

CPRA NEWSLETTER

Bringing you news of all things Curzon Park

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INTRODUCTION

Dear Resident

After a chilly few weeks, Spring is on its way and Curzon Park is looking great with hundreds of bulbs now in flower.

The King's Coronation isn't far away and we'll be holding a Big Lunch to celebrate. We need volunteers to help make this happen so if you can please drop me a line at cpaonline@gmail.com

You may also have spotted a new tree on The Green which is there to mark the Queen's Jubilee and her passing last year.

On the 17 May we are holding a garden trip to the stunning RHS Bridgewater near Manchester.

On page 2 you will see an update on The Dingle project as well as other highways updates.

Best wishes

Andrew Kendall, Chair

WALKING GROUPS

The next set of weekend and mid-week walks are as follows:

WEEKEND WALKS

- 1 April
- 13 May
- 3 June

MIDWEEK WALKS

- 20 April
- 11 May
- 15 June

Both Weekend Walks and Midweek Walks are weather dependent. To find out more please email alisonella@btinternet.com or call Jenny on 683814

KING'S CORONATION BIG LUNCH



The Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort will take place over a weekend of special events on 6-8 May.

Here in Curzon Park we will be holding a **Coronation Big Lunch on Sunday 7 May.**

This family picnic will start at 12noon and finish at 2pm. Everyone is welcome - bring along your friends & family as well as lunch, a rug and some chairs. We'll have some activities for children. Watch out for CPRA emails and Facebook posts with further details of this exciting event.

GARDEN TRIP TO RHS BRIDGEWATER

Come along to the Garden Trip to the award winning **RHS BRIDGEWATER** in Worsley, Manchester on Wednesday 17 May 2023. The coach departs Curzon Park at 9.30am. Tickets are £22.50 (RHS members £12.00).

Please contact John and Christine Jones-Pritchard on 01244 674813 / 07780 850955 for tickets and information.

OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE QUEEN'S GREEN CANOPY

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee was a milestone in our country's history. Many events marked the Jubilee, but one in particular sought to leave a lasting, living, legacy: The Queen's Green Canopy initiative. Individuals and organisations have planted over a million trees in Her Majesty's name.

The Green is the backdrop for many of our events and is a fitting location for our contribution to the Queen's Green Canopy. An oak has been planted on the southern side of the Green and a plaque to mark the location will be unveiled at our celebrations for the King's Coronation.



UPDATE ON THE DINGLE PROJECT

The Historical Dingle Woodland Project succeeded in reaching its target, and we'd like to share our thanks to everyone who helped us raise the funds we needed.

Our pledge to deliver a Biodiversity Survey will comprise of two things:

- A habitat survey in accordance with the UK Habitat Classification
- A Woodland Condition Survey / Assessment using the Biodiversity Metric

We will receive a report with a map that sets out the findings of the habitat survey and condition assessment and makes general recommendations for management to enhance of the condition of the woodland for biodiversity.

Based on the findings, the report will also make recommendations for management to enhance the condition of the woodland for biodiversity. The survey and assessment is best done between mid-April and early June before trees are in full leaf and when other features such as fallen dead wood are not obscured by ground vegetation such as brambles and nettles.

We are also negotiating the content and placement of Interpretation Boards within The Dingle containing information consisting of history of the area and interesting local facts. We will continue to keep residents informed via Facebook and our quarterly newsletters.

HIGHWAYS UPDATE

Street Scene have cleared the leaves around Curzon Park, but we still have areas where further work may be required. If you feel that further work is needed please use the Cheshire West & Chester website and use the 'Report It' facility.

We have requested that the Dingle Steps and the Dingle Footbridge are cleared.

The clearing of leaves has exposed extensive damage to our verges, this is very noticeable along Park Rd West and Earlsway. With the building work taking place some verges have nearly been obliterated!

On behalf of all the residents within Curzon Park could you ensure contractors and visitors are respectful regarding the verges. All of us have to pay for this damage to our environment through our Council Tax!

We would welcome your views via our CPRA Facebook page.



BULBS IN BLOOM

Many thanks to everyone who took part in planting bulbs late last year. We'd also like to thank Morreys Nursery in Kelsall for supplying the Daffodil Bulbs.

Already we are seeing the fruits of their labour, and the 'splash of colour' around Curzon Park is very welcome after the effects of the winter.

For example, as you enter Curzon Park North from Overleigh Roundabout you can see plenty of flowers blooming (see below).

In 2023 we want to build on this success and encourage more residents (of any age) to be involved this year.

Your suggestions on varieties and locations are welcome via our CPRA Facebook page.



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