

Bownham Park Rodborough Residents' Association Ltd

Newsletter May 2016

Dear Residents,

Firstly, I would like to thank the Council members for their work and dedication for this past year:- Martin Clements (Secretary) Jane Stevens (Treasurer), Keith Eyles, Warren Richards, Richard Smith and Dave Kilmister (Neighbourhood Watch). Further volunteers would be most welcome.

With his usual efficiency Martin has organised the AGM to take place at the Bear starting at 8pm on Monday 13th June. In the 30 minutes beforehand, from 7.30pm, there will be an opportunity to meet socially with friends and neighbours and for Martin and myself to welcome you personally to the meeting. This proved to be very successful last year. Please bring your own drink from the bar as your Council continues to be careful with the funds. This strict financial control will be further explained at the AGM as, despite expensive repairs required this year, we still intend to continue to build our financial reserves.

If you are unable to attend the AGM it is very important that you provide a Proxy vote in order to ensure a quorum for the meeting to take place. Martin will provide details with the AGM documents.

So please try to attend the AGM and come early to say hello, or ensure that you provide a Proxy so that we can continue to maintain the beauty of Bownham Park whilst building an essential fund for the future.

Graham Hopkins –Chairman BPRRAL

1. **Annual General Meeting**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held as usual at the Bear of Rodborough Hotel on 13th June so please make a note of the date in your diaries. Full details and accounts will be sent shortly.

2. **Parking on our roads**

There has been comment about residents using our roads for parking vehicles.

The Association has never objected to short term parking especially overnight with vehicles that do not go on the house drive. However, we would not want to see the roads used as a permanent parking place.

3. **Surface water drains.**

Severn Trent are now responsible for the foul sewers in the Park but we still have responsibility for the surface water drains. For some years there has been a problem in Phase 2 where root ingress from trees has occurred. Unfortunately this has become so serious that we must find a long term permanent solution. We are currently obtaining quotes for the work, which could take about a week and will be quite expensive.

4. **Email addresses.**

Please inform the Secretary of any change in email address as it is our main means of on-line contact.

5. **Bownham Park School**

Work has commenced on the redevelopment of the area previously occupied by the school. There will be 15 properties accommodating 17 families. The whole project will take about 2 years to complete.

Martin Clements

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