



RAMSHILL ROUNDABOUT May 2021



Dear Neighbours,

A colourful start to our spring newsletter and do read further to

see what may be coming to Ramshill. In addition, a number of other activities are in development and we hope you and your families will become personally involved.

Ramshill Residents Association AGM: We were unable to hold our AGM last year and had planned a May event this year. Sadly Covid has postponed this again but we have re-booked for **4th November 2021 in Churcher's College @ 7pm.....a date for your diaries.**

Ramshill Grounds Management Plan: Now that our Green Spaces and Playground are owned and managed by Petersfield Town Council (PTC), we are working with the PTC to re-write [the now defunct Management Plan originally created by Taylor Wimpey and Greenbelt Ltd in 2002](#). The [new draft](#) has now been completed, approved by the RRA committee and will be presented to the PTC Grounds Committee for formal approval on May 13th. The plan covers the maintenance and care of grassed areas, our playground, trees and shrubs and will include occasional coppicing of our hedgerows. The draft Management Plan can be seen on our website: ramshill.org.uk/plans

Ash Trees and Crown Topping of Oak Trees: We guess you are aware of the Ash Dieback disease affecting many trees all over the UK. Currently our avenue of Ash trees in Barentin Way are okay but we do have a dead one by the Playground and PTC Grounds will be felling this tree soon. The PTC have confirmed all Ash trees felled will be replaced in due course by other species. In addition, a number of large and mature Oak trees on our estate will be "crown topped". This is an accepted arboriculture practice to ensure Oaks are kept in good condition and also reduce any potential injury to residents or damage to property.

Full Fibre Broadband: Damian Hinds MP has been working on our behalf to see if Ramshill can be retrospectively fitted with Full Fibre Broadband giving us much improved connections and internet speeds. This is proving to be a challenge as BT Openreach seems to be a rule unto themselves. None the less, Damian keeps in touch with us on a regular basis and we await progress.

PTC Signs on our Playground: In keeping with all town council playgrounds PTC will be installing signs on our playground containing useful information such as contact phone numbers in case of damage or vandalism.



Churchers Parking in Barentin Way: We have been working with Churchers for some time to try to find a way to mitigate the unsocial parking by parents in Barentin Way. As a consequence Churchers will be erecting two signs at the entrance asking parents not to park....time will see if these work.



Daffodils in Barentin Way: Barentin Way is in full bloom again and residents will remember planting many more bulbs last November. However, and sadly you may have noticed the new bulbs have a mass of leaves but limited flowering. We are in contact with our suppliers who have suggested we may have been provided with Alpine Daffs in error. We await a solution from them.



Flowering Cherry Trees on our Kick-about Area:

Back to the glorious flowering cherry tree at the top of this newsletter. The RRA received a very informative presentation from Phil Paulo (a Ramshill resident) proposing we could plant an avenue of Cherry trees on the Kick-about area.



Phil is a professional Arboriculturist with extensive experience planting and maintaining trees. The photo below illustrates where the Cherry trees (in green) could be planted with other possible plantings at some future date. We have been told we could secure a grant from EHDC to fund this project.



To begin we need to secure the support of residents before we can further this project so please email Chair@Ramshill.org.uk with your views.....this cannot proceed unless we have your support.

More details can be seen on our website: ramshill.org.uk/trees

Some of the flowering ornamental trees we could plant on the kick-about area:



Finally: We hope you are keeping safe and looking forward to more usual times as Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

If you would like to be a working member of your Ramshill Residents Association (RRA) you would be most welcome. The members are a friendly group, the work is minimal and we do our best to keep our estate well maintained and an attractive place to live, work and play.

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