

# WP News

Westminster Park Residents' Association



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Christmas Lights 2017  
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## Wrexham Road plans likely to go to Committee in January

It seems for ever that we have been publishing articles here about the threatened development of around 1400 properties on the former green belt land between Westminster Park and the Wrexham Road.

We initially opposed the development on the grounds that Chester did not need so many new houses there and we still believe this to be the case.

However, events have moved on. Redrow and Taylor Wimpey have submitted planning applications - the layout of the proposed development can be seen in the window of the WP pharmacist, at Lache Library and at the Council offices.

The WPRA and many individuals have submitted comments and objections to the Council, but it now appears that it will be considered at a Planning Committee meeting on Monday, 8 January.

One of the main issues has always been the effect on traffic congestion from such a large development and the Council

commissioned consultants to review this. The results of their work have not yet been published.

However, we believe that approval of the scheme is likely to be given in the near future if not in January. At that point the role of the WPRA will change. We will be monitoring progress, endeavouring to hold the builders to the things they have said they would do and providing a lead, along with our local councillors, on raising and resolving concerns as the development unfolds.

Such concerns are likely to centre round the traffic issues, education and health provision, removal of surface and foul water from the site and the effects on the environment.

You still have time to make your views known to the Council - see page 6 of the newsletter for details of how to comment.

Brian Westcott

### Dates for your diary

Thu 29 Nov	The Interiors Shop Christmas event
Sat 1 Dec	Councillors' Surgery, 10.30am, WP Shops
Thu 6 Dec	Evergreen Christmas party
Thu 6 Dec	Christmas Lights Switch-on, 5pm, WP shops
Sat 8 Dec	Chester Riverside Rotary Quiz, 7.30pm, WP Community Centre
Tue 11 Dec	Christmas Traditions talk, 7pm, Grosvenor Museum
Wed 12 Dec	The Spirit of Christmas tour, Grosvenor Museum
Sun 16 Dec	Nine Lessons & Carols, St Mary's, Handbridge
Wed 19 Dec	Lantern Parade from Overleigh St Mary's to St Mary's Church
Sat 22 Dec	Christmas Bingo & Raffle, WP Community Centre
Mon 24 Dec	Crib Service, 4pm, Midnight Eucharist, 11.30pm, both St Mary's
Tue 25 Dec	10.30 Parish Communion, St Mary's
Mon 31 Dec	New Year's Eve Disco & Buffet, WP Community Centre
Thu 3 Jan	Drop-In Tea & Coffee, 2pm, WP Community Centre
Sat 5 Jan	Councillors' Surgery, 10.30am, WP shops Grosvenor Museum talk, 7.30pm
Thu 17 Jan	Evergreen talk - Fraud, 2pm, WP Community Centre
Tue 22 Jan	Grosvenor Museum talk, 2.30pm The Victorian Way of Death
Sat 2 Feb	Councillors' Surgery, 10.30am, WP shops
Thu 7 Feb	Grosvenor Museum talk, 2.30pm, C.S.S. Florida
Thu 21 Feb	Evergreen AGM & Quiz, 2pm WP Community Centre
Sat 2 Mar	Councillors' Surgery, 10.30am, WP shops

**Christmas Lights Switch On**

**Come and join in our festive evening when the Sheriff of Chester lights up Westminster Park Shops 5pm, Thursday 6th December**

*Belgrave Primary School choir • Music*  
*Mince pies • Mulled wine*  
*Hot dogs • Father Christmas*

## News from your Councillors

### Wrexham Road New Housing

We continue to work with Westminster Park Residents' Association on the planning applications. It looks as if the applications will go to Planning Committee on 8 January. Residents can still submit responses to them.

### Members' Budget

We were pleased to use our Members' budget to help fund new Christmas lights, a Christmas tree, a sign for Westminster Park Community Centre and also the revamp of the rear of the Community Centre.

**Remembrance Sunday** - A Nation's Tribute, 11 November 2018. We used our Members' budget to buy Red Poppies to mark the Centenary of the end of the First World War and asked Handbridge Community Association to share some of their red poppies for the lamp posts at Westminster Park Shops. We would like to thank HCA and Sandra Magilton for help in putting them up at very short notice.

### Fire Station

We have opposed the rebuilding of Chester's Fire Station. We are not against having modern facilities, but the current building is functional and we think it is more important and a higher priority to have adequate fire cover for Chester and our area south of the river.

### Budget Consultation

The Council is consulting on next year's budget. It is an opportunity for residents to make their views known. You can comment on the draft budget proposals for 2019-20 and emerging ideas for 2020-24. Your feedback will help inform the final budget decisions. Have your say by 2 December: [cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/](http://cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/)

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### Street Care

We recently met Mark Brazil, who heads up the Council's Streetcare teams, with representatives of residents associations, including WPRA. There was a frank and healthy exchange of views about issues and we hope to see improved service in the coming period.

### Bus Services

We know that the Bus Service is not adequate and that there are issues with delays. We have reported this and are monitoring the new service. Please do keep us informed of any issues. We have invited **PlusBus** to attend an Evergreen Meeting to talk about their service, a demand responsive community transport offered on behalf of CWaC.

**Neil Sullivan  
Razia Daniels**



**Cllrs Razia Daniels and Neil Sullivan helped to purchase new signage for Westminster Park Community Centre.**

## The 18th Chester Brownies

The 18th Chester Brownies have had an exciting term; beginning with a golf 'Taster' session thanks to the professional Paul Hodgson. The Brownies learnt the basis of a swing and putt.

Ten Brownies joined the Scouts for JOTA (Jamboree on the Air), learning the phonetic alphabet to use on the radio. They spoke to other Guides and Scouts including a group in Austria and all gained their Communication badge.

The Brownies planned and organised a fundraiser for the NHS 70th birthday tea party along with a BGT (Brownies got talent) event. The girls baked cakes, served tea, assisted on stalls and entertained their guests. We had dancing, gymnastics, musical items and a stand-up routine - such talented girls! Collectively they raised £77.45 which they wish to go to the Cardiac rehab unit where one of the Brownie's Grandad was recently an in-patient. **Janne Hooper**



**Taking part in the Jamboree on the Air**

## Evergreen

Westminster Park's Evergreen club for residents aged 60+ will finish 2018 in seasonal style with a Christmas party at the Community Centre on Thursday 6 December between 2-3.30pm when Christmas carols and songs will be sung, led by the talented Michael Reynolds of Silver Singers. We will be serving mince pies and seasonal cakes and a free raffle will take place for Christmas gifts.

The following week members will enjoy Christmas lunch at Chester Golf Club, always popular. This needs to be pre-booked.

We have also arranged a trip out on Monday 10 December to Attingham Park which is being decorated in 1940's Christmas style.

During the autumn our speakers have informed us about 'Big Heritage' projects in Chester and Liverpool, the work of the RNLI and Chester Zoo's conservation programme. A party of us had a very interesting visit to the CWAC/Kier Recycling Centre in Winsford and know a lot more about what can and cannot be recycled!

Our programme for 2019 has been released and memberships are being taken out for new and existing members. Subscriptions remain at £10 per head for the year and we hope our meetings will be interesting: in January Tim Cooper from Cheshire Police will talk to us about fraud, which we have to be so careful about. In February we hold our AGM and also have a quiz. Our March speaker is Jill Burton, retired National Trust Education Officer who will talk about Chirk Castle - The Howard de Walden years, 1911-1946.

Members of the Supper Club have enjoyed dinners in various restaurants in Chester this year and are planning more outings in 2019.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our meetings, where complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits are served and you can make and meet up with friends.

## Westminster Park - maintenance of open spaces meeting

In October, members of our Committee met with Mark Brazil, the manager of Streetcare, CWaC's department responsible for maintaining open spaces, and our Councillors regarding the general condition of our estate. Issues discussed included grass cutting, weeds on roads and pavements, road sweeping, and the maintenance of flower and shrub beds.

In common with other services in the Council, Streetcare's budget has been reduced, but a number of measures and investments have been made over the past year to improve future performance (new mowers, route planning software, etc.) so it is hoped that we will see noticeable improvements in 2019.

If you notice things that are in need of attention, the best way to get action taken is to use the Council reporting system at: [www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents)



## News from your Residents' Association

Welcome to the final newsletter for 2018. The Committee, as ever, have been busy in our Community. We held a sell out Quiz Evening in October 2018 and many thanks to all who helped to make the night successful. Look out for our next one in spring 2019 as tickets always sell out quickly!

Some of our Committee members met with the Manager of Streetcare in October regarding the general condition of our estate. Representatives from other local residents associations also attended, and we are hoping that the outcome will be a visible improvement in our area. We would welcome your feedback.

We can, of course, make efforts ourselves to maintain open spaces near to our own properties, and I am aware that many of you already mow the verges in front of your houses. Perhaps more of us need to take the initiative in times of straightened circumstances.

Our annual Christmas event gets bigger and better each year. This year it is on Thursday 6 December 2018 starting at 4.45 pm. The Sherriff of Chester will officially open the event at 5.00 pm with the countdown to

lights being switched on. Belgrave Primary School choir will sing Christmas songs. The Committee do a sterling job each year of organising the event and we are grateful to our local shops and our local Councillors who all make the evening possible. It is a great way to bring our Community together.

May we extend a special thank you to our local Councillors, Razia Daniels and Neil Sullivan, for their generous support and funding, to enable us to purchase new lights for our trees at the shops. It will make our Christmas lights Switch-on an even more spectacular event, and will enable the Community to continue to enjoy the warmth and atmosphere these create throughout the festive season.

The Wrexham Road development continues to move forward and is likely to come before the council's Planning Committee in early January – please see the front page report from our Sub-Committee for further information.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you in 2019!

**Pauline Brown, Chair**

### Bus News

Residents continue to be concerned about the unreliable 61 and 62 bus services through Westminster Park. Following representations by Chris Matheson MP to Stagecoach, little reassurance has been given and no new services will be provided.

Our Councillors are recommending that residents lodge complaints with the Council – the more complaints that are received, the more attention this issue is likely to receive. You can comment by post: Information, Concessions and Travelcard Team, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port CH65 0BE or telephone: 01244 973402.

### X4 via Countess to Cheshire Oaks

The X4 Mold/Chester bus which travels along Wrexham Road, now stops at Ash Grove as well as at the Nuffield Hospital. From Mold to Ellesmere Port, the bus goes via Broughton Tesco, Wrexham Road, Chester Railway Station, the Countess of Chester Hospital and Cheshire Oaks.

On the return journey it stops at Chester Railway station, the new bus station, Foregate Street (stop AA) and then up Wrexham Road and on to Broughton, perfect for Christmas shoppers. It generally runs every 30 minutes – the timetable is on the Arriva website.

residents come along to our events. We are currently refining the details for 2019 so make sure you keep an eye out for the next Newsletter. All residents are welcome.

The bulb planting throughout the community continues and this autumn we planted another 600 crocus corms opposite the shops and shared 25 kilograms of daffodils between Vincent Drive and Rowcliffe Avenue. It's good to have something to look forward to!



### WPRA Gardening Club

The first few months of this year started with endless weeks of freezing conditions and snowfall as late as April – yet all that was quickly forgotten after months of extraordinary hot, dry weather. 2018 has been a challenging year in the garden.

Harvesting 'grey' water helped to keep pots and veg plots going – and also improved our fitness as we lugged buckets and cans from kitchen to garden. It wasn't possible to keep everything hydrated but the Victoria plum, which wasn't given even a teaspoon of extra water this summer, produced fruit the size of hen's eggs!

Gardening Club's varied 2018 programme of speakers and garden visits was well-supported by our loyal members and it would be good to have a few more WP

### WPRA Subscriptions 2019

Enclosed in this December issue is our Annual Membership form for 2019. We have increased our subscription this year to £3.00 per household, our first ever increase, due to rising costs.

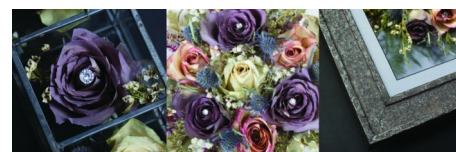
Thank you to all who subscribed in 2018, we hope to have your continued support again this next year. We would welcome many more of our residents to join our membership and hope the provision of on-line banking will make joining and payment easier.

Your membership fee is put to good use. I know many of you enjoy reading our excellent Newsletter, appreciate the colourful spring bulbs enhancing our area and experience the community spirit at our Christmas Lights Switch-on and very popular social evenings. All this is possible from funds generated from your membership subscriptions and the hard work of the volunteer committee.

The Residents' Association represents the Community's views regarding issues such as the Wrexham Road Development, bus service, area maintenance and individual issues. We work closely with our Councillors and PCSO, who in turn act on our behalf.

WPRA needs to demonstrate strong community representation when presenting your views. Please lend your support by joining your Residents' Association. Thank you.

**Sandra Magilton, Treasurer**



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## Belgrave Primary School

### A Message from the New Headteacher

Joining Belgrave Primary School as Headteacher in September was a real privilege. I have been fortunate to have worked across Cheshire West for my whole teaching career, experiencing life in three schools of very differing sizes, values and locations.

During my first half term, it has been clear to see that the school is a happy learning environment, a place where pupils, staff, governors and families work hard in making school a safe and happy place to be. Staff are dedicated to inspire children in their learning and ensure that they don't just achieve, but they become the very best they can possibly be in every way.

Our new Reception children have settled quickly and are enjoying school life to the full! Families are committed to their children's learning and celebrations, and it has been lovely to see so many parents and extended family members at events such as the PTA Welcome Back Evening, Saturday Grounds Day, Harvest Festivals and Celebration Assemblies.

I have been overwhelmed by the supportive PTA at Belgrave and the number of events they plan and organise to raise much-needed money for this school in the current financial climate.

I have met many residents in the local community and look forward to meeting more as school attends local events, such as the Westminster



A special thank you to Lucy in year 6 for my portrait!

Park Lights Switch-on in December.

I very much look forward to leading Belgrave Primary School on its next journey through the forthcoming years. Thank you to everyone for making me feel so welcome in a school located in a friendly, caring and welcoming community.

### Deaf Awareness Competition

Belgrave are celebrating winners from each year group for designing deaf awareness posters for school. Noah, with the help of our visiting auditory support teacher and his fellow pupils, delivered an assembly about what it is like to be deaf in school. It was a very interactive session including lip reading and sign language.

Belgrave's School Council then created a competition for children to design a poster to help all people to be aware of deaf children in school and what we can do to help. There were some fantastic entries which the School Council had to narrow down to a winner for each year group. These posters are now displayed on classroom doors. Well done to all involved!

Juliette Benton



## Chester Riverside Rotary Club

Rotary President of Chester Riverside Angela Williams visited the Houses of Parliament on 29 October with children from St Vincent's School, Liverpool in her role as Ambassador for Sightbox.

They took in a ceramic 'War Panel', along with individual ceramic poppies for each MP. The Prime Minister wore hers in Prime Minister's Question Time and mentioned where it had come from. Their work will be displayed at the Palace of Westminster as a 'lasting legacy' for those who lost sight in the Great War. A similar panel has been gifted to the City of Liverpool, and displayed in St George's Hall.

Sightbox contents provide a vision for visually impaired children and adults.



## Chester Croquet Club

Chester Croquet Club has had a successful year, despite struggling with the weather! A national golf croquet tournament was hosted and the W.I., Rotary and Mensa had fun sessions.

We are still playing croquet while the weather allows. Come and watch a game if you are in the park, or take part in our taster day on Saturday 13 April, 2019.

We have 100 members of all ages and abilities, but as it is a handicap sport and reliant on skill and strategy rather than strength, all of our members play at different levels. Competition winners this season included John, a senior, and James, 21. It is truly a sport with something for everyone!



### Can you ignite the spark that helps a child blast off into a world of fun and learning?

**PASSION FOR LEARNING** is looking for volunteers with a couple of hours a week to spare, who would like to help support young children in their local school with their reading and learning.

We are looking for **enthusiastic adults** who genuinely enjoy the company of children and can bring new experiences and their own passion for life and learning to the next generation.

- ✓ Our weekly after-school Enrichment Clubs as well as our 1:1 sessions are based on fun and engagement;
- ✓ Our volunteers are uniquely **trained, nurtured and resourced**.
- ✓ We provide regular social events for our volunteers to recognise their contribution to the local community.
- ✓ You have the opportunity to work with the same small group of children, to develop a **consistent relationship** with them.
- ✓ It is an incredibly fulfilling opportunity which helps the children to **flourish** and feels so **rewarding** for the volunteer.
- ✓ **Prior experience is not necessary** and occasional term time holidays can be accommodated.

If you would like to know more then we would love to hear from you.

Please call Diane on 07966 404355 or email [diane.clark@passion-for-learning.com](mailto:diane.clark@passion-for-learning.com)



### Karate in Westminster Park

For all ages, family friendly. Beginners always welcome.

Community Centre Wed 5:30pm  
Scout Hall Saturday 9:30 am

Contact Dave Craggs 07711 009041  
[davidcraggs@hskc.org.uk](mailto:davidcraggs@hskc.org.uk)

## Westminster Park Community Centre

At last we have signage clearly indicating the location of the Westminster Park Community Centre. We are extremely grateful to our local Councillors, Razia Daniels and Neil Sullivan, for their generous support and funding.

We have also received funding from our Councillors to re-vamp the outside area at the rear of the building. We plan to make this a pleasant 'al fresco' area, with tables and chairs, where members can enjoy a drink in the warmer weather.

The bar is open to members Mon – Sun from 7.30pm and Sat/Sun from 12 noon. It is well-stocked and reasonably priced, with coffee also available, T.V., pool table, and dart boards. New members always welcome.

The Hall is available for hire and is free for Charity/Fundraising events. The Centre also holds a Bingo Night every third Friday of the month, (dates vary) and visitors are welcome.

The programme of activities is advertised on the main Community Notice Board and inside the Centre.

Come and join us for our 'Christmas Bingo and Raffle' on Saturday 22 December, open to all. With £250 worth of cash prizes to be won, the entrance price of £10 includes 10 games and generous buffet. Raffle tickets will be on sale during the evening and from the bar from 1 December, priced £1.00 per strip.

Our 'New Year's Eve Disco and Buffet Evening' is one not to be missed and open to all. Tickets will be available from the bar, from mid-December, priced £10 each.

Information on joining or hiring the Community Centre can be obtained by contacting: Tel: 01244 671243 (from 7.30pm) E-mail: [WPCA2008@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:WPCA2008@yahoo.co.uk).

Facebook: Westminster Park Community Centre & Wpcawhatson

**Sandra Magilton, Committee**

### Drop-In - Tea, coffee & a chat

Support for the Drop-In on the first Thursday of every month fell away a bit during the summer, so the next one isn't until 3 January 2019.

The Drop-In is organised by the WP Community Association and is open to people of all ages, irrespective of where they live. The objective is to provide company and the opportunity for a chat.

Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided free of charge and there is always a good supply of books to take home.

Why not give it a try at 2pm on the first Thursday of the month? You will be made very welcome.

**Colin Dollimore**

## Friends of Westminster Park

Friends of Westminster Park have been working hard with CWaC to address a number of issues within the park. Andy James, our Park Development Officer, has been very helpful, but the latest reorganisation within CWaC has meant that some of the initiatives and maintenance aspects have been delayed.

However, progress has been made on a couple of key items: the development of a safe dog walking area (behind the current WP young footballer pitches) is underway and suppliers are being canvassed for the provision of CCTV in key locations.

In addition, the provision of a bouncy castle, slides and water attractions during the summer holidays was seen as a great success with many people with young children in attendance, some of them using the park for the first time.

If you have any questions or ideas please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Steve Telford (07976 712339)**

As the business develops, he is hoping to bring in some tables and chairs to allow customers to eat in.

Al Forno is open from 3pm to 9.30pm from Tuesday to Sunday.

## Shop News

### The Interiors Shop - Late Opening

In the run up to Christmas, The Interiors Shop will be helping shoppers by staying open late on Thursdays. For the four weeks before Christmas, the shop will be open until 9pm.



To kick that off there will be a special shopping event on Thursday 29 November 2018, when there will be 10% off everything in store as well as fizz and mince pies for customers.

There will also be a raffle to raise funds for Bridge Wellness Centre in Ellesmere Port, with lots of great prizes on offer.

### Al Forno

Our new take-away is now fully operational, offering a great range of Italian specialities and English favourites too.

Daniel, the owner, is keen to stress that his food is all freshly prepared. "We source many of our ingredients directly from Italy," he said, "but then we prepare all of our dishes in-house. From lasagne and risotto to pasta sauces and even onion rings, everything is home cooked."

The pizzas are stone-baked and all of the chicken and burger dishes are made from Cheshire-sourced fresh meat.

"We even make our own desserts," he added, "including chocolate cake and cannoli - delicious tube-shaped pastries filled with cinnamon flavoured mascarpone."



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## Building Developments

### Last chance to comment on Wrexham Road Planning Applications!

The planning applications submitted by Redrow and Taylor Wimpey are still being considered by CWaC and you can still comment on them.

Copies of all plans can be viewed online or at Lache Library and you can comment on them in a variety of ways, by writing, emailing or commenting via their website.

Accessing the CWAC website can be a time consuming affair. However, this task has been simplified by one of our members. Step by step instructions will help you navigate the CWAC website more easily, in order to submit your comments.

The instructions are on the Westminster Park website – [www.wp-ra.org.uk](http://www.wp-ra.org.uk). A paper copy is also available, if you would like to receive one call 01244 677373 or email: [sandymagilton@googlemail.com](mailto:sandymagilton@googlemail.com).

The application numbers are:

17/02444/FUL	Newt mitigation area
17/02453/OUT	Hybrid application - Part A Full 509 houses, Part B Outline Infrastructure & Amenities. Redrow
17/05200/FUL	Full planning permission for the demolition of the existing buildings and the phased delivery of 786 dwellings and the provision of associated infrastructure (including roads, footpaths, cycleways, landscaping, playing fields, children's play areas and other open spaces). Taylor Wimpey and Redrow
17/05201/OUT	Outline 1400 houses & infrastructure, Taylor Wimpey

**It is important that you copy your comments across all applications if you wish your views to be taken into account.**

If you prefer to email your comments, send to: [planning@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:planning@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)  
or by post, write to: Development Management,  
4 Civic Way,  
Ellesmere Port CH65 0BE



### Christmas Services 2018 at St Mary's Church, Handbridge

#### Sunday 16 December

6.30pm Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

#### Wednesday 19 December

5.30pm Lantern Procession from Overleigh St Mary's School to St Mary's Church

#### Monday 24 December: Christmas Eve

4.00pm Crib Service  
11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

#### Monday 25 December: Christmas Day

10.30am Parish Communion

### Update your Email Preferences

You can update your email preferences via our members' portal to give you control over which emails (if any) you receive from us.

If you are not already on the system, you can also register on the portal site. There is a link on our main website [www.wp-ra.org.uk](http://www.wp-ra.org.uk)

### Access to Community noticeboards

There are a number of noticeboards in the area on which you can display notifications of events, etc.

Here are the details of the persons you need to contact:

**Community Notice board, Castlecroft Road**

Martin Amesbury, 679271

Brian Westcott, 675431

**Notice board, SJ Bebbington**

Sandra Magilton, 677373

Jennifer Crew 680364

**Notice boards at Lache Lane and Hough Green entrances to Westminster Park**

Sue Britton 677936



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## What's On

### Lache Library

#### Rhymetime

Rhymetime for under fives takes place every Thursday in term time at Lache Library from 2.15-2.45pm. There is no need to book, just turn up. For more information from Lache Library, ring 01244 973974.



### Grosvenor Museum Society

**Spirit of Christmas Tour, Grosvenor Museum, Wednesday 12 December, 1.45pm or 3pm**



Travel through the centuries on this private guided tour of the Museum's period rooms, decorated according to the mores of the era, finding out about customs and practices of times gone by, followed by a seasonal treat and drink in the Museum's special café. (Please note - most rooms are accessible only by stairs.) Tickets £4, booking essential.

'The Curious Origins of our Christmas Traditions', a talk by Ken Pye, about traditions such as cards, carols and decorations, starts at 7pm, Tuesday 11 December. Kindly sponsored by The Wild Goose Lakeside Bar and Restaurant, Dodleston. Tickets £5, or free if you join the Society on the evening (£15 individual; £25 two members, same address).

Tuesday 22 January lecture: 'The Victorian Way of Death' (kindly sponsored by G & M Goold Funeral Services), **2.30pm at the Museum**

Thursday 7 February lecture: 'C.S.S. Florida' (kindly sponsored by Colonel and Mrs B King), **2.30pm at the Museum.**

**For all tickets and details, contact Andrea Hopkinson, 01244 675555.**

#### Next Issue

The copy date for the next issue is **Friday 8 February**. Send editorial, letters and advertising queries to: [newsletter@wp-ra.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@wp-ra.org.uk).

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Brian Westcott 675431

### Clubs & organisations based in Westminster Park

*Please let the Editor know if any details are incorrect or if you have a club or organisation that you would like listed.*

**Belgrave Badminton Club:** Khal 07786 080089

**Belgrave Pre-School:** Ashley Middleton 07761 816891

**Bowls:** Martin Amesbury 679271

**Bridge Club:** Nick Ryan 675923

**Chester Road Runners:** Gill Warburton [chesterroadrunners@gmail.com](mailto:chesterroadrunners@gmail.com)

**Cricket:** Robert Aldridge 07759 695084

**Croquet:** John Dawson 675929

**Evergreen (Over 60's Club):** Sandra Magilton 677373

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