



FIELDEND NEWS

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FRAL Board

Board meetings

The next Board meetings are on 6 December and 17 January. Please contact any Board member (details overleaf) if there are matters you wish to raise.

Christmas At Home

Christmas directors' drinks will be on Sunday, 10 December between 4 and 6pm. Barbara Atherton has kindly agreed to be host at no 38.



2018 AGM

The date for the 2018 AGM has been set for 21 February 2018.

Diary dates

Bonfire night

An evening of bright lights, scorching fire, hot food and mulled wine is being planned for Saturday, 11 November. The details are yet to be fine-tuned so watch out for an update in the next few weeks.



Christmas carols

Colin Davies will lead Fieldenders in our annual Christmas carols on Sunday, 17 December. Please gather outside 2 Fieldend at 6pm. We will be collecting for the Shooting Star Trust. If any kind Fieldender would like to volunteer to host mulled wine and mince pies afterwards, please let Colin know.

Garden notes

Tree works

Out There Trees (OTT) has successfully pruned the two large plane trees in the east square. The Council has adopted the plane trees in Red Square and will be pruning these during the winter; the exact date is yet to be announced, but this will be after the leaves have fallen.



Garden waste bins

The contract for our garden bins has been renewed. These are for use of all Fieldenders; please be sure to use them only for garden clippings, and cut up prunings into short lengths to maximise the use of space. If you have a lot of garden waste you might find it useful to order your

own garden bin from the Council for £60 per year.

We recently lost one of our bins as it had been so overfilled that the lid would not close; the lorry loading gear could not pick up the bin properly, so it got stuck, broke and was removed from the site. So, please take care not to overfill the green waste bins; if necessary keep your clippings until the following fortnightly bin day.

Tidy day – 21 October



The next Tidy Day is this Saturday. Please join us at 10am in Red Square. These days are a great opportunity to meet your neighbours and contribute to the Fieldend estate. The emphasis this Saturday will be on bulb planting, especially native bluebells, snowdrops and narcissi.





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Maintenance

Replacement fascia boards

A recurring challenge for residents is replacement of the fascia board just below our houses' roof line. The original board is asbestos sheet with a unique finish, which is impossible to replace.

There isn't an alternative that matches the old panels exactly. However, there is a product that is suitable, although it is produced for a different purpose. This is:

HARDIEBACKER 500 WATER RESISTANT TILING BOARD 1200 X 800 X 12mm

Further details will be available on the website (under *Living on Fieldend -> Looking after your house*).

Announcements

Archive article on Fieldend

When Roger Joiner left Fieldend, he donated several copies of *You* magazine from 1985, which included an article on Fieldend. If you would like a copy, please contact Helen Middleton-Price.

Free TV!

Kate Thomas (no 46) has a small Toshiba digital flat screen TV (not a smart TV). It has a 19" screen and remote control. Kate says it is good as a second TV. Contact Kate if you are interested.



Wanted

Kate Thomas (no 46) is keen to get some original Fieldend interior doors. If you have any hanging around needing a home, please get in touch with Kate.

Thanks!

Many thanks to Lars and Gili and all those who contributed to organising the excellent summer parties.



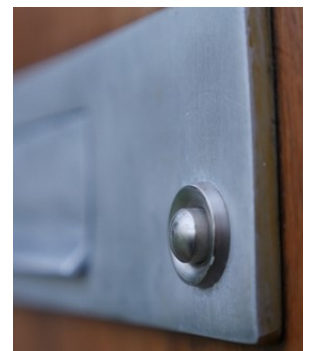
Wheelbarrow race



Tug o'war

Door bells

FRAL still has a small stock of original-style door bell push buttons that can be fitted into either the original letter



box (pictured below) or a later version (they just need a 15mm hole). They cost £8 each. If you would like one, please contact Theo Williams (44).

