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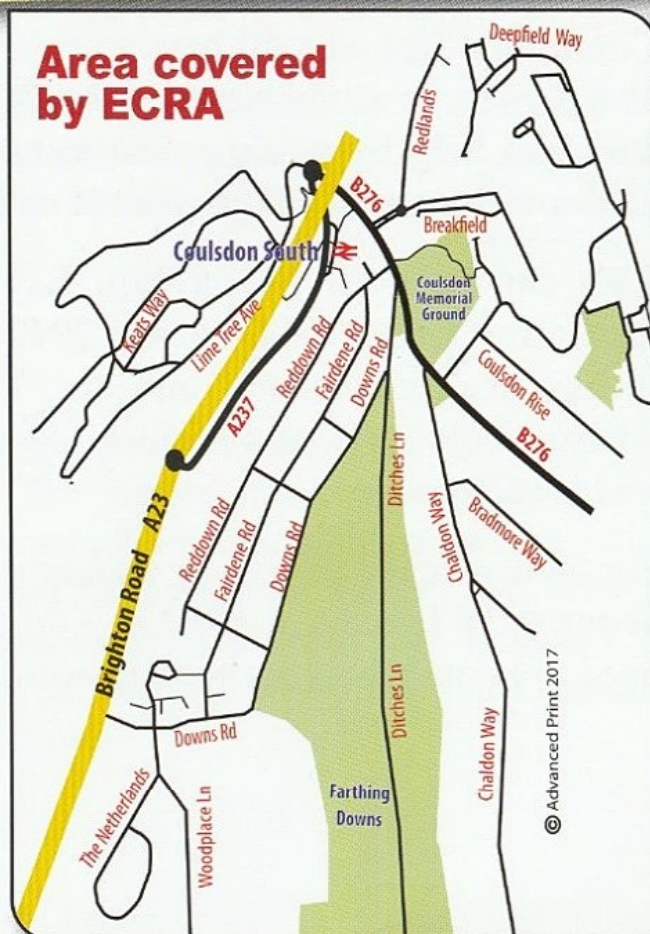
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Editorial

ECRA has had another successful year. We have lobbied Croydon Council and had discussions with the newly-elected Croydon Mayor on a range of subjects affecting Coulsdon including planning, parking, grass-cutting in the parks, road repairs and replacing of trees in the town centre. We have also lobbied *Thames Water* to repair and stop the sewer spillages in Hadleigh Grove and into the town centre from Cane Hill. On Cane Hill we have got *Barratts* to replace the Stop sign in Lime Tree Avenue, repair and update Footpath 744 Charles Hancock Way and are still in discussion over the surfaces of footpaths around Iron Railway Close. We have worked with the other Coulsdon RAs to try to improve the NHS services in Coulsdon. With the other RAs and the businesses, we have added the 16 missing names to the WW1 Memorial and we were a founder member of Coulsdon Community Partnership which brought the Christmas lights and Yuletide festival to Coulsdon again. We have managed to add another three finials to the Coulsdon Art Trail. We continue, with the help of our Road Stewards, to bring you four issues of The Review per year, run our website and Facebook Page.

ECRA Subscriptions: like everybody else, we are suffering from increased costs with inflation at over 10% and bank interest rates at their highest level for twelve years. Printing The Review, room hire and more, have all risen in price considerably over the last year. At the moment our subscription is only £3 per year and has been for many years. This year we may have to start eating into our reserves even though we have had an increase in advertising. Regretfully the Committee feel we will have to raise the subscription to £5. We will still deliver The Review to all residents in the ECRA area.

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Community Action

by Gill Hickson

Purley Food Hub

ECRA would like to thank all those who have contributed to our food collection in the yellow bin at 6 Mead Way. This is donated to Purley Food Hub on a regular basis and is much needed as the numbers using the Purley Food Hub have increased. As well as food, toiletries and pet food are also welcome.

The Hub at Old Lodge Lane Baptist Church has re-organised so Kathy and Pete will no longer be taking collections of clothes, toys, books and household items at their house in Mead Way. We would like to thank them for all their hard work throughout last year which provided much needed items for people in need and to all those who donated. The Hub is now only taking adult clothes. At present, they are open for donations on a Thursday morning for passing on to clients on a Tuesday.



Litter Picking

Litter picking will continue as the weather warms up and we look for hot-spots that need attention. If you know anywhere that needs a litter pick or would like to join Gill's team, please contact Gill on: 07956 666095 or by email: ghilly1@virginmedia.com

The Hive

We had an action day recently to plant bulbs at the front of the library that our founder Emily had acquired. Our regular group of volunteers were joined by Corin, Isabelle and their mum, which was great to start them young. Looking forward to seeing all the colours in the Spring. We are looking to getting landscaping underway in April so pop in and say 'Hi' if you're passing and come and get involved if you'd like to volunteer.

Marlpit Lane Bowling Green is closed for the Winter. Volunteers are still needed for maintenance across the winter and again for the next summer season. If you would like to help, please contact Maureen on 07761 926498. **The Poppy Café** is due to reopen on Wednesday 1st March 2023.

Marlpit Lane WWI Memorial 16 Missing Names



A dedication service was held on Armistice day 11th November 2023. The service was conducted by Pastor Malcom Newman and after a two minute silence at 11am the names were read out by Carole Skinner and wreaths were laid by Deputy Civic Mayor Cllr Sue Bennett, Cllr Margaret Bird, the British Legion and the four Coulsdon Residents' Associations.

Crawford Crescent – Cane Hill

by Roger Packham



One of the new roads on the Cane Hill development is Crawford Crescent, situated near the Victorian water tower, links with Portnalls Road via Sir James Moody Way. The road name is well deserved as it commemorates the remarkable family of Rev John Charles Crawford (1849-1936), chaplain at the Asylum from its opening in 1883 until he was obliged to retire in 1919 on reaching the age of 70.

Rev Crawford was a former Kent county cricketer and Cane Hill team member which, under his guidance, was a force in London club cricket. His three sons, Frank, Reggie and Jack played for the hospital team, but each went on to have successful county careers, particularly young Jack who became the youngest England Test cricketer in 1906. Frank's cricket at Whitgift remarkably earned him more runs and more wickets than any public school cricketer and he still holds the world record for the longest six hit in first-class cricket. It is also said that his two daughters could swing a good bat.

The Crawford story, though, is not all about cricket. Rev Crawford was Chairman of Coulsdon Parish Council which was part of Croydon Rural District Council until 1914. He and his colleagues had campaigned to separate Coulsdon from Croydon as in their view there was now sufficient population to be a separate authority. This was accepted by Surrey County Council and Coulsdon and Purley Urban District Council was formed in 1915.

Rev. Crawford spent much time in raising funds for good causes by arranging many local concerts involving his talented family to benefit Reedham Orphanage in Old Lodge Lane. Reggie and Jack had splendid voices, as had sisters Leslie and Doris and Mrs Crawford. Frank could play a variety of instruments and Rev Crawford was always in demand with his own recitations and humorous ditties.

Reginald Crawford played for Leicestershire, having been born there and resident from 1901 to 1907. His best season in first-class cricket was in 1902, where he made 852 runs at an average of 25.05 and took 40 wickets. His brother Vivian Frank Crawford joined him at Leicester in 1903 as secretary of Leicestershire County Cricket Club.

The best remembered member of the family is young John Neville Crawford (Jack), born at Cane Hill in 1886 and died at Epsom Cottage Hospital in 1963. He first played for Surrey as a 17 year-old scoring 50plus on his debut in the Canterbury week of 1903. As an all-round cricketer he played for England in South Africa and Australia, and he still holds the record for the highest ever score abroad by an Englishman – a little matter of 354 in New Zealand in 1914. Following a dispute, young Jack parted company with Surrey in 1909 and moved to Australia where his outstanding performances steered South Australia to the Sheffield Shield. He appeared in an unofficial Test match for Australia and scored a century.

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Crawford Crescent – Cane Hill

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After service in the Great War young Jack returned to England after an absence of ten years and in his first match back in Surrey colours he scored an exhilarating century against the ferocious Gregory and the Australians of 1919, repeatedly driving him into the Oval pavilion. A few weeks later he partnered Jack Hobbs in scoring 96 in half an hour to beat Kent and the rain. Franks (Vivian) unfortunately died in 1922 from his WWI wounds. He is one of the 16 missing names added to the Marlpit Lane memorial in November 2022 (see page 5).

In the 1970s I had the great pleasure of meeting Jack Crawford's widow at her Ewell home. She kindly lent me precious news cuttings of her late husband's brilliant career. I was even given a copy of the bitter correspondence between Jack and Surrey CCC that led to his move to Adelaide. A few years ago, I wrote an article about this remarkable family for the Bourne Society (copies still available) and mentioned the fact that when the ageing Rev Crawford retired he was obliged to leave Cane Hill for a curacy in Merton in 1919 he still returned to Coulsdon to vote...together with his 100-year-old father!

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What's Happening In and Around Coulsdon

by Charles King

Cane Hill: All the apartments in Henry Howell House (the old Admin block) are now occupied and the Water Tower has been sold subject to contract. Work should continue on the chapel soon and this should include restoring the two World War memorial plaques. There is still no update on the former compound area at the bottom of the site near Lion Green Road which had planning permission for commercial use. Barratts may decide not to develop the site and pass it back to the GLA. **Footpath 744 Charles Hancock Way** has now had the kerb raised along Lime Tree Avenue (picture right)



London Loop: It is proposed that section 6 of the London Loop (*the London Outer Orbital Loop walking route around London*) from Coulsdon South station to Banstead Downs that passes along Lion Green Road will be diverted through the bottom of Cane Hill along Iron Railway



Close. Unfortunately, it will have steps. It will pass the end of the old Surrey Iron Railway embankment which is a Scheduled Ancient Monuments, then down new steps to the back of Lion Green car park to make it more interesting. The step-free way will remain along the Brighton Road and Lion Green Road.



Coulsdon Town Centre: On the Brighton Road **Murch Masala** reopened in time for Christmas. **Janes** finally moved out of Sentinel House, which has now been sold to a commercial property company. The planning application to turn it into flats was refused by Croydon, but has gone to appeal. In Chipstead Valley Road **Lawson and Stone** estate agents has closed.

Lion Green Road: The five blocks of flats at Lion Green, to be known as 'Red Clover Gardens', are now being landscaped.

CField, the construction company, should be off-site by the end of February. We understand that **BrickbyBrick** are in the process of selling them to **Notting Hill Genesis** housing association. We believe that they will have to comply with the existing planning permission in that two blocks are for sale, two blocks are for shared ownership and one block is for social housing.



NHS in Coulsdon : We are pleased to say that the new NHS kidney dialysis centre which was put on hold due to the NHS spending review has now restarted and should be ready for occupation in May 2023. The entrance will be in Malcolm Road. However, the proposed new Coulsdon Medical Centre at the Woodcote Grove Road end of the site is still on hold due to the cut in NHS spending. ECRA and the other Coulsdon RAs met with Matthew Kershaw, the CEO of Croydon NHS, to urge them to continue with the badly needed medical facility for Coulsdon. He agreed that a new medical centre for Coulsdon was a priority and needed to have adequate access for people with disabilities and ambulances. He would continue to lobby NHS England to release funds to enable the Coulsdon medical centre to come to fruition.

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What's Happening In and Around Coulsdon

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In and around Coulsdon: *The Tudor Rose* Old Coulsdon has closed for refurbishment. *NatWest Bank* have announced the closure of the Caterham branch in February, while *Halifax* have announced that their Purley Branch will close in June. In *BoxPark*, by East Croydon Station, *Amazon* have opened an *Amazon Fresh* store using Amazon technology; no queues and no check-outs.



Coulsdon Manor Hotel: Croydon Council decided to withdraw the sale of Coulsdon Manor Hotel and Golf Course. What was once known as Coulsdon Court, from the days it was the home of the Byron family, was bought by the Coulsdon and Purley Urban District Council in 1937. The golf course, which was opened as a private club in 1926, has been a pay-as-you-play public course for the last 85 years. *Bespoke Hotels* have operated the re-styled

Coulsdon Manor Hotel and the golf course under long-term leases from Croydon Council. On checking, ECRA was surprised to find that the hotel building was not on Croydon's Historic Buildings list. This is the last of the three Byron family buildings in Coulsdon, Hooley House and Portnalls having been demolished. ECRA feels it is important to recognise the importance of the building to Coulsdon. We have no objection to the hotel being developed and improved, but feel the frontage of the building should be preserved as part of Coulsdon's heritage and history.

Marlpit Farm: At 22 Marlpit Lane is on Croydon's local list of Historic Buildings which contains buildings throughout the Borough which, although not of sufficient quality to warrant Statutory Listing, in the Council's opinion significantly contribute to the townscape of an area by their historical or architectural interest. Marlpit Farm is a local brick and flint building in Marlpit Lane Coulsdon which dates back to 1878. It was the first and only building in Marlpit Lane until after World War One.



As the area developed with new residential properties in the 1930s it ceased to be a farm and became a residential property. Unfortunately, the building has not been occupied for a number of years and has been allowed to deteriorate. The last owner and resident was an elderly single male who did little to maintain its upkeep. On his death he left the building to what is believed to be a political organisation who also did nothing to maintain or protect the building. In early 2020 it was put up for auction, but unfortunately did not make the reserved price due to the poor condition. It remains empty and has deteriorated further. This building is clearly of importance for the history of Coulsdon and Croydon and ECRA have been trying to get Croydon to compulsory purchase it. We are pleased to say that it has been sold and will be restored.

Coulsdon Community Partnership

by Eleanor Richardson

The Coulsdon Community Partnership is a new initiative to bring together existing groups within the town centre to promote volunteering opportunities and help bring the businesses and the residents working together to make Coulsdon a better place. Businesses and residents can help through sponsorship opportunities, volunteering their time and taking part in events to support the town centre. Going into a difficult year it is even more important that we try and shop local and support each other and this is what the Coulsdon Community Partnership is hoping to achieve.

We were a very “green” team having only a few members that had been involved previously, but with the tireless work of everyone involved we managed to pull off a fun day with Santa’s grotto, fairground rides, a full programme of stage acts and the support of many local businesses and charities who took stalls on the day. Hopefully next year will be even bigger and better!



Our first event was Coulsdon Yuletide Magic. We restarted the annual Christmas event in Coulsdon after the Coulsdon Yulefest team decided they no longer wanted to continue. We are also incorporating as a charity including *The Hive* and this will enable the Hive to obtain much needed grant funding to build the garden so that it can become an amazing community space for the town centre. It will also make it

easier for businesses to donate and sponsor events. We are still in discussions with the charity commission but hope to have charity registration soon. Eventually we are hoping that we will be able to utilise our links with *The Hive* to create a Coulsdon in Bloom event.

Our next event is the **Easter Hunt** which will take place over the Easter holidays with a big eggstravaganza on **Saturday 8th April**. For the latest information on this and other events, please visit our website:

<https://coulsdonpartnership.org/events>

We are currently in discussions as to whether we should put on an event for the coronation.

If you have any ideas for events or have a skill, time that you would like to devote to making our town centre a happy place please do not hesitate to join the Coulsdon Community Partnership Facebook group and let us know! Alternatively you can get in contact with ECRA by emailing info@eastcoulsdon.co.uk or contacting any of the committee members who will pass your details onto Coulsdon Community Partnership.

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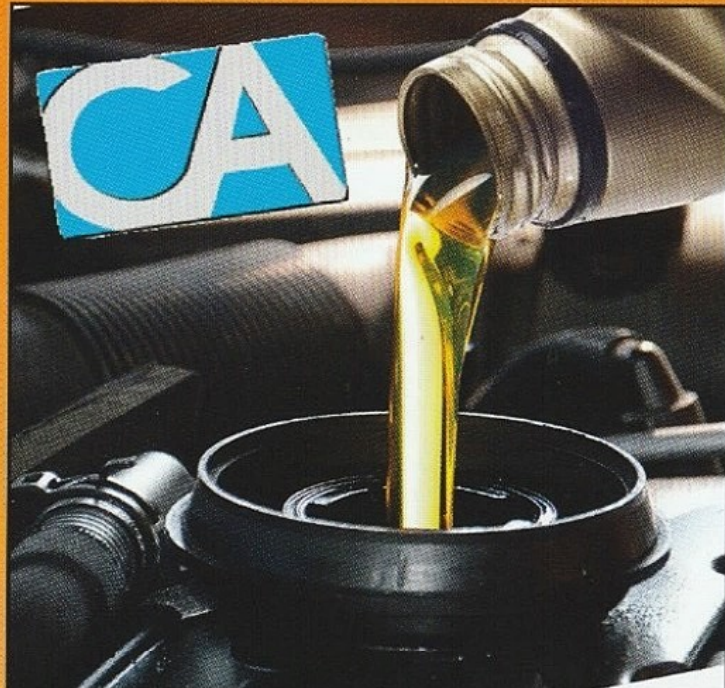
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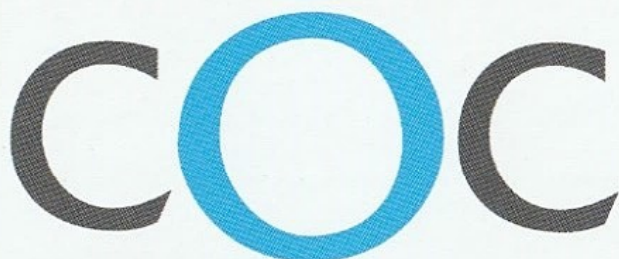


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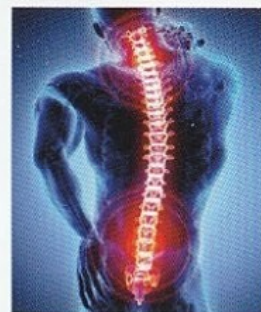
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ECRA is Happy to Host

by Eleanor Richardson

We have welcomed several Ukrainian families to the local area. Some have now been here for nearly a year and with no sign of any let up in the conflict, it is likely they will be staying in our communities for the foreseeable future. I have been hosting a lovely family from Dnipro consisting of a mother and two children, a boy aged 6 and a girl aged 4. Hosting has really opened my eyes into several areas of our system in the UK that I had previously been lucky enough to avoid dealing with. The first hurdle was obtaining visas for the family. Although they met all the criteria and all had Ukrainian passports (unlike many Ukrainian families who have had to undergo an even more gruelling process) it still took three months of relentless chasing of my MP and Croydon Council for my family to all obtain their visas. This was at the start of the process and the government did promise that they had streamlined the system to provide visas within 48 hours, but we are currently going through the process again to try and bring our guest's mother across – the application went in at the end of November and we are still waiting!



Having got the family here I naively thought that the worst of the bureaucracy was behind us, but the minefield of filling in forms for universal credit, registering with the GP and finding school places provided the next level of relentless fighting the system for sensible answers. It was not until the last week of the Christmas term that we actually got all of my household's children into the same school which created its own logistical challenge.

I am aware that the system is much more generous under the Homes for Ukraine scheme than to others who arrive seeking sanctuary in the UK.

Normally claims take many years to be decided and although the individuals may well already be in the UK, until their claim is processed they are unable to work. At least under the Homes for Ukraine scheme, our guests are given the right to remain in the UK for three years with the right to work (provided their qualifications can be verified). Unfortunately verifying qualifications in the middle of a warzone is not very straightforward and there is only one recognised company I am aware of that carries out these checks. Again we were at the mercy of that company for almost four months before my guest could prove that she did actually have her qualifications.



Despite the bureaucracy, the experience of sharing your house with another family has been and continues to be almost completely positive. We have been on holiday together to Devon, we have been introduced to very tasty Ukrainian cuisine and we have introduced them to the Sunday roast, Christmas pudding and have enjoyed making the most of the opportunity to show them our traditions, sharing the jubilee celebrations, the pomp and

circumstance of the state funeral of our Queen, celebrating Halloween, fireworks night, pantomime, Christmas and Burns night.



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ECRA is Happy to Host

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Obviously we have also lived the uncertainties of waking up to news that apartment blocks have been destroyed in her home town and waiting for news of her husband, holding our breath when it has taken her husband several hours to do a 40 minute journey to visit her parents in Ukraine because of all the checkpoints he has had to go through. It definitely proves that you have to make the most of every day as you never know what tomorrow will bring.

I am very lucky to be able to continue to host my guests indefinitely, but not all hosts are so lucky. If you would be interested in becoming a follow-on host for families that are already here, or for families that are still fleeing areas that used to be relatively "safe" in Ukraine and are becoming much less so, please do feel free to contact me elcaric@gmail.com.



The Government is making changes to the Voting System

From the next local elections to vote at a polling station under the Elections Act 2022 you will need to have photographic ID. The government has listed the following as acceptable photo IDs :

- Passport
- Driving licence (including provisional license)
- Blue badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards
- Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards

It must be the original document and not a photocopy. However, out of date documents will be acceptable (*For some reason Student photo ID cards are not acceptable*). **If you do not have one of these forms of ID you can apply for a Government Voter Authority Certificate** www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate You will need a digital photo and your national insurance number.

The other alternative is to apply for a postal vote and this can be obtained from Croydon www.croydon.gov.uk/council-and-elections/voting-and-elections/voting/how-vote/post

The next election in Croydon will be the General election in 2024. However, it will apply to a General Election or in any byelection that is called after May 2023.

Healthy School Street Scheme

by Charles King

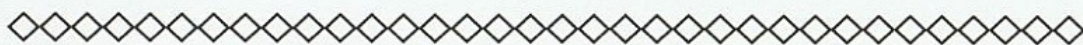
The Mayor of Croydon has now announced another round of Healthy School Street Schemes banning traffic near schools from 8 – 9.30am and from 2.30 – 4pm affecting the following ten schools for a trial basis for up to 18 months.

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- The Crescent Primary School & The BRIT School (CR0 2HN)
- St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy (CR7 8DZ)
- Good Shepherd Catholic Primary and Nursery School (CR0 0RG)



It was also proposed to include Oasis Byron with a traffic ban in St David's and Southlands Close. ECRA objected on the grounds that there was inadequate consultation. There is no other route into Southlands Close, which has an older peoples' home and many older residents that may need carers and relatives to visits at any time and three permits per household were insufficient. As a result the

restriction will only apply to the section of St David's between Southlands Close and the school gates.



Coulsdon Art Trail – Logie Baird Finial

The latest finial commemorates Logie Baird's Transatlantic TV Broadcast to New York on 8th February 1928, from his chief engineer Benjamin Clapp's house in Warwick Road, Coulsdon (pictured below right: the garden in Warwick Road © Pathe News) where he had a 200ft radio mast running round the garden on a number of large polls. There is a short video on **Youtube** of Pathe News item: "Seeing by Wireless" www.youtube.com/watch?v=W_vZEizlibk

On their way back from New York on board the Cunard liner Berengaria they set up their equipment and successfully made the first ship to shore TV transmission via the ship radio. For more information, this article gives a detailed account of the transmission:

<https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/stamp/stamp.jsp?arnumber=8726186>



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OPEN EVENT – 16th MARCH 2023, 5-7PM

Stuart Barlow, the new principal at Coulsdon Sixth Form College recently said in an interview, “The next two years will be a period of consolidation, embedding the great stuff that already happens and building a team that is explicitly focused on making sure that every individual student gets the best possible teaching and support on their journey to being the best version of themselves. I want Coulsdon Sixth Form College to fulfil the potential that it has to grow and flourish. This will expand the diversity of courses on offer, increase the number of students studying with us and ultimately give rise to even more successes for our students.”

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Pathways at Coulsdon Sixth Form College

The unique, “pathways” structure at Coulsdon Sixth Form College underpins the college’s commitment to creating a learning environment in which each student can thrive. Every student receives a bespoke package of support, mentoring and guidance, based upon their needs and goals. As they make the transition from school life, they are supported at every step to become more confident, more independent, and more successful.

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* 100% of attendees said they were more likely to apply after visiting the college at the Autumn open event.

Public Transport Report

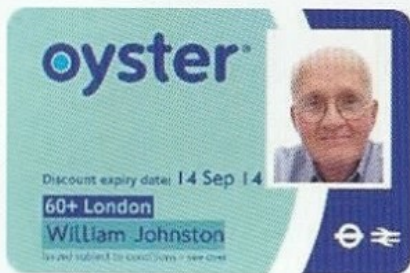
by Charles King

Trains: The next timetable change is in May 2023. It is not expected to have many local timetable changes. There will be some improvements to late night services on the Oxted line. At Coulsdon South the Sunday service will be regularised with the withdrawal of the Horsham to Peterborough service. This will be replaced with a half-hourly Three Bridges to Bedford service with one train per hour extended to Horsham. There are no proposed improvements on the Tattenham Corner line. The strikes are still ongoing; the Rail companies have made what they call their final offer which no longer includes the requirement for driver only operation, but still includes closure or repurposing Booking Offices. Train fares are due to rise by 5.9% in March 2023.

Buses: Croydon council are in the process of redesigning the cycle ways and streets in central Croydon. The main change is Katharine Street will become one-way Westbound, rather than Eastbound, and the existing bus stops will be removed. A new alternative Northbound stop will be situated in St George's Walk. This means that Southbound buses will no longer have to circumvent the Fairfield Halls roundabout and should allow the existing stops in the High Street North of the flyover to be reopened. **Abellio** bus strikes continue; the only local buses affected by the strikes are the 109, 367, 407 433, N68 and N109.

The London Mayor and the Government have now come to an agreement over funding of TfL. The Mayor will also obtain some additional funding from the GLA. This will allow the proposed cuts to bus services in central London to be substantially reduced and will now only affect 18 routes instead of 70

<https://tfl.gov.uk/info-for/media/press-releases/2022/november/new-funding-from-the-mayor-saves-vast-majority-of-london-s-buses> The proposed Croydon and Sutton changes are still on hold. However, there are number of other issues in the agreement that will affect public transport in London: TfL fares will have to be raised in March by 5.9% in line with National Rail fares. Bus fares will rise by 6% from £1.65 to £1.75.



The restriction on the **Freedom Pass** will remain at 9am on TfL services and 9.30am on National Rail services on Mondays to Fridays. I am pleased to say that the 60plus Oyster that was under threat will now continue. This costs £20 and there is now a £10 yearly check fee. More information can be found on the TfL web site:

<https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/60-plus-oyster-photocard>

Steam Trains: At the time of writing there are only a few provisional steam trains advertised: Belmont Orient Express Friday 17th March, 14th April & 28th April 2023. The times have not been released yet. They normally pass Coulsdon South between 3pm and 3.30pm. The following web site provides information of steam services:

www.railadvent.co.uk/steam-locomotives-on-the-mainline

On the day timings can be checked on the Real Time Trains website:

www.realtimetrains.co.uk/search/detailed/gb-nr:CDS/

What's On



COURTYARD THEATRE
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Chipstead Players, The Courtyard Theatre

Hazlewood Lane, Chipstead CR5 3QU

Towards Zero by Agatha Christie and Gerald Verner. Directed by Will Harris

Monday 27th February to Saturday 4th March

Body Talk by Andy Rashleigh. Directed by Simon Kennedy

Tuesday April 11th – Saturday April 15th 2023

To book, visit: www.chipsteadplayers.org

Coulsdon Theatre Workshop, Coulsdon Community Centre, Barrie Close, Off Chipstead Valley Road, CR5 3BE

Marriage. Motherhood. Murder (A young woman dying to be free)

Saturday 25th, Sunday 26th, Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th, Friday 31st March & Saturday 1st April 2023 at 7.45pm.

Matinee performances at 3pm on: **Sunday 26th March & Saturday 1st April 2023.**

Box Office: 07709 266728 boxoffice@twcoulsdon.org.uk <https://twcoulsdon.org.uk>



RSPB Croydon Local Group Monthly Illustrated Wildlife Talks

Whitgift Sports Club, Croham Manor Road, South Croydon, CR2 7BG

Monday 13th March "Eggs" by Pat Morris. Monday 3rd April "Return of the Red Kite and Peregrine" by Keith Betton

For details visit: ww2.rspb.org.uk/groups/croydon/events or contact John Davis on 020 8640 4578

Croydon Ramblers

Visit their website for details of walks in and around Coulsdon. January to March programme is now available to view: <https://www.croydonramblers.org.uk/>



Croydon Beekeepers' Association

Do Bees Have Ears? and An Asian Hornet Update. Philippi Lounge, Christ Church Brighton Road Purley CR8 2BN Bus 60 & 166

7.30pm Friday 24th March 2023 Local honey sales sales@croydonbeekeepers.org.uk
www.croydonbeekeeper.org.uk

ECRA/ Friends of Farthing Downs Quiz with Fish and Chips

Cameron Hall, Old Coulsdon Congregation Church, Coulsdon Rd Old Coulsdon CR5 1EH

Saturday 13th May 2023. Tickets £16. Contact Pauline 01737 554449

Bus 60, 404, & 466

Willow Dance and Fitness

Monday to Saturday – Dance and exercise classes. Various Coulsdon venues
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London to Brighton Historic Commercial Vehicle Society First Sunday in May 2023 is **sadly cancelled this year.** It is hoped to resume in 2024 www.hcvs.co.uk/

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