



# Banners Gate & Parklands

Community & Neighbourhood Forum

## 133rd Issue August - September 2019

Our new blog - [bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com](http://bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com) - replaces the website. Suggestions for content are welcome.

The dates of the next three meetings are: 30th September, 25th November and 27th January 2020

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Our speaker at the next meeting is **Brian Wheat of Wm. Wheat & Son**. Brian will talk on the subject of hanging baskets and will take questions at the end of his talk. So come along with your questions to enhance your hanging baskets displays and be the envy of your gardening neighbours, unless you are unlucky and they come too.



Our bid for funding from **Awards for All** has been successful, thanks to the hard work of **John Mole, Community Support and Development Officer**. We are very grateful for the assistance John has given us. Our thanks also goes to Birmingham Airport who funded our tablets.



We began the course on Monday, 9th September. It went very well especially as we finished up with five extra residents we did not expect. With the tablets that residents brought and tablets we had purchased for the course, each resident had one. Each Monday this month we are meeting in the Communita Café in Boldmere, opposite Costa. Next month, on the 1st, 15th, 22nd and 29th of October we will be meeting on Tuesdays, venue to be arranged. November's meetings will be on either Wednesdays or Thursdays, we have not yet decided. If you are interested and you would like further information please ring the editor, number at the bottom of this page.



### Contributions from your councillors in the order they were received



**Rob Pocock:** There was a stunning turnout to the 'Community Safety Summit' that Kath and I organised for the Sutton Vesey ward area in July, and since then we have been busy working with the neighbourhood police to prioritise some of the actions coming out of that event. One outcome is that the Police are

going to prioritise setting up resident-led 'speedwatch' operations in our area to try and tackle speeding drivers. The idea is to create three teams of resident volunteers across the ward, covering Boldmere, New Oscott and of course a major priority, Banners Gate. You get to use a proper 'speed gun' that clocks speeding vehicles – quite a piece of kit! There is a training session coming up early in October, led by the local police. If you'd like to be part of the 'Banners Gate and Parklands' speedwatch group just drop an email to Kath, who is leading on this: [kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk)

It was the first public meeting of this scale that has ever been held in the Sutton Vesey Ward and is now being followed up by our City Council 'Annual Vesey Ward Conference' open to all residents. This is being held on the afternoon of Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September, starting 2.30pm in the Carpenters Arms Community Hall, Boldmere High

Street. Here will be a lot of creative ways you can help develop the Annual Plan for improving our area over the coming year, so please come along if you can and help!

**Kath Scott: Welcome back from the Summer Break.**

As part of my campaign for carers & all things disability, I am bringing you my "Accessible Vesey Ward" campaign. Do you have a disability & are you struggling with certain



roads or pavements? Are the dropped kerbs working for you? I have been speaking to concerned residents with accessibility issues in our area & also to our highways engineers to get these prioritised in our Ward, enabling greater access to our thriving community. Now I need your help to get greater disability access within our community; to create a map of accessibility priorities on Council property such as roads & pavements. Email me with your hotspots & priorities on [kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk) putting "Access Vesey Ward" in the subject box.



**Alison Jolley:** We went for Gold, and we've done it and only our second year of entering the Heart of England "in Bloom" competition!!! The judges who visited in July were not just looking at all the marvellous flower (cont .....)

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.... displays throughout the town, but also taking into consideration all the events and community projects, big or small, that had taken place over the preceding months leading up to judging day. The award is an accolade to months of hard work that our residents, schools and community groups have supported and also taken part in. Finally, I would like to mention the Sutton Coldfield Fuchsia Society that meet every month in Vesey ward, they are

always looking for new members who can enjoy listening to a visiting speaker on a variety of garden and wildlife topics. I attended their annual show last month where many wonderful flowers grown by members were on display. This is a unique local society, do go along and visit at one of their local meetings. 7.30 p.m. onwards at Royal Sutton Club, 2nd Thursday of each month. Jockey Road, B73 5PP.

## **Banners Gate Forum AGM Minutes held at Banners Gate Community Hall on July 29th 2019**

- 1. Apologies.** Mike Hughes, Hazel Pollock, Joyce Glendenning, Jan Cairns, & Rob Pocock.
  - 2. Minutes.** Minutes of previous meeting were accepted as correct.
  - 3. Matters Arising.** None.
  - 4. Correspondence.** None.
  - 5. Vesey Ward meetings.** These are now well attended.
  - 6. Computer Courses.** Funding for the purchase of tablets has been re-applied for after the first refusal. This is just under £10,000 to pay for the tuition costs and other expenses, including funding for several Gateposts to keep residents informed of its progress. We already have funding to purchase the tablets from Birmingham Airport. However, prices have gone up considerably since Trump caused a problem with Huawei, with Google now threatening to no longer supporting them. So, we have six Androids (Samsung Tab A) and three Apples (iPads). You can also bring your own tablets to use on the course. We are intending to start the course in September.
  - 7. Blog** at [bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com](http://bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com) which is now instead of the website for local news. On 12th September there will be a Senior Showcase in Sutton Coldfield Town Hall from 12 noon until 4.00 pm. There is free entry to this event which gives support and ideas for anyone of retirement age, advising on legal and health issues, and activities and accommodation.
  - 8. Scams.** A paper was tabled to highlight the bank fraud scams that are happening now, such as Romance Scams that often start online through social media or on dating websites. Some 571 people have lost more than £5m in total.
  - 9. A.O.B.** There was a query from the floor as to whether everyone had received the request for information about the renewal of the town centre.
- The meeting finished at 9.25 pm.**  
**The next meeting will be on 30th September 2019**

**Bee Talk by Master Beekeeper, Julian Routh**  
Bees, an "Up-to-Date on Decline" by Julian Routh. Julian Routh is a local master beekeeper with forty years' experience in training others to keep bees. Bees are insects of the order Hymenoptera and descended

from wasps and developed with flowering plants 100 million years ago. They feed on pollen and nectar from plants, which they store to feed their larvae. They have feather-like side branches which they use to collect the pollen. There are solitary bees, semi-social bees and social bees. There are 250 species of solitary bees in the U.K. and they are good pollinators. There are 23 species of semi-social bees and they are used commercially in greenhouses. There is only one species of social bees in the U.K. and they are good pollinators and produce honey and wax. Solitary bees live as single insects that emerge for a flowering period. They mate soon after emergence and lay up to six eggs in a hollow tube with a supply of pollen and nectar. Their eggs will develop the following year. Leaf cutter bees cover the entrance with a piece of leaf. Some nest underground; Mason bees make pots out of the soil; and Carpenter bees chew wood to build their nests. Usually, they only fly about 150 metres from their nests. They depend on specific flowers to survive and use the day length to trigger their emergence. So, if the plants flower earlier than usual the bees can miss their food and their development cycle. The smallest bee in the U.K. is the Scissor bee which is 6mm long and lives in woodworm holes. The Tawny mining bee cannot sting. Wallace's Giant bee, a carpenter bee and at least four times larger than a honeybee, is the largest bee in the world and after being thought to be extinct was found in 2018 on an Indonesian island. Semi-social bees are commonly known as bumblebees and only the queen lives through the winter. A colony of 200/300 bees builds up in the spring and new queens emerge in late July. They feed up ready for the winter and the rest of the colony dies. They only fly about 500 metres from the nest. New diseases and parasites can be imported with bumblebee colonies and there is no honey stored in a bumblebee nest. The Tree bumblebee came into the country in 2001 and has an orange and white bottom. The only social bee is the Honeybee which is commercially managed, and a colony consists of 60,000 to 80,000 bees.

**For the rest of this talk please go to our blog at:**  
[bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com](http://bannersgateneighbourhoodforum.com)

## **Boldmere Christmas Festival - Sunday, 17th November 2 - 7pm**

Attractions include:

- Range of street food retailers
- Over 50 market stalls
- Children's rides including old style horses carousel
- Mad Dom entertainer on stilts
- Real live reindeer with Santa's sleigh
- Live music acts

Stall holder applications are still open at:

[www.boldmere.org/stalls](http://www.boldmere.org/stalls) where priority is given to local businesses and start-ups. Applications to perform on the main stage are still open at: [www.boldmere.org/perform](http://www.boldmere.org/perform)  
Join us for Sutton Coldfield's largest street festival and most popular non-sporting event. Suggested entrance donations £2 adults, £1 children or £5 family.

**Cllr. Robert Pocock, [rob.pocock@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:rob.pocock@birmingham.gov.uk), tel: 0121 303 2039 (Labour Group Office), Council House, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB. Advice Bureau: Boldmere Library, 11.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. First Saturday of the Month.**  
**Cllr. Kath Scott, [kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk) tel: 0121 303 2039 (Labour Group Office), Council House, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB. Advice Bureau: Boldmere Library, LAST Thursday of each month from 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. at Boldmere Library.**





## CRIME REPORTING

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or email: [sue\\_atkins@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:sue_atkins@blueyonder.co.uk)

Mum & Dad, check this link: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/teachers-and-school-staff/teaching-resources/social-media-checklists>



## Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council seeks views on draft Strategic Plan



Residents and community groups of the Royal Town of Sutton Coldfield, those who work in the town and key partner organisations are being asked to share their views on the Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council's draft Strategic Plan, launched today (Monday 2 September).

The draft plan has been created following the results of an online 2018 survey, feedback from meetings, events, social media and the 24 Councillors. The Town Council now seeks the public's views on the seven key priorities detailed in the draft plan, via an online survey.

Residents of Royal Sutton Coldfield pay a precept to the Town Council, in addition to their Birmingham City Council Tax (BCC). The Town Council is therefore committed to providing real improvements in our Royal Town, ensuring residents' needs are represented and that the precept is spent effectively and efficiently. The results of the draft Strategic Plan survey will be used by the Town Council to better understand how to allocate resources over the coming years and will underpin each of the seven key priorities set out in the plan.

Cllr Simon Ward, Leader of the Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council, said:

"We're very proud of what we have achieved since the creation of the Town Council in 2016 and we have real ambitions to do much more for our Royal Town. The priorities outlined in the draft Strategic Plan for 2020 – 2023 are what we know matter to the people who live and work here. What we need now is to decide how best to meet those priorities, which is why views from the survey will be key in positively shaping the future of Royal Sutton Coldfield."

Residents, community groups, key partner organisations and those who work in Sutton Coldfield now have five weeks to give their views on the draft Strategic Plan, via the online survey before midnight Friday 11 October 2019. To read the draft Strategic Plan and access the online survey, please see the Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council's website: [www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk) Following the consultation period, the Strategic Plan 2020 – 2023 will be presented at Full Council in October 2019 and later shared on the Town Council website.

The Town Council is currently in discussions with Birmingham City Council about taking on, enhancing and having greater influence over a range of services provided by them – known as a devolution deal. The Town Council is leading plans to regenerate Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Centre and has also pledged to work to safeguard the iconic Sutton Park.



To enter either go to [www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/communityawards](http://www.suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/communityawards) and complete the online entry form. Or complete the form below and return to:  
Natalia Gorman, Sutton Coldfield Town Council, AFE Business Centre,  
62 Anchorage Road, Sutton Coldfield, B74 2PG

**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2019**

## Sutton Coldfield Community Awards

Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Council's Community Awards has returned for a third year. The Town Council is looking to reward the everyday efforts and achievements of extraordinary people who give their time to make a difference to the lives of their neighbours and community in Sutton Coldfield.

Sutton Coldfield has a long, strong and proud tradition of people doing exceptional work for the benefit of residents. Good people make our Royal Town a great place to live. The Town Council wants to celebrate those people and their outstanding achievements.

**This year's categories are:**

Good Citizen/Neighbour

Young Person's Award (under 21)

Volunteer of the Year

Community Event of the Year

Community Group of the Year

Category of Entry (Please tick the category you wish to enter)

Good Citizen/Neighbour

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Community Event of the Year

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Young Person's Award (under 21)

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Community Group of the Year

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Volunteer of the Year

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Full name of person/group/event you are nominating:

Contact details for the person/group/event you are nominating:

Outline why you think they should receive a Community Award, include examples where they have made a difference (250 words max)

Name of person nominating the entry:

Daytime telephone number:

Email address:

Photographs of those shortlisted and the winners will be used in marketing and publicity material.

**Conditions of entry:** Entries must be received before or on the closing date stated. Entry is restricted to residents of Sutton Coldfield only. Posthumous entries will not be considered. Judges will not be able to discuss entries. Results will remain confidential until the awards event. Results can be obtained after the awards event by emailing [enquiries@suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk)  
**Data protection:** This information will be used by Sutton Coldfield Town Council only, treated confidentially and used only for communications regarding the competition.

**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2019**  
Awards will be announced at an evening reception on Thursday 21st November, to which all shortlisted nominees will be invited.



## Friends of King George V Playing Fields



**From Cllr Rob Pocock:** Thanks to eagle-eyed residents I was tipped off within minutes about the latest travellers visit last night (Monday) and that evening I contacted the Evictions Officers to start the enforcement process. We are in the same position as last time, which is a wretched rigmarole of legal stages before they can actually be physically thrown off. The Magistrates Courts need to serve an injunction and then the law allows them 48 hours to leave voluntarily. If they defy this then the police need to secure a further enforcement order which if still defied gives them legal powers to physically throw them out. But these powers are only available to the police after going through all these steps first. So this morning I went onto the site with the City Council Enforcement Officer who successfully issued the injunction notice. This went ahead without any difficulties, I'm pleased to say. They now have till Thursday to leave voluntarily. If not happen then the Police are empowered to undertake an enforced removal. You may recall I and other Councillors are pushing across Birmingham, to get the Magistrates to agree a 'blanket injunction' covering all public parks in the City. If the Magistrates Court agreed that, then the police would have the powers to act straight away. The Magistrates seem reluctant to grant the police and Council these advance powers, but without national legislation giving tougher police powers, this is what we need to get them to do locally and I'm one of many councillors who are lobbying them to do this.

To get this approved in the Courts, the City Council have to provide properly designated travellers campsites and this has taken quite a while to get approved. Not surprisingly, despite the sites being in mainly industrial areas at a distance from houses, there have still been some local residents objecting. These objections have now been overcome and the final approved site should be up and running by October. From then, the Police can use powers straight away to direct travellers to these designated sites. The City council can then also finally ask the Courts for the 'blanket injunction' powers.

So far as the King George site security is concerned, this was not sufficient to withstand the assault on Monday and this needs looking at further. However I'll be honest here, as one of the travellers told me last time, "If we want to get on there mate, don't worry we have the kit for it, whatever you do". For this reason I do not believe site security is a fail-safe step, and the more effective route is going to be the legal powers and the provision of proper designated sites.

*(Thanks to the good work of everyone involved, they were no longer there on Friday morning, Ed)*

## Songs of Praise St Columba's Church September 22<sup>nd</sup>

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**SUTTON SOUND CLASH #5: SKA/REGGAE VS PUNK/ NEW WAVE**  
Friday 27 Sept 7.30pm - 12.30am With live band The Undercocks, covering Elvis Costello  
to The Ramones plus Ska & Reggae DJ Chris Louca. Tickets £10 advance/£15 on the door.

**MATINEE SEASON: OLLIE SPENCER & BONNIE**

Thur 3 Oct 2pm Our matinee season continues with local clean comedy favourite Ollie  
Spencer (TV's The Comedians) and his fabulous singing daughter Bonnie with songs from  
the 50s & 60s. Friendly welcome guaranteed, tickets £8 with bar & hot drinks on sale.

**GREAT BARR MUSICAL THEATRE Just Another Slay at the Office**

Fri 4 & Sat 5 Oct 7.30pm £12.50/£10 Staff attending a meeting become suspects in a  
gruesome murder. Penned by GBMTC's own Craig Smith, this musical whodunnit features  
well-known songs from musicals and the pop charts. (Age 12 +)

**THE ELVIS SONGBOOK** Richard Griffin Sat 5 Oct 8pm Bedford Suite. £9/£8  
Covering the legendary career of The King, plus other artists whose material Elvis loved.

**ROYAL SUTTON COLDFIELD ORCHESTRA "A Nordic Celebration"**

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Theatre return to their home venue with "Peter Pan-A Musical Adventure". £15/£17

**SUTTON COLDFIELD SOCIETY OF ARTISTS - AUTUMN EXHIBITION**

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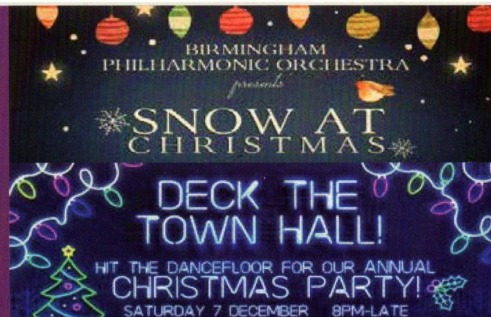
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The Snowman, Frozen to The  
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# 2019-20 HIGHBURY THEATRE SEASON LISTING

DATE	PERFORMANCE	CERTIFICATE	TIME
10 - 21 Sept Sun 15 Sept 25 - 28 Sept	Play Film Visiting	Blithe Spirit Green Book Trinity Players - The 39 Steps	7.30pm 7.30pm 2.30 & 7.30pm*
Sat 5 Oct 22 Oct - 2 Nov	Film Play	Seven Years in Tibet Filumena	7.30pm 7.30pm
Sat 9 Nov Tue 12 Nov Sat 16 Nov 27 - 30 Nov	Film Visiting Concert Visiting	Blade Runner 2049 Wyld Green Flowers Tom Birkbeck Percussion From the Top - Hound of the Basketcases	7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 2.30 & 7.30pm*
Sun 1 Dec 9 - 14 Dec Fri 27 Dec	Show Studio Play Film	Alleykats The Tinsel of Terror Mary Poppins Returns	6.00pm 7.30pm 2.30pm
Sat 11 Jan 13 - 18 Jan	Film Studio Play	The Blues Brothers Blackthorn	7.30pm 7.30pm
11 - 22 Feb Sun 16 Feb	Play Film	Barefoot in the Park Bohemian Rhapsody	7.30pm 7.30pm
28 Feb - 1 Mar Sun 22 Mar 17 - 28 Mar	Visiting Film Play	BFAME Festival & Awards Ice Cold in Alex Deep Cut	Various* 7.30pm 7.30pm
Sat 4 Apr Sat 18 Apr	Visiting Film	All England One Act Play Competition Tommy	Various* 7.30pm
28 Apr - 9 May Sun 3 May Tue 12 May 20 - 23 May	Play Film Visiting Visiting	The Children The Commitments Wyld Green Flowers From the Top	7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 2.30 & 7.30pm*
16 - 27 Jun Sun 21 Jun Sun 28 Jun	Play Film Show	Nell Gwynn Rain Man Alleykats	7.30pm 7.30pm 6.00pm
8 - 11 July Sun 12 July	Visiting Film	SCRIPT - Shrek The Musical A Star is Born	7.30pm* 7.30pm

\* check the visiting company's website for details

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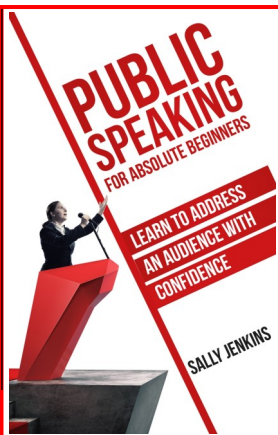
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### Sutton Coldfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme

We are creating a map of all of the community assets and activities in the Sutton Coldfield constituency, which can help people aged 50+ to lead independent, happy and healthy lives.

Community assets are individuals, groups or organisations who are doing something or delivering an activity, project or service in a neighbourhood setting which older people can benefit from. This can be anything from a lunch club to a line dancing class, befriending to benefits advice, or a support group to a sewing club.

As well as mapping community assets, we are also working with them to sustain and grow the activities and services they offer to citizens aged 50+ in the local area. We can offer a range of support around issues such as marketing and promotion, volunteering, governance and fundraising, and as part of this, we have a micro and small grants scheme which can fund certain activities and projects in Sutton Coldfield.

We also have opportunities for citizens aged 50+ who have experience of social isolation or are carers (looking after someone regularly because they are older, disabled or seriously ill), or who have experience of running a community based activity to get involved in developing the Neighbourhood Network Scheme in Sutton via our co-production group.

The Sutton Coldfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme is delivered in partnership between Age Concern Birmingham and Compass Support. For more information, or a conversation about how you can get involved, please contact us on 0121 362 3661 or email [NNS@ageconcernbirmingham.org.uk](mailto:NNS@ageconcernbirmingham.org.uk)

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The next meetings are being held at  
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**24 September** - Town Council Meeting  
**8 October** - Planning & Highways Committee  
**22 October** - Town Council Meeting  
**12 November** - Planning & Highways Committee  
**14 November** - Amenities, Leisure & Community  
**19 November** - Strategy & Resources  
**26 November** - Town Council Meeting

They are usually held at the Town Hall but check on  
the Town Council website before setting off!



**CARERS** look after family, partners or friends in need of help because they are ill, frail or have a  
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Do you look after someone with an illness, disability or long term  
health condition? Do you have questions you want answering?

## CARERS RIGHTS DAY EVENT

10.00am – 2.00pm  
**FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2019**  
at  
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**1 BRASSINGTON AVENUE**  
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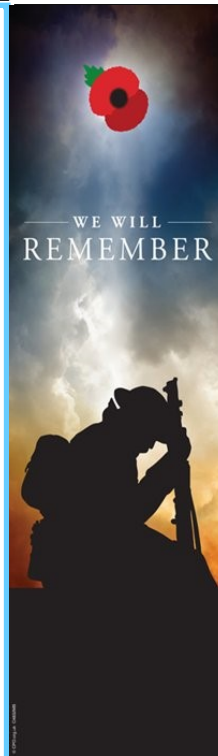
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### Service of Remembrance

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

The service will start at 10.30 and finish  
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There will be live music from the **Banners  
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the service, along with special contributions  
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There will be an opportunity to see an exhibition of  
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Join us for this Remembrance Event as our community  
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### **Banners Gate Community Hall**

#### **Almost free (£1) Coffee Mornings**

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**Messy Church @ 4 p.m.**  
**St Columba's Church Hall,**  
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**24th November**



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**Time:** 9.15 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.

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### MONDAY

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**Banners Gate Community Choir**

Evenings 7.30 – 8.45 (term time only)

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### TUESDAY

Dance, Dance,

Mornings 10.30 - 12.30. Ballroom, Latin, Modern

Contact Dawn on 0121 783 5584

**Vital Physiotherapy**

Afternoon/evenings: contact Eric on 07896419167

Camera Club

Evenings 8.00 - 10.00 on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in month

Contact Graham on 07506969233

### WEDNESDAY

Baby Sensory

Morning sessions at 9.30, 11.00 & 12.30

Contact Tracy on 07753825622

### THURSDAY

Art Class

Afternoons 2.00 – 4.00

Contact Dave on 0121 353 5338

**Townswomen's Guild**

Evenings at 7.30 (4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> alternate months)

Contact Josie Orme 0121 352 1042

### FRIDAY

Pre School Phonics Class

Mornings 10.30 - 11.15

Contact Jenna on 07540583283

### SATURDAY

RugbyTots

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### SUNDAY

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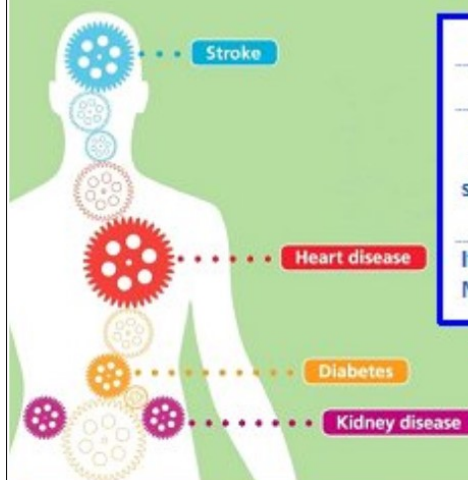
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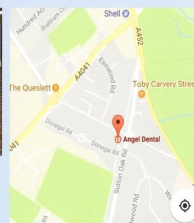
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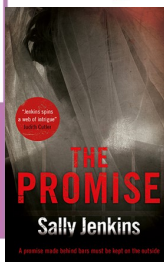
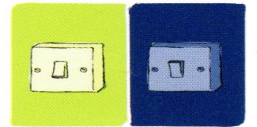
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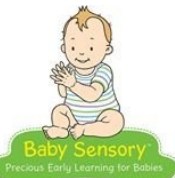
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## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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Isolation

Looking after someone regularly (including your spouse or a family member) because they are older, disabled or seriously ill

Running a community group or organisation

Do you live, work or have caring links in Sutton Coldfield?

Can you spare a few hours each month?

We want people like you to get involved in shaping the Sutton Coldfield Neighbourhood Network Scheme and help us to enable citizens aged 50+ to lead healthy, happy, independent lives within their own homes and communities. There are lots of different ways to contribute, for example:

- being part of a group which meets up to talk about and test out new ideas
- reviewing marketing and publicity materials at home at a time to suit you, to make sure they communicate information to citizens in a clear and concise way
- sitting on our monthly grants panel to help make decisions around which activities or initiatives receive funding



If you are interested, or to find out more, please get in touch with the team for an informal chat

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Mon 11am - 1.00pm 5.30 – 6.45 pm 5.30 - 7.00pm 7.00 – 9.00 pm 7.30 – 8.30 pm	Dementia Care Beavers 15th Group The Girls' Society Scouts 15th Group Line Dancing	Community Hall The Scout Hut Community Hall The Scout Hut Community Hall	Barbara H-Walker Jayne Poole  Jayne Poole Diane Pursall	553 6483 355 2831  355 2831 747 4659
Tues 9.15 - 12.00pm 6.30 – 7.30 & 7.30 – 8.30 7.45 pm	Coffee Morning 3rd Tuesdays Line Dancing Chikara Karate Kai	Community Hall Community Hall St. Columba's	Diane Pursall Paul Murphy 07837	747 4659 39 57 89
Wed 9.30, 11.00 & 12.30 10.30 - 12.30 7.15 – 8.15	Baby Sensory Guide Dog Training I Yoga. Midlands	Banners Gate CC Community Hall Community Hall	Tracy Jones 0775 Madge Nightingale Angela Brookes 07939	82 56 22 360 0286 547392
Thurs 10.00 am 10.00 – 11.00 am 1.45 – 2.45 5.30 – 6.30 6.30 – 9.45 pm 7.15 – 10.15 pm (4th & 2nd alt months) 7.30 pm (1st) 8.00 pm 7.00 - 8.30 pm	Holy Communion Yoga Yoga Stars (Children) Freestyle Martial Arts Zig Zag Dance Studio Bridge Townswomen's Guild Mothers' Union Cub Scouts 15th Group	St. Columba's Community Hall Community Hall Community Hall St. Columba's Community Hall Banners Gate CC St. Columba's The Scout Hut	Tricia 07954 sally@yogastars.org Terese 07711 Warren 01902 Sylvia Cunningham 07870 Josie Orme 352 1042 Judith Fennell 354 4390 Alice Wood 07902	354 5873 40 39 43  839303 897 900 82 98 37 352 1042 354 4390 90 73 44
Fri 9.30 – 10.30 6.30 - 7.15	Yoga Stars (Children) Fit Camp	Community Hall Community Hall	sally@yogastars.org Matt Harrison 07940	24 07 08
Sun 9.00 am - 9.45	Fit Camp	Community Hall	Matt Harrison 07940	24 07 08

**BOOKING SECRETARIES:**  
**Community Hall** - Anne Craven 249 7852  
**Banners Gate CC** - June Dadd 07443 22 65 30  
**St. Columba's** - Sallyanne Rowley 693 0084  
**Scout Hall** - A & R Talliss 353 8166

**UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS:**  
**Scouts:** Margaret Drummond, 33rd GSL 353 5203  
**Girlguiding:** Carol Gardner, Vesey West District Commissioner 350 7191

## The Forum still needs a new Secretary

The Forum needs a new minute secretary to replace Jean who has retired through ill-health. We meet six times a year, every other month, on the last Monday of the month starting in January, except in May when it is the last but one Monday because of the Bank Holiday. There is no rush to produce the printed minutes because they are not needed to be included in the next newsletter for at least four weeks.



Patron HRH The Princess Royal GCVO

Thurs. 26th September. Harvest Supper  
 Thurs. 24th October - My Life as a Micro Artist - Graham Short  
 Thurs. 14th Nov. Cheese Making - David Fowler  
 Thurs. 28th Nov. Confessions of a Dame - Richard Westcott

New members welcome.  
 If you wish to join our vibrant Guild please get in touch with Josie Orme 0121 352 1042.

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## BGs

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Gatepost always needs volunteers for illness and holidays delivering. On average it takes just 20 minutes. We also need volunteers to fold and collate Gatepost for 90 minutes, six times a year when we provide tea/coffee and biscuits/cake. If you can help please ring 605 4947. Your help would be much appreciated.

The 18<sup>th</sup> Sutton Coldfield West Scout Group and the 15<sup>th</sup> Sutton Coldfield West Scout Group have merged and are now named the 33<sup>rd</sup> Headquarters are at the Scout Hut, Coppice View Road. B73 6UE.

## 33<sup>rd</sup> Sutton Coldfield Scout Group, H.Q. Coppice View Road

Monday Beavers 5.30 p.m. – 6.45 p.m. ages 6 – 8 years  
 Scouts 7.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. ages 10 ½ – 14 years  
 Tuesday Beavers 5.40 p.m. – 6.40 p.m. ages 6 – 8 years  
 Cubs 7.00 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. ages 8 – 10 ½ years  
 Thursday Cubs 7.00 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. ages 8 – 10 ½ years

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## Girlguiding gives girls and young women a voice.....has done so for 100 years.....be part of the next 100

Could you spare 1½ hours a week to help with the St Columba's Guide unit? Gain real satisfaction in volunteering and helping to ensure girls in Banners Gate aged 10 – 14 can continue to enjoy games, projects, badges and outings at Guides.

There are also places available in both Brownie units in September for girls aged 7 or 8.

For more information contact Carol Gardner on 350 7191.



Girlguiding UK

Day/Time	Activity	Venue	Contact	Tel
Mon 6.00 - 7.30pm	39th Brownies	St Columba's Hall		354 5873
Tues 6.00 - 7.30pm	45th Brownies	St Columba's Hall	Carol Gardner	350 7191
Thurs 5.00 - 6.00pm	39th Rainbows	St Columba's Hall		354 5873



Girlguiding UK