



November 2015

LEOMANSLEY AREA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

ABOUT LARA

LARA is the residents association for the Leomansley Ward of Lichfield, covering the areas around Christchurch Lane, Walsall Road and Darwin Park.

LARA's aim is to support residents by forging links with the councillors responsible for our area, taking up issues that affect our daily lives and ensuring that the Leomansley area remains a great place to live.

We also seek to develop a true community spirit by organising social events where residents can better get to know their neighbours.

SOCIAL EVENTS

LARA aim to organise a number of social events throughout the year.

The Family Treasure Hunt in August was well organised, but not quite as well attended as it might have been, due to the torrential rain that day.

A Skittles night is planned to be held in Darwin Hall early in the New Year.

JOIN LARA

All residents of the Leomansley area and Darwin Park are eligible to be members. Membership for 2016 costs just £3 per person.

See the back page for more details of membership benefits and of how to join.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2015 LARA Annual General Meeting is at 11:30am on 7th November 2015 at Martin Heath Hall, Christchurch Lane.

All Leomansley and Darwin Park residents are invited, regardless of whether or not you are a member of LARA.

Come along, make your views known and find out what's happening in the local area.

Issues being addressed include:

- Roads, traffic and parking.
- Adoption of Darwin Park roads and open space.
- How the new developments could impact on us including Hallam Park, Friarsgate and the proposed Deanslade Farm development (the fields to the south of Falkland Road).

Local councillors and the local police will be present to address you and answer questions.

See the back page for the agenda.

LOCAL ISSUES

The AGM is for you, the residents, to help LARA, the councillors, and the police to better understand the issues in Leomansley and Darwin Park as you see them.

Please let us know if there are any other issues you feel should be addressed.

LARA MEMBERSHIP

LARA membership enables you to help support the activities of LARA and support the local community.

Your membership subscription helps us to plan for the future, cover our running costs and enables us to expand our activities.

We are trying to organise more social events and take a more active role in supporting the community. But we have expenses like insurance, room hire, refreshments, printing

and distribution, quiz prizes and web site management and hosting.

Members continue to benefit from an active email list keeping them informed of local crime, upcoming consultations etc, as well as a feeling of belonging to, and supporting, our community.

Membership for 2016 costs £3 per person. You may donate more if you wish. You can pay at the AGM, by PayPal on our web site (www.tell-lara.co.uk) or by cheque to "Leomansley Area Residents Association".

AGM AGENDA

11:30	Chairman's Welcome and Introduction of Guests
11:35	Apologies
11:40	Minutes of the 2014 AGM
11:50	Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts
12:00	Appointment of Independent Auditors
12:05	Election of Executive Committee
12:15	Police Report – Crime trends
12:30	Report from Fire & Rescue Service
12:40	Parking Restrictions – Christchurch Lane and Darwin Park
12:50	Friarsgate and Deanslade Farm developments
13:00	LARA's Pool Project
13:10	Social Programme
13:20	AOB and Open Forum

Nominations for the Executive Committee, proposed and seconded, should be lodged with the LARA secretary at least 12 hours before the AGM.

Can't make the AGM? Send any concerns, comments or feedback to:

feedback@tell-lara.co.uk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The LARA Executive Committee meet throughout the year to discuss and take action on a variety of issues.

Residents are informed through the email list and the web site of any issues that need to be brought to their attention, and a report is made to residents at the AGM at the end of the year. The members of the Executive Committee for the current year are:

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