



Hooray – Community Action Day – 28th April – 9am to 1pm

The day with the skips and the rubbish collecting

Put the date in your diary! **28th April** We will again be collaborating with the City Council and Cambridge Community Church to help everyone clear out their unwanted items. There will be a roaming 'bin lorry', skips will be in Ancaster Way and refreshments, swap shops and other activities in St Thomas's Hall. We will be asking for strong volunteers to help collect large or heavy objects from our more fragile neighbours. More detail in the next newsletter.

Bus News

From 18th February Citi 2 route will change and this will mean fewer buses

From the Stagecoach website:

Citi 2 will continue to operate every 10 minutes Monday to Saturday daytimes between Cambridge North Rail Station and Mill Road. Buses will then continue every 20 minutes to Addenbrooke's, and every 20 minutes to Coldham's Lane Sainsbury's providing a new link to the store. There will also be changes to Saturday morning frequencies on Citi 1, 2 & 3 with buses running up to every 20 minutes before 0900.

If you want to give feedback or complain to Stagecoach, the person to contact is Nigel Tarrant
Telephone: 01223 433 250 between 08:30 and 17:30, Monday to Friday.

Fax: 01223 433 275

Email: Nigel.Tarrant@stagecoachbus.com

Address: Stagecoach, 100 Cowley Road, Cambridge, CB4 0DN

Pavements

In October they came, they saw and they said most of our pavement potholes are not deep enough to merit any remedial work. They must be 2.5 cm deep before any action is taken! Works are scheduled for March on those holes that 'meet the intervention levels'. If you trip and hurt yourself in Birdwood Rd, (or elsewhere in our area) please contact Sandra Crawford, our County Councillor (details overleaf). You can also claim under the County Insurance Scheme.

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/page-79/print/>

or write to

LGSS Insurance Department

Northamptonshire County Council

One Angel Square

Angel Street

Northampton

NN1 1ED

Telephone 01604 368666 or 01604 367591

Nextdoor.co.uk

Another plug because it seems to be useful. Local to Coleridge. <https://nextdoor.co.uk>
Free items, events, local classified ads, lost and found, and general local news. Recent requests on the site have been for anyone who knows good builders, gardeners, tradespeople – so, if you are one – join – it's free and it may be a way to get local work.

Notice Boards

We'll continue to advertise local charities, events, services, news, articles for sale etc on the notice boards in Birdwood Rd and St Thomas's Rd. If you have anything you want to advertise, put a notice (or preferably two) through the door at 52 Birdwood Rd.

Committee

We are looking for a couple of new committee members to make our numbers up to ten. We have about four meetings a year, produce and distribute this newsletter and organise a few events. It's not onerous. We have fun – so please consider joining us. You can email or knock on the door at 52 Birdwood – for a cup of tea and a chat.

Highway Problems

If you need to alert the County Council to any highway problems in your road (including pavements), call 0345 045 5212 (charged at local rate) or go to:

http://www4.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/info/20081/roads_and_pathways/10/roadworks_and_faults

Our email list is growing. If you can, please get this by email

It is so much easier for us to send newsletters out by email. Also, you'll be kept up to date by the (very) occasional email with information that is urgent and can't wait for a newsletter. If you can receive it that way **PLEASE** send us your email address. **Send an email to birdwoodara@gmail.com** with your postal address in the subject. Thanks!

If you need to contact our local Councillors, here are their details:

County Council, Sandra Crawford Phone: 01223 503061 Email: sandra.crawford@cambridgeshire.gov.uk	City Council, Jeremy Benstead Phone: 01223 351669 Email: j_benstead@live.co.uk
City council, Lewis Herbert Phone: 01223 721027 Email: lewis.herbert@cambridge.gov.uk	City Council, Rosy Moore Mobile: 07709 222026 Email: rosy.moore@cambridge.gov.uk

If you think there is a general problem for the area, do contact us. And if you have ideas for future events or anything to increase neighbourliness, we'd love to hear from you. Our email address is birdwoodara@gmail.com This is our preferred contact point but if you would rather you can put a note through the door at 52 Birdwood Rd.

Our aims:

to promote neighbourliness and a sense of community and to form a conduit to the City and County councils about issues relating to this area. We cover Birdwood Rd and all roads

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