

Environment Subcommittee Report for LRA January 2015 Closed Meeting

The subcommittee will not meet until later in January. However, there are several updates, reports of meetings, and some good news for the the Anti Litter Campaign.

Anti Litter Campaign

We are delighted to announce that, upon reading our Anti Litter proposal Andy Smith of **Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE)** has recently sent the following message:

Tim (Murphy) and I have discussed the proposal, which we think is very good and chimes with CPRE's approach, and we would be very happy for CPRE Surrey to provide sponsorship up to £1,000 to cover production of campaign materials, displays, etc, as per your proposal. The important thing from CPRE's perspective is that the anti-litter/fly tipping campaign should have a strong focus on countryside, riverbanks, woodland, and also railway station and/or railway lines. In addition to direct financial support we would of course be very happy to promote and publicise the initiative to our own members and to the wider public, as required.

Nower Wood Visit 1st December

It was a privilege for the Norbury Park Liaison Group to visit the facility in Nower Woods which has, since its purchase, been used exclusively for educational purposes. The site owned by Surrey Wildlife Trust (SWT) is in need of replacement of classrooms and other buildings. The trust has been working with MV planners in order to draw up plans that would be acceptable for this sensitive, green belt site. Total funding is not yet in place and the plans have not yet been formally approved by MVDC but there is great optimism that the much needed new classrooms and offices will be forthcoming.

Replacement of Planters Questions have been asked about the planters that SCC was to replace at the corner of Epsom Road and Leret Way. Those questions were forwarded to MV's Tony Wynn. He has assured us that they are on order and will be in place in the new year.

Forty Foot Road Adoption Although the adoption has not happened in the time frame expected by campaigners, Cllr Tim Hall has assured us that the adoption will take place soon. Update: An announcement was made on 1st January that Fortyfoot Road and Beech Holt will be adopted by the end of the month.

Leach Grove Village Green Status Inquiry Funding for the legal representation at the hearing is almost in place. £2993 of the £3000 has now been collected. (Update: by end of year all funds are now collected)

18th December Meeting of the Fetcham and Leatherhead Flood Forum

Thanks to Cllr Tim Hall a fully functional Flood Forum is now in place for Fetcham and Leatherhead. A report on how the forum was established and its subsequent work has been submitted separately.

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