



Fieldend News

Fun in the Sun!



The Summer Party was a wonderful success. The weather helped but it would not have been possible without a lot of help:

- Allan, our faithful gardener saved up all his days in the spring and summer to make sure the grounds looked fabulous for the big day.
- Alex for lending his tables;
- Dom, whose 'Taj Mahal' marquee is an essential ingredient to any Fieldend party;
- Everyone who brought food for the adults party; and
- The volunteers who organised and ran the children's party, baked cakes and helped out on the day: Emily, Olivia, Sara, Dave, Joanna, Kilian, Dominic, Kate, Sarah, Andy, Marion, Sally, Gili and... Lars, whose 'modelling' will go down in Fieldend history;

The Bake Sale raised £100 for the kid's play area. If you have a suggestion for how this money should be spent, please email [Joanna O'Sullivan](mailto:Joanna.O'Sullivan@fieldend.co.uk).



Congratulations to Jamie Whateley, winner of the fancy-dress competition

Our Fieldend Community

Summer is a time when the common areas of Fieldend are used the most and when our neighbourhood is most on display. It is, therefore, a good time to reflect on what makes our community strong and what makes Fieldend a wonderful and unique place to live. Each of us has chosen to live in Fieldend and, in doing so, agreed to abide by rules that help maintain the integrity of the estate. Each household contributes £80

per month to ensure the common areas are maintained to a high standard, for use by all residents. We also contribute our time, whether it's to help out on the Board, organise a party or help on a tidy day. Together all these things make Fieldend a community. Over the last year, the board has seen an increase in complaints about behaviour that could be described as 'un-neighbourly' and which has the potential to undermine the sense of community that should be at the heart of life at Fieldend. So, with that in mind, please can we be a bit more neighbourly by watching out for...



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If you have any questions, comments, or items for the newsletter, please email us or put a note through any of our doors.

Green Bins: we have received a large number of queries about the green bins on site. So, here's the low-down... FRAL pay £400 a year to the council to have green bins on site. These are for garden waste only and are for the use of all residents. Remember this before disposing of soil or plant pots or filling a green bin to the limit, leaving no space for others. Gggrr! If you regularly generate large amounts of green waste, please consider investing in your own bin - it only costs £50 per year.

Damage to Fieldend Cars:

A number of cases of damage to cars parked in Fieldend has been reported to FRAL. We hope this damage is accidental, but since it has serious cost implications for the owners, we would like to alert Fieldenders to this issue. In order to minimise the chances of accidents, would all parents please ask their children to take special care when playing around parked cars. If you have had a problem with damage to your car whilst it has been parked in Fieldend, please let us know by contacting **Helen Middleton-Price** so that we can decide whether any further action is necessary.

Dog Poo: there has been an increase in the number of dogs at Fieldend in the last few years and with it an increase in the amount of dog poo. To date, the Board has taken a pretty relaxed attitude towards dogs, trusting residents to keep their pets in line. But, after receiving complaints pointing out the danger posed by dog waste to the many young children playing in the common areas we are reconsidering this approach. If the situation does not change we will discuss introducing a rule requiring dogs to be on leads at the next AGM.

Foxes: we have a family of foxes living in Fieldend who regularly keep us up at night, raid our bins and poop on our lawns. Please help to keep these pests at bay by ensuring your bins are covered and do not leave food out for them to scavenge. It would be great if dog walkers could pick up any fox poo they find. Thanks



Maintenance Corner

PAINTING: The contract with Avalon Contractors has been closed so from now on it is up to you to make your own arrangement for any painting and making good. We are pleased to let you know that Dulux weathershield exterior gloss is now available in small, 1 litre tins from our local Homebase, Twickenham Road, TW13 6EZ. They will mix it for you as you wait. The light grey is 'goosewing' and the dark grey is 'flint'. Jim Strike is no longer acting as supervising architect so please refer any future questions about the outside of your house to the Board.

FRONT DOORS: We are pleased to tell you know that Will Gardiner, who will be doing the work on your front door, has just completed restoration of the timber joinery of the house that won the RIBA London Region Design Award. We confirm that restoration of the veneer of your door will be paid for out of the FRAL maintenance budget. Will Gardiner is organizing this work and will make arrangements with each of you about dates and security etc. We do hope that you will arrange directly with Will to make the recommended additional improvements to your door. This will certainly improve the appearance of the estate.

We hope to see you for croquet on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August. Contact Jim & Sarah Strike (24) And finally... during this wonderful hot weather, if you see a plant in peril please water it.