



FIELDEND NEWS

SUMMER 2018

FRAL Board

Board meetings

The next FRAL Board meetings are on Wednesday, 18 July, Wednesday, 12 September and Wednesday, 17 October. Please contact any Board member (details overleaf) if there are matters you wish to raise.

Maintenance fee 2018-19

A reminder that the maintenance fee for 2018-19 is rising from £125 per month to £130 per month. Please amend your monthly standing order to change the payment immediately following the end of FRAL's financial year on 30 September 2018. Those residents who pay quarterly should amend their standing orders to £390 with effect from 29 September 2018.

Maintenance

Brick walls on Fieldend

We have a lot of beautiful brick walls on Fieldend, several of which are now leaning dangerously and need re-building. Originally the garden walls – as distinct from the house brickwork – were made using old London stocks, which were cheap and plentiful in the post-war years due to the destruction of so many houses by the Luftwaffe, generously assisted by post-war town planners. However, these bricks are now becoming rare and so are very

expensive at getting on for £2 per brick. The Board has decided that it is reasonable to use a modern brick that best matches our surroundings. The Ibstock Funton Orchard Mixture



stock is the preferred option; they are very similar to the original house bricks and will weather in to fit in well with the landscape. If you are thinking of doing any work, please be aware that there is a three month lead time, so plan well in advance.

Fieldend illuminations

Those of you who walk in and out of Fieldend will have seen the nice new light above the sign at the entrance.



Garden notes

Plants and drought

Please water plants in the communal areas near your house,



especially the new ones that don't have developed root systems. The lack of water and extreme heat of the last few weeks mean that we are in danger of losing a lot of our shrubs if we don't look after them.

Tidy days

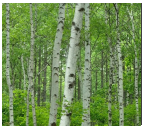
There will be tidy days on 14 July (just before the summer parties) and on 25 August. Please join us at 10am in West Square to help keep Fieldend lovely.

Go-slow day

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to making the go-slow day on Saturday, 19 May such a great success.

The kids really enjoyed the day – as can be seen from the photos below.





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Announcements

Fatberg in Fieldend!

In April, Thames Water had to attend to a significant blockage in the drains in Fieldend. It was caused by a combination of baby – and other kinds of – wipes and a large fatberg.

So, this is another reminder to never put cooking fat of any sort down the drains. And please make sure that you dispose of wipes in the general waste, not down the loo! It might help you to remember that if any blockage takes place within the boundary of your land, then you will be liable to pay for its removal.



Fieldend notice board

FRAL is planning to install a discreet notice board (75cm x 75cm, in a Fieldend grey aluminium frame) on the wall of the garage block on the left as you leave Fieldend. The notice board will be not only for FRAL news but also for residents to announce events, items for sale etc. We are awaiting approval from our Conservation Officer before we go ahead.



Summer party

Don't forget, the summer parties are on Saturday 14 July. The children's party starts at 2pm in East Square and the adults' party starts at 8pm in West Square.

Living in Fieldend Thinking of leaving?

There has been a large number of house sales in Fieldend over the last couple of years. If you are selling, FRAL has to get involved as it is responsible for registering the change of shareholder with Companies House and for the transfer of the Fieldend share certificate. To expedite matters, start by digging out your share certificate (see below), which you should present to your solicitor, along with the request to contact the FRAL Secretary (Helen Middleton-Price) at the FRAL business email address (FRALbusiness@outlook.com).



Conservation officer

Our Conservation Officer at Richmond Council – Rachel Shortman – is currently on maternity leave. Her duties have been taken on by Nicolette Duckham (n.duckham@richmond.gov.uk) until Rachel returns.

