

HRA-Duxford News

Dear Residents

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Legend has it that in times of old, there used to be an annual arrangement where a barbeque was held on the green on Whitehall Gardens but this arrangement has since fallen by the way-side. Some of us were discussing that it might be fun to bring this arrangement back this summer.

On July 9th The Imperial War Museum will be holding one of its main events of the year, Flying Legends. If you would like to meet some of your neighbours it would be great if you could do the same, bringing your barbeque, food and of course alcohol. Obviously the more the merrier so why not invite some friends over for a free air show!

We will be setting up from 12 o'clock mid-day as between 1pm and 2pm the display should be in full flow. We are going to try our best to get an ice-cream van on site for some of the afternoon and if you have any other ideas or suggestions please drop me an email on Adrian.warwick@privatefinance.co.uk or just knock on our doors at No 23 or 22 Whitehall Gardens. Adrian, Ewa, David and Ellie

Fly Tipping

There have been incidences of fly tipping on the track leading from Kingsway to the wooded area next to the public open space. Cambridge Constabulary have a "Rural Community Action Team" (RCAT) that deal with anything in the rural areas, things like fly tipping, hare coursing, heating oil theft etc.

Should you wish to report anything suspicious please contact the following:

PC Simon Page 01480425787 or mobile 07850141158

PC Darren Clarke 01480 425780 or mobile 07738 025141.

Oil Thefts

There have been reports of oil thefts in Thriplow. A white van is reportedly driving around the area looking for properties who have just received a delivery. The occupants are then siphoning the tank contents into the van. One property lost 800 litres.

A white van has been spotted driving slowly around Heathfield estate. The registration noted and reported to the police. Please be vigilant and report any suspicious vehicles as soon as possible. Locks are available for some tanks as a deterrent, contact your fuel supplier for advice.

Road Maintenance

With the warmer weather upon us, the tarmac on our roads will soften and gravel and debris can become embedded. Please take a few minutes to sweep the area in front of your property. This will prevent damage occurring during the winter months when it freezes.

All future maintenance of the roads is OUR responsibility, and the shareholders will be required to bear the cost. It is therefore in all our interests to ensure that the roads remain in good condition.

Keep up to date with what is going on at **WWW.HRA-DUXFORD.CO.UK**

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Oil Syndicate – a reminder

For those houses that are oil heated, there is a way to reduce the cost of your heating oil – join a “buying syndicate”, where you all your individual orders are aggregated together to get a cheaper price for a bulk delivery. The major oil suppliers typically give a discount of several pence per litre for large orders – because there only needs to be one tanker visit to the estate, rather multiple visits for individual orders. This means that you can benefit from the large order oil price, even if you only want 500 litres at a time.

Recently we have been invited to join the Thriplow & Fowlmere syndicate, so even bigger savings should be available. For more information, contact Sharon Brown at sharon@brown.cx This replaces the Heathfield only syndicate that was run by Geoff Creek.

Fence at Kingsway

Most residents (certainly those living in the part of Kingsway near to Hurdles Way) will have noticed that a new fence has been erected. This replaces the line of trees which had become too tall and dangerous. This fence was erected by Lilleys of Sawston. There is a gap in the middle of the fence to allow access to Hurdles Way. The cost of the fence (£1,904.40) is being shared equally by HRA Limited and Hurdles Way Residents Association.

Many thanks are due to Raf Storr of Hurdles Way Residents Association for his help with the fence.

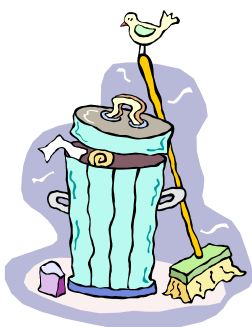
Clear up day

We will be having a clear up day on Sunday 17th July, if you have a couple of hours to spare and would be willing to lend a hand it would be much appreciated.

“Many hands make light work”

We will meet on the grassed area in the middle of Whitehall Gardens at 9.00am.

If you have a wheelbarrow, or clearing implements i.e. spades etc bring them along.



**The nights are lighter, the school holidays are imminent.
A reminder to all that the speed limit on the estate is 15mph**

Please drive carefully

LOOK OUT FOR CHILDREN PLAYING