

## NEWSLETTER WINTER 2005



### POLICE AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

We were delighted to welcome Colette Paul, our new Met Police Borough Commander to our Autumn meeting. She told us of her future plans and highlighted the Met's priority for Neighbourhood Police Teams. Every ward in Ealing will have one by March 2006. *Watch this space!*

Les Smith remains as our Home Beat Officer; his mobile phone number has changed to 07899 9 5 1 8 1 1, e-mail [leslie.smith2@met.police.uk](mailto:leslie.smith2@met.police.uk). Acton Police Station 020 8246 9763/4 for non-urgent calls. For reporting crimes 020 8810 1212

Les reminds us that burglaries increase at this time of year. He suggests fitting timer lights and leaving a radio on – preferably on a talking station – when you are out.

Ealing Borough Neighbourhood Watch is still in limbo. We will report progress.

We still need street co-ordinators; it is not an onerous task. Volunteers are asked to contact Liz Dendy on 020 8994 4262, or e-mail [Lizdendy@ukgateway.net](mailto:Lizdendy@ukgateway.net)



**ALWAYS REPORT  
CRIME TO THE  
POLICE.**

**THEY NEED TO  
KNOW**

### STREET LIGHTING

This work should be completed by the end of the year. Please report non-working lights to Ealing Council Call Centre on 020 8825 6222

### ACTON GREEN COMMON

AGRA Committee members have met with the Ealing Landscape Architect and as a result more seats and litter bins are being installed, new planting will take place between December and February and the old Green Keeper's hut by Fishers Lane is being dismantled and the area grassed over.

We have asked for repairs to the path way.

### MEMBERSHIP

We urgently need to improve our membership numbers if we are adequately to represent the residents of Acton Green. Please talk to your friends and neighbours and encourage them to join.

Subscriptions will be held at £5 per household (£2 for Senior Citizens) and become due on 1st January. Please send cheque or cash with the attached membership form to:

**Geoffrey Rippingale  
38 Fairlawn Grove  
Chiswick W4 5EH**

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This is advance notice that this will take place on Wednesday 22nd March. Official notification will be sent to you in February.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS



### WEST LONDON TRAM

There are currently three applications for major developments, either in or near AGRA's area.

1) 2 BOLLO LANE (The old Skoda Building. An application for joint office and residential development has been lodged. We have objected to the nearness of the proposed building to the pavement because of the potential damage to existing trees. We have also strongly supported the objections of the Gunnersbury Triangle Nature Reserve as we consider this to be an important amenity in our area.

2) SOUTH ACTON ESTATE  
Outline planning permission has been given to a plan for the major development of the estate. As those plans affect us we have objected to the height of proposed buildings on the north side of the railway line which overlook our area, and have indicated an interest in any plans to replace the pedestrian bridges over the railway.

3) CHISWICK BUSINESS PARK  
Recently plans were submitted to increase the height of the proposed office blocks at the north end of the Park, near the Bollo Lane entrance. We lodged an objection as they would overlook our area. We are co-operating with the Gunnersbury and West Chiswick Residents' Association in this matter and have yet to hear the result.

London Borough of Ealing has reaffirmed its backing of the scheme but London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham are now opposed.

Transport for London is planning to apply to Government next summer for the necessary powers to build the tram scheme and this will be followed by a Public Enquiry in Spring 2007.

Meanwhile, concerns raised at local level consultations about traffic management issues are being further investigated and will result in minor changes to the scheme and its design..

### PIRATE RADIO STATION

Over recent weekends radio reception has been badly affected by a pirate radio station which is presumed to be operating from the South Acton Estate. AGRA has complained to Ofcom and we suggest that anyone else who is affected should do the same. The more people report it the more likely something will be done.

**WE WOULD LIKE TO  
TAKE THIS OPPORTU-  
NITY TO WISH OUR MEM-  
BERS A MERRY CHRIST-  
MAS AND A HAPPY NEW  
YEAR**

## ACTON LANE BRIDGE CLOSURE

AGRA continues to meet regularly with Metronet who have been very responsive to our concerns and suggestions.

To date there have been no official complaints about noise though diverted traffic is a serious problem in Montgomery Road and Cunnington Street.

AGRA is working with Ealing Council to pursue further traffic calming measures, including a possible one-way flow under the bridge to enable noisy work to be carried out during the day – which should enable the project to be finished sooner.

### LOOKING AFTER OUR ENVIRONMENT

AGRA has been taking a particular interest in community environmental issues, such as trees and shrubs that need trimming, burst water mains and fly-tipping. If you have any concerns relating to these topics please contact Sheelagh Ellwood on 0207 008 3160 during normal office hours.

Home collection of garden waste during the winter (December to March inclusive) is by appointment only. This can be arranged by phoning ECT Recycling on 8813 3193/3194.

