



Dear CADRA Supporter

CAVERSHAM BUS SERVICES

Over 250 people attended the meeting about proposed reductions and there were lively exchanges. Although discussions will continue, Reading Buses are proceeding with the proposed cuts and new timetables come in on Monday 3 September. At the last count, details on bus stops had not been changed, so do be sure to check new times before leaving.

[Timetable changes](#)

GLADMAN APPEAL INQUIRY INTO 245 HOUSES ON PEPPARD RD NEXT TO READING BORDER

The Gladman inquiry which opened in May, resumed on 29 August and is now complete. Paul Matthews gave expert transport evidence. CADRA worked with the other members of CAGE in all the build-up, was represented throughout the appeal and made two statements. Thanks to the financial support from organisations and individuals, CAGE was able to engage a barrister. His contribution was very important and his closing and other statements to the appeal can be read on the CADRA website at: [Closing statements](#)

In addition to evidence on Landscape and Transport issues there was lengthy consideration of changing planning policies, the housing need, land supply and the impact of the Oxfordshire Growth Deal. The final decision is expected in about a month.

CONSULTATIONS

Over the summer, a number of consultations have been issued which may be of interest.

1. Proposal to change the way services are delivered by Reading Borough Council – closes 14 September - [The way services are delivered](#)
2. Consultation on allocation of the neighbourhood portion of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – closes 14 September - [Community infrastructure levy](#)

CADRA note: CIL funding from local development is relatively new and during this period there has been relatively little development north of the river, so the available funds are very limited. Councillors are discussing alternative ways of dividing the Borough. As this process becomes more established it will have increased significance locally and we urge you to engage with it.

3. Proposed Extension to St Peters Conservation Area and the St Peters Conservation Area Appraisal – closes 14 September - [Extension to St Peters conservation area](#)

The background to this is on our web-site at: [CADRA Conservation Areas](#)

4. Government health of the bus market inquiry – closes Monday 24 September - [UK Parliament buses inquiry](#)

CADRA note: This has considerable relevance to the problems of the Caversham buses and we urge you to respond.

5. The future of adult social care – closes 26 September - [Adult social care and well-being](#).

The Local Government association has launched a consultation on the green paper "*to build momentum for a debate across the country about how to fund the care we want to see in all our communities for adults of all ages and how our wider care and health system can be better geared towards supporting and improving people's well-being*".

6. The future of Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service (RBFRS) – closes 28 September - [Fire Service corporate plan](#)

7. Central and Eastern Berkshire - Joint Minerals & Waste Plan. Closes 21 October - [Joint Minerals & Waste Plan](#)

Public exhibition on Thursday 6th September - 3.30pm to 7.30pm at Reading Civic Offices.

LIVING WELL, STAYING HEALTHY IN BODY & MIND

Baltimore Park Surgery Patients Participation Group invite you to a free event on Tuesday 18th September 10.00 - 12.30 am at Caversham Heights Methodist Church, RG4 7BG.

Come and find out what is available in Reading to help us promote wellbeing. Following presentations by several speakers there will be time for group discussions and questions. For more information please email baltimoreppg@yahoo.com

RETURNING COMMUNITY EQUIPMENT LOANED BY THE COUNCIL OR NHS

If you or a relative have community equipment that is no longer needed please call NRS on 0844 893 6960 (Monday-Friday 8.30am-4.30pm) to arrange for it to be collected FREE

Please forward this email and let others know.

With best wishes

Helen Lambert

Chair

Caversham and District Residents Association

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