

# NEW DESIGN TEAM

A former chairman of the Residents Association Consam Committee and her neighbour, have teamed up to provide a service aiming to help ease the strains of home design and refurbishment, for all who live in and around the Suburb.

Interior Designer, Sue Pearl and Andrew Sheldon, a life long Suburb resident, have gathered together a team of Architects, Surveyors, colour consultants, builders and similar experts. "We will co-ordinate all aspects of home designing, extension or refurbishment," they said, "Everything in fact, which most people simply do not have the time to do".

Sue and Andrew got the idea for the Complete Interior Design Company after they had both experienced the upheavals of refurbishing their homes after they had moved.

Said Andrew, who recently moved to a new flat, "It was awful. The place was in chaos, with workmen coming and going almost at will. I was completely depressed by the wasted time and money and with the aggravation involved," a point with which Sue agreed.

"When I and my family moved I knew of some of the problems involved as I am an Interior Designer, but this was really awful ... I decided never again.

"Andrew and I got together, we swopt horror stories and things simply went on from there," she said.

The Complete Interior Design Company will undertake everything from the smallest kitchen or bathroom up to total refurbishment and landscape gardening. They will apply for planning permission where necessary.

A key factor is that Sue, through her work on Consam and the Conservation Area Advisory Committee, has much experience in planning regulations and obtaining planning permission — particularly complex and sensitive on the Suburb, governed in this respect, by both Barnet Council and the New Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust.

"We provide schemes which are completely tailored to our client's individual tastes and needs and yet at the same time comply with local requirements," Sue said, "Once plans, colour schemes and details have been approved, we will supervise the work, relieving our client of the nerve wracking experiences that we had." She went on, "We also keep a close eye on quality and cost."

For more information just telephone them on 209 1248 during normal office hours.



Jenny and Peter Moore with Council Member Eileen Whelan.



Elizabeth and Mark Watkins talk about the RA's warden service.



Michael Max and Ron Phillips discuss RA finances.



Mr and Mrs Aurahampour who have moved to Linnel Close hear about the Suburb from Colin Gregory.

Every year the Chairman and Council of the Residents Association invites new residents, whose names are given by Wardens to their Committee to a party in Bigwood Hall.

The idea of the party is for people new to the Suburb to meet one another and have an opportunity of meeting RA Council, their Chief Wardens and representatives of the Trust and other Suburb bodies.

The party on October 12 was not too well attended by new residents, some forty or fifty came and were met by Tony Mandelson, RA Chairman, who gave a brief address of welcome as did Gerry Mansell, Chairman of the Trust. Residents met Rev. Barraclough, Free Church and Rabbi Jackson, Norrice Lea Synagogue, the three Suburb Barnet Councillors Michael Max, Clement Halfon and Roy Shutz, and Josephine White from the Institute.

The party was organised by the RA Social Committee led by James Webster and the hall was beautifully decorated by members of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Floral Arrangement Club.

## NEW RESIDENTS PARTY



Chris Kellerman, Trust Manager, chats to Peter and Inge Brook, new to Oakwood Road.

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### Editors Note

It has always seemed to me somewhat churlish for a magazine or newspaper to say, as they often do, 'the Editor cannot enter into correspondence'. However, I now know why they say it.

If an RA newspaper, circulation 5,200, gets as many requests as I do, what must a national newspaper get?

As a voluntary spare time occupation — my wife says it's a lot more than that — I find it very difficult to keep up with requests to: assure people their items of news will be included, dig into my, none too orderly files to find photographs of someone's grandchildren, try to remember to send copies of the paper to those living beyond our circulation area, return pictures that have been lent, even pay bills that should have been sent to the Treasurer!

So if you are amongst those who are awaiting an answer, please bear with me. Each quarter seems to arrive more quickly than the last but I will get round to it, I keep telling myself ...

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