

Report from Residents Association meeting:

16 September 2019

Nevill Garden Trail

The Garden Trail was a very successful well attended event. £540 was raised for environmental and community projects. At the meeting Audrey Jarvis accepted a cheque for £300 on behalf of Friends of Lewes, which will go towards tree planting on the estate. Cllr Imogen Makepeace, treasurer of Wildflower Lewes, accepted a cheque for £100 to support wildflowers habitats on Nevill, and Vicki Trenhaile received a donation of £140 on behalf of Lewes Community Allotment towards repairing the damage suffered in the summer. Cllr Rob Handy, treasurer of NRA thanked all those who organised the trail and opened their gardens to the public.



Tree Planting – Presentation by Audrey Jarvis, chairman of the Friends of Lewes Trees Committee

Since the setting up of the Trees Committee within Friends of Lewes in 2014, 48 street trees have been planted in Lewes. Before trees can be planted on a site there has to be a survey of all underground utilities, and consultation with the nearby residents, so that the committee can apply for planting permission. The trees which they have planted, so far, on the Nevill are: three trees at the top of Middle Way, (Whitebeam, Red Crab Apple and Cherry), and three trees outside Mount Harry Stores, (Ginkgo, Whitebeam, Red Field Maple).

A meeting of the Trees Committee held in September, confirmed the choices of trees to be planted on the green in Cross Way, using the suggestions from residents. There were thirty positive replies to their consultation and one negative response. The plan is to plant four trees: two towards each end of the green, to allow plenty of play space between them.

She said they are always looking for places where they might plant more trees. Recent ideas for the Nevill are: on the island where Crossway meets North Way; on the green in Mount Harry Road, and the island at the junction of Highdown Road and Firle Crescent. Permission to plant trees on Nevill Green was refused last year because there are "other plans for the site". If you have any other suggestions for tree planting contact carole.kirby@talktalk.net.

Crossway Tree Planting update.

The tree planting on Crossway green is planned for Sunday 24 November, sometime during the morning after the committee have planted three trees in Prince Edwards Road. The chosen trees from residents' suggestions for Crossway are: 1 x Rowan, 1 x Bird Cherry, 1 x Pyrus, (ornamental pear), and 1 x Hornbeam. The trees will be protected by a triangle of three stakes during their early years. Members of the Trees Committee will be responsible for checking the trees twice a year for pruning, weeding and mulching. It is hoped that residents will water them once they come into bud, and during prolonged periods of dry weather.

Policing

A web site has been set up by Surrey and Sussex police called 'In the know' <http://www.intheknow.community/>. Once signed up you can find out what is happening in your area, receive area-witness appeals, crime updates, crime prevention advice and news. It also includes numbers for reporting antisocial behaviour.

Neighbourhood Watch.

There are a couple of active Neighbourhood Watch groups on Nevill. If you are interested in setting up a group in your vicinity go to www.sussexnwfd.org.uk, click on Menu, and then click on Join Us. Follow the simple prompts to register. Sussex Neighbourhood Watch will then contact you. You can also e-mail enquires@sussexnwfd.org.uk.

Nevill Litter Pick

The association is planning to organise regular litter picks on the estate, hopefully involving young people. If there is enough interest, it hopes to make it a community event culminating with refreshments, tea and cake. The picks will be publicised, and equipment will be obtained from Litter Free Lewes.

The next litter pick will be Sunday 17 November, 10 am outside St Mary's Church Hall. If you would like to be involved, please contact:

Rob Handy – cllrrobhandy@gmail.com.

Ash Die-Back in Local Trees

There are signs of ash die-back in the woodland along the A275 towards the Curry Cottage and Offham, which has implications for the rest of the woodland in the area. David Wynn, tree warden for Lewes District Council, is developing a management plan to tackle the situation. He is keen that residents are aware of the reason for the clearance that will have to take place. The tree roots will remain, and soil erosion is not expected to be a significant problem.

Nextdoor.co.uk

This is a new web site that is linking neighbours and neighbourhoods across Lewes. People are seeking advice, selling things or announcing events.

Nevill Good Neighbours

The Good Neighbour Scheme has now been running for over two years and more than twenty neighbours are currently on their list. In the year 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019 they answered 165 calls, the majority being for lifts. This shows more than a 50% increase in calls, and they are delighted that the scheme is proving useful to residents. Other support has involved minor household tasks - such as putting out bins, cat feeding, changing light bulbs and garden watering - help with computers, supporting families and befriending.

If you would like to get in touch,

Phone: 07548 069063 (leave a message and they will get back to you)

Email nevillegoodneighbours@gmail.com

Website nevillegoodneighbours.org

The Nevill Collective

The Nevill Collective, a group of artists from the estate, and friends, brought Art Wave to St Mary's Church Hall on Highdown Road in August. The event was well attended by the community, and visitors enjoyed indigo dye workshops, tea and coffee in the hall and the exhibition. The Collective are bringing the event back to the hall on the afternoon and evening of Saturday 30th November (1pm-9pm); there will be festive fare, and decoration and wreath making workshops. They will also be opening on Sunday 1st December, 11-5pm.

Contact andypointondesign@live.co.uk if you would like to book a place on one of the workshops. There will be a selection of cards, pottery, clothing, wreaths, basketry, prints, tea towels and textiles on display and for sale.

Local Buses September 2019			
Monday - Friday		Saturday	
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07:36 f 121	06:44 s 121	08:39 f 128	08:05 s 121
07:57 n 122	07:31 s 166	08:50 n 121	08:30 s 128
08:40 f 121	08:08 s 121	09:07 f 129	08:55 s 129
09:07 f 129	08:55 s 129	09:42 f 128	09:30 s 128
09:10 n 121	09:15 s 167 <i>nw</i>	10:21 n 122	09:35 s 122
09:21 n 166	09:30 s 121	10:27 f 129	10:15 s 129
09:57 f 122	10:00 s 166	11:12 f 128	10:30 s 121
10:20 n 121	10:15 s 129	11:28 n 121	11:00 s 128
10:27 f 129	10:30 s 121	11:57 f 129	11:35 s 122
10:50 n 167 <i>mt</i>	11:00 s 128	12:10 n 122	11:45 s 129
11:12 f 128	11:00 s 167 <i>mt</i>	12:42 f 128	12:30 s 128
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12:42 f 128	13:10 s 167 <i>mt</i>	15:28 n 121	15:02 s 129
13:20 n 121	13:15 s 129	16:10 n 122	15:35 s 122
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19:25 n 121	18:35 s 121	<i>mt</i> - Mon & Thurs only	
<i>n</i> - Nevill Crescent		<i>sch</i> - Schooldays only	
<i>s</i> - Bus Station		<i>f</i> - Firle Crescent	

The Next NRA Meetings will be on –

Monday 20 January 2020,

Tuesday 17 March 2020

Monday 18 May 2020 (AGM)

Tuesday 22 September 2020

8 pm in St Mary's Church Hall.

All residents welcome.

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