



January 2016 Newsletter

Welcome to New Residents!

The Badger Hill Residents' Community Group would like to extend a warm welcome to all new long-term and short-term residents. Please visit our revamped website at <http://www.badger-hill-residents.org> where you will find a wealth of information about amenities on Badger Hill and links to information on bus timetables, bin collection times, shops, doctors surgeries, local schools and much more.

This is our tenth (!) Newsletter. In the early years content was dominated by University expansion and the rapid increase in the number of rented properties on the Estate. Things are less active now but there is still plenty going on and plenty of scope to expand our range of interest as we aim to encourage the continuance of a **'balanced, safe, and pleasant environment for all'**.

Most of all, we hope you will attend our 2016 Annual General Meeting in February -

All residents are warmly invited to attend the
2016 Annual General Meeting
on Friday 5 February at 7:30pm
in Heslington Church

please bring this document with you for the Agenda

Provisional Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Comments on last year's Minutes
3. Committee Election
4. Finance
5. Main Events of 2015
6. links with Langwith College
7. 2016 and beyond
8. Questions for Councillors
9. AOB / Refreshments

Please send other proposed agenda items, questions or nominations for Committee membership to the Secretary by 28th January.. e-mail: bhrcg@hotmail.com,

We hope our Ward Councillors will be in attendance.

Would anyone like to help us serve tea and coffee, please?

Here's a summary of what happened in 2015:

- ✓Committee members attended various meetings in neighbouring Wards and with local Councillors
- ✓We helped organise a community litter pick in March
- ✓We supported proposals to restrict parking on Fulford Road and to develop Heslington playing fields
- ✓We opposed three requests to extend/establish HMOs (Houses of Multiple Occupation)
- ✓John Nixon, Elisa and David Main updated our website
- ✓Two Committee members attended termly Langwith College Council to explore ways of bringing the Estate and the College closer together
- ✓We monitored the next stage of the Local Development Plan, notably:
 - plans for Persimmon to build 193 houses on Hull Road, opposite B&Q
 - J Sainsbury's proposal to turn B&Q into a new store
 - plans for a Doctors' Surgery and shop on Heslington East Campus

Here are what we see as the main issues for 2016:

- ✓We will continue to monitor the Local Plan and drive feedback of its consequences to residents
- ✓assessment of noise levels on the Estate - please mail the Secretary if you know of any issues
- ✓We want to encourage increased Community involvement in projects to improve the Estate: pavement safety; the field; voluntary litter picking schemes
- ✓We hope to help build meaningful links with Langwith Students
- ✓We need to give you better ways to feed concerns and information back to the Residents' Group and to offer more support when raising issues with local organisations

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