



EMMER GREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

serving the local community

ANNUAL REPORT

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2015-2016

Welcome to my first annual report as Chairperson of our Association for the year 2015 - 2016. I am pleased to report that despite the reduction of committee members, we continue to represent our members in the local community.

After the formal business of the AGM we will invite Mr Ken Fostekew to talk to us on the subject of The No 1 School of Aeronautics and the School of Technical Training Reading 1915 - 1919.

The following are highlights of the Associations activities and achievements during the past year.

The Heights School

EGRA remained neutral throughout The Heights School consultation, however, we can report that the public consultation, earlier this year, showed Mapledurham Playing Fields as the people's top choice of location. We will continue to monitor any decisions that may affect Emmer Green.

Community Defibrillator

EGRA continue to work with Emmer Green Patients Group to provide a life – saving community defibrillator which was originally suggested by an EGRA member. We will keep you posted with updates.

Daffodil Planting

EGRA and a team of volunteers replanted 1000 daffodil bulbs, in October 2015, on the green opposite St. Barnabas Church. The daffodils are in full bloom and we hope that you have all enjoyed them. We would like to thank Margaret Ormonde for arranging the supply of the bulbs through Reading Borough Council's Decent Neighbourhood Fund.

Tree Planting

EGRA and GLOBE are working closely with the tree wardens to replace trees. On January 21st 2016 they planted a new oak tree at Emmer Green shopping precinct.

Planning

EGRA continues to monitor Reading Borough Council's weekly planning lists. As the economy picks up and the demand for new housing increases, there are bound to be additional pressures.

Our Aim

Over the next year EGRA will continue to ensure, as far as possible, that the development and amenities of Emmer Green and district are in accordance with the best interests of the residents in the area.

As a Committee we welcome new members. If you would like to join the Committee, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Committee for their contribution, dedication to the Association.