



**CADRA News**  
Caversham & District Residents' Association  
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## **CADRA Monthly Round-up: January 2019**

First, a gentle reminder. While CADRA has nearly five hundred members there will be many **more who care about our area, so please think of two or three other people who might be** interested and forward your monthly bulletin to them.

### **Planning near Caversham's boundary**

To the north of Caversham is South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC), and the boundary area is under a lot of pressure from developers seeking permission for massive new housing schemes. SODC have just published a review of potential sites throughout their area, and the good news is that all three of the sites which they considered close to our boundary have been discounted. They are land at Playhatch, at Palmer's Riding Stables and at Reading Golf Club.

The reasons for discounting these sites are interesting. They include limited sewerage and electricity capacity, congestion on the bridges and impact on the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Combined with the recent appeal decision on the Gladman site this seems a step forward in safeguarding this area. However, Gladman have started an appeal to the High Court over this decision – the start of a long process, on which we will keep you informed.

### **Caversham Post Office**

As you may know, the Church St Post Office is closing. The Post Office are seeking a replacement in Caversham centre and have invited local businesses to express their interest in hosting it. The MP, Councillors and CADRA are keeping up the pressure and we will keep you posted.

### **Caversham sign, St Martin's precinct**

The sign has started to wobble! After being alerted to this by a member of the public, we contacted RBC. A meeting on site in the next few days with RBC and the original sign-maker will discuss making it safe and, we hope, using the opportunity to re-paint it.

### **William Marshal...**

...was the most powerful man in thirteenth century England, who had the good taste to live in Caversham, where he died 800 years ago this May. So it would be great if we could have a talk about him at our AGM to mark this anniversary of a remarkable person who changed the course of history. Does anyone know of a good lecturer who could do this? If so, please let us know.

### **Help needed on transport issues**

We really need a new person on our Committee to coordinate our efforts on transport issues – buses, traffic, cycling and walking. This doesn't necessarily have to be a transport expert (though that would be welcome) but needs commitment and organisation. Do please get in touch if you can help.

### **Safer neighbourhoods**

The advisory leaflet mentioned last month is available at: [Reporting Crime & Nuisance](#)

Paper copies will be delivered to members who don't have email.

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**Don't forget** that we will be sharing other news, as it arises, on the CADRA Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/cavershamresidents>. You can also view this from the Home page at <http://www.cadra.org.uk> and there is no need to register.

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