

HHGERA

NEWS

The Newsletter of the Hanger Hill Garden Estate Residents Association www.hhgera.com

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The Residents Association exists to ensure your views on the Estate are heard and works to promote a strong community. The officers are all volunteers. If you would like to help, email us via mail@hhgera.com. Enjoy this May 2022 issue and hope for sunny weather!

We're having a party!

Come and join us on Sunday June 12th for a community picnic to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee and a chance to socialise again after the long Covid lockdowns.

There's no need to book – just turn up at any time from 1pm at the Paddock (the big grassy field behind the flats on Queens Drive, reached via Garage Road).

Bring along a blanket and a picnic hamper filled with favourite nibbles and tipples, and hope it doesn't rain! There'll be lawn games, arts and crafts, and entertainment for everyone. If you're a culinary goddess or baking wizard, do bring along your creations to share with neighbours (please provide recipe ingredients for allergy advice).

Everyone who lives on the Estate is welcome, and do bring along family and friends too. You can contact the organisers via mail@hhgera.com if you would like to get involved (musicians, magicians and jugglers are especially welcome!) or can help with the organisation.

We hope to see you there!

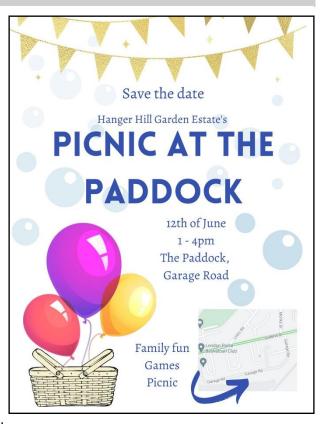
近隣の皆さんが集まるピクニックのお知らせです。

日時:6月12日(日)午後1時~4時

場所:クイーンズドライブのフラット奥、ガレージロードからアクセスできる芝生エリア

レジャーシートと、何か飲んだり食べたりできるものを持ってお越しください。芝生の上で遊べるものや、お絵かきや工作など、皆さんで楽しめるものもあります!

お料理やケーキ・焼き菓子などのお得意のレシピをお持ちの方、持ち寄って皆さんとシェアしませんか?(アレルギー、特にナッツ類の確認のため、原材料がわかるようなメモ書きをつけてくださるようお願いします)皆さまのご参加をお待ちしています!



All change for the Flats' gardens

If you'd be interested in joining a gardening club to exchange ideas and get your hands dirty from time to time, Janis Dodd wants to hear from you. Janis is the new Flats' management board member for gardens and grounds.

She's already hired a new company, Country Wide, to look after the gardens and start clearing garden waste and dumped furniture from the Paddock. Then there's a big programme of work which includes the pond, tree work, new planting and much more.

Contact Janis via Janis dodd@yahoo.co.uk.



Changes to local Councillors for Hanger Hill Ward

Following the election in May, we have had a change of local Councillor. Nigel Sumner (pictured) will be enjoying a very well-earned rest, after 28 years of service to the local area. Nigel has been a fantastic support to the Residents Association and will be much missed.

We welcome a new Councillor, Athena Zissimos, who will be working alongside Fabio Conti and Gregory Stafford. Should you need their support with local issues, you can contact them by email: zissimosa@ealing.gov.uk, Contifa@ealing.gov.uk, StaffordG@ealing.gov.uk.

Annual meetings held in person again

It was good to be able to meet in person for the Residents Association and Houses Management Board annual meetings, held at Holy Family School on the 24th March. We were pleased to be joined by our local Councillors and Janis Dodds, a resident and newly elected member of the Flats Management Board.

The meetings unanimously approved some important changes to the HHGERA Constitution and houses' service road Rules of Use. Keys for service road gates will now only be given to houses that have a 'Deed of Easement'. This is a legal document formalising house owners' access to the service roads which are managed by the Residents Association. The process is simple and HHGERA makes no charge for issuing a Deed. There's more information at www.hhgera.com/service-roads or contact gates@hhgera.com if you need to put a Deed of Easement in place.

Another rule change means we can now charge house owners or tenants to remove rubbish dumped on the service roads – an ongoing problem as the Council will only take rubbish and recycling left in the correct wheelie bin. The minimum charge will be £100 this year so please dispose of your rubbish correctly.

The AGM agreed to keep the annual service charge for houses at £60, with no HHGERA subscription charge for flats in 2022. This is possible thanks to hard work from our team of volunteer collectors who have followed up on houses that have not paid in the past, and have put in place a new system so that the service charge must be paid when a house is bought. It is possible the charge will have to go up next year, as costs are rising.

Hugh Richards is the new HHGERA chair

The AGM elected Hugh Richards as Chair of the Residents Association and Houses Management Board. He will serve for a maximum of two years, under another constitutional change, after which someone else must be elected. We welcome new members Yumiko Moriai onto the Residents Association committee and Gavin Anderson to the Houses Management Board. A full list is included in the meeting minutes. These and all AGM documents are at https://www.hhgera.com/2022-agm.

Put that lawnmower away: we're supporting No Mow May

Did you know that your lawn is a reservoir of biodiversity and that incredibly simple changes in mowing can result in enough nectar for ten times more bees and other pollinators?

That's why we're supporting the international No Mow May campaign by asking the Estate gardeners to leave some areas of lawn uncut for the month.

Houses residents can contribute too by putting lawnmowers away and letting the flowers grow. Whether it's a small patch or your whole lawn, you can do your bit! Read more at

https://nomowmay.plantlife.org.uk/



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