



FIELDEND NEWS

SUMMER 2016

Painting Update

Painters have been painting, chippies have been chipping and Barbara's tea making skills are being put to the test – the Fieldend re-paint is underway! Progress has been good, though we have had our moments. Many residents have had to have far more work done on their houses than originally planned, and the recent appallingly wet weather has clearly been an issue. Not only can we *not* paint in the rain, but wood has to be allowed to dry before painting and wet weather can cause damage to newly applied paint. Despite this, our painters, Mark and Frank, have been working hard and efficiently, and are making great progress. Half of the houses are now painted, the garage doors are prepared and the garage gutters have been cleaned, drained and are ready for repair and painting. Our thanks go to Mark and Frank, to Janet for all her support and advice, to the carpenters and to you all for getting your houses ready on time. We now have fingers crossed for a dry spell, enabling us to stay on schedule and to ensure that Fieldend looks pristine once more.

Please be vigilant

Crime

The green and pleasant environment we all enjoy at Fieldend is sadly not immune to crime, and of late we've had reports of vandalism to fences and cars as well as break-ins to and thefts from garages. This has also been in the case in neighbouring streets. Therefore, we'd like to ask all residents to keep your eyes and ears open for anything untoward or unusual; especially keep a lookout for strangers who are acting in a suspicious manner or vans and cars not known to you. If it is possible for you to do so without arousing suspicion or putting yourself at risk it would be good to make a note of number plates or capture images on your phone or iPad.

Vandalism

We are alerting you to specific issues as they arise, but please also keep a lookout for perpetrators of low-level vandalism (like the execution by beheading of lots of daffodils, which was a problem this Spring).



Dogs

Whilst people from outside Fieldend are at liberty to walk around the perimeter road with their dogs, they may not allow their dogs to venture into or foul on Fieldend private land (ie, anywhere other than the road itself), or collect their poo and then dump it in the communal Fieldend grounds. Judging by the large quantity of full dog-poo bags that were collected at the last Tidy Day, this is a regular occurrence. Please keep a lookout for offenders and ask them to a) not allow their dogs to poo on the green areas and b) take their poo with them when they leave.

Fieldend diary dates

Fieldend Board meetings

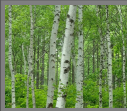
12 July; 7 September; 19 October

Summer party

Saturday 9 July (see overleaf)

Tidy Day

27 September



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Garden Corner

Thanks to everyone who turned out for the Tidy Day on 2 July and for helping us get ready for the party next weekend. The next Tidy Day will be at 10am on 27 September.

Fieldend tree survey

Out There Trees have completed the new tree survey, and the map and list are now on the website. We have applied to the Council for permission to carry out the necessary urgent work.

Garden waste - green bins

We have very limited space in our large green bins which are for all 51 households as well as for our communal areas, so it is important that we use them considerately; to save space, please ensure that you cut up garden waste before depositing it in the bins .

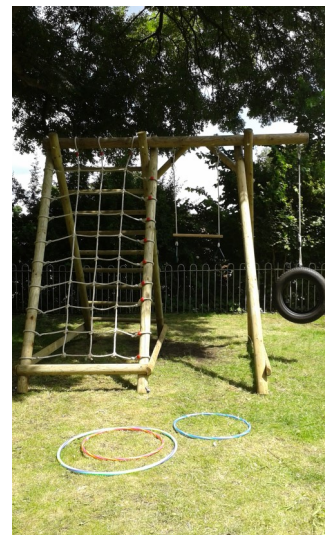
Keep the triangle clear please!

Please do not dump wood or branches on the triangle. We are trying to renovate the area and need to keep it as clear as possible.

Announcements

Playground

Some new equipment has been added to the Fieldend play area, paid for by generous Fieldend residents: a new climbing frame – complete with trapeze and tyre swing – was finally completed recently. We hope it will provide many hours of enjoyment for the children of Fieldend. Parents, please remember that children's play must be supervised at all times.



Summer party

This year the Fieldend summer party is on Saturday 9 July. The children's party starts at 2pm , with an animal fancy dress theme (great costumes mean great prizes!), games and races, and of course the ever popular bouncy castle. Tea will also be provided. The cost this year is £7 per child.

The evening party kicks off from 8pm. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Sarah at no 8.

Toys

Parents and grandparents! Please ensure you take your children's toys in at the end of each day. Trucks and cars lying around on the pathways and roadways are a serious hazard.