



# Brentford Dock Newsletter

May/June 2017

## BBQ Area – Please do what it says on the tin!



You may have noticed the loss of a section of the hedge on the riverside. This was as a result of a resident attempting to dispose of their BBQ 'hot coals' 'over the edge' into the river.

Please make sure that ANY hot coals are only put in the bin provided for this purpose. There are 5 general rubbish bins in this area: so please use them.

The damaged area will be repaired shortly and following consultation with our gardening contactors the Board has decided that, as replanting will take too long, we will open up the area as a trial and add several benches .

Marie Curie Coffee Mornings:  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June and 17<sup>th</sup> July  
10.30am to 12.30pm



### Walking Group

The Walking Group will be visiting Wimbledon Park on 29<sup>th</sup> May (and will meet by the bike stores at the top of the Dock Road ramp at 10am). The visit will include Wimbledon Common and the Windmill. Next walk will be on 26<sup>th</sup> June going to Trent Park, Enfield.

Dock Shop: Telephone: 020 8758 2997 Opening time 8am to 10pm, 7 days a week.  
**PLEASE SEE SPECIAL OFFERS IN STORE AND THE NEW RANGE OF PHONE ACCESSORIES.**

## Augustus Close Bridge Is Now Open



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May saw a hive of activity on the bridge, with over 25 workers on the site painting, laying tarmac, cleaning and erecting fencing and around 4pm – at last - the road was open!

However, LBH will be back to carry out repair work to Dock Road in the next few weeks and SSE have been contacted to reinstate the ramp which was temporarily resurfaced following the emergency electrical works last November.

During the next few weeks our gardeners and cleaners will be working on the approach to the Dock, tidying up the area and getting the grass back under control. We will also be doing some work on the banked bed at the entrance to Augustus Close.



## Heating

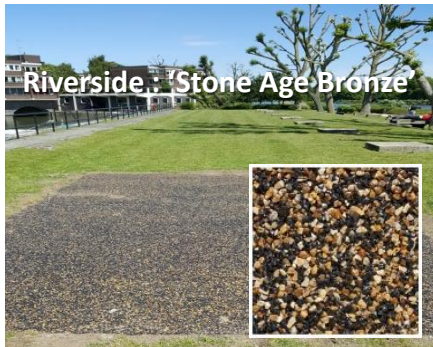


At last the weather has changed and the forecast is good, so the Dock heating will be switched off on 6<sup>th</sup> June and will remain off until the weather is consistently cold again in September/October.

## Path Resurfacing

The tarmac footpaths on the Estate are in need of replacement and we have been researching the different surfacing options since September 2015 when we notified lease holders of the intent to carry out these works. We have now identified a durable, visually appealing, affordable and environmentally friendly material (a mixture of stone and recycled tyres) called KBI FlexiPave. This has been used in a number of prestigious locations such as Kew Gardens, RHS Wisley and the Cadogan Estate in Chelsea.

Two large samples have been laid (which will shortly be used as the base for the table tennis tables: see last month's Newsletter), to give a choice of colours. Please let us know which colour you prefer – either by email to [managementoffice@brentford-dock.co.uk](mailto:managementoffice@brentford-dock.co.uk) or drop in to the office.



The first area to receive a new surface – once a contractor has been selected - will be the path alongside the River Brent between Dock Road and Julius Point, with other 'red tarmac' paths being similarly treated over the following 2 years.

Leaseholders will shortly be receiving formal Notice of Estimates for the path resurfacing but alongside this all are invited to let us know your preference for the colour.

## Bulk Waste and Recycling Area proposal

Further to observations received as a result of the Section 20 consultation, we would like to reassure residents that the plan to create a new Recycling, Bulk Waste and Grounds Maintenance area at the rear of the Syon car park will not progress in its current form. Alternative plans to address these issues will be notified in due course and your suggestions are most welcome via the usual communication channels.

## Changes to Dock Recycling



LBH will be writing to Residents during the next few weeks to explain the changes to the collection of recycling on the Dock. The smaller glass collection bins have new stickers, indicating that **all** glass can go into the same container regardless of colour. From immediate effect - **paper and cardboard can be placed in the same bins**. Early in June (LBH will confirm the date) plastics and tins will be collected together as well.

The small electrical appliances bin at the rear of Nero Court is going to be removed and will not be replaced. **Please do not put any more items in this area** as it is already full. The removal of this container will make space for 2 more of the cardboard bins.

The Council are very happy with our food waste recycling and will be using the Dock as an example of how it can work on large Estates such as ours.

We are working with the LBH recycling team to see where other improvements can be made to benefit the Dock.

## House-Keeping & General Interest

- **Parking in private bays** – We have been asked by some residents to request that when you are parking your car in a space next to your neighbour that you make sure that you park in the centre of the space to allow enough room for your neighbour's car as well. The problem is, of course, because many of our parking spaces were made when vehicles were much smaller and so spaces are very tight - but a little care and thought will make a big difference. Many thanks.
- **Picking Flowers** – We have had several complaints regarding parents allowing their children to pick the flowers on the Dock. They may not realise that some plants do not re-produce flowers, in future years, once they have been picked so can we make a very gentle request – please don't let your children pick the flowers.