

# Canning & Clyde Road Residents Association

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## Our neighbourhood edition

Opportunities to help make our roads an enjoyable place to live in

Clean and Green community clean-up

Sunday 11 November 12.30 – 3.30 pm followed by afternoon tea at The Oval

We will be joining with ECCO (East Croydon Communities Organisation) and TACRA (Tunstall Addiscombe Court Residents Association) who are organising a community clean-up on Sunday 11 November.

Would you like to contribute to making our roads enjoyable to live in?

Could you spare ten minutes or more to:

\*trim your hedge, tidy your garden, or put a potted plant on your windowsill?

\*litter pick or clear an alley or trim The Boulevard?

\*weed or plant bulbs round street trees or paint your front door, fence or gate?

The clean-up will be in the roads bounded by Cedar, Lebanon, Addiscombe and Cherry Orchard Roads and also Addiscombe Court and Tunstall Roads, and Canning and Clyde Roads.

Followed by a Big Afternoon Tea 3.40 – 5.00 pm at The Oval Tavern.

You can join the clean-up at any time between 12.30 pm and 3.30 pm. If you can't see the team on your road, phone 07783 152347.

Croydon Council's Clean and Green Street Champions Team will provide brooms, bags and a vehicle to remove the rubbish and some larger items that Veolia normally won't take.

We in Canning and Clyde will be meeting outside 42 Canning Road. You can choose what you'd like to do. We have permission to plant bulbs round trees. We have a few daffodil bulbs to plant round Steve's tree (the Indian Bean Tree on the triangle of grass between Clyde and Canning Roads) and a few crocus bulbs to plant round one or two trees in each of Clyde and Canning Roads. If you want to bring your own bulbs, please feel free. We will also be picking up any bits of litter. We can provide gloves and trowels. If you have these yourself, it would be helpful if you could bring them along.

Once we have finished in our two roads, those who'd like to carry on can move down the hill towards East Croydon and help out on whatever is going on in any of the roads off there. Not to forget the afternoon tea at The Oval!

Many thanks to Jerry and Sally for the time and work they have put into organising this.

# Help create a neighbourhood in which we enjoy living

Our Addiscombe West Councillors (Sean Fitzsimons, Jerry Fitzpatrick, Patricia Hay-Justice) are inviting you to contribute ideas as to what will make our neighbourhood one in which we enjoy living. They are hoping to work with residents to develop an action plan that can be used to make a case for sustainable investment for our area.

They are hoping hear from residents their views on a range of issues. In order to do this they are looking to circulate a newsletter and questionnaire in November.

The newsletter/questionnaire will cover a number of issues including:

- Giving voice to those living in the private rented sector, who make up at least 40% of the ward's population.
- Improve conditions for pedestrians overall.
- Thinking about how we can improve individual residential streets.
- Increase resident involvement across the ward.
- Look at how we can help green our area.
- Identify and tackle grot spots where dumping/graffiti happens.
- Reviving our "high street" Cherry Orchard Road. Working with local businesses.
- How can we make East Croydon more accessible now that it is likely to be rebuilt.
- Make Leslie Arms roundabout more pedestrian friendly, and to help create a focal point for the community with a revitalised Leslie Arms.
- How do we tackle social isolation?
- Other issues that residents share.

We would encourage everyone to respond to the questionnaire and contribute to making our area a great place in which to live.

# **East Croydon Station** redevelopment

Another thing that may improve the quality of life for people living in our area. Network Rail have plans to rework East Croydon Station including: two extra platforms for handling the amount of customers; six possible entry points to the station; making the line layout more flexible for coping with the number of trains to avoid bottlenecks and delays. The nearest consultation events are at:

United Reform Church Addiscombe Grove CR0 5LP Tues 6 Nov, 4 – 8 pm Tues 13 Nov, 4 – 8 pm

Croydon Neighbourhood Care Association Freemasons Road CR0 6PD Weds 7 Nov, 4 – 8 pm Weds 14 Nov, 4 – 8 pm

Our Councillors have produced a handy Frequently Asked Questions guide. There is a link to it on our website. We can print off a paper copy for anyone who has no access to the internet.

### Bins – ongoing issues?

We have passed to our Councillors issues about bins that people have raised with us. We have been asked to collate people's issues, then pass them on to Councillor Jerry Fitzpatrick so he can raise specific issues on behalf of specific addresses.

Examples of the sort of queries people have asked so far – can we change one of our blue paper bins for another glass and plastics bin? We have too many blue / landfill bins – please can the extra one(s) be taken away?

If you have any issues you would like Jerry to raise with the Council, please could you either email them to Anne at <a href="mailto:annebridge175@gmail.co.uk">annebridge175@gmail.co.uk</a> or drop a note through the door at 42 Canning Road (red door bang opposite the church). If you are housebound, please feel free to phone on 020 8656 6707 and leave a message.

We have been told that the collection of the old, unwanted recycling boxes has been delayed because Veolia have been so busy sorting out the new bin system (!) If you want your boxes taken away, please just leave them near the front of your front garden.

### Possible wide area roads meeting

We have no definite information at time of writing but at some point there may be a meeting open to everyone in the East Croydon and Addiscombe area about roads and traffic. The process has been initiated by one of the Councillors in the neighbouring East Addiscombe ward. It is in response to traffic issues in Elgin Road which are part of the ongoing consequences of the Lebanon Road one-way imposition in 2016.

As ever, we encourage all residents to take part and express their views. Such a meeting will inevitably attract mainly drivers and cyclists. People who don't drive and cycle, however, may also want to participate as part of contributing to what makes our neighbourhood an enjoyable place in which we live.

No decisions on traffic management would be made at this or any other similar public meeting.

### Made in Croydon

Sunday 25 November 10 am – 5 pm Boxpark



A whole variety of things made by local Croydon crafts people. http://madeincroydon.org

# **Croydon Community Clothes Exchange**

Saturday 10 November Turf Studios, Whitgift shopping centre

Plenty of us have to watch our pennies. Here's one potentially fun idea.

'Croydon Community Clothes Exchange is a not-for-profit event where you can swap the unloved clothing sitting at the back of your wardrobe with other swappers. At an exchange you must bring something along, and can't take more than you have given



(a maximum of twenty items). Take fewer and your 'credit' is recorded for next time. Users pay £3 to register and donations (adults' clothes, shoes, bags, scarves and jewellery) are counted and checked for quality on arrival by the friendly

organisers. The items hang on changing rails of stock, and new arrivals turn up and dig for treasure.'

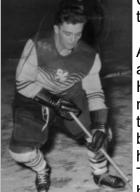
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### **Andor Prosbik**

We say a sad farewell to Andor Prosbik. He died in October aged 83. Andor was one of our most long-standing residents. He moved into Park Court, Canning Road when it was first built. Andor took an interest in local affairs and kindly stepped in for a short time as Chairman of

Canning & Clyde, when Steve (Collins) died, in order to help us keep going.



Andor was forced to get out of Hungary hidden in an ambulance in 1956 following the unsuccessful

Hungarian uprising. It was that or be shot! He had been in the Hungarian national ice hockey team. When Andor first arrived in London, he had to do two jobs to make ends meet. He worked by day in a slaughterhouse and by night in a coffee bar. He was given the chance to take up again the craft he'd learnt from his father as a Cabinet Maker and continued from there. Those who knew Andor will have their own memories of him. The roses he carefully tended outside Park Court are a reminder of him.

