

SOUTH RIDGWAY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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The South Ridgway Residents' Association represents the interests of people living in the area bounded by the Ridgway, The Downs, Worple Road (but not Worple Road itself), upper Cottenham Park Road/Pepys Road (but not Pepys Road itself), The Association is run by volunteers who live in the area. The annual membership subscription is £2 per household and we have about 400 members.

PLANNING MATTERS

14 The Downs

Planning permission was finally granted for "Shanly 4". This scheme involves the conversion of the villa into 5 flats, the demolition of the other existing buildings and the erection of 8 houses. We conducted a poll of members living in the vicinity of the site which showed a majority in favour of opposing Shanly 4. However this was not a unanimous view, with some residents speaking in favour of the development at the Planning Committee hearing. Shanly 4 is certainly a lot better than "Shanly1" – which was a proposal for 52 flats. However the site lies in a Conservation Area, so there are mixed feelings about the outcome

31b Arterberry Road

A fourth application was submitted to demolish this residence and replace it with a 6 bedroom house. We objected both to the size of the proposed development and to the lack of access to the site, and the proposal was rejected. The owner has since sold the site to the developer of 29 Arterberry Road and we are monitoring the position.

6-8 Arterberry Road

The site was originally a small block of flats flanked by a bungalow. These were both demolished and planning permission granted for 13 flats. This has now been replaced by a new application to build 5 houses. We objected to this on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site, and this latest application has been refused

Ursuline High School, The Downs

The school has applied to build a new 6th form centre on open space within its grounds. Though regrettable in some ways the space in question cannot be used for a playing field, so we have not objected.

King's College School

An application has been submitted to build an indoor rowing facility beside the existing swimming pool. Our initial reaction is that it looks unobtrusive and will use little extra open space. However the matter is under discussion

RAYNES PARK

The Raynes Park Association, of which we are members and which includes both residents and businesses, has been active on a number of fronts. Foremost among these are the development of a “strategic plan” for Raynes Park, in conjunction with the Council; monitoring closely the Thames Water site development; and discussing the proposed “Polyclinic” in the Lambton Road area

WIMBLEDON VILLAGE TRAFFIC

The “study” of this matter, undertaken by the Council, rumbles on without any clear conclusion. It seems unlikely that the village residents who hoped to have their roads closed to through traffic will succeed. However the introduction of 20 mph limits in selected roads is a possibility

SRRA WEBSITE

We plan to go live very shortly with our own SRRA website. As well as giving up-to-date information about our activities, it will hopefully serve as a “community electronic notice board” where you will be able to post buy/sell/recommend information. Our thanks go to Alex Sandberg and his company College Hill, who have been instrumental in helping to set up the site. Siobhan Roberts is kindly acting as our first “WebMistress”

EMAIL ADDRESSES

It is so helpful and productive if you can let us have your email address, for this is how we communicate. However **the email address must be precisely right for it to work!**

ROAD REPRESENTATIVES

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The Downs (middle) Mrs F A Hennessey 35 The Downs SW20 8 HG

The Downs & Savona Courts & Ravenscar Lodge **VACANT Help please!**

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