

TWRA Update

Development Proposal for Expansion of Shelveys Hill Garage site

I do not usually include issues associated with planning proposals in bulletins that go to the NhW list as well as that for TWRA. However, the objections being raised by the TWRA do include concerns about road safety from significantly increased traffic entering and exiting a site located on an already busy bend and junction. You can find a link to an extract of the TWRA input to the Planning Department at the end of this bulletin. I should note that while the very short period for public consultation has expired you can still view the proposals and make your own comments, which local Councillors will see, by visiting this site:

<https://planning.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=RUJUBJMFIG00&activeTab=summary>

Cybercrime

Unfortunately email hackers gained access to the email address and contact list of a member of the TWRA Committee. This resulted in quite a few friends, relatives and residents receiving emails purporting to be from this person. If they responded to the email it was followed up by a false story requesting the recipient to purchase and post some gift vouchers on this person's behalf. Fortunately, as far as the person knows, nobody actually did this and they managed, with some specialist help, to regain control of their own email again after a few days.

There are two lessons to be learnt. It is probable that the person clicked on a fake link purporting to be from their email/broadband supplier – I use the same supplier, Virgin, and I have reported dozens and dozens of fake scam emails purporting to be from them. Unfortunately it is all too easy for scammers to copy genuine logos, letterheads etc and produce very convincing documents. Please be extremely cautious about clicking on links in unsolicited emails. If you are in any way unsure about an email that might be from one of your suppliers, you should try to use a known route to your account rather than any offered shortcut. The second lesson is that if you get an unexpected email from a friend or relative that is requesting you to spend money on their behalf, speak to them directly before you do so. A previous example of this type of requested payment scam, which happened to a local resident earlier this year, had a son supposedly asking their parent via WhatsApp to pay a bill on their behalf claiming that their mobile phone was broken so the bank would not accept his payment instructions as it required double verification.

TWRA and Neighbourhood Watch have organised a speaker from the Surrey Police Central Unit Combating Cybercrime to come to talk to us about the latest developments in Cybercrime at Breech Lane Community Centre during the evening of Tuesday Nov 7th all are welcome.

Flooding Surrey CC Pilot Water Butt Project – Update and Final Opportunity

This article is mainly relevant to Tadworth Residents but also to those in Motts Hill and Ebbisham Lane in Walton.

Please consult the link at the end of this bulletin to a map which shows which roads or parts of roads are eligible to participate.

I previously circulated details of a pilot scheme for Surrey CC to install free of charge specially modified water butts for properties in the catchment area for flooding that takes place in Tadworth. These butts are designed to absorb excess water during periods of heavy rainfall as they slowly release water into the drainage system until they are half full so that capacity should be available when needed. The remaining half capacity of water is of course available for participants to use for garden watering. My previous circulation was successful in obtaining responses from over 50 potential participants so the pilot scheme could progress to the next stage. This was for those wishing to participate to register on a Surrey CC website so that Surrey have their actual details – the details of residents that I had obtained could not be passed directly to Surrey because of data protection considerations. I previously circulated the web registration address to my respondents and Surrey also arranged for that to go out on Social Media. This is now the final opportunity for anyone who lives in the catchment area and owns their own property to apply for the scheme with applications finally **closing on Sept 8th**.

Application link: <https://forms.office.com/e/UZ2BjD9A2g>

If you have any further questions please send them to me and I will pass them to George Allen who is my Surrey CC contact for this project. Or you can contact him directly on:

Flooding.Enquiries@SurreyCC.gov.uk

Full details of the Surrey CC relevant data privacy policy can be found online here:

[Flood and Climate Resilience - Privacy Notice - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/flood-and-climate-resilience-privacy-notice)

My contacts with Surrey have provided this further amplification: "We will collect "contents of any submission made", i.e. if we are provided with relevant information by a resident we will retain it as long as is appropriate. However, the information would be anonymised after the conclusion of the project, i.e. we'd retain details of properties that received water butts but not who lives/lived there."

Health Bulletin

Note in view of a new strain of resistant COVID, it seems likely that vulnerable individuals eligible for COVID vaccinations may be offered autumn booster jabs starting with effect from Sept 11th. 'Flu jabs are already being offered and it may be possible to have them done at the same time. I will publish an Alert if I obtain more information.

Road Closure & Disruption Reports

You can find details of planned roadworks over the next two weeks on the One.Network web site.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roadworks-and-maintenance/roadworks#planned>

On Sept 3rd Ashurst Road will be subject to traffic management for works by VirginMedia.

From 30th August– 6 Sept Cross Road subject to traffic management for utility works.

At some stages in the next few months Downs Way will be subject to closures for major resurfacing work.

Pothole Reporting

We are all aware of the large number of potholes in our roads – please note that where you see any particularly dangerous pothole because of their depth these should be urgently reported to Surrey CC on 0300 200 1003. Less dangerous potholes can be reported online

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roadworks-and-maintenance/report-a-highway-problem/road-or-cycle-lane-issues>

Please note if you see a pothole with a red sign "T" or "TR" on the road by it this means that it has been given a temporary repair and will eventually receive a more permanent repair.

PARKING

TWRA and Neighbourhood Watch have received further complaints about vehicles parking on the pavement opposite the Cross Road shops. This causes an obstruction and forces pedestrians into the road at a potentially dangerous location. Please be aware dangerously obstructing the pavement is a **CRIMINAL** rather than a traffic offence which the Police can and will prosecute. Loading and unloading provisions do not apply in this case. In view of the danger this can cause, vehicles obstructing this section of pavement may be photographed and the evidence sent to the Police for action to be taken.

Police & Neighbourhood Watch Reports

Links to Local Police Newsletter:

Reigate & Banstead Police Newsletter: [Reigate and Banstead PoliceNewsletter August 2023.pdf](#)

Police & Crime Reports Burglaries

27/08/2023 Between 04:30 to 05:05 Chipstead Way, Banstead. Residential Burglary resulting in the theft of a Car. Method of Entry – Entry has been gained through the rear door to the property.

Stolen: Car (Volvo). (PR 45230096035)

25/08/2023 (time be confirmed) Forest Drive, Kingswood. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry – Forced entry through the rear Patio Door.

24/08/2023 22:22 Outwood Lane, Chipstead. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry – Forced entry through the rear Patio Door.

Stolen: To be confirmed. (PR 45230095153)

24/08/2023 Between 21:00 to 23:00 Forest Drive, Kingswood. Residential Burglary. Method of Entry – Forced entry through the Patio Door.

Stolen: 7 Watches and Jewellery. (PR 45230095822)

Stolen: To be confirmed. (PR 45230095965)

20/08/2023 Between 02:00 - 06:00 Fairlawn Road , Banstead. Residential Burglary resulting in a car theft. Method of Entry – The suspect(s) have gained a forced entry through the front living room window of the property.

Stolen: Car keys, Car (Audi Q7) and a Handbag. (PR 45230094193)

Vehicle Thefts

There were 4 reports during the last 2 weeks of tools being stolen from vans in the Borough. There were also 2 attempted thefts from vans.

Vans are often targeted by thieves for the tools stored inside. If you have to leave tools in a van overnight, it's a good idea to mark them clearly with your name / company name and address using paint pens and seal with a clear lacquer spray. Alternatively, you can use a variety of other property marking systems. Items that are clearly marked are less desirable and more difficult to sell on.

Consider using a lockable cabinet within your van to store tools – a number of security rated products are available. Small cameras are also designed to record inside vehicles. Visit [Secured by Design](#) for more details.

You can also take photographs of items of value, make a note of the serial numbers and consider registering them online at a property register site.

Please remember we provide lots of advice on our website for keeping your car/van safe:

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/preventing-car-vehicle-theft/>

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/>

Contacting the Police

The Police Reference Number (PR) with each of the reports is shown in brackets. If you have any information on any of the reports, including CCTV, please contact us quoting the Police Reference Number (PR).

How to contact the Police

If you found yourself in an emergency situation, we're fairly confident you would call 999.

But what about if you needed police assistance but it wasn't an emergency?

Many people are familiar with 101, the non-emergency police phone line staffed by the same people who also answer 999 emergency calls. Unfortunately, this line is often overstretched due to high demand, and it can take some time for our call handlers to answer.

It's often quicker and easier to report non-emergency issues to us online. Our digital contact handlers have the same training and will respond to your issue in the same way as they would by phone.

You can direct message us via our social media channels, message our call handlers using the live chat button on our website: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/>

You can also use our online reporting system. There are forms specific to the following topics:

Crime: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

Rape and sexual assault: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/rsa/alpha-v1/v1/rape-sexual-assault-other-sexual-offences/>

Missing person: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/mp/v2/report-missing-person/>

Civil dispute: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/cd/civil-dispute/>

Lost or stolen vehicles: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/mp/v2/report-missing-person/>

Domestic abuse: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/domestic-abuse/a1/report-domestic-abuse/>

Road traffic incident: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/rti/rti-beta-2.1/report-a-road-traffic-incident/>

Antisocial behaviour: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb-v3/report-antisocial-behaviour/>

Fraud, bribery, or corruption: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/fo/v2/report-fraud-bribery-corruption/>

Lost or found property: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/lp/lost-or-found-property/>

These issues won't all be suitable for police to deal with, but the forms can help direct you to the right agency or authority to manage it.

As always, if you or someone else is in immediate danger or a crime is being committed right now, please call 999.

The Trading Standards Scam Newsletter

Read articles on artificial intelligence (does it help or hinder crime?), football scams, romance fraud, a slushy warning, how to apply for a free call-blocker .. and lots more!

[Read the newsletter here](#)

Forthcoming Events

Please Note: The Good Shepherd Hall is having its wooden floor replaced and will be unavailable from 11th September. Regular users will be advised but some changes have already been made, for example, the date of the Craft Fair has been put back until 11th November (see below).

Friday Sept 1st to Monday Oct 9th Tadworth & Walton Overseas Aid Trust (TWOAT) Online Auction of Artworks many with a local connection. <https://auctionofpromises.com/TWOATArtAuction2023>

Saturday September 2nd The Good Shepherd Coffee Shop operates every Saturday from 10.30am to 12 noon (normally in the Church)

Saturday September 2nd Model Railway Exhibition at the Good Shepherd Hall presented by the North Downs Model Railway Circle at the Good Shepherd Church Hall, Station Approach Road, Tadworth. Open 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. Adults £6, under 16s £3, senior/disabled £5. All profits to Good Shepherd Church. 27 model railway layouts in all major scales, traders, refreshments. For details see <http://www.ndmrc.info/Home/Tadworth.htm>

Sunday Sept 3rd Parish Lunch Good Shepherd Hall - note you must pre-book on the list in the Church. Parish Lunches are normally the 1st Sunday in the month.

Saturday September 9th Walton Village Kitchen provides light lunches in Riddell Hall and thereafter every 2nd Saturday in each month.

Sunday Sept 10th the Terrier Derby registration 12 noon racing starts 1pm by Epsom Race Course celebrating its 20th Anniversary, in aid of the Royal Marsden. <https://terrierderby.com/upcoming-events/>

Saturday Sept 16th Gage Players two rehearsed play readings at Riddell hall see web site for details www.thegageplayers.co.uk

Friday Sept 22nd Curzon Cinema presents Allelujah in Riddell Hall at 2pm, 4.30pm and 7pm admission £7.

Sept 30th MacMillan Coffee Morning instead of usual Good Shepherd Coffee Shop from 10.30am including raffle.

Saturday 30th September Tutti Festi Exhibition of Creative Arts (from 6pm) and Concert (from 7pm), Church of the Good Shepherd. Admission £10 (see link to poster by my signature below)

Saturday Oct 7th TWOAT Annual Social Meeting 7.15pm St John's Hall non-members also welcome see www.TWOAT.org

Tuesday Oct 10th Walton Forum Meeting evening Breech Lane Community Centre

Tuesday Nov 7th Current Trends in Cybercrime presentation by Surrey Police Breech Lane Community Centre doors open 7.00pm for 7.15pm start

Stall bookings are being taken for the Tadworth Craft Fair to be held on November 11th from 10am to 3pm contact tadworthcraftfair@yahoo.co.uk

Friday 17th November Wine Tasting evening at Riddell Hall in aid of Friends of St Peter's. Enquiries to philip@truett.co.uk

Nov 23 – 25th Gage Players present "Molly's Calling" by Pip Rolls see web site for further details www.thegageplayers.co.uk

Wednesday 29th Nov. TWRA Christmas Lighting Event in Tadworth High St. from 3pm.

Saturday Dec 2nd at 7.30pm Kingswood Village Hall concert by Atlantis featuring hits from 60's and 70's Tkts. £12.50 see link to poster by my signature below.

For details of the many Group Activities and Events organised by Banstead u3a for those no longer in full-time work, visit here <https://u3asites.org.uk/banstead/home>

In particular please note **the u3a Open event taking place on Sept 20th from 2pm in Banstead Community Hall** where you can talk with representatives from many of the interest groups run by the u3a to see if you might consider joining them.

Please let me know if you have an event taking place in the next 2 months.

Keep well

Mike Fox

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Attachments

- [Shelvers Hill Deveopment.pdf](#)

- [Tadworth Catchment Boundary Map.pdf](#)
- [Tutti Festi PDF.pdf](#)
- [Atlantis poster Dec 2nd.pdf](#)