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**WOODSIDE PARK RESIDENTS  
& RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION**

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We on the Committee apologize for the length of time that has elapsed since the last edition. However its non-appearance has prompted many enquiries from residents as to the delay, which in turn provides sufficient impetus for those members who give their time unstintingly for the benefit of the Association. The very wet Autumn and Winter has given way to an exceedingly cold Spring. Despite this there is little doubt that with the coming of the hoped for warmer weather, many of us will be working harder than ever in our gardens to help cut down the soaring greengrocery bills. May your efforts be well rewarded, and a very happy Summer to you all.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Suggestions have been made that there be a family picnic for residents on the open space at the brook and behind Chanctonbury Way. This would include a Fancy Dress Competition for the youngsters, with informal games for the children and adults. An additional idea is that a Street Disco be held, perhaps on the evening of the intended day, Saturday June 4th. Any person interested in helping to form a small committee to discuss the above should contact:-

Mrs. Sharp (445-4906)

Mrs. Garbutt (445-7118)

regarding the daytime programme, whilst

Mr. Rowell (445-4715)

would welcome ideas regarding the suggested Street Disco evening.

TREES

Although recent activity by tree fellers on the Estate would appear to give the lie to the following remarks, nevertheless

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TREES...continued

the Committee has had partial success in getting the re-planting of trees to replace those found necessary to fell, and we are quite satisfied with the planting of the saplings at the top end of Lullington Garth leading towards Frith Manor School. The recent savage spate of felling lower down the Garth may have been found necessary, but the demise of certain trees was certainly not due to dutch elm disease overall. It is to be hoped that the Borough Council will soon put in an appearance thus ridding this important thoroughfare of the ugly scars it bears.

#### GARDENING ASSISTANCE FOR ELDERLY/DISABLED FOLK, etc.

Our Secretary has a list of names of those requiring assistance, and various organizations are being contacted. Are there any young folk on the Estate willing to volunteer to help, if so please contact Mr. Burman (446-0258)? One suggestion that was thought to be quite useful - in return for keeping a garden neat and tidy a volunteer would accept a small part to be maintained as an allotment. This could be of considerable benefit to the parties concerned. At this point may we remind residents of the necessity to keep low branches of trees and protruding hedge growth well pruned so that it does not become a hazard for the elderly, the blind, and for mothers with prams.

#### SUSSEX RING

Following the seat replacement at Sussex Ring the Committee is now turning its attention to those seats needing repair/replacement along the Brookside Walk, and it is to be hoped the Local Council will shortly be able to give this matter their attention.

#### PAVEMENTS

Theoretically all were surveyed by the Borough Council last summer, but quite obviously now leave much to be desired. The current policy to adopt is to report to the Borough Surveyor at Gateway House (349-9121) any paving stone known to be in a dangerous condition. This action invariably leads to prompt attention being given.

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### LULLINGTON GARTH ROAD SURFACE

This is in a particularly poor state especially that part of the road running east to west. Contractors should have been in action during the first quarter of the year. However at the time of writing we are pleased to note that road surfacing has actually commenced.

### PARKING ON FOOTWAYS

(A) Under the Highways Act 1835 and the Road Traffic Act of 1974 the police can prosecute for the above offence. It is however their policy to issue a warning first before taking the matter further. Once again it's the aged and infirm, together with mothers and prams most likely to sustain injury through walking without adequate right of way.

(B) May we also remind our young folk too, that cycling on pavements is also illegal.

### PARKING AT SUSSEX RING

No apologies for once again reminding ratepayers of the danger of parking too close to the roads adjacent to Sussex Ring. It is appreciated that not all cars parked here are locally owned, but for those that are, please help the situation all you can.

### LULLINGTON GARTH EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

This is situated on the north side of the road where the houses finish and the fields commence. This proposal was very strongly opposed by your Committee on the grounds of "being dangerous of access and hazardous to through traffic". Unfortunately the Borough Council and the Police disagreed and our protest was rejected.

### FRITH MANOR CROSSING

Satisfactorily settled after much persistence by the Committee.

### FRITH LANE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Sited along the official entrance to the Finchley Golf Course and as such not within the Woodside Park boundary, but too close for comfort. Opposed by the Association and upheld by the Borough Council.

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### SUSSEX RING - EXCESS LITTER

Following representations by a group of ratepayers to the Committee, we have now obtained through the Borough Council a much-needed litter bin in this area.

### WOODSIDE PARK BOYS' BIBLE CLASS

The following letter has been received by the Committee with the request that it be published in the next issue of the News Letter. This we are happy to do.

"We would like to bring to the attention of all who live in the Woodside Park area the continuing work of the Woodside Park Boys' Crusader Bible Class. The Class has been carried on in this area for approaching fifty-eight years. At present boys meet every Saturday morning for games and teaching, and on Sundays at the home of one of the leaders. Further events include Swimming Sports in May and Weekend Camp in June. Boys of between 7 to 17 years of age welcome. Further details will gladly be given by Mr. Philip Turl on request (445-6717).

### NEWS IN BRIEF

Once again we offer our sincere thanks to Councillor Michael Hill for his continued support at our regular Committee Meetings, and for the work he achieves on our behalf between them. The Committee would also like to express its deep appreciation to Mr. F.C. Monnington of 24 Linkside for so very kindly offering to print all copies of this edition of News Letter. Mr. Monnington is G.S.L. of the 10th Finchley Scottish Scout Group - a Group to bear in mind whenever they need assistance.

For those ratepayers unaware of the facility offered by the Council's Summers Lane Rubbish Dump, here is a golden opportunity to get rid of almost all of your unwanted rubbish merely by transporting to the dump which is free and open at the undermentioned hours:-

Monday - Friday	7.30.am. to 5.pm.
Saturdays	7.30.am. to 4.pm.
Sundays	8.00.am. to 4.30.pm.

A word of warning - beware of the "sleeping policeman" en route to the weighbridge.

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The Mobile Library at Sussex Ring is currently open during a shortened period of time. This is due to the mechanical overhaul of vehicles concerned, after which normal opening times will be resumed. The current visiting times of the Library are:-

Tuesdays 2.30.pm to 5.pm.  
Thursdays No service  
Saturdays 11.15.am to 4.pm.

The published list of times is as follows and will become operative as soon as possible:-

Tuesdays 2.30.pm.to 7.pm.  
Thursdays 2.30.pm to 7.pm.  
Saturdays 10.00.am to 4.pm.

The Association is represented on the Road Safety Cttee. and F.O.R.A.B. (Federation of Ratepayers at Barnet).

The following item offers food for thought.

	POPULATION of BARNET	LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICERS FULL TIME STAFF
1970	313080	6538
1976	302600	7386
	a drop of 3.3%	an increase of 13%

During this period the Greater London Council's rise in full time Staff was 19.5% However Barnet is considered to be one of the more watchful Boroughs. Unfortunately the Department of Social Services has taken up the bulk of this increase in full time staff.

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1936 - 1976

We promised in our last issue to include items from the past. Here is a short extraction from the Suburb Echo - Journal of the Woodside Park Garden Club - December 1937 (No.21)

SEVEN YEARS OF RATES AND NO SCHOOL.  
SEVEN YEARS OF RATES AND NO RESPECTABLE ROADS.  
SEVEN YEARS OF RATES AND NO STREET CLEANSING  
SEVEN YEARS OF RATES AND NO SERVICES  
AND WHY?

THE  
APATHY  
OF RATEPAYERS!!

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You, my reader, with some hundreds of others in this remote part of the Borough of Hendon, have paid, or will soon pay, with traditional British phlegm, some seven to ten pounds to the Hendon Borough Council in rates. It is recognised as an Englishman's privilege to grouse.

Why not grouse intelligently? Why not grouse effectively?

WHY NOT GROUSE COLLECTIVELY?

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