the formal AGM matters, we will be considering the theme of Community Safety and how to keep safe in our homes.

So please come along to the AGM and find out more. We will start at around 7.00 with a free glass of wine or soft drinks and some splendid nibbles and you not only get more than your Subs in free grub but it's also a great way to meet your neighbours. Chairman Pete and the Committee look forward to seeing you there.

General Matters of Note from the City Council and Police

Blue-lid recycling bins shouldn't contain plastic bags - everything should be loose. They prefer bottle tops to go into general waste.

All bins and boxes should go out for the day of collection only, and should not be placed so as to cause a hazard to pavement users.

For info, dates of collection of garden waste will change in April for at least some of our households. Specifics available at www.southampton.gov.uk

We're advised not to use the same internet password for multiple sites - apparently many do, especially young people currently, and it is a big risk if one of those links is hacked. Also, try to avoid including names of family, pets, hobbies etc in passwords as this info can often be seen in personal posts on social media.

As ever, don't leave 'interesting' items in parked cars.

Valuable/important possessions can be registered on www.immobilise.com so that if they go missing and the police recover them, they can be traced back to their owners.

Finally a different take on where we started this Newsletter:

Bassett Avenue Blues

motorways and by-roads disgorge their rumbling loads onto this artery of our great city

cars, trucks, coaches, motorbikes spewing out a miasma of CO₂, NO_x and particulates

whither go ye? to docks, ferries, cruise liners or merely to fulfil a quotidian mission to earn a crust?

pedestrians, cyclists, pushchairs, dog-walkers vie for space on sidewalks barely wide enough – road is king.

sidelined verdancy struggles to survive, I was here first, it cries to no avail.

I seek no corner of a foreign field when I pass out just bury me beneath the Chilworth roundabout.

John Pye.

With thanks to John for allowing us to use his award winning poem.