



## **CARA AGM**

**Thursday 16th October 6.30 for 7pm – Canbury Pavilion**

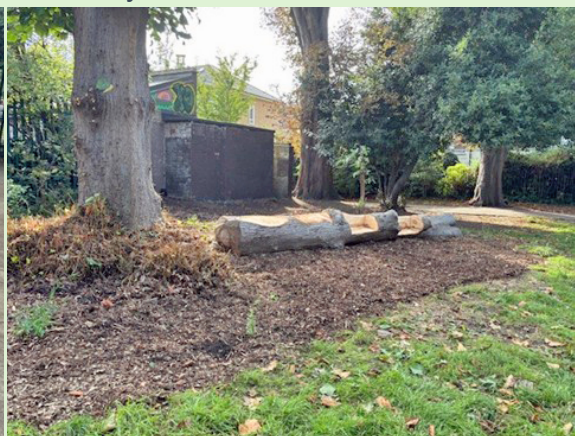
A final reminder about our AGM this Thursday!

Doors open at 6.30pm for refreshments before the AGM begins at 7pm.

At about 7.30pm, we are delighted that Jason Debney, Co-ordinator, [Thames Landscape Strategy](#), will give an illustrated talk about their work, including the environmental importance of the riverbank re-naturalisation and the future for local floodplains like Lower Ham Road.

## **Community Payback Team returns to Canbury Gardens**

After months of negotiations with the London Probation Service, Trevor Willis and Andy Hallet from Glendale have successfully got Community Payback back to Kingston. The team will be working on various projects in Canbury Gardens which will be their static site for the foreseeable future. They have already carried out several cut backs, weeding and helped create some seating from a felled tree near to the Community Garden.



## **Canbury Car Park Development update**

We are very pleased to confirm that TfL have concluded that the proposed development would significantly impact bus reliability and traffic in Kingston - and have rejected the current proposal. A new proposal may not now come to council before next year!

Sarah Olney MP, who has repeatedly raised her concerns, thanked CARA together with other local constituents who fought against the proposal.

## **Local police/crime news**

Crime rate in RBK is the lowest in London and Tudor Ward the lowest in RBK. Bike theft remains the most frequent crime in Canbury Gardens Ward.

Police offer bike marking for free to aid recovery – see [this link](#) for local dates.

## Kingston's high rankings!

Kingston was ranked second best place to be born in UK, according to The Times last month. This was based on factors that included life expectancy, child poverty, pollution, disposable income, housing affordability, avoidable mortality and economic activity across age groups.

And The Kingston Academy was ranked in the top 10 non-selective schools in the country last month! Well done to Sophie Cavanagh and the whole team at TKA.

## CARA Christmas Drinks at The Boaters Inn

Mince pies are in Sainsbury's and we are already thinking about our annual Christmas gathering at [The Boaters Inn](#). Please do mark your diaries for ***Monday 15th December 7.00 to 9.00pm***