

Round Up - June 2022

As always, please do share this update with anyone who may be interested.

CADRA AGM

It was good to see so many members at the AGM on 16 May and to welcome new members from Emmer Green. The New Testament Church of God proved a very successful venue. Inspector Sarah Sanderson and PC Vince Moore gave a very straightforward picture of the issues for local police – <u>Presentation Slide</u>s. We are now giving thought to an appropriate topic for our next open meeting in the autumn.

There will be a CADRA stall at The Church Fete in Caversham Court gardens on **Saturday 9 July** and we look forward to seeing members then.

Emmer Green

The committee has agreed to co-opt three new members to the committee to ensure that we can properly represent the interests of Emmer Green as well as Caversham, and we have two additional members in the Support Team.

We are looking at ways to mark the achievements of the Emmer Green Residents Association over almost 40 years. This includes organising a reprint of the book - <u>Emmer Green Past and Present</u>.

For information about pre-ordering a copy, please email <u>EmmerGreenBook@cadra.org.uk</u>.

Planning

There is a lot to report this month. For **Reading Golf Club**, the appeal against refusal of the second application has now been withdrawn. An application (220738) by the builders (Vistry) covers conditions for Construction, Habitat Enhancement and Archaeology. Another from them for the appearance of the housing is expected and CADRA will meet their team shortly to see further details.

The application for **Caversham Park** has still to be decided but we note that several objections have been submitted on heritage grounds. We have added these to the CADRA website under <u>Recommended Documents</u>.

Following the refusal by South Oxfordshire of a previous application for **Caversham Lakes**, off the Henley Road, a new application has been submitted (<u>P22/S1691/FUL</u>). This fails to set out the various events being held in addition to the sporting activities, which have implications for traffic and for the nature reserve. We have sent our response.

At **<u>205-213 Henley Road</u>** (<u>220189</u>), an application sets out plans for two standalone apartment blocks that will provide 59 retirement living apartments with a mixture of 1 and 2 bedrooms. We would welcome any comments to inform our response.

Plans for the new **Riverside Academy** (212061) were approved by the Planning Committee. We were pleased to note that our concerns over the number of cycle storage places, the response to climate change and the extent of landscaping to the north are to be considered further.

On **St Peters Hill** a 15m telecoms monopole with ground-based equipment cabinets has been refused (220587). Application (220638) for a 15m monopole on **Grove Road, Emmer Green** is also expected to be refused. CADRA, local Councillors and residents have raised concerns about the location.

At the **Moorings, Mill Green** (220591), there is an application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use as a commercial boatyard. You can submit evidence or observations as to the length of time a boatyard has operated there.

Panorama 20 June

The <u>BBC Panorama programme</u> will feature the sad death of Olly Stephens in Emmer Green and the threats social media can pose.