



WOODCOTE MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWSLETTER

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Annual General Meeting

As a Charitable Trust we must hold an AGM each spring. All residents in the area are invited. This year it will be held at **8.00 p.m. on Thursday 12th March** in the Epsom Sports Club, Woodcote Road. The Agenda is:

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of last meeting
4. Trustees' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31.12.08
5. Millennium Green Patrons
6. Future plans
7. Question/suggestion time
8. Any Other Business

Under item 8, we would welcome any suggestions about improvements you might like to see. If you cannot come to the AGM just contact any Trustee (listed at the end) with your ideas or comments. We are managing the Green on your behalf, and look forward to hearing from you. Refreshments and an opportunity for informal discussions will be available following the formal business.

Tax reclaimed

We were able to claim back £1465 tax under the Gift Aid scheme, thanks to your donations.

Maintenance

Our new system of maintenance days is working very well. We have the e-mail addresses of a number of volunteers, and when a task is identified we e-mail them to find when a group can get together. It is proving to be a great social occasion, and the refreshments always go down well. If you would like to join us, please let one of the Trustees have your e-mail address, or e-mail Mark Swan at: mark.emma@virgin.net

Annual Report and Accounts

These will be available at the AGM, but if you would like a copy and cannot attend, contact any Trustee after 19th March. A summary of our accounts follows, which at the time of writing are still subject to Examination by our Auditor:

Receipts	£
Donations received	6739
Distributions & interest	1923
Gift Aid & tax repayment	<u>1465</u>
Total	<u>10127</u>
Expenditure	£
Administration costs	26
Insurance & Membership fees (Net)	305
Maintenance costs	1142
Other expenses – tools	<u>250</u>
Total charitable direct expenditure	<u>1723</u>
Investment	4605
Total expenditure	<u>6328</u>
Surplus after investment expenditure	<u>3799</u>

Waitrose Charity scheme

Those of you who shop in Waitrose will have seen that they have a scheme that enables their shoppers to donate to a charity of their choice. Each time you buy something, you are given a green token. You can put this in one of three containers situated by the exit, as three local charities are chosen each month. At the end of the period the three containers are weighed, and £1000 is divided between the three charities in proportion to the weight of tokens they have received. We were nominated as one of the charities with effect from the 26th January, so if you are reading this before the last week in February, and shop in Waitrose, please do place your token in 'our' container.

Millennium Green Patrons

At the time of writing we have 97 Patrons, to whom we are very grateful. Our target is 100, so we need only **three** more! Don't forget that you can become a Patron by paying a one-off sum of £250 or £50 p.a. by Standing Order for five years, or just £25 p.a. for ten years, which is about £2 per month. *If you would like a donation form please contact any of the Trustees listed below, or you can download the form from our website (address on the front page under the title).* If you are already a Patron, don't forget that you will be eligible for a second ticket in the prize draw if you introduce someone who becomes a Patron. We hope to hold the draw at an event in the spring.

Trustees and their immediate families are not eligible for the draw, so although we have 97 Patrons, we have significantly less who are eligible for the draw. We have decided that the cut-off for eligibility to be in the prize draw will be the 100th eligible Patron, should we receive more than three further applications following publication of this Newsletter.

Strimmer for sale

We have a small strimmer for sale. It is a Sovereign, 25cc. It hasn't been used very

much, as we now have a more powerful model. Offers welcome; it will go to the highest bidder after the end of March.

Donations

We very much appreciate all those who become or continue as 'Friends' who help us to pay our general running expenses. Donations can be delivered to any trustee, using the form below.

Website

It is worth keeping an eye on our website from time to time for the latest news.

The current Trustees are:

Ian Allely	2 Chalk Paddock
Shirley Edghill	Epsom General Hospital
Chris Frost	8 Warren Hill
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John Parsloe	1 Woodcote Green House
Annette Richmond	9 Warren Hill
Brian Saxby	59 Sunny Bank
Mark Swan	6 Sunny Bank
Derek Warrilow	30 Axwood
Sue White	36 Pine Hill

Chris Frost, Chairman

On behalf of the Trustees 01372-720430
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If you would prefer to keep your Newsletter intact, simply write the relevant information from the lines below on another piece of paper.

To: Chris Frost, 8 Warren Hill, Epsom, KT18 7BX, or any other Trustee listed above:-

Gift Aid: If you are a **UK taxpayer** you can increase the value of your gift by completing the Gift Aid declaration below:

Full Name (please print) _____ Phone (optional) _____
Address _____ Amount £ _____

* I/we would like to become a/'Friend(s) of Woodcote Millennium Green' OR

* I/we would like to continue to be a/ 'Friend(s) of Woodcote Millennium Green

* I wish all donations that I have made since 6th April 2000 and all donations in the future to be Gift Aid until I notify you otherwise.

Please tick here if you are not already a Patron and would like to receive information about the Patron scheme and an application form. If you would like one or more information packs to pass onto friends please insert the number required here:

* *Please delete as appropriate*

Note: you must pay at least as much tax as we shall be claiming each year on your donations.

A cheque is enclosed for the annual donation (suggested minimum £3.00) for the year 2009. **Cheques should be payable to 'Woodcote Millennium Green Trust'. Thank you.**

Signed: _____ Date: _____