



CHASE Residents' Association News & Events

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Spring 2022

The Return of Banter & Biscuits!

**Saturday
12th March
12:30 pm**

Join invited guests
Sarah Jones MP
Cllr Maddie Henson
Cllr Jeet Bains



**Mark the date of our
next public meeting**

**Put your questions
to our elected
representatives**

Details on page 5

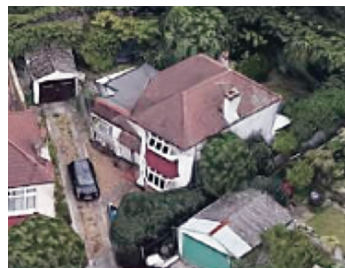
OBJECT TO OVERDEVELOPMENT BY THUR 10TH MARCH

Deadline extended

Croydon Council has extended the period for public objections to planned demolition of a detached cottage and excavation of gardens at 2A Addiscombe Avenue to make way for blocks of flats.

The extra time was given in response to CHASE's complaint over the original consultation exercise – first called on 8th January with a deadline of 28th January – when developers' final plans were only made public on 19th January. Consultations should only begin once residents have access to all information.

People living in the area and beyond are urged to share your views on the proposed development by the new deadline of 10th



Under threat:
Developers want to tear down this Addiscombe Ave cottage to cram in blocks of flats as shown in architect's drawing below



March by following the instructions below.

CHASE has submitted objections representing the deep attachment local residents feel for this 100-year-old character property and the environmental, structural and privacy concerns that the proposed development would bring. [Cont'd on page 3]

Taking pride in place

Visitors to the Railway Park have been taking notice of improved accommodation for local amphibians at the eastern end of the popular pedestrian route to Blackhorse tram stop. Living conditions in the newt pond, which was already a bit too shallow for frogs and newts to stay over winter, had been made worse by children throwing stones into the water. In January, volunteers dug the pond to a suitable depth and installed fencing to discourage stone throwing. The return of pond life is eagerly anticipated this spring.



Join the Friends of Addiscombe Railway Park this spring



All are welcome to join work days in Addiscombe Railway Park. Varied activities include weeding, pruning, litter picking and pond maintenance. Wellingtons and workwear are advised, but no need to bring your own gardening tools as these are provided. The next scheduled days are:

- Sunday 10th April w
- Sunday 8th May

Drop by anytime between 2pm and 5pm.

Find contact details and all you need to know at www.park.addiscombe.net



Addiscombe Covid-19 Mutual Aid Group

You can find out how to volunteer on our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/groups/AddiscombeCovid19

Following an Addiscombe and East Croydon meeting on how the community responds to the Covid-19 pandemic, residents and community groups have come together to run a donation centre at St Mary Magdalene Church, Canning Road on behalf of Croydon Voluntary Action (CVA) and Croydon's Salvation Army.

The centre is open for donations of non-perishable food and household products from 10am until 2pm every Wednesday and Saturday. Please note that we are unable to take fresh food.

We are also looking for Addiscombe residents to volunteer to help run the donation centre and drivers to take donated items to either CVA or Salvation Army at the end of each day. You can find details at our Facebook page above.

[Cont'd from page 1] Neighbouring terraced and semi-detached houses would be overlooked by windows facing all directions over three storeys. The 1970s block design would be imposing and jarring in this early-20th Century road and existing parking spaces would be removed from the property to cram in more flats, compounding parking problems on this road. The size and position of the blocks of flats would threaten neighbouring gardens with over-shadowing for most of the year. No plans for sewage and drainage have taken account of the area's aged systems. Threatened removal of trees and hedges would greatly increase noise and air pollution from the tram and high street, affecting all surrounding properties.

Why this matters

Even for residents not directly affected by the proposed development, this application

poses the most serious threat to the character of this area within memory.

High-density development at Nihil Place, Grant Road and the new housing estate at Button Court, Everton Road were built on former industrial sites yet they fit into their surroundings and take consideration of the design of neighbouring buildings. But the demolition of a locally well-loved Arts & Crafts style family home to squeeze in two blocks of flats – with five dwellings containing 12 bedrooms accommodating 18 people over three storeys – would set a dangerous precedent for the worst aspects of Croydon's intentions for high density 'intensification' and low-quality design at a high cost to local character and quality of life. If this is allowed to happen on Addiscombe Avenue it would be allowed anywhere else in this area.

FOR DETAILS AND TO SUBMIT COMMENTS BY 10TH MARCH 2022:

<https://publicaccess3.croydon.gov.uk/online-applications> (search for: 21/05397/FUL)

Or write to: Development Management, 6th Floor Bernard Wetherill House,
8 Mint Walk, Croydon CR0 1EA (quoting reference 21/05397/FUL)

WHEN*
**Wednesdays &
Saturdays
10am – 2pm**

WHERE*
**St Mary Magdalene Church
Canning Road CR0 6QD**
Entrance to the Crypt via front carpark

* Details correct at time of publication

**DONATION
APPEAL**

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Laundry Detergents
- Washing-up Liquid
- Kitchen & Toilet Rolls
- Cleaning Products
- Batteries & Lightbulbs

**NON-PERISHABLE
FOODS**

Including Items such as:

- Canned Food
- Rice • Pasta
- Flour • Sugar
- Tea & Coffee
- Long-life Milk
- Salt & Spices
- Condiments

TOILETRIES

Including Items such as:

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shower Gel
- Deodorants
- Soap
- Tissues
- Razors
- Sanitary Items

SEE YOU AT OUR SPRING EVENTS

SATURDAY 2ND APRIL

11AM - 1PM



JOIN THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

MEET AT THE CORNER OF SUNDRIDGE AND HIGHBARROW ROADS. JOIN NEIGHBOURS TO TIDY UP, REPORT FLY-TIPPING AND RECORD ANY ISSUES TO BE RAISED WITH THE COUNCIL OR POLICE. GLOVES AND EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED.

SATURDAY 7TH MAY

**2 - 4 PM @ ASSC,
DALMALLY PASSAGE
CRO 6NE** SENIOR RESIDENTS
& FRIENDS ARE INVITED FOR
CREAM TEAS, BINGO, QUIZ &
PRIZES. **£3 ENTRY INCLUDES
A RAFFLE TICKET.**

SENIORS' SOCIAL @ ADDISCOMBE SOCIAL & SPORTS CLUB



COMING SOON...

THURSDAY 2ND - SUNDAY 5TH JUNE PLATINUM JUBILEE WEEKEND!

**CELEBRATE 70 YEARS
OF QUEEN ELIZABETH'S
SERVICE TO THE NATION
AND COMMONWEALTH**

WATCH OUT FOR DETAILS OF CHASE RESIDENTS' EVENTS AND OTHER LOCAL HAPPENINGS COMING TOGETHER IN TIME FOR THIS YEAR'S FOUR-DAY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND. ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE FAMILY PICNICS, CREAM TEAS, COMPETITIONS AND, PROBABLY, LOTS OF BUNTING!



The long-awaited return of CHASE's public meetings

CHASE Annual Banter & Biscuits
Saturday 12th March
12:30–2pm
Addiscombe Social & Sports Club
Dalmally Passage CR0 6NE

As restrictions lift and we ease somewhat towards the 'old normal' all living in the CHASE area are once again invited to meet old friends, make new ones and get the low-down on what has been going on locally and borough-wide since our last meeting over two years (!) ago.

As always, invited guests include those best placed to update us and answer residents' questions – Sarah Jones MP, and Addiscombe East ward councillors Jeet Bains and Maddie Henson. Guests yet to be confirmed at the time of printing include those who can offer advice on crime prevention and tell us what having an elected mayor might mean for Croydon.

Anyone living or working in the CHASE area will be greeted with complimentary cream tea (or coffee) including scones and other nibbles. A cash bar will also be available. Children are very welcome but the Addiscombe Social & Sports Club's rules prohibit pets.

Bring your questions

This is your opportunity to get answers to what concerns you about Addiscombe and Croydon. Recent issues heard by CHASE include questions over the police response to the tragic stabbing of teenager Zaian Aimable-Lina in Ashburton Park, why

parking regulations differ from road to road and what coming changes to planning regulations will mean for our area.

Report on activities

We also would like to hear your ideas on what CHASE should be focusing on in the year to come – what would you like to see more or less of in Addiscombe? Since we last met, your committee has:

- Contributed to Covid 19 Mutual Aid efforts, offering support to elderly and vulnerable people by helping with shopping and errands and by collecting food for people in need at Addiscombe's food donation points.
- Provided on-going Neighbourhood Watch support, including delivering crime prevention leaflets and posting new scam warnings online.
- Submitted objections to aspects of property development that would adversely affect our neighbours and our neighbourhood.
- Commented on proposed changes to the Croydon Local Plan that threaten protections on the character and density of our area.
- Helped set up the Addiscombe East Safer Neighbourhood Ward Panel that informs local policing priorities.

An opportunity to get involved

Covid 19 and personal circumstances have led to the departure of a number of CHASE street reps. Residents interested in joining the committee can put themselves forward (see more on page 6) or ask us for details when we meet on the 12th.

Help build Zaian's youth centre

Your donation will help create a youth centre offering services that will help future generations of young people flourish.



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Oasis

A legacy for Zaian

On the evening of 30 December 2021, just after 7pm, 15-year-old Zaian Aimable-Lina was fatally stabbed in a park in Croydon. He was a much-loved and hugely popular student at nearby Oasis Academy Shirley Park.

Will you help us honour his memory by creating a local youth centre bearing his name?

www.oasisuk.org/appeal/a-legacy-for-zaian

BE A VOICE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

CHASE IS LOOKING FOR NEW (AND RETURNING) VOLUNTEER STREET REPRESENTATIVES

BECOMING A STREET REP AND COMMITTEE MEMBER IS NOT VERY TIME CONSUMING. WE MEET THREE TIMES A YEAR TO DISCUSS ISSUES IN OUR AREA, HELP RUN 3 OR 4 EVENTS A YEAR AND DELIVER NEWSLETTERS. YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO LIVE IN A PARTICULAR ROAD TO REPRESENT IT. THE REWARD IS KNOWING THAT YOU CAN HELP PEOPLE AND MAKE YOUR ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY BETTER.



PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IF YOU FEEL YOU CAN HELP

EVEN IF IN SOME WAY OTHER THAN BECOMING A COMMITTEE MEMBER

EMAIL: CHAIRMAN@CHASERESIDENTS.ORG.UK

Make the most of your Residents' Association

CHASE seeks to ensure that our neighbourhood stays a safe and enjoyable place to live. We represent residents' concerns to Croydon Council, host social events and provide Neighbourhood Watch membership.

CHASE has objected to developments that threatened to change our area for the worse and is responsible for having wheelchair-friendly kerbs, secure alleyway gates, replacement of trees on footpaths and removal of Christmas trees the council has failed to collect. For a start.

Everyone who lives in CHASE roads is automatically a member of the association

We want to hear from you. Join us at our events or share your thoughts on our area at: contact@chaseresidents.org.uk



Local Job Opportunity

Assistant Bar Steward

Addiscombe Social & Sports Club

Dalmally Passage, Croydon CR0 6NE

£11 / hour • Full-time, Permanent

Expected start: ASAP

Addiscombe Social & Sports Club is an established social club of over 50 years based in Croydon. We are open to members and their guests to enjoy a social drink, a game of pool, darts and snooker.

Job description

An experienced (ideally 2 years) Assistant Bar Steward is required for all bar operations to work alongside the existing Head Steward.

As Assistant Bar Steward you will ensure quality service and standards, while delivering a customer experience that is unique, and ensure compliance with all UK Health and Safety regulations and Licencing Laws. Ideally the successful candidate will be dynamic, confident and ambitious.

Duties /Responsibilities

- Flexible approach to working – weekends, evenings & public holidays included
- Ensure all credit and financial transactions are handled in a secure manner.
- Serve customers and ensure cleanliness of bar area and general club premises

For full details and to apply, contact: Mr Scott Donovan

Email: thesecretaryassc@gmail.com

Tel: 020 8654 0806

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Learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones from scams

Complete the Friends Against Scams awareness session
and help to raise awareness throughout your community

www.friendsagainstsams.org.uk/elearning/Croydon



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