



# The Round Hill Reporter

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## Round Hill Society AGM

*7pm Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September*

To be held in the Salvation Army buildings, where access will be via a door on Rose Hill, about halfway down the road.

There will be an update on the Richmond House planned use by Cranstoun/Brighton and Hove Council following the public meeting held in mid-June (see page 6). In addition there will be the normal business of an AGM: the election of committee members and summaries of Round Hill activity during the last year.

This is also an opportunity to raise issues and discuss activity and ideas. For example, do people support the idea of drawing attention to dog fouling by using a stenciled message (in short life paint)? Should we continue with street closures for children to play safely a few hours every other month – or is this a gross restriction of drivers' freedom? Discuss.

Please come along and participate.

## Playsafe

Mayo Road on Sunday

13<sup>th</sup> September

3 to 5pm

Whatever the weather – just come kitted for it, and bring bikes, skateboards, balls and stuff, Oh, and children.

Helpers needed to set out the signs and barriers and to talk to any drivers who can't cope with a two hour closure. Hi-Vis Jackets available. Contact Kate Potter, see back page, to volunteer.

This time there will be tea for all, so come along and chat and drink tea. There will be biscuits, and there might even be cake, but don't hold me to that.

And the next Playsafe is planned for Halloween, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, when there will be games and pumpkins and more – please note the date in your diaries and be ready to help and support this fun event.

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## Historic Round Hill in Pictures

Built in 1898 and standing on the corner of Mayo and Richmond Roads, the Victoria was one of two pubs in Round Hill. Only the old Round Hill Tavern remains, now renamed the Jolly Poacher, and specializing in food. The Victoria belonged to Tamplin's Brewery which was bought by Watneys in 1953, and they closed the brewery in 1973. The brewery was between Albion Street and Southover Street, and was replaced by 95 Housing Association homes in 1997. The pub became run down whilst under Punch Taverns ownership, and they sold it for housing in about 2011. The Edwardian pargetting (images in raised plaster or stucco) can be seen on the first floor. This image is taken from, 'Rose Hill to Round Hill: a Brighton Community'.



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# Waste and Recycling

## *Knowing the difference*

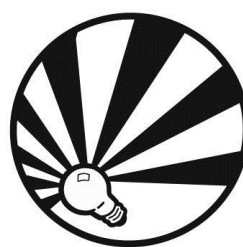
Every town is different, so perhaps it's no surprise that newcomers to Brighton and Hove don't necessarily know about our particular waste disposal services, and recycling facilities. So here is a summary.

Every flat and house should have 2 black plastic boxes with lids or nets to keep the contents inside. If you don't have them contact the CityClean team on 01273 292929 and ask for them to be delivered. You will need two to make the most of recycling, because glass bottles and jars cannot be placed in the same box as newspaper, magazines, small (A4-sized) pieces of cardboard, food and drink cans and plastic bottles (without tops so they can be easily crushed in the lorry – try jumping on an empty one with the top screwed on, they are hard to crush).

No other plastics should be placed in the recycling boxes – they cannot be sold by the Councils agent (Veolia) and so contaminate the more valuable materials, reducing the income from the good stuff.

Your waste (not recyclables) should be bagged and placed in your dustbin. No dustbin? Perhaps your landlord should have provided one, or they are cheap enough at Pennywise on the Lewes Road, or get a wheelie bin from the Council. Phone Cityclean on 01273 292929 and ask for one to be delivered. In an ideal world you will place the bin with its bagged refuse on the street the night before collection day, and take it off the street once it has been emptied. If you have no outside front storage space you can leave the refuse bin on the public highway all the time – apparently it's OK. But please don't leave bags of waste on the street – gulls and foxes will spread it about.

None of this waste advice applies if you live on the Upper Lewes Road. Here we don't have door to door collection of waste, instead we place our refuse into **small** bags, and pop them into one of the big black refuse bins dotted about on the street. Use small bags and take them two, three or four times a week, depending on how much waste you feel comfortable generating. That way you won't find the hole in the bin too small for your bag of waste, and it will be more likely to fit.



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## Breeze up to Ditchling Beacon by Weekend Bus

The walkers' bus service to Ditchling Beacon stops at the end of September so why not use it any Saturday or Sunday this month. The service 79 runs up to the Beacon on Ditchling Road, stopping more or less opposite Shaktis Stores at half past every hour from 10.30am to 5.30pm. Get there a couple of minutes ahead just in case it's early. The trip up to the top of the South Downs is only about 15 minutes. Take a picnic and enjoy a walk along the crest of the Downs to enjoy the long views across the Weald.

If you take a good Ordnance Survey map, and you know how to read it, you could be even more adventurous, walking to Lewes, or back down into Stanmer village, where buses are available to get you close to Round Hill and home.

A shorter but demanding walk will get you down to the pretty village of Ditchling, where cream teas and pub food are available, as well as the excellent Ditchling Museum.

The 79 returns from Ditchling Beacon at quarter to every hour until 5.45pm. £2.90 special return fare from any stop on Ditchling Road.

# Lost and Found

*An Environmental Exhibition at Onca Gallery*

It's a multi-media exhibition presenting evidence of the links between our consumer culture and decline in the natural world, especially locally, on the Downs and rural Sussex. The focus is on over production and over consumption of food.

It's on until the 24<sup>th</sup> September, and the gallery is just south of the bottom of Trafalgar Street in the Valley Gardens area.

Open Wednesday to Friday noon to 7pm and Saturday and Sunday 11am to 6pm.

Linked Debate: **Farming, Pesticides and Politics** at Brighthelm (top of North Road) Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 7pm to 9pm.



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# Save our Bumblebees

*A talk by Professor Dave Goulson*

To be held at Community Base, Queens Road (just south of North Road and roughly opposite the Masonic Hall) on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. Three pounds entry fee.

Prof Goulson set up the Bumblebee Conservation Trust and wrote 'A Sting in the Tale' (2013) and 'A Buzz in the Meadow' (2014), he is currently at Sussex University. He will tell the story of our bumblebees, why they are in danger, why we should care and how we can help them survive.

Arranged by Moulsecomb Allotments and Horticultural Society with Brighton and Hove Organic gardening Group.

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# Greening the Round Hill streetscape

That other organisation with RHS as its TLA (Three Letter Acronym, that is) – the Royal Horticultural Society – has recently published a report stating that three million front gardens in Britain have been paved over in the last ten years. They call that an extra 15 square miles of ‘grey’. Here in Round Hill we have been celebrating more greening. During June two committee members and Cllr Pete West took a walk around Round Hill and identified their favourite frontages in several categories. And here are the chosen ones:



Best basement – 107 Round Hill Crescent



That one in bottom left is Best Street-front – 19 Belton Road



Best frontage – 74 Richmond Road

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Best unusual containers – 113 Round Hill Crescent.  
Yes they are wheelie bins, but not Council ones.  
And finally another basement of quality:



42 Round Hill Crescent.  
Since the June judging some plantings have passed their best and others (not recognised here) have blossomed. Talk a walk and enjoy them all.

## Pamper our Planters

Our planters have been a real success and whilst we have had a few plants nicked and broken, most people have looked after them even adding some plants of their own. It's lovely to see people picking the herbs too. We'd like to say a special thank you to Ruth and Karen of Roundhill Crescent for regular watering and upkeep of planters at the east end and Massimo from Bradley's at the west end. Without them the planters would not look so good.

As the autumn approaches we need to give them some attention. A bit of pruning, topping up with compost, more bulbs and some plants which will brighten the winter days. Can you come and help for an hour or so? The Round Hill Society will provide all plants and materials, but you'd need to bring gardening gloves and tools at 11.00 on Sunday 20th September. Meet at either end of Round Hill Crescent. Children with their parents are very welcome.

### Richmond House Update

You may have noticed building work going on at Richmond House. In November it will open as the central offices and treatment rooms for the City's new integrated drug and alcohol service. The services that will be provided are decided by Brighton & Hove's Health & Wellbeing Board and will be delivered by a partnership called 'Pavilions' This is made up of charities and NHS staff, with the charity Cranstouns taking the lead role.

Wendy Taylor of Cranstouns met with interested and concerned residents to give information about plans for the service and answer their questions in June. You can find the notes from the meeting on the Round Hill website. It was agreed to set up a local liaison group which would work with Pavilions to quickly resolve any difficulties that might arise. Pete West, our local councillor, and a number of residents have offered their support to this group. If you would like to take part, please contact Annie Rimington (details on back page). The first meeting will take place when the service moves to the building.

We hope Wendy will be attending our AGM to update everyone on plans and answer any more questions residents may have. So please join us if you want to find out more.



## Who's Who in Round Hill's City Clean Team

*the people who stem the relentless tide of rubbish, keep our neighbourhood clean and support a range of local initiatives.*

**Richard Bradley:** Head of City Clean and Parks



Soon after joining City Clean, Richard met members of the Round Hill Society in January 2015 to discuss refuse and recycling issues. Committed to collaborating with local groups and supporting local initiatives, Richard is currently giving a sympathetic ear as well as practical encouragement to our latest initiative (see the dog fouling piece, page 8). He's approachable, has his finger in the pulse and is quick to act.



Trevor Welburn, Michael Barrett, Simon Cruttenden, Eduardo Costa, Marcin Smolen and John Irwin.

**Damien Marmura** (not in the picture, on his hols)

Damien is a great supporter of RH initiatives, especially the Clean-Ups. He is effective and always ready to respond to appeals for help. eg on

the request of the RH Society, Damien liaised with managing agents to plan and install improved recycling systems in a converted house in D'Aubigny Rd. He also arranges to provide green wheelie bins when contacted.

**Eduardo Costa**

A key figure in the RH Clean-Ups, Eduardo has cheerfully transported out of RH all the tons of rubbish collected on Clean-Up days (Over 1.5 tons in one day alone!!)

**John Irwin**

Many of you will already know John, our street cleaner, who always 'goes that extra mile' and is frequently observed doing more than we could reasonably expect. Just mention his name and you get a string of positive stories about the exemplary way he does his job. As for John himself, he says, "I've worked all over town, but Round Hill is the cream for me".

### Our Clean Team at Work

On a recent Tuesday morning, following recycling and refuse collections, the split bags of rubbish left outside one house were spread across the pavement and road. See the picture below. Within an hour John had swept up and bagged the horrible mess and Eduardo's team called by to take away the bags.

Residents might wonder why the rubbish had been left to start with. It is the responsibility of each of us as residents to place all recycling (appropriately sorted) into the black boxes and bag up our rubbish. The teams do not have time to sort mixed up recycling or to pick up mess caused by split bags. If all of us took care to sort and bag properly, life in Round Hill would be even better.





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## The Round Hill Society Committee

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Community Events	Boo Vaughan	21 Princes Road	07971823014
Environment	Sandy Thomas	47 Round Hill Crescent	01273 699152
Environment	Jan Curry	58 Richmond Road	601320
Environment	Barbara Harris	14 Mayo Road	677610

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Smell problems – Environment Agency 0800 807060

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### Student liaison officers:

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Brighton- Andrew Keeffe 01273 641894 a.w.b.keeffe@brighton.ac.uk



## Tackling Dog Fouling

A few irresponsible dog owners continue to make parts of Round Hill unpleasant by not cleaning up after their dogs. We have invested in some new stencils which will be used to mark pavements where the problem persists using short-life paint supplied by the Council. Hopefully the image will remind dog owners to take away their pets' offending evidence. The council is keen to monitor the impact of this approach which has had good results in the Shetland Islands! If you live near a dog poo hotspot, let a member of the committee know and we will arrange the stenciled sign.

## Notice Boards for Round Hill

We applied for a Council grant to buy three weatherproof noticeboards and we were successful. Once the money is received we will put one up at the top of Ashdown Road (with the blessing of the householder). Still seeking places for 2 more - ideally one on the west higher side and one in the east and lower side of Round Hill. If you can offer a location please contact a committee member.

## Greenway Picnic and Guided Walk

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Picnic from noon – bring food. Guided walk starts at the Bike Hub at 3pm. Free but book a place by emailing [fobrightongreenway@outlook.com](mailto:fobrightongreenway@outlook.com) Celebrate the greenway which might be open from the station right down to New England Road between the bridges.

## Level Lantern Fayre 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October.

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Alternatively, for non-emergencies, contact Bonnie on **07912 897 134** or e-mail [andree.scovell@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:andree.scovell@sussex.pnn.police.uk). "I would encourage residents to make me aware of any suspicious behavior in the Round Hill area. If you have a question or need any advice then please call me and I will do my best to help." **Bonnie Scovell, Community Police Support Officer**

The Round Hill Reporter is published by the Round Hill Society to keep residents in the area in touch with local news, events and each other. We try to present a fair and balanced view but the opinions expressed in this paper are not necessarily shared by all.

Letters or ideas for articles are welcome – please contact the editor at the address shown above.

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