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Your executive committee extend their thanks to all households which have paid their annual subscription. Your road representative will be happy to receive any unpaid subscriptions, or you

can drop them off to the Subscriptions Secretary, Roy Turner, at 2 Montgomery Avenue. Please be sure to quote your name and house number.

Contacting Hinchley Wood Residents Association



Your residents association councillors for Hinchley Wood and Weston Green Ward (L to R) :

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HWRA works with Thames Ditton and Weston Green Residents' Association to ensure that the interests of residents of the Hinchley Wood and Weston Green Ward are fully represented on Elmbridge Borough Council.

Our councillors are available to deal with any comments or concerns about council services or other local issues.

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Season's greetings

Hinchley Wood Residents Association wishes all residents and friends of Hinchley Wood a Merry Christmas, and health and happiness in 2018 Now is the time of year to make sure that all your **trees and shrubs** are cut back to within the boundaries of your property, this helps everyone especially on the darker afternoons and evenings.

The HWRA **litter picking group** have met several times over the past months, making a big difference to the area around the station and also along the A309. We are grateful for all their hard work. If you would like to participate, please contact Roy Turner at <u>roy60janet@gmail.com</u>.



There was a very good turnout at the Act of **Remembrance** in the Memorial Gardens. The service was conducted by Rev. Jack Mulder (whom many will remember as an HWRA Councillor from 2004 to 2010). The music was provided by Hinchley Wood Senior

School, with the church choir from St Christopher's leading the singing. As usual there was an excellent turnout from the Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Brownies and Primary School. It was a bitterly cold day but this did not deter the residents of Hinchley Wood supporting this service.

The Local Plan is

moving along slowly but positively. There are many hurdles to clear but Elmbridge Planning Department are working nonstop to come up with the best outcome possible for our Borough.

Surrey County Council are

After Christmas Tree Collection

Time to take down the tree?? You have two options, you can take the tree down, cut it up to fit it in your car, find a plaster for when you slipped while sawing, drive to the recycling centre, spend an hour queuing and then spend the rest of the year finding pine needles in your car or ...



Book your tree to be collected by 1st Weston Green Scout Group, leave it outside at the beginning of the collection weekend and let us do the rest.

Collections in Weston Green, Thames Ditton, Long Ditton, Hinchley Wood and Molesey on 6th & 7th January 2018 for a donation of £6.

www.collectmytree.co.uk

You can buy Christmas trees and support other local Scout groups 1sthwscouts.org.uk or www.jumblebee.co.uk/ScoutTrees

planning to **resurface Manor Road North**, so watch out for this in the next few months. We have no doubt that this will cause some inconvenience.

St Christopher's Church is to have a **new Vicar** in the New Year.

Elmbridge is a generally affluent area, but this tends to attract the attention of **criminals**, particularly given our with our easy access from London. We would urge everyone to be particularly vigilant in the run up to Christmas. Lights that come on if someone enters your property are a good deterrent. Make sure your car is locked and do not leave your car or house keys near the front door. If you are affected please do ring the police and report it on 101.

HWRA are already looking ahead to 2018. If you are interested in being part of the local community and would like to help in preparing for the future, **why not come and join us**? As we prepare for the AGM on the 1st March, we will be looking for members to take over some of the key roles in our organisation, replacing people who have moved away or whose poor health restricts participation. This is a golden opportunity to help the local community. We also have a few road representative vacancies , so if you might be interested please contact Councillor Janet Turner by email at <u>roy60janet@gmail.com</u> or phone 020 8398 1565 - or just come along to the AGM and see what we are all about.

As residents will be aware, Surrey County Council took the decision to switch off the **street lights** in most residential roads between midnight and 5 a.m. This has given rise to considerable concern for the safety of people using the streets during these hours, and about the effect on crime generally. An online petition has been organised to urge the Council to change their policy on this. Those wishing to support it may do so by following the link on the Hinchley Wood website. Surrey County Council have however now announced that the lights will be kept on till 1 a.m. (see link to video clip, also on the Hinchley Wood website).

We are pleased to announce that Shalini Gupta has agreed to take on the role of **HWRA treasurer**, in succession to Martin Higgs, who is moving away from Hinchley Wood after nearly 29 years in this capacity. We take the opportunity to thank Martin for his outstanding service in this role.

South Western Railway are consulting on proposed **changes to timetables** from December 2018. For details please visit the SWR website <u>www.southwesternrailway.com</u>. The closing date for comments is 22nd December.