



Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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Summer Sizzler Edition

BANGERS, BUNTING AND BEER SUMMER BBQ

Sunday 10 July, 1.00 - 5.00 pm

at 42 Canning Road (opposite the church)

Come along and have some fun with your neighbours! As promised, we will be holding a summer barbecue. It is open to anyone who lives in the Canning and Clyde Roads.

This is a good opportunity to meet new people. You are welcome to come for the full four hours or just to pop in.

We would ask that everyone contributes something. Bring your own eats and drinks. It would help us with the catering if you could let Anne know by Sunday 3 July if you think you may be coming and what you would like to bring along.

Importantly - please does anyone have a large barbecue we could borrow for the afternoon? Please let us know.

Sunday 10 July is also the day scheduled for **The Nation's Biggest Thank You** to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe. This is organised by the Royal British Legion which provides support to millions who have served and are currently serving in the Armed Forces, and their dependants. They receive around 300,000 calls for help every year.

We shall be holding a raffle during the afternoon. Half the proceeds will go to our association, the other half to the British Legion. No one is obliged to take part but, if you would like to, please bring along a prize - it doesn't matter how small. If you've got any bunting, bring that as well!

Look forward to seeing you 10 July!

OUR NEW WEBSITE

If you have internet access, please take a look at our NEW residents association website: www.canni.demon.co.uk

This is YOUR website. Do please e-mail us your views, not just on the website but even more importantly on local issues. Send in your photos of the area too. This is your chance to have your say!

Please see overleaf for news of our new Virtual Junk Swap.

CONTACT ELECTED POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES

Councillors Mark Watson, Sean Fitzsimons & Amanda Campbell hold surgeries on first Sat of month, 10.30 - 11.30 am Oval Primary School, Cherry Orchard Rd. **MP and Greater London Assembly Member**, Andrew Pelling, is willing to visit people in their homes to hear their views. Contact him on 020 8660 0491.

VIRTUAL JUNK SWAP

At our AGM earlier this year, residents were in favour of the idea of giving people an opportunity to give away unwanted items. What is junk to one person may not be to someone else.

The original idea was for a day when residents could put things in their front gardens and others could come and take whatever might be useful. On reflection, your committee decided that there

was a danger this may lead to unwanted items being left in front gardens afterwards!

The solution we came up with is a Virtual Junk Swap. This is a page on our website where we can advertise any unwanted items available locally. **The items would be for free.** For those who do not have access to the internet, once a month we shall put an updated paper copy of

EAST CROYDON GATEWAY SITE - UPDATE

Arrowcroft is Croydon Council's preferred developer. The Mayor of London (Ken Livingstone) gave his response on Arrowcroft's arena scheme on 14 April 2005. Essentially he washes his hands of it. He raises questions about the viability of an arena, unresolved issues surrounding the transportation of 12,500 people to and from arena events, low level of affordable housing in the scheme, lack of planning as regards funding and staffing for the proposed a health centre and the eviction of the award winning Warehouse Theatre with no new proposed home. Ken Livingstone does not, however, direct Croydon Council to refuse planning permission because of the potential costs that may be awarded against him should he do so.

Stanhope Schroder, who actually own the site, have submitted their own planning application including four and a half acres of green space and a purpose built theatre for the Warehouse. In response to Croydon Council's insistence on an arena, they have now also put in their own proposal for a much smaller, 6,000 seat arena.

Croydon Council's planning decisions are to some extent guided by their Unitary Development Plan (UDP). They have sought to revise the existing UDP to include a requirement for an arena. This is currently at the public inquiry stage. According to documents we have seen from the Mayor of London, if their preferred 12,500 seat arena goes ahead, the central zone parking restrictions hours (Monday to Sunday 7.00 am to 12 midnight) would have to be extended to our roads. These are exactly the restrictions against which we campaigned and defeated in 2002. Do let your elected representatives know your opinions on the matter!

POSTAL DELIVERY

Thank you very much to all residents who took part in our log of misdeliveries of post. We received a full apology from Royal Mail and an assurance that the local Delivery Office Manager would take action. We have observed some improvement in the accuracy of mail delivery but we need to hear from you should you experience further problems. Do let us know.

THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORT IN CROYDON

The council is holding a one day conference on Tuesday 5 July, 9.30 am to 4.20 pm at the Fairfield Halls. This gives residents an opportunity to discuss road safety, parking, accessibility, social inclusion, walking, railway, buses, trams and cycling. The event is free but you need to book in advance.

If you would like to attend, contact Keith Briars, Planning Liaison Officer, on 020 8686 4433 ext 3261.

CROYDON TRAFFIC QUESTIONNAIRE

Attached is a copy of Croydon Council's traffic questionnaire as required by the Mayor of London. You are not limited to these questions but may fill in any other views on transport that you would like to express. If necessary, continue overleaf. Alternatively complete it online at www.croydon.gov.uk. Just say what you think because you will not have another chance for a long time. Let the Mayor of London know exactly what you think; otherwise he'll just do whatever he wants and say you've endorsed it. You can be included in a £50 prize draw if you complete the