

## Paid up Member?

Of the 118 households in Britannia Square, Albany Terrace and Stephenson Terrace, 54 are current paid up members.

Life membership is £30 per household and annual membership is £5 per household. Payment of membership automatically includes your household as a member of our Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, which may enable you to claim a discount on your household insurance.

To join the Association please contact the Treasurer and Membership Secretary:  
Ian Terry, 14 Albany Terrace.

## BSRA Committee currently in post

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## AGM – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 at the URC

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016** in the **United Reformed Church, Albany Terrace**. Drinks (donations by the glass) and free nibbles will be served from 7.00 pm so that we can start the meeting promptly at 7.30 pm.

We are delighted that **Dr Paul Collins, the Planning and Conservation Officer for Worcester City Council**, will be attending our meeting and, after the formal business, he will guide us through the pleasures and responsibilities of living in a listed building. There will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions afterwards. We look forward to seeing you all then.

## Forthcoming Events

Annual General Meeting	Friday 11 November	at United Reformed Church
Christmas Carols & Party	Sunday 11 December	at RGS Springfield
Street Spring Clean 2017	To be advised later	– Mid June 2017
Summer Party 2017	To be advised later.	

*Wine Club meets 2 or 3 times a year. Details & reminders to be issued nearer the next event.*

# BRITANNIA SQUARE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 2016

## Road and Pavement Resurfacing now Complete

We would just like to thank all of those people whose hard work and efforts have helped us to achieve the excellent resurfacing of our road and pavement surfaces, in addition to the lamppost repainting.

In particular, we would like to mention:

- Firstly, the Council Highways Team and Simon Geraghty, gave us a clear plan of action for the proposed works, which paved the way for an excellent dialogue throughout the project.
- Hannah Davies for her contact and responses throughout the works.
- The Contractors, Ringway, who took care to use and reuse heritage materials where they could for the pavements, gutters and kerbs and were very considerate to residents during the whole period.
- RGS Springfield for completing their perimeter hedge works which has improved the road width and safety of the Square.
- And finally, the Residents and visitors to the area while the works were being undertaken.

**Thank you all.**

If you have any feedback, or would like to get involved, then please do get in touch.

*BSRA Committee*

## Committee Members Welcome

We currently have a space on our committee and would welcome a new member. We meet four times a year and enjoy developing projects in our neighbourhood and becoming involved with local affairs. We can accommodate an unlimited range of skills.

If you would like to know more about the role please contact Anna Hooper on [hooper.anna@btopenworld.com](mailto:hooper.anna@btopenworld.com)

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# BRITANNIA SQUARE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

## Britannia Square – Parking Restrictions Clarification

Following the resurfacing work residents may have noted subtle changes to the parking demarcations on the road surfaces.

BSRA have sought clarification on these changes from the Traffic Management Team at the County Council and the rules are explained as follows:

It has been confirmed that the newly painted road markings around the Square correctly reflect the restrictions set out in the original TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) which was approved along with the original Residents Parking Scheme back in 1985. It has been confirmed that previously (particularly on the north side of the Square) some bays marked as visitor spaces should have been resident spaces. Accordingly where the signage on the walls / on posts does not currently match what is on the ground – this will be amended in the near future.

NB it is the markings on the road which are correct – not the signage.

The 'H' bars (ie lines drawn across driveway accesses). It has been explained that for logistical and technically correct reasons, the 'H' bars are now drawn as being within the dotted lines of the parking bays in the majority of areas and a number of residents have questioned whether this means there can be any enforcement against vehicles parked blocking driveway access. The County Council have confirmed that the Civil Enforcement Team cannot enforce vehicles parked on 'H' bars if they are within a bay – However, if parking across the 'H' bar results in the physical blocking of an access – this is an obstruction and is a matter which can be dealt with by the police.

Trades vehicles. The inclusion of the 'H' bars within the time limited parking bays causes a potential issue for trades people who previously could park unrestricted across a driveway. The Traffic Management Team are saying that their Civil Enforcement Officers will use their discretion in these cases.

## Neighbourhood Watch Update

Our Neighbourhood Watch team circulates information relevant to residents in the membership area by email. If you would like to receive information, go to [www.britanniasquare.org](http://www.britanniasquare.org) / Neighbourhood Watch for details.

PC Mark Broughton will attend our AGM on 11 November to answer questions about security and local policing.

## Recent Planning Applications -

Apr' 16	41 Britannia Square – Internal Alterations, Minor Amendment	- Approved
July' 16	19 Albany Terrace – Loft Extension & Internal Alterations	- Pending
Aug' 16	27A Britannia Square – Rear Extension	- Approved
Oct' 16	49 Britannia Square – New Garage & Garden Room Extension	- Pending

## Website Update – [www.britanniasquare.org](http://www.britanniasquare.org)

Launched in June 2015, the **BSRA website** ([britanniasquare.org](http://britanniasquare.org)) seems now to be quite widely used. During the first twelve months (June 2015- June 2016) the site received 4,044 visits from 3,310 users, resulting in 7,752 page views.

The association committee uses it to make important information accessible to residents. Content includes Neighbourhood Watch updates, details about works in the area (such as the recent road and pavement improvements), Planning Applications, and a calendar of events including Wine Club, Summer and Christmas Party details. The site is kindly supported by sponsors Knight Frank, Andrew Grant and NFU Mutual, whom we thank for their continued involvement.

An important consideration when planning the website was that it should contain the House Histories project, championed by Ian Terry. There is some fascinating information to be found here about the history of the houses in our area, and there are promises of more submissions to come. If your house is not featured, perhaps you would like to contribute. It does not need to be a scholarly account – personal anecdotes, information about former residents and old photographs are all welcomed content. If you have something to add to the project, or need assistance, please contact Ian ([lanNTerry@aol.com](mailto:lanNTerry@aol.com)).

There are other areas of the website which would benefit from your help and input, including '**Residents Recommend**', developing into a list of tradespeople who have delivered particularly good service. Recommendations can be posted anonymously.

I am also keen to develop a '**Photographic Gallery**' on the site containing photographs of the area. Whilst there seem to be very few available through archives, I'm hoping that residents may allow us to include their snap-shots of local events, of the buildings, the environment and people who have lived in the area.

If you have any suitable photographs and would be willing for them to appear within a site gallery, would like to recommend any tradespeople, or have any other thoughts about the website to share, please contact me.

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