



Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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Summer Flora and Fauna Edition Our Barbecue

Do remember the barbie! All welcome

Sunday 16 July, 1.00 to 7.00 pm
42 Canning Road



It's free! Bring along anything you would like to eat or drink. We'll also be holding a raffle and book sale. Any small raffle prizes that you'd like to contribute, please bring them along. The book sale is like a bring and buy for just books. Please deliver any books you would like to donate to Anne at 42 Canning Road from 9 July.

Appeal - we're desperate for volunteers to do a short shift on the barbie. Please call Anne.

Just turn up any time. Feel free to bring friends. All ages welcome. See you there!

Badgers Seen in our Roads!



There have been reports of badgers in our roads!

Their hair is black and white leading to a grey appearance from a distance. It has a prominent black and white striped head with white tipped ears. They grow up to 30 inches (750 mm) from head to tail with a six inch (150mm) tail and usually weigh between eight and 12 kilos.

The badger has the distinction of being the largest land carnivore left in the British Isles following the extinction of the bear and the wolf and is a protected species. Although badgers are categorised as carnivore, they are in fact omnivores and eat a wide range of plants and animals. The badger is a forager rather than a hunter and as such are opportunists when it comes to diet. They'll take whatever's available.

These nocturnal animals live in setts, a network of interconnected underground tunnels and chambers. Each social group can number up to around 15 badgers and is headed by a dominant male and female. Setts are typically excavated in sandy or chalky soil and, apart from the main sett, most groups have one or more additional setts.

It is thought that our badgers live in the very longstanding sett in the grounds of the old Winton School, now the Ismaili Centre. This is on Addiscombe Road opposite the Sandilands Tramstop.

Badgers are always on the lookout for both feeding opportunities and suitable sites and they can travel quite long distances. Badgers do eat domestic food scraps if they get the chance. We suspect that the introduction of

Rampant Street Trees!

We've heard from our local councillor, Maria Garcia, that, although full tree pruning will not be done until next year, the lower branches of all trees in Addiscombe are due to be cut back this month. Maria is also trying to organise extra street cleaning for Clyde Road during the autumn and winter months so that the leaves and sap are cleaned off the pavements. Thanks to Maria for her efforts on

Neighbourhood Watch

It has been suggested that we set up a Neighbourhood Watch. The Neighbourhood Watch scheme is not about being a 'nosey neighbour'. It's about taking responsibility for your local environment, looking out for vulnerable neighbours, helping to reduce crime and the fear of crime.

The Police are there to deal with the criminals but they need help to prevent the crimes and to catch the offenders.

Neighbourhood Watch is supported by insurance companies throughout the UK. The majority will offer a discount on household policies to those living in a Neighbourhood Watch area who have signed up to the scheme.

If you would like to be included in the Watch area, we will need your name, address and signature. We'll circulate a sheet at the barbecue; if you cannot attend that then call Steve or Anne. Should we get the Watch established, then those who do sign up will be sent Neighbourhood Watch window stickers and we'll also arrange for Meerkat street signs for our two roads.

To create the Watch we need the majority of residents of our roads to sign up. We think the scheme could be of real benefit to our area.

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