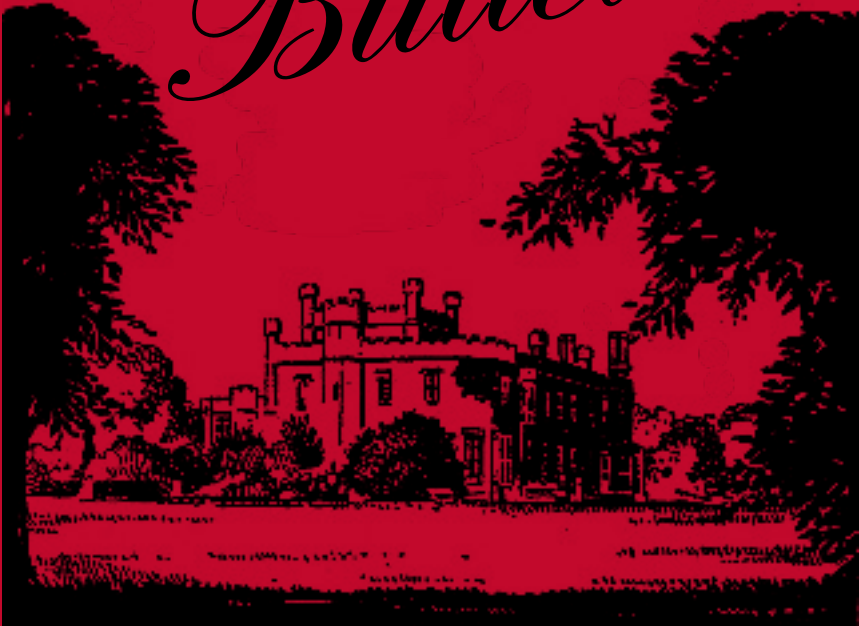


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Of Interest to the Ladies

"How time flies"—an old saying, but a true one. With the Festive Season about to commence once again and the shops all looking gay with very attractive Christmas fare displayed, the children's topic of chatter is, "What shall we have for Christmas?"

Father's conversation is, "What are we doing?" or, "Where shall we go to keep up the old tradition?" Mother usually thinks for everyone, and then says, "But what shall I wear?" Her thoughts race on to a grand affair. "Yes! a velvet dress would rise to that occasion—one of the really crease-resisting velvets, made in the newest draped styles, so flattering to the figure, in one of the rich colours of winter that are so lovely to look at and delightful to wear."

Perhaps there may be a Christmas gift to come—a gift filigree Brooch and Bracelet to match, or a Gold Kid Belt would be very acceptable to wear with the Velvet Gown—to be on the "Gold standard" is fashion's latest command.

The gifts could also serve another purpose—to wear on one of those practical woollen dresses that are so soft and cosy and yet so smart, that one could wear from mid-morning to midnight, to go informal places with the greatest of ease.

Her imagination is turned to realisation now, only a few more shopping weeks left, so must hurry to get the clothes problem settled by

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Chairman's Report - David Triggs



Although I have lived in Holmwood Road and been a member of the NRA since 1975, work and other commitments have, until recent years, prevented me from attending AGMs or taking an active role in the Association. I was surprised, flattered and honoured when Interim Chairman, Keith Lugton suggested I take over from him. At the May RA meeting, following the Council elections where Christine Howells, Colin Keane and Chris Frost were being congratulated on being elected as Borough Councillors, Keith proposed me as Chair and I was voted in as your new Nonsuch Residents' Association Chairman.

The background is that after providing some material for the last edition of the Bulletin, Keith invited me to stand as an RA candidate in Court Ward where there is no RA, and Labour Party councillors are firmly established. I agreed and whilst I was the only RA candidate to canvass, I much enjoyed the opportunity to promote the merits of RA control of the council against the big party interests of other candidates.

I much appreciated canvassing help from Brian Kibble and the guidance and inspiration Keith, as Agent, provided. My key door step messages were "more localisation before privatisation or nationalisation of public services" and "over the past 80 years the RA controlled Council has made Epsom & Ewell a very good place to live and we want to keep it that way". The Labour candidates held their seats but I was enormously gratified that the RA fraction of the vote increased from 10% to 30%.

I take this opportunity to thank Keith for his inspiration and leadership of Nonsuch Residents' Association over many years knowing that his is a very hard act to follow but I shall endeavour to address the needs of Nonsuch residents to the best of my abilities.

Borough Council Elections

Our Borough Councillors would like to thank all the residents who voted for them at the local borough elections back in May.



They were delighted to received 80% of the votes cast and look forward to serving all the residents of Nonsuch Ward for the next four years.

Chris Pilcher

Chris sadly died on 19 July 2019 whilst in Poole, Dorset where he and his wife Maureen had a holiday home and led another life in addition to the one in Cheam. They have two sons Andy and Nigel.

Chris spent his career working for the Bank of England in London where he also met Maureen. His many interests included opera, bowls and steam trains.

He was involved with Nonsuch Park and District Residents' Association for many years being Treasurer for a significant part of that time. When he died Chris was still the Honorary Examiner of the Nonsuch RA financial statement, an area rep and the Treasurer of SCORA.

Chris was widely liked and respected and will be greatly missed.

Nonsuch Ward update



Committee news – Councillor Chris Frost

Environment - Over the course of the last month, the operatives have cleared weeds from 108 highways and footpaths; making a real and positive difference to the street scene.

At the recent **Audit & Scrutiny Committee**, Borough Inspector Joe Easterbrook presented the latest year to date crime statistics:

- Anti-Social Behaviour down 27% (344 cases vs. 251)*
- Domestic Violence down 1.1%
- Total Notifiable Offences down 9.8% (946 vs. 853)*
- Serious Acquisitive Crime down 44.9% (205 vs. 113)*
- Domestic Burglary remains unchanged (42 vs. 42)
- Vehicle crime (excluding interference) down 55.5% (155 vs. 69)

(*largest reduction of any Surrey Borough)

The Inspector emphasised these reductions were due to partnership working with the borough council and others and was keen to emphasise the Council's stronger approach to community safety and enforcement and working in a more joined up way with the police.

Rough Sleepers Outreach

Working with three other Surrey councils we made a joint bid for funding through the Rapid Rehousing Pathway, to support the work of our Homelessness Outreach Service.

We learnt this month that we were successful in a bid for government funding of £55,000 to provide specialist support to those who are sleeping rough or are at risk of it.

Health News

The three Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) of Surrey Downs, Sutton and Merton have concluded that the acute trust within their area, the Epsom and St Helier NHS Trust (ESH Trust), needs to radically change the way it provides its services to be sustainable in the coming years.

The challenges relate to: the workforce, acute care, aging estates and financial sustainability. A report has been produced which summarises the case for change, the proposed clinical model, and shortlists options for the future configuration of hospital services.

Whilst option 1 would continue with major acute services on both the sites of Epsom and St Helier Hospitals, options 2, 3 and 4 involve centralising these services (including A&E, acute medicine and surgery, critical care, inpatient obstetrics and inpatient paediatrics) on one site either at Epsom, St Helier or Sutton.

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Reuse, Repurpose, Redistribute and Recycle – The 4 Rs

Councillor Christine Howells



Over the last year Epsom & Ewell residents have recycled 53% of their household waste through Council schemes, the highest we have ever achieved and well ahead of the national average.

Over the last few months there has been more contamination of the green bins. That costs us residents money. In response the Council have issued a new leaflet **RIGHT THING, RIGHT BIN** which every household should have received. If not, contact the Town Hall or log on to www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk/recycling for all the information.

Some FAQs not specific in the leaflet: **Paperback books** (not hard backs), **magazines** without the delivery sleeve, **non-foil wrapping paper** can go in the green bin, shredded paper in a separate labelled bag can be put beside it.

The overall aim is to limit the amount of residual waste by reusing, repurposing or donating, and then recycle the remainder as much as possible.

In addition to the weekly kerbside collection, the recycling centre in Blenheim Road lists 35 categories for recycling. Please look on the website, pre-sort and take items to the tip for recycling if they cannot be redistributed or put out for collection.

There are so many good reasons to look at everything we buy and everything we dispose of. Food waste is a huge environmental problem and a waste of household budget. It is easily thrown in the black bin but should be placed in the green food waste bin.

Before using the Council recycling facilities, or the black bin, please consider whether the items that are being discarded could be reused.

Planning Matters – Councillor Colin Keane



The council remains in a very vulnerable place with regards to planning applications. The Government requires us to show we have a five-year land supply - we currently have just over one. Consequently, we have to deliver nearly 700 homes a year, but are only achieving around half that. A housing action plan is currently being prepared to show how Epsom & Ewell are going to bridge the gap to be published later this autumn.

In the meantime, there is a strong presumption in favour of development, which the council ignores at its peril. (Tandridge faces £400,000 in legal costs for an application it refused that was overturned on appeal). That doesn't mean that the council cannot refuse inappropriate or non-policy compliant developments, but it does make it more difficult, and the chances of developers succeeding on appeal are higher.

The lack of a five-year land supply mentioned will be addressed through a new Local Plan which will set out how Epsom & Ewell will meet its needs through to 2040. Our current Core Strategy, completed in 2007, is now coming to the end of its life, and has been largely successful, delivering 2,573 new homes over the past 10 years, 30% of which were in the 'affordable' category.

There is a statutory duty to produce a new, up to date Local Plan that takes into account demanding national government housing targets and work on this is well advanced.

The aim is to have a new Local Plan in place by the end of 2020, so that the Council can continue to positively shape development in the Borough. The Council's planning team will shortly be engaging with residents to capture comments and opinions on the work completed so far.

A number of events will be held over the autumn and dates and locations will be published on the Council's website shortly. Any residents that wish to be contacted as part of the process can email details to localplan@epsom-ewell.gov.uk.

Planning Matters – cont...

Once the feedback from residents, businesses, interest groups and others has been assessed, a draft Local Plan will be presented to councillors. After it has been agreed it will be sent to the Secretary of State, who will appoint an Inspector to assess whether the Plan is sound or not.

The Local Plan is a challenge, as the government at the moment is suggesting that EEBC should set very ambitious targets regarding housing building.

Meeting the targets will require some tough decisions. Building more densely on existing urban area sites is unavoidable, and consideration of releasing some Green Belt land highly likely, if we are to produce a plan that an inspector will approve.

However, it is also an opportunity to shape future change in the way the community wishes. It can help to secure good quality homes, more affordable housing, and public places and spaces that are designed to improve quality of life and enhance health and wellbeing. Environmental factors, including dealing with Climate Change pressures, will also be a key factor.”

For further details go to - www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk/residents/planning/planning-policy/epsom-and-ewell-local-plan. The link to the pdf is shown as an attachment under Documents at the bottom of the link page.



Surrey County Councillor/Mayor of Epsom & Ewell - John Beckett

Following my year as Deputy Mayor I was delighted to be elected Mayor of Epsom and Ewell at the annual council meeting on 21 May. My wife Allison and I are greatly enjoying our year and have attended a large number of events in and around the Borough already. We look forward during the remaining seven months of our term of office to meeting many more of you.

Heathrow Exhibition – Bourne Hall

The exhibition showed Heathrow's proposals for the future layout of the airport, the new runway and other airport infrastructure such as terminals and road access. The public was also able to have their say on plans to manage the environmental impacts of expansion, including a proposed Heathrow Ultra Low Emissions Zone, Heathrow Vehicle Access Charge and a proposed 6.5-hour ban on scheduled night flights.

Responses to this consultation will inform Heathrow's application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) – the planning consent required for the project – which is expected to be submitted to the Secretary of State for Transport next year. For further information and to take part in this latest consultation visit the Heathrow consultation website.

You may recall the previous exhibition on the Heathrow Airspace and Future Operations Consultation which ran until 4 March 2019, seeking feedback on changes to our airspace and future runway operations including expansion and changes to the existing two runways. To increase the capacity of the existing runways it is proposed that planes will take off and land from different directions and be at different heights which would impact this area from height reductions of aircraft with the associated increase in noise and pollution levels.

We understand that the information from this consultation is still being collated and should be published later in the year for comments.

Yellow Lines

All yellow lining proposals went to the Local Committee on 16 September and were approved to go forward to be advertised.

The advertising process takes four weeks and then all of the feedback will be reviewed before any decisions can be made as to what is actually implemented. Following this, the detailed design will have to be carried out and the lining and signing will have to be ordered from our contractors, this can take a few more weeks. An exact date of implementation cannot be given as there are so many variables, but I will press SCC to get the lines on the ground as soon as possible.

Traffic

Town Centre – work continues on the market place – the details of the phases of the work as shown on the SCC website are available at www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/policies-plans-consultations/major-transport-projects/epsom-and-ewell-major-transport-schemes.

Town centre traffic light control – tailbacks on the approach to South Street continue and the SCC Road and Transport site advises:

“Operation of some signals is currently different to normal. This is because the 'Urban Traffic Control' (UTC) management of the signals is not currently operating across the whole town centre and cannot, whilst road works continue. Individual junctions are still operating intelligently; however, they are not yet able to communicate with one another.

We will continue to review the vehicle detection measures, programming and operation of all junctions as new traffic movements become clearer and more commonplace and will seek to optimise the operation of each junction accordingly. When all works are completed and the full UTC operation is restored, further refinements can be made.”

Nonsuch Area Litter Pick

Our first RA litter pick took place on Saturday 9 March 2019. We had ten litter pickers and collected 14 bags of rubbish.



It is amazing, but not in a nice way, what drivers and pedestrians throw out along Cheam Road/Nonsuch Walk!

We are holding our next litter pick on **Saturday 19 October** at 10.30 am. We will meet on Nonsuch Walk by St Paul's Church.

Hopefully we will have enough volunteers to split into groups and litter pick in a number of areas.

Our friends from St Paul's Church are also calling for volunteers to assist us.

All volunteers will be welcome. We will provide gloves, hi-viz tabards and a litter picking grab. Any queries call Colin Keane on 07702 678235



Councillor Surgeries

We have been holding our surgeries on the first Thursday of each month at 11 am at St Paul's Church Centre in the community space coffee shop, 15 Northey Avenue, SM2 7HS. If you wish to meet and engage with one of your local Councillors please drop in to speak to us.

It is also to be remembered that the greater part of the rates raised in an administrative county is for the county expenses. According to the latest figures available (1934-35) those expenses absorbed more than 60 per cent. of the total amount of the rates collected in administrative counties in England and Wales. If, by reason of incorrect assessment, the ratepayers in any rating area within a county make less than their proper contribution to the county rates, then the ratepayers within areas which are correctly assessed contribute more than their proper share.

A further and important consideration to be borne in mind is that valuations for rating purposes form part of the basis of allocation of Government Grants, and it follows that as a consequence of incorrect assessments these Grants from national funds may be distributed unfairly.

It is interesting to note that the total rateable value of the county of Surrey on April 1st, 1937, was £12,940,965, compared with £11,731,587 on the same date in 1936—an increase of over 4 per cent.

In the 1929 re-valuation there was an increase over the whole COUNTRY of 17 million pounds and in 1934 of over 11 million pounds. The total amount collected annually in the country has increased from 17½ millions to 171½ millions during the past 23 years. In the financial year ending March last the total collected in rates was 49 per cent. higher than the previous year while the average rate in the £ rose from 11/11½ to 12/4½. Poundage shows an increase of 4/9½ in the £ since 1914 (approx. 70 per cent.).

These figures give some idea of the general trend and are responsible for considerable apprehension as to the effect upon present assessments—dwelling houses in particular—of this new valuation.

This would not be so important if rates were but *perce* in the £, and assessments alone a basis for rates. We are all aware that the public enjoy social services, improvements and amenities nowhere of but 20 years ago, nevertheless, there is a limit to the burden, and expenditure cannot possibly be allowed to increase at the speed it has been doing for a number of years. The whole system of local government expenditure appears to have the cart before the horse, and drastic revision is wanted. The time has arrived when those in whom local government has been vested be given to understand that revenue at its present high level must control expenditure.

It will not be disputed that the slightest increase in assessment in the area covered by this Association, without a corresponding reduction in the poundage, would mean hardship to many.

Then and Now

Nonsuch Housing Costs, Rates and Taxes - David Triggs

Our archive piece shows how a major concern of Nonsuch residents in the late thirties was the tax they paid on their homes in the form of Rates. Currently 10% of Council Tax goes to the Borough, with 13% to Police and 77% to County. Our spring edition's back cover showed in 1938 the typical buyer of a "Unusually Charming - Gleeson's Type C Detached Residence" needed a mortgage of £1,080. Around three times their gross salary of around £360 p.a. There was no PAYE in those days but they might have paid around £55 (15%) of that in Income Tax and National Insurance. So Rates, at £0.47 per week (£24.44 p.a.) amounted to more than 30% of all the direct taxes they paid.

Buying the same house today, a new Nonsuch resident requiring a first mortgage of £750,000 needs a gross salary of around £150,000 (i.e. one fifth the amount borrowed). From this they must pay around £57,647 in direct taxes - Income Tax (£47,496), National Insurance (£6,964) and Council Tax (£3,187). So Council Tax now represents about 5.5% of a new Nonsuch resident's tax bill compared with the 30% that concerned their grandparent's generation.

Since the RA's formation and establishment of EEBC, governments of every political persuasion, have increasingly centralised control of public revenue and expenditure. Today Council Taxes at £32bn represents only about 4.3% of the £744bn paid each year by UK households. Property taxes have been increasingly replaced by central government taxes on employment, production, and trade. Whilst these may be a less obvious cause for concern it is important to recognise how these taxes will continue to increase the living costs and reduce employment prospects and net earnings for the next generation of Nonsuch households in ways that Council Tax does not, nor can ever do.

The Key to the Housing Market

Mark Jenkins of Mark Anthony Estate Agents

From media reports, you would be inclined to believe that the property market is on its knees, but this is far from the truth. There will always be buyers that need to move, as there will be those looking for an excuse not to enter into the property market and sit on the fence, the latest being Brexit! However, as I write this article, we have this week alone agreed four sales, one of which received multiple offers, resulting in the need for us to approach the buyers for best and final bids.

In the current market, the key to selling your home is not to over inflate the price of your property, as this will invariably put buyers off.

I appreciate it can be confusing when Estate Agents over value, to win your business, only to invariably ask for a price reduction two weeks later, following a lack of interest, giving the impression of a falling market! So, if you are thinking of moving home and would like an honest opinion on the value of your property, please contact Mark.

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Nonsuch Voles

The Nonsuch Park Volunteers (or Nonsuch Voles) group was formed in 2012 when regular users of Nonsuch Park expressed an interest in helping with gardening work at the beautiful and historic Mansion House gardens. With the help of the Park Staff from Epsom & Ewell BC, we organised our first gardening group and started meeting every Thursday morning. The group runs throughout the year. We carry out weeding, edging and pruning, planting the flower beds, propagation, composting and planning projects.



In 2012, a proposal was put forward to the Nonsuch Park Management Committee to bring back active woodland management in two pilot areas of the Park. As a result the Voles woodland group started meeting on Fridays in the Autumn, Winter and the early Spring to carry out tasks such as

coppicing and thinning trees. We have also planted several thousand tree saplings of native species. The main aim is to increase biodiversity in the woods.

The Voles have been together now for seven years, and on average we carry out around 3,000 hours of voluntary work each year. We have helped with some special projects, such as the installation of a culvert to improve pedestrian access near the Wickham Avenue entrance to the Park.

We fund ourselves by making and selling various items of wood-craft from coppiced wood, from small grants, and from donations.

More information about our activities can be found on our website at www.nonsuchvoles.org.uk and on Facebook at facebook.com/nonsuchvoles

Notice Board

A Talk by Russell Bowes entitled 'The Capable Mr Brown'. Russell Bowes will talk about the life and career of Lancelot 'Capability' Brown - who changed the face of England forever.



Discover the darker side of Ewell's history with a guided tour around its historic heart. Visit graveyards and crime scenes (if you dare)! Hear tales of local folk who won't stay dead, ghostly coach crashes and discover the story of Joan Butts Ewell's witch. Are you brave enough to dare to tread where the resurrection Men once stood whilst you learn about their grisly trade.



A Talk by Vicki Cooke entitled 'A Royal Garden'. Vicki Cooke will take us behind the scenes through the planning, construction and maintenance of this famous kitchen garden.

Experience for yourself what it was like to be imprisoned in Ewell's 18th century jail - be careful you don't get left behind.

Wednesday 30 October - meet in the foyer of Bourne Hall.

Walk 1: 2pm to 3.30pm
Walk 2: 7.30pm – 9pm

Take a Sunday afternoon stroll around Horton Country Park Local Nature Reserve with a member of the



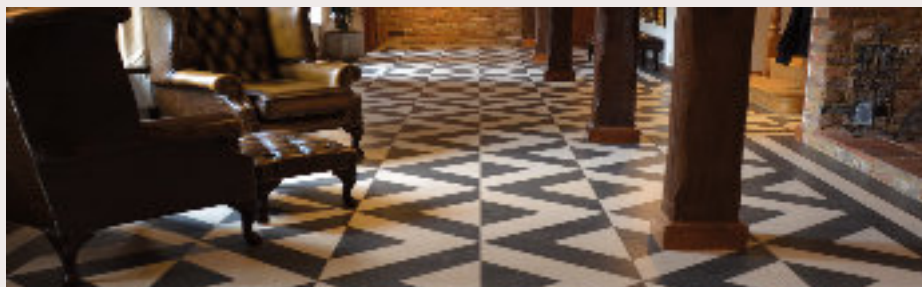
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What can you do as a resident ?

- * Ensure you renew your membership of the Residents Association, or to become a member if you are not one already. The annual subscription is still only £2 for each household for the year. Please return your subscription to your Area Representative.
- * Please attend the Annual General Meeting in March each year. This is the opportunity for you to hear what is going on in your area, what is planned and what needs to be considered. It is also the opportunity for you to contribute your thoughts, both formally and informally, to the Committee and to the Councillors.
- * At any time, please give us your input. You can contact your Area Representative, or any member of the Committee, or any of the Councillors, on any subject which you think involves us. If you do not tell us things, there is a fair chance we will not know about your particular concern.
- * If you contact council officers or the police about something which is of interest or concern to other residents, please let us know so that we can collate input and keep people informed.
- * Please continue to give us your support on any matter affecting the residents and the community. The strength of a community rests in the hands of its residents.
- * If you are able to help by becoming an Area Representative, or by joining the Committee, please let any of the officers or Area Representatives know. The effort involved is not huge but the benefit to yourself and to the other residents can be significant.

We currently need an ***Electronic Media Secretary and Editor of the Bulletin***. This Association functions through the efforts of willing volunteers and we are always keen to hear of those who are prepared to help.

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New Road Through Nonsuch Park

The Surrey County Council, at their meeting on Tuesday, 26th April, approved a recommendation from the Highways Committee that sanction be given for the construction of a new road—providing for dual carriageways, each to be at least 22 feet wide, and a footpath 8 feet wide—through Nonsuch Park. The road is to run from Cheam (Ewell Road) to the Ewell By-pass Road, at Ewell and the cost of the scheme is estimated at £39,584.

Why a road through Nonsuch Park? It is not many months since we were told by all concerned of this magnificent park, purchased for our benefit, part of the Green Belt, to remain open space for all time. Now it seems a main road, anything from 100 to 160 feet wide, is to be cut through it.

From the directions given, it rather looks as though the "Chestnut Avenue" will go. This, you will agree, is one of the most beautiful and attractive features of the Park—those majestic trees have stood for years and are to-day symbolic of these historic grounds.

We have been told the widening of the Cheam-Ewell Road (which includes the completion of Nonsuch Walk) has been postponed for financial reasons, and yet money is apparently to be found for this new project.

If this road is cut, the Park will be bounded on both sides by "A" class roads—not very inviting to parents to send their children to the Park! Time enough to consider a new road when the existing Cheam-Ewell Road, after rebuilding, proves to be insufficient to carry the volume of traffic and cause congestion.

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