

**NOTICE OF CRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The CRA's Annual General Meeting will take place on:

**WEDNESDAY 19th OCTOBER**  
**at 7:30pm in the LIBRARY**

We are sorry for the short notice but please do try and come along and make the turnout even better than last year's record attendance. Chalklands is YOUR environment and this is your once-a-year opportunity to speak up and have your say about how we look after it. It is also an opportunity to meet with fellow residents and new neighbours, of which there have been quite a few over the last couple of years.

This year a number of Committee members are standing down and we would like to recruit 2 or 3 new members. Committee meetings are very informal and membership does not involve a great deal more than attending 4 or 5 meetings a year so please give this some thought. All you have to do is volunteer on the night, or contact our Chairman, Bill, to find out more.

This year our AGM agenda includes:

- Chairman's report, including a description of CRA activities over the last year
- Financial statement and presentation of accounts
- Plans and ideas for 2016/17

We will also be bringing you fully up to date with recently made arrangements for resurfacing the next section of road (see below and overleaf), so if you want to know more come along to the AGM!

As always, the second part of the meeting will be an open forum to give residents the opportunity to question the Committee and put forward their own observations, ideas and suggestions.

If you are unable to be with us on the 19th but have concerns, views or points that you wish to be considered then please speak to a committee member or email your ideas to the CRA Contact Point:

[chalklands@outlook.com](mailto:chalklands@outlook.com)

*Thank you for your support throughout the last year. We look forward to seeing you on the night.*

**RESURFACING WORK: THIS AFFECTS ALL RESIDENTS – PLEASE READ**

We are delighted to inform you that this work will take place over three days on:

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER**

We are using the same contractor and the same high specification asphalt as in the previous very successful contract and we have negotiated a similarly good value for money deal. The new surface will complete our work at 'Pond Corner' and extend round the bend and up as far as No.43 (see paint markings on road). The condition of this section is the worst on the whole estate and it will be good to get it stabilised and protected.

As previously we will need to close the road: there will be much heavy machinery and the new surface will need to harden before we allow traffic to use it so please note the following:

- The road will be closed from 18:00 on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October and all parked cars must be cleared by midnight.
- Residents living in that section will have to park outside the affected area for the three days. Neighbours are asked to be tolerant of this and to cooperate by sharing drives or helping by other means.
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November is a "grey bin" collection day. This falls after completion of the work but the contractor has specifically asked that HGVs do not drive on the new surface for two days. Residents will therefore need to place their bins in the nearest area of unaffected road or an area that we will designate after discussion with the refuse collection contractor. ALL residents are asked to note this and to avoid deliveries by HGVs throughout this period if possible. Thank you all for your understanding and co-operation.
- The road will be open for light traffic from early Thursday morning and to all traffic from early on Friday 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please address any questions or concerns to a member of the committee or **COME ALONG TO THE AGM!**

## IMPORTANT

### This applies to ALL residents – please read

We have discussed the consequences of the resurfacing project with residents who live in the affected part of Chalklands and we are very grateful to those who have brought forward work on their drives, kerbs and pavements.

However, there are certain enabling tasks that have been recommended by the contractor to ensure a long-lasting finish. These obviously need to be carried out in advance and WE NEED YOUR HELP !!

The following actions need to be completed before the contractor starts work:

- Application of industrial grade weedkiller two weeks ahead of a general clean up.  
*This is in hand and we have the product but if you have a commercial size sprayer suitable for the task we would like to hear from you. The whole estate could do with treating.*
- Cleaning of individual drains in the affected section. The contractor will raise all ironwork by 40mm but it makes sense to clean around the drains and remove the silt from the drain sumps before he starts work.
- Cleaning the whole road surface, and in particular clearing the gutters, of weeds and accumulated debris. After de-weeding the whole surface will need to be brushed and the sweepings removed.
- Other miscellaneous tasks such as signs and other things we haven't yet thought of!

To carry out this work a number of volunteers will be required and we are asking for your help. As previously, a working party will be organised and we are hoping for another good turnout. If you wish to assist please meet on:

**Sunday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> at “Pond Corner”, by the alley, for 10am**

Please bring with you weeding implements, hard brooms, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc. A strong turnout will mean that the job will get done more quickly and/or we can make a start on cleaning up adjacent areas of the road such as the sections which were resurfaced last time. The gutters in those sections also require a thorough clean.

Finally, if anyone has cones or other forms of barrier to help close off the road would you please get in touch.

Thank you all again for your co-operation and support.

*Your Committee*

**Chairman:**  
Bill

**Secretary:**  
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**Treasurer:**  
Caroline

Adrian / Margaret / Richard / Brian J / Spencer / Paul / Brian G

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