

# EASTCOTE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Notes on eMeeting held

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020, at 7.30pm

## Notes for Website

**Present:** ERA committee members (10), Residents (1).  
Cavendish Cllr Eddie Lavery, Heena Makwana (apologies).  
Eastcote & East Ruislip Cllrs Becky Haggar, Ian Edwards, Nick Denys.

1. Welcome and Residents' issues

1. Felling of trees - Land adjacent to Pretty Corner – Cllr IE received response from Council Officer

An application was received by the Council under the 5day notice provision of [The Town and Country Planning \(Tree Preservation\) \(England\) Regulations 2012](#) advising the intention to remove a number of trees at and adjacent to Pretty Corner. This had arisen following an arboricultural survey of the land by an independent company that made recommendations to the landowner concerning the health and safety of a number of trees. Specifically, the work required the removal of one Ash with a crack in its trunk, leaning over the hedge into Pretty Corner. The removal of one dead False Acacia, one dead Ash and one dead Oak. The removal of Three Oaks and One Ash with major deadwood within canopy and decay within their trunks. The Pollarding at 2m of One Ash with a split in the stem. The application was assessed by the Council's trees officer who works tirelessly to ensure our existing trees are protected and our stock of trees expanded. That officer determined that the work did fall under the provision of the Regulations and as a result work was authorised. There is a statutory duty to replant trees removed under an exemption, and eight new trees should be planted during the upcoming planting season (November to March) and this will be followed up in due course.

2. Traffic issues on Eastcote Road – resident reported that they had raised a petition and required number of signatures obtained. Cllr IE is working with resident to resolve issues.  
ERA have previously asked questions about the usage of the road by heavy lorries, potholes and general road surface issues

2. Notes for previous meeting (29 September 2020) – unanimously approved

3. Review Matters Arising Report

1. From September 2020

1.1 Query about street lighting - Cllr IE received response from council – The new LED lighting is designed to current standards and output specifications appropriate for a residential road. Please note that the new lights are more directional than the previous ambient lighting. Accordingly, there is less light pollution into homes and gardens by directing more light toward the road and pavement. The new lighting is consistent with the requisite design parameters

including the overall uniformity of the lighting. Contractor checked the lighting level and spacing of lamp columns in XXX (adopted highway only) and advised that the lighting level was found to be within the level of compliance on the adopted highway (GIS map was provided. Will continue to monitor the lighting by undertaking a monthly night lamp scout.

Crime map shows only 1 burglary reported, and nothing from police to council.

6.2 Active Travel - Cllr EL - Hillingdon council received no money in Tranche 2 where the allocation was decided by TFL and not by the Department for Transport.

7.2.1 Request to receive Notification of License Applications - Cllr IE - see planning below

4. No Discussions

5. Committee Reports

1. 1. Flooding - meeting with Council Officer to discuss putting flood information on the ERA Website.

2.HARA – next emeeting in November.

3. HS2 Community Engagement - Why is ERA involved – works will affect ERA residents moving around especially travelling westwards and walking local footpaths

1. Designated HS2 Vehicle routes from Swakeleys and Northolt Roundabouts to HS2 Compounds – HGV's on HS2 business will have A4 sized Label on Dashboard – if not on designated route then please report, with photos if possible, to the HS2Helpdesk.

2. Wheel washing equipment now fully installed, if see mud on road the report to HS2Helpdesk. Apart from being dangerous, may cause flooding and river pollution.

3. Some Timber still available - 'Open Days' to collect to be arranged. Contact HS2.

4. HS2 Traffic Meeting –

1. CONTACTING UKPN DURING WORKS details as follows

Monday to Friday 0800 028 4587 or [care@ukpowernetworks.co.uk](mailto:care@ukpowernetworks.co.uk)

	<p>Should there be any sort of emergency please call their 24 hour helpline on 0800 316 3105 or 105 from a landline or mobile.</p> <p>2.Future works schedule</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meadow Way - Letter to residents saying work expected to start 27 October - this work has now been delayed to 1st – 20<sup>th</sup> December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phase one – full road closure between Field End Road and Deane Way.</li> <li>Phase two – Two-way lights between Deane Way and Maple Close.</li> <li>Phase three – Three-way lights between Maple Close Hawthorne Avenue.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Westholme Gardens in progress - the Uplands? and Myrtle Avenue expected to start 8 November for 3 weeks.</li> <li>3. Lime Grove and Hawthorne Avenue (Planned 08/12/20 – 12/01/20) - Waiting to hear how it will go cross the road?</li> <li>4. Deane Croft Road (23/11/20 – 10/01/21) Rushdene Road (04/01/21 – 13/01/21).</li> </ol> <p>Now that work is in progress please encourage anyone asking about this work to email UKPN cc <a href="mailto:HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk">HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk</a> and <a href="mailto:chair@eastcotera.co.uk">chair@eastcotera.co.uk</a>)</p>
2.	Environment
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Eastcote Conservation Panel – NR.</li> <li>2. The London Green Belt Council – Zoom meeting on 30/09/2020. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Most of the meeting taken up on the White Paper on changes to Planning system. Response sent on 30/09/2020.</li> <li>2. Green Belt Council is now applying for charity status.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
3.	Finance
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Costs are being kept to a minimum, clawing back where possible any costs already incurred.</li> <li>2. It is proposed that time is allowed to discuss and sign off the 19/20 Annual Accounts at the next ERA Committee meeting, as current guidelines will again prevent a public meeting. Suggest Road Stewards be invited to join first part of Zoom meeting if they wish to.</li> <li>3. 20/21 and beyond... It is proposed that following the above the Income and Expenditure to date for 20/21 is reviewed, together with a Full Year Forecast.</li> </ol>
4.	Health – NR.
5.	Newsletter – Discussion topic for next year.
6.	Parks
	1. Eastcote House Gardens – NR
	2. RWMAG - Copse Wood recently acquired by Council working with Ruislip Woods Trust. It is hoped that with the help of RWMAG it will become part of the council owned Ruislip Woods National Nature Reserve in time to celebrate it's 25th anniversary in 2022
	3. Faiths Forum are no longer planting trees but hope there will be future projects ERA can partake in.
	4. Planter at Deane Croft Road – Tree to be planted this season.
7.	1. Planning Report discussed at meeting. Help or further information on specific cases can be requested by emailing <a href="mailto:planning@eastcotera.co.uk">planning@eastcotera.co.uk</a> .
	2. Planning for the Future: ERA has made a submission
	3. Licensing
	1. Applications for Alcohol Licences to be forwarded to ERA
	2. Pavement Licences to allow outdoor seating
8.	Policing - The SNT Ward Panel met virtually on 12 October. The crime statistics show a decrease across all categories except drug offences and shoplifting. The discussion about drug dealing in the area broadened to a discussion about CCTV coverage in Eastcote; the Councillors did not see a strong argument for increased CCTV provision, but Cllr Denis did observe that the changing nature of the area (increasing number of bars and street-side seating) may merit more coverage in future. Shoplifting seems to have become a major issue; the shopkeepers have formed a 35-member WhatsApp group to share information about this and other issues. Cllr BH has visited shops involved in WhatsApp group.
9.	Road Stewarding/Membership – It was decided to suspend collection of subscriptions for this year and to collect double subscriptions next year. Put poster on noticeboard and in weekly email and send a note to Road Stewards also inviting them to AGM Zoom meeting.
10.	Transport – Active travel – see Matters arising above.
11.	Website – NR.
6	AOB
1.	Royal British Legion – Poster notifying cancelled Remembrance Day Sunday Parade giving link to Gofundme to be put on noticeboards.
2.	ERA Wreath to be laid at War Memorial in time for Remembrance Day
	Meeting closed 20.56.
	Next meeting Thursday December 3 <sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm – Road Stewards to receive invitation