

Suburb



Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents Association

News



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No upsets at the Trust's fiftieth



Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust members gathered in Henrietta Barnett School Hall for half an hour of chat and a drink before the Trust Chairman, Richard Wiseman, opened the 50th Annual General Meeting on the evening of September 5. He started by welcoming Garden Suburb Ward Councillor, John Marshall, and thanking the Trust staff, Trustees and all the volunteers for their hard work.

The Chairman then thanked the retiring elected Trustee, Claire Calman, for all the work she had done, and time she had given over the six years she spent as a member of the Trust Council, and presented her with a splendid bouquet of flowers.

He went on to ask the meeting to receive and consider the Report of the Council and the Accounts for the year ending on April 5 2018. There were no questions from the floor and the Trust Manager, Nick Packard, then reminded

those present of the result of last year's election when Michael White was re-elected with 291 votes against the 116 votes cast for Brian Ingram. He then apologised for the fact that ballot forms were inadvertently not sent to 23 members; procedures had been altered with the aim of avoiding the possibility of this happening again.

The Chairman asked the meeting to authorise the appointment of haysmacintyre as auditors after being chosen through a tendering process and this was done without dissent.

Nick Packard then took over to introduce the two candidates for the vacancy on the council, Brian Ingram and Raymond Taylor, and remind those present that completed ballot papers should be sent to the auditors and not the Trust or the RA – see below for the official results. As usual they both had a chance to speak and then answer a few questions from those present,

having already presented a written manifesto.

Brian Ingram first said he wanted more focus on our Garden Suburb and not just the buildings, and then thanked the Trust and the RA for their support of the Northway Gardens Organisation.

He went on to assert he would make the Trust work better and be more open and transparent, and repeated his concern for our green spaces and gardens over architecture. Andrew Botterill asked about his claim to business and management expertise, and discovered he had run businesses from 1973 to the 1990's.

Raymond Taylor, a dog-walking Suburb resident for 35 years, was aware of the good fortune and privilege of Suburb residents; wanted to give back to the community by becoming a Trustee; felt his corporate governance experience would be of use; was not a shrinking violet; and understood the

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The extended summer might leave some forgetting the beauty of winter – Kenwood House and grounds last December, see feature, p5.

Bin collection day change

Suburb Ward councillor Gabriel Rozenberg has been in touch to say that our bin day is changing to **WEDNESDAY** across the whole Suburb with effect from **NOVEMBER 7**. Food waste bins will also no longer be emptied from this date, but please keep your brown caddies as there are alternative plans afoot. There are more details to be found at www.barnet.gov.uk.

This change also applies to your GREEN bin, starting on **NOVEMBER 14**, and with three bins on the pavement it becomes even more helpful to move them as soon as possible once they have been emptied; it

is also a chance for some neighbourly co-operation when those who live next door are out during the day.

We have also been told that the last fortnightly green bin

collection prior to a seven week break will be on December 12, resuming on February 6. There will also be a special Christmas tree collection in early January – date to be announced.



Centenary Armistice Concert

On Sunday, November 18 at 7.30pm in The Free Church Suburb residents will have the opportunity to enjoy an evening of choral music with a difference as the Royal Free Music Society and The Zemel Choir come together with a concert to mark the centenary of the end of World War 1.

Accompanied by members of the Wallace Ensemble, the choirs will perform 'The Spirit of England' – Sir Edward Elgar's tender and haunting requiem to the millions of war dead. Set to the poems of Laurence Binyon, it was composed and first performed while Europe was still being ravaged by the First World War.

The concert will also see the world premiere of 'Armistice', specially composed for this concert by the musical director of both choirs, Benjamin Wolf. Wolf's contemplative work combines haunting war poems and sacred funerary texts, both

set to original music, with arrangements of familiar World War 1 melodies – songs popular with both the soldiers and their families back home.

The programme will also include music by Ravel, Finzi, Fauré and Schubert. The soloists are Charlotte-Anne Shipley and Edmund Hastings.

Tickets priced at £15 (£10 for full-time students/unwaged) are available online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/rfms – or at the door for the same price.'



Musical Director Benjamin Wolf

WE DELIVER ON OUR PROMISES

For almost 40 years now we have been serving the needs of the Suburb and we have enjoyed every moment of it.

This includes the sales or lettings of Cottages to Castles, in the locality and there is no property which is too small or too large for us to handle.

From our three bespoke departments; New Homes, Lettings and Sales, we have the largest selection of properties under one roof and we believe that we can make a real difference to the terms we achieve for your cherished home or investment, when the time is right... and not before, of course!

From our Global connections, we can procure buyers/tenants, not only from the locality but also from virtually every major financial Capital of the world.

We are the longest serving agents in the area and therefore, if you want to know what's going on in the market place or just ascertain the value of your home, please 'phone us or pop in for a coffee, where our private clients' car park should be very convenient.

No obligation, no fuss, just good old-fashioned service where we 'Deliver' on our promises!



New Year's Eve
Fireworks Party

FREE DRINKS

Residents are warmly invited to the Residents Association party in St. Jude's from 10:45pm, followed by a fireworks extravaganza on Central Square at midnight.

There will be a collection to help with the cost of fireworks

Organised by the Events Committee of the Residents Association.
With thanks to St. Jude's for hosting the event.