



Round Up - May 2022

CADRA AGM

We look forward to seeing members at the AGM and Open Meeting next week – **7.30pm, Monday 16 May at the New Testament Church of God, next to Caversham Library**. Following the brief formal business, we welcome Inspector Sarah Sanderson and PC Vince Moore our Neighbourhood Supervisor, to talk about **Local Policing**. If you can't make next week, you will find several of the CADRA team at the Church Fete in Caversham Court Gardens on Saturday 9 July. Everyone is welcome so please pass this on.

Planning

We do not yet know whether the [earlier application](#) for the Emmer Green **Reading Golf Club** land, which was refused by Reading Borough Council, will proceed to appeal next month.

We have submitted [detailed comments](#) for the applications from Beechcroft for **Caversham Park**. ([220409](#) and [220410](#)). It is a large and complex application with many different aspects. The CADRA website has links to [Our Recommended Documents](#), which are worth reading. In addition to the local concerns raised about pressures on traffic and local services, there are issues about the extent of promised public access and also the history and heritage of the site. Caversham Park House is a listed building, Grade II, as are the park and garden walls, entrance gates and a temple (folly) in the garden. The house and other structures were first listed in 1978. Drawing on specialist advice, planners will need to consider whether the plans would cause harm to the listed building and to its important setting within the extensive grounds.

As always, you can check CADRA's [Latest Planning Summary](#). Local applications include a change of use of [26 Prospect Street](#) to allow a new dental practice. In St Peters Conservation Area, there is an application for extensions and front boundary changes at [18 Church Road](#). In South Oxfordshire, The Caversham (aka. Reading Golf Club) at Chazey Heath has applied ([P22/S1383/FUL](#)) for four Padel Tennis courts under a domed roof, across the entrance road from the car park.

Emmer Green

Following the closure of the Emmer Green Residents Association, we are working through how to mark EGRA's achievements over almost 40 years. We plan some changes so that CADRA can effectively represent a wider area and are grateful for the support of previous members of the EGRA team. More new members from Emmer Green will help us to provide a stronger voice for them. Please help to spread the word.

Lights on Reading and Caversham Bridges

We appreciate the response from Council Officers in working through a complex process to upgrade the lights on both bridges. Work is also in hand to replace the missing column on Reading Bridge.

Reading Amateur Regatta

The **11th and 12th of June** will be the 180th anniversary of [Reading Amateur Regatta](#). Founded in 1842, it is the oldest sporting event in Reading. 2022 is also the 75th Anniversary of Reading Dusseldorf Association. To mark this special occasion the Committee of Reading Amateur Regatta has invited Reading Rowing Club (1867) and WSV Dusseldorf (1893) to a series of challenge matches during the main regatta. The quads will compete on both the 1500m and the 1000m course. The regatta often has several international crews, with athletes coming from as far afield as the United States and New Zealand. It is free to watch from the Thameside Promenade and typically runs from 9am to 7pm each day.