

# The Bridge Newsletter

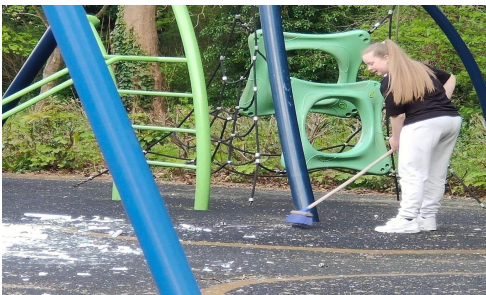


Hello and welcome to the April newsletter.

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Once again, we are having to moan about fly tipping and litter, and gosh it's so boring having to moan at adults. Please STOP dumping your unwanted items around the estate! Please STOP leaving cardboard boxes around the area, especially after Bin Day on Wednesday. They will not take cardboard boxes, these MUST be broken down and put into the recycling sacks, which were delivered to households this past week. Yes, we know they used to take cardboard boxes as they were, and yes, they used to sweep up after emptying our bins, but NOW they don't, So. we have to put our big boy pants on and do it ourselves. It is not that hard.

During the week, lots of glass bulbs were smashed in Bascote park, during Easter holidays. Fortunately, the teenage daughters of residents spotted the mess and went into action. Dashing home for brooms and dustpans, the girls did an amazing job cleaning up all of the glass. The council was also notified of the mess. Their clean up team came the next day to clean up any tiny shards left. Huge thanks to Callie Norris and Demi Chafer for their hard work. Thank you also goes to the girl's parents for raising caring and helpful children. Please respect our estate, play parks and green areas, thank you.



Thank you girls!

## **Tinkers Bridge Residents Association A.G.M**

The Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday 31st March. This is when the committee stands down and a new committee is voted in. The committee is made up of several roles that must be filled in order to be a Residents Association. These include Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and the committee members. There are usually other roles which members volunteer to do. These include an Environmental team, or Events Coordinators, etc.

John Orr was again voted in as Chair and also chaired the AGM, April Towell was voted in as Vice Chair. Deanna Norris was voted in as Secretary and Kirsty Rennie was voted in as Treasurer. The Environmental Team was voted in as Terry, Derek, Ron and Bill who have all worked around the estate for years. Natalie Treadwell and Kerry King were voted in as Events Coordinators. We enter a new phase of the TBRA with some new faces and new ideas. Our next meeting is Thursday 28th April at 7.30pm at the meeting place next to Tesco's. Please pop down and get involved!!



## **Easter Events**

This year's events were bigger than usual, after a couple of lockdown years, families were happy to gather for the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Colne Park. It has been two years since we were able to hold it outside with everyone together. We have had great fun with Bingo, colouring competitions and hunting for clues around the estate during lockdowns. So, it was nice for the children to run around together. There was also an Easter Bingo event held at the meeting place, with a delicious meal of curry and rice. Many thanks to Kirsty for cooking the curry and to Deanna for being an amazing Bingo caller. Thank you to everyone involved. Thank you to TBRA and WCC for funding these events and others for their donations.

## **Environmental Team**

There are several wooden planters dotted around the estate which some residents attend to. The Environmental Team tries to look after the others. The Brownies and Guides often work on the Marshworth planter, thank you to Brown Owl Cheryl. If you would like to adopt a planter, please let us know. We are also keen to install more planters around Tinkers Bridge, so if you have a grassed area near you why not ask for a planter. Maybe get some neighbours together and look after your very own road planter! Get in touch with John Orr 07565 922368

## **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

We have some exciting plans in the pipeline for this special occasion to mark the Queen's 70 year reign. We will be holding an event at the meeting place and adjacent field. This will be on Saturday 4 th June on Jubilee bank holiday weekend. There will be some live music, a BBQ, tea, coffee and sandwiches and cakes. There will be fun and games, including fancy dress. If you have some ideas or would just like to get involved with this event, please contact John, April, or Deanna. If you want to plan your own street party with your neighbours, the government has lots of info on their website about having street parties to celebrate the Jubilee. It is easier than you think, but you must apply for an estate road closure six weeks before your proposed street party date.

## **Blue Light Walk**

Residents joined in with the local Blue Light Walk at the end of March. It was an evening walk in thanks to the NHS and Emergency services and everything they have done to keep us all safe. It started at Ashland and finished at the hospital. Everyone had to bring blue glow sticks or lanterns to make a long traveling blue light. It was pretty amazing to see. Thank you to everyone who took part.

## **Facebook**

### **Tinkers Bridge Community Larder**

This page has been set up for members of the Community Larder, it features what is available at the next session, member's recipes and other related topics.

### **Tinkers Bridge - Supporting our local businesses.**

This page is in support of local businesses, based on the estate. Free advertising to your neighbours, can't be bad.

### **Tinkers Bridge OFFICIAL GROUP**

For local news, lost and found, and anything else of interest. Check it out for any local updates. All posts are previewed before posting. We are unable to advertise your business on this page.

### **Tinkers Bridge - Free To A Good Home**

Is for all giveaways, freebies and unwanted items and in date food. Please use this page rather than fly tipping your unwanted items.

**Tinkers Bridge For Sale** Is for items you are wanting to sell locally to friends and neighbours.