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Chair's Report - Summer 2023

Dear Residents....

Garage Site Developments

As always planning concerns never go away with the constant thrust from central government to have councils build more houses for our ever increasing population. The latest in the area is Raven Housing Trust who have been looking at 5 garage sites and is proposing these sites are used instead to provide social, affordable housing.

These sites are located on Shawley Crescent, Ferriers Way, Upland Way, Hatch Gardens and Downland Close. Raven have recently submitted the application to the Council for planning permission. Key concerns are about the current use of the garages and the element of over development on each site and the effect these new builds may have on each surrounding area with regard to parking. We have delivered flyers to residents in these areas to make them aware of these developments. If you want to know further details please go to the Reigate and Banstead Borough Council website:



https://planning.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/online-applications

KFC Proposal at ASDA

Sometime ago ASDA put in an application for a restaurant and take away KFC in the ASDA car park. Feelings amongst residents surrounding the area were high as can be seen in the number of comments put on the RBBC website. Very recently ASDA withdrew their application which we think was due to highway concerns raised by Surrey Highways.

Tattenham Corner Flag

The Residents Association, in partnership with the Tattenham & Preston Community Group, financed and installed a flagpole last year which is located on the green opposite the Tattenham Corner shops. The flagpole was ready for HM Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee last June. For the first anniversary of our flagpole, we asked local school children to design a flag for the community and decided to use the design prepared by 11-year old Emma Crankshaw. Emma lives in Preston and is a pupil at the Beacon School.



Preston Park Rubbish Bins

For quite a long time there have been complaints and adverse comments about the poor condition of many of the rubbish bins in the Park. The Residents Association presented this problem to the Council with detailed pictures and the result was that larger and better rubbish bins were recently supplied to replace the old and corroded bins.



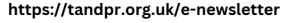
Shawley School Artificial Grass Pitch

We have heard nothing from the Shawley School Academy about their plans to update and amend their planning application, and no changes have been lodged with the planners at the Council.

Concerns include: management of private hire, hours of operation, ongoing noise, lighting, restrictions for use only by under 12's, parking, bats and other wildlife.

T ε P R 🖯 NEWS

We produce a monthly electronic newsletter **T&PR eNEWS**, which is circulated by email on the first of each month. It is totally free and ensures you keep up to date with what is going on in Tattenham Corner and Preston. We include any planning issues that will affect you, the residents. All you need to do is subscribe via our website. You can do this by scanning the QR code or go to:





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Verge and Grass Cutting

Residents have been commenting about grass cutting of communal areas and the fact is the County Council's grass cutting service is a complete mess. The ruling group at the County Council unilaterally took the decision to take back responsibility for grass cutting from the borough councils with effect from 1st April. This was done without any consultation with the public, or indeed councillors.

Previously Reigate & Banstead Borough Council looked after grass cutting; they were paid for 4 cuts a year in the urban area, but supplemented this with their own money, and in years past did a minimum of 8 cuts; this had probably reduced to about 6 cuts more recently. The County Council is now paying a contractor for 4 cuts. This was heralded as a means of ensuring consistency across the county (levelling down, not up) and claimed they were reducing the number of cuts for environmental reasons, but surely there were budgetary reasons as well.

The grass was so high that bollards and signs could not be seen and sight lines dangerously obscured, making driving hazardous. Even after the first cut, many sight lines remain uncut as it seems the contractor, Bill Kear, has incomplete records of the areas it should be cutting (or is not paying attention to the maps provided). The contractor doesn't have enough staff and inadequate equipment, and is very much behind programme.

The policy of blowing back grass cuttings might be manageable when the grass is shorter, but now just spreads over the paths and blocks the drains. Even when the machines have done their work, the verges are poorly mown with many tufts left behind.



Tattenham Corner



Sight lines dangerously obscured

At least the Leader of Surrey County Council has acknowledged this is not his finest hour and has set up Task Groups to find out what went wrong and how it can be fixed. Residents Association Councillors have put in a joint submission highlighting the failings and offering solutions. You can use the QR code to directly link to the County Council's website concerning their grass cutting, verges and weed management to submit complaints or problems.

Or go to website URL below and click on "Report a tree, hedge, grass or weed issue"

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport



Thank you for reading our magazine and supporting your local Residents Association

Kathryn Chattelle, Chair

Subscriptions

It is at this time of the year we ask for voluntary contributions. We have a modest annual subscription of **£3** per household to help cover our projects (for example the planters at Tattenham Corner) and other costs such as this magazine. Your contributions help us considerably.

If you haven't paid this year and would like to help support us just transfer £3 to TPRA:

Account Number: 00218075 Sort Code: 30-93-08

Please use your house/flat number and postcode as a reference.

Or simply **Paypal £3** to **tattpra@gmail.com**, giving us your location details as above as a reference, and using payment option Friends & Family since we are a non profit organisation.

Or, where we have a nearby resident acting as a collecting agent, you will have an envelope supplied to return to the address shown on the envelope.

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If you can't make this event date then pop along to one of our regular events



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Tattenham Corner

Tattenham Corner planters - call for volunteers

Kath and I have just been putting the summer colour into the crate planters at Tattenham corner. It is such satisfying work and we receive lots of complements from passing residents as we work. It's also lovely having the buy in and help from the local shopkeepers who water and tend them on a day to day basis. We feel a big shout out must go to the Co-op and Chillis whose meticulous watering schedule has meant that the winter bedding was still in really fab condition.

Our schedule is that we have to ensure the bulbs die back so they flower again next winter. Then we tidy the crates up by removing dead foliage and failing plants, before removing some of the old compost and top dressing with new. The final and most satisfying step is replanting with summer bedding which we source from a wholesaler and Epsom Market.

This year for the first time we have also started staining the crates and pallets with the aim of extending their life!

We thoroughly enjoy the process and if you would like to join us then please get in touch so we can get together a gang of guerilla gardeners! We start the process again in the Autumn

If you are interested email me, Jill, on **jillbray_27@hotmail.com** or Kath on **kjchattelle@hotmail.co.uk**





Tattenham Community Library

Once again, our local library will be delivering a lovely range of craft and drama activities plus teddy bears for children during the summer holidays. The dates and activities will be published at the library soon and the places for these events need to be booked as they are very popular. There is a very small charge and a parent must accompany their children.

As can be seen kids of all ages and disciplines will have a great time!



Summer Reading Challenge

Launching Saturday 8 July and finishing on Saturday 23 September, this year's Reading Challenge is a fantastic celebration of imagination, reading, and being active. The Summer Reading Challenge 2023 theme is "Ready, Set, Read!" and has been developed in partnership with the Youth Sports Trust. The Challenge will encourage children to engage in games and sports in any way that suits them best.

The Summer Reading Challenge, presented by The Reading Agency, will be delivered at Tattenham Community Library and encourages children aged 4 to 11 to continue reading throughout the summer holidays, the intention being to try and prevent the reading "dip". The aim of the Challenge is to read up to 6 books, collecting special stickers and rewards along the way. Children will need to be a member of the library to sign up for the challenge but joining up does not take long and is free.

There will also will also be a mini reading challenge for children aged 3 and under!

Local Election Results

Congratulations to Jill Bray on retaining Tattenham Corner and Preston ward for the Residents Association, with an increased percentage share of the vote. The result was:

	<u>Votes</u>	<u>%</u>	
Tattenham & Preston Residents	1,237	63	BRAY - Elected
Conservative	291	15	
Labour	282	14	
Liberal Democrat	71	4	
Green	69	4	Turnout 27%

On a national basis, May's local elections saw the Conservatives losing ground heavily to both Labour (mainly in the north) and the Liberal Democrats (mainly in the south and west).

This was replicated locally in Reigate & Banstead, with the Conservatives losing three seats – one going to Labour and two to the Greens (the Greens are much stronger in our borough than the Lib Dems). The Residents Associations kept the two seats contested in our wards – Nork, as well as Tattenham Corner & Preston, – both with good majorities.

This shift overall in the borough may not seem significant, but only 15 out of the 45 council seats were up to election in Reigate & Banstead, where elections in each year are by "thirds" (being one out of the three ward councillors). The changes are all in the middle and south of the borough, in Redhill, Reigate and Horley, where the deputy leader of the council lost his seat. The former leader himself had stood down too and his seat was also lost.

The new council is now:

Conservative 23; Green 11; Residents Association 6; Lib Dem 3; Labour 1; Independent 1.

This gives the Conservatives a majority over all others of just one. This may not sound much, but it is notable that Reigate & Banstead is the only borough in Surrey where the Conservatives do in fact enjoy an absolute majority. About half of Surrey's councils do not operate on "thirds", but have "all-in, all-out" elections, with all seats up for grabs this year. This can lead to much more dramatic changes of control, in line with the national opinion polls.



Political Map of Councils in Surrey

Around the rest of Surrey we now have four councils run by Lib Dems (Woking, Surrey Heath, Mole Valley, Guildford) shown in yellow, Residents Association (Epsom & Ewell) shown in green, and five with "no overall control" (Spelthorne, Runnymede, Elmbridge, Tandridge and Waverley) shown in grey, some run by minority administrations and others by coalitions.

At the County Council, where the last election was two years ago, the Conservatives enjoy a majority with 45 seats. The Residents Association and Independent Group has 16 seats, as do the Liberal Democrats. Labour and the Greens each have 2.

Before the election there was a lot of speculation about the impact of the new Voter ID requirements. In the event, in the whole of Reigate & Banstead only 94 residents turned up without valid ID; of these 51 went home and returned with it. Of course we don't know how many didn't turn up because they knew they didn't have any ID to present at the polling station.

Thanks and Your Feedback

We are very grateful for the support of residents at the ballot box. We do try and canvass as many homes as possible in the weeks leading up to the election, to check if there are any issues or concerns we are not aware of. It also gives us an opportunity to give a first-hand account of what we are doing in any particular situation. Some issues are dealt with and reported back to the resident who raised the matter. Others, impacting a wider cross section of residents are reported back through this magazine. If we weren't able to call on you or you were out, and you have an issue, please do contact one of the councillors or the chair.

As usual, issues concerning the roads were the most frequent. This last winter has seen a rapid deterioration in our roads and pavements, compared to previous winters. The engineers put this down to very hot weather last summer, followed by an extra cold snap in December and wet weather in January. Many previous pothole repairs popped out and there were lots of new failures.

The Highways team brought in extra road gangs, but many of the repairs were only temporary to meet safety standards. Since the spring, new repairs do seem to be properly made, with square-cut edges. Later in the magazine, page 15, there is an article on Project Horizon, the Council's road and pavement rebuilding programme.

Other issues reported to us which we have passed on include: dead trees, parking restrictions, street lighting, buses, speeding, police and antisocial behaviour, planning and land ownership issues.

If you have potholes or any other roads issues, you can report them through the Council's website directly using the QR code, else via URL:

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/





Maria Hewson - Community Development Worker

My name is Maria Hewson and I'm the Community Development Worker for the Tattenham Corner and Preston ward. I'm part of the Community Development team at Reigate and Banstead Borough Council. I have been in this post for six years.

What is Community Development? It's a process where local people to come together to act on things that are important to them. It's about positive social change, inclusion, and equality.

What does that mean? My role is to get to know the community as best I can; find out what you feel is good about living in the area, the strengths, and assets; find out what you would like to change or see improved; support you to put those changes in place. Part of my job is to enable the community to have a voice and ensure that your voice is heard.

An integral part of this is working in partnership with local organisations and the community so they can work together to improve services and have a voice in decisions that directly affect them. I host partnership meetings four times a year to find out about any changes and future.



Maria with the St Marks Sing Group

Some of the projects I'm involved in are:-

Monday Night Multi-sports: - 4-6pm at the Tadworth Leisure Centre, term time only. It is for young people 8+ who like to take part in sports activities, football in the 3G pitches with a football coach and racquet/ball sports in the sports hall.

Wednesday Football: - 4-6pm in the 3G pitches. Football for young people aged 10+, with a level 2 coach.

Both projects came about as a result of talking to residents in the area who felt that there wasn't enough for young people to do. Lots of young people said they would like to play football but couldn't afford to pay for the pitches. In partnership with Tadworth Leisure centre, Tadworth Colts and Sports4kids, we applied for funding for these sessions. It's a safe place for young people to go and be active.

Residents also told me that they would like to work out more but couldn't afford gym fees; would like somewhere to meet and shelter in the rain and would like a larger improved skate park. As a result of these discussions, an outside gym and shelter were installed, and a new skate board park is being built.

Preston Community Intergenerational Arts Group meets on the first Saturday of every month, between 2-4pm at the Phoenix Youth Centre. It is run by residents for residents who like to take part in (simple) arts and crafts, play board games, socialise, and have a cuppa. All children must be accompanied by an adult. It is free but donations are welcome to enable us to buy refreshments.



St Marks Food Club runs on a Friday at St Marks Church 1.30-3pm, the café area open from 11am. This is open to anyone who is struggling to buy food and would also like to help reduce waste. Members pay £1 as an annual subscription, then £2 per visit. Members can choose ten store cupboard items, plus fruit, veg and bread.

I'm working with Health on vaccination uptake in the area; projects to support people's emotional wellbeing and working with residents to help fund health projects.

Maria Hewson - Community Development Worker

Many residents have told me that they would like a community garden, somewhere to grow vegetables, flowers, meet other people, get outside, and relax. As a result, residents are working with St Marks Church on a community garden will start soon. This is for all to come along and join in.

I work to an action plan that is decided by working with residents and partners. One of the actions was to have a community event. Again, this is organised by residents. This year's event is on **Saturday 16th September 12-3pm** in **Preston Park.**

None of this work could be done without the support of local organisations, the local councillors and you, the residents. If you have any ideas to make this an even nicer place to live, please get in touch.

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New Skateboard Track

Good news for Preston Park users. The new skateboard track is on target for opening very shortly. This facility has been eagerly awaited by skateboarders of all ages.





Preston Park Signs

The existing signs are degraded, now being very faded and cracked. The Residents Association has put in a successful bid for funding to supply new signs for the benefit off all Preston Park users.

The project is now in the hands of the Borough Council and the Association will be monitoring the progress.





MYTI Club

The MYTI Youth Club, which operates out of The Phoenix Centre next to Tadworth Leisure Centre, will be open for three weeks during the summer school holidays. The Club currently has over 130 members and offers a range of sporting, arts & crafts and enrichment activities to local 8 to 15 yearolds. During the summer break there will also be two visits to The Old Pheasantry rural education centre in Mogador for a range of outdoor activities including nature walks and a surprise arts and crafts visit still to be finalised.

MYTI achieved charitable status in March of this year but is struggling to cover its costs and would welcome donations to support its activities. You can find out more about the Club, the dates it is opened and how you can support it with a donation by visiting its website:

https://www.myticlub.org.uk



MYTI Club members at The Old Pheasantry

Banstead Commons Conservators

Banstead Commons Conservators are recruiting volunteers



Do you love nature on your doorstep? Would you like to volunteer to help conserve Banstead Commons for future generations to enjoy and wildlife to thrive? The Banstead Commons Conservators are recruiting volunteers to join regular work parties that will be held on the four sites that make up Banstead Commons: Banstead Heath, Banstead Downs, Park Downs and Burgh Heath. Tasks will include invasive species control, scrub clearance and litter management.

Conservation work parties will be held fortnightly and will commence at the beginning of October. No prior experience is necessary.

A full task briefing is held at each session which includes an overview of the habitat that you will be working to conserve, the job ahead and how to operate safely in the field.

Practical volunteering is a great way to keep fit, meet new people and most importantly, have fun! If you'd like to learn more about the opportunities available and commitment required, please contact:

Lucy Shea on 07919 251 512 or email: clerk@bansteadcommonsconservators.co.uk



The Conservators would like to use this opportunity to thank our local Resident Associations, Farming in Protected Landscapes, and the Downlands Trust who donated funds to enable us to purchase hand tools to support a group of twenty five volunteers.

Please follow us on social media for regular news and updates - Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

"Though rich in places, Britain as a whole is one of the most nature depleted countries in the world. Never has there been a more important time to invest in our wildlife".

Sir David Attenborough

Banstead Commons Conservators Guided Walk Programme

History & countryside management of <u>Banstead</u> Heath

Friday 14 July, 10am until 12.30pm

Join Banstead Commons Conservators for a guided walk on Banstead Heath taking you through a mosaic of habitats on the Heath including open meadow, secondary woodland and areas of mixed gorse heathland.



Walk of Remembrance on Banstead Heath Friday 10 November, 10am until 12pm

Banstead Heath and its villages played an important role in both world wars. Signs of its martial use can still be found. Join local historian Timothy Richardson for a short walk around Banstead Heath to find out more.



Historical and archaeological features of Banstead Downs

Thursday 7 September, 2pm until 4pm

Join Conservator Cllr. Peter Harp for a walk looking at some of the historical and archaeological features on this part of the Commons. Leaving from Banstead Downs Golf Club, you will take a leisurely stroll through history looking at the Saxon burial ground, Potters Lane and other historical features on the common.



Walk numbers are limited and there is a suggested donation of £5 to reserve a place. Places will be issued on a first come first-served basis. Dogs on leads are welcome.

To reserve a place, please email clerk@bansteadcommonsconservators.co.uk or call 07919 251 512

Langley Vale WW1 Centenary Wood

The Langley Vale First World War Centenary Wood now has a new car park. This will be open every day of the year, excluding Christmas Day and Derby Day, and includes electric vehicle charging points, in line with the planning consent, all ready for visitors.

Well worth a visit now that summer is finally here!





Community Speed Watch



IF YOU and other members of your community think that speeding traffic has a dangerous or anti-social impact in our neighbourhood and you would like to take an active role in speed monitoring, then forming a group is a good next step.

Community Speed Watch (CSW) has been very successful not only in Surrey, but in other areas of the country as well. CSW has had a significant impact in re-educating motorists regarding speed and raised their awareness of the impact that anti-social driving has on communities. Schemes have also made the roads safer for individuals, particularly very young people and the elderly. Communities have also reported a much improved environment and a greater feeling of safety.



Community Speed Watch is a locally driven initiative where active members of the community, with the support of the police and the local authority, monitor speeds of vehicles at specific locations using speed detection devices. Registered keepers of vehicles that exceed the speed limit are sent letters advising them of the speed that the vehicle was driven at with the aim of educating them, changing their behaviour and reducing their speed.

Speeding vehicles through a community area is normally raised as a neighbourhood issue at a public meeting or through contact with the local Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Neighbourhood officers will discuss the problem with a Surrey Police Casualty Reduction Officer, who will monitor traffic through identified locations and report back to the community about the seriousness of the problem. Collecting this evidence is crucial in setting up a scheme.

If the evidence shows a significant problem, police will target the area wherever possible. But they will also ask the community if they would like to set up a Community Speed Watch scheme which allows greater flexibility in monitoring the situation and enables the community to target vehicles when they want to, and not just when the police have available resources.

I believe we have a speeding problem and would like to set up a scheme covering both Nork and Tattenham Corner and Preston areas, but can only do this with your help.

I am looking for enthusiastic and willing volunteers so we can commence this initiative. Full training will be given by Surrey Police.

Please contact me by email: Timsnuggs1@gmail.com



Banstead and District Veterans Hub



The Banstead and District branch of the Royal British Legion has set up a Veterans Hub for men and women and spouses who have served in the Armed Forces.

The inaugural event was held at The Community Centre, Horseshoe, Banstead on Wednesday 21st June 2023 and was attended by over 25 veterans who enjoyed a wonderful talk by Colin Sutherland on 'Banstead during the War'. As well as engaging in excellent conversation plans were outlined for future events that included, trips, talks, quizzes, entertainment etc. all over a lovely lunch.

Initially we had invited predominantly older people as we started with a daytime meeting but fully intend to offer in due course amenities for recently demobbed and more active individuals meaning all ages will be able to enjoy a monthly get-together with a full programme of events.



Please contact me if you would be interested in attending as either a veteran or someone who can provide aid or ideas - help is always welcome. The next two events are on Wednesday 26th July 2023 from 10am to 2pm, and Wednesday 30th August from 10am to 1.30pm. Transport will be provided if required

Tim Snuggs Vice Chairman (RBL)

Timsnuggs1@mail.com or call 07956 05063

The Royal Coronation Big Help Out Litter Pick

Monday 8th May 2023 saw our local residents come out to litter pick. Although it was a damp and rather windy day the turnout was good and as the photograph shows we did rather well and cleaned up many roads around the train station, The Mound, Downs Wood, Great Tattenhams and nearby streets.

It was great also to see many of our younger community attend and some even brought along their own equipment. I hope this will be the start of our litter picking in this area which I want to also extend to Preston in July. We often see one or two individuals collecting quite frequently in the area. I want these occasions to be community based.

Let me know what areas we can target next. Is your area in need of a little TLC? Email me at the address below:

Tim Snuggs email: Timsnuggs1@gmail.com



Thanks also to John Kemp and the MYTI Club for the pickers and purple bags. Pickers and bags are now available for residents to use at the Tattenham Corner Library. I would love to build on this initiative and with your help we can. Thank you to all those who came along on the day and please look out for our next litter picking event.

"NO ONE LEFT BEHIND" - A Dose of Reality

"No one left behind" is a mantra frequently peppered around in press releases by the County Council and in speeches by the council cabinet and senior officers. It's as if saying it many times will make it a reality. It's the equivalent of the government's Levelling Up agenda.

So, what is the position? The Council Children's Service has been struggling for more than a decade. At the last inspection in March 2022, the Service moved out of "Intervention" to "Requires Improvement" – better but still not good enough.

We report on the situation for children with special education needs and disabilities (SEND) and a recent report from Family Voice Surrey. https://familyvoicesurrey.org/ This is a charity championing the needs and rights of SEND families in Surrey: families with children or young adults up to the age of 25 who have special education needs, chronic illnesses, including mental health conditions or disabilities. As a Parent Carer Forum, its role in representing these families is recognised in legislation.

Support for these children comes through the development of an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) which guides schools, health and their parents in how they should assist the child in their development. There are 13,000 children in Surrey with EHCP's, so that's probably about 150 in our area.

To obtain an EHCP is a complex process. There are statutory timeframes, but there is a shortage of staff, particularly educational psychologists on a national basis, so inevitably many EHCP's are late.

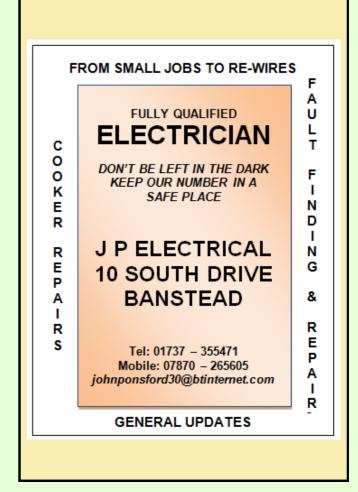
So structured help from agencies is late. Another consequence is that schools are using their own funds (an EHCP comes with funding) to provide some element of assistance on an interim basis; we all know how schools budgets are already stretched. Surrey has a backlog of 937 new applications which at the current rate of action will take until March 2024 to clear.

Even when a child has an EHCP it's not all plain sailing. Surrey appoints a SEND Case Officer to provide oversight of each child's progress, but Family Voice Surrey found:

- 42% have not had a named case officer for 12 months or more.
- 88% of parents/carers said they did not feel supported by their SEND Case Officer and do not feel that the Case Officer has their child and family's best interests at heart.
- 82% of parents/carers do not feel included as part of the decision-making process.
- 93% of parents/carers feel it would be beneficial to be copied on correspondence to all professionals.
- 53% of parents/carers had not received the outcome or amended EHCP plan within the statutory 4-8 weeks following an annual review.

Children's Services say that improvements have been made since the survey was issued. Family Voice say that their contacts with families and their inbox do not support this statement. In fact, the feedback is that there has been absolutely no discernible change since the survey was conducted.

Family Voice understands that a case officer would typically deal with around 200/250 cases at any one time, and some case officers may be dealing with around 270/280 cases. Surely an impossible job. The Council's Childrens and Families Scrutiny Committee is reviewing the situation and seeking to hold the administration to account for measurable improvements.



Roads - Project Horizon

The real solution to improving roads is resurfacing/ renewal or reconstructing those that are in a bad condition – rather than coming back to repair potholes that reappear year after year. About 15 years ago the Council launched "Project Horizon" for carriageway and footway upgrades – perhaps named because the horizon is never reached.

Horizon priorities are set on a County-wide basis, based on an engineering assessment of the road (not just the top surface but the underlying structure) and also its usage – traffic volumes, A or B designation, whether it is on a bus route or near a school, and pedestrian footfall etc.

The Residents Association has been successful in diligently promoting our roads for assessment – and while most of the main roads have been addressed, focus now needs to be directed at the smaller residential roads and pavements. Set out below is the Horizon master list for Tattenhams and Preston, showing those tackled in 2022-23 and those scheduled for 2023-24.

Headley Grove & Staithes Way	Carriageway	Done	
Great Tattenhams	Footway	Done	Outside Stanley Lodge
Great Tattenhams & St Marks Road	New Drainage	Done	Three new soak aways & fix existing gullies
The Drive	Footway	Done	Picquets Way to end
Chetwode Road	Carriageway	2023-24	Priority Road for 2023-24
Epsom Lane North	Footway	2023-24	
Reigate Road	Footway	2023-24	West side - West Drive to pedestrian-X to Asda
Merland Rise - late addition	Carriageway	2023-24	Emergency renewal, rapid deterioration
Preston Lane	Carriageway	2023-24	
Reigate Road - new	Carriageway - pothole	Looking to	From Burgh Heath to
	prevention scheme	2023-24	Asda/West Drive
Waterer Gardens	Carriageway	2023-24	
Picquets Way	Footway	2023-24	

In the Nork part of the County division, four further schemes were completed in 2022-23, and six are scheduled for 2023-24, with Nork Way as the priority road.

In future years, the following are on the master list.

Coxdean	Carriageway	Chapel Way	Footway (both sides)
Great Tattenhams	Footway (east side)	Garlichill Road	Carriageway
Royal Drive	Carriageway	Chetwode Drive	Footway (both sides)
Hatch Gardens	Footway (both sides)	Preston Lane	Footway
Marbles Way	Footway (both sides)		

No priorities or time scales have yet been set for these schemes; priorities are set annually on a county-wide basis, using the criteria set out above. If you have any further suggestions please contact the councillors and we will arrange for an assessment to be made.

Road funding is a continuing challenge, as unlike most counties, the Council receives no revenue support grant from government. Some highways grants are received but these are shared out nationally on the basis of the total road length. This ignores the volumes of traffic - the major determination of structural deterioration – which is much higher in Surrey. The remainder of funding comes from capital borrowing, rather than directly from council tax.









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