

Bramcote Conservation Society



Autumn News Letter November 2010

Thank you to those who attended the Society's AGM which was held in June on a lovely summers night enabling us all to enjoy the BBQ at the Whitelion which followed the swift proceedings at the Memorial Hall. During the meeting a donation was proposed and accepted of £1500.00 towards the Friends of the Church Tower a.k.a. the sunken church. Also discussed was the proposed and now happening extension of the C.of.E School on Cow Lane. The society has raised concerns regarding the traffic problems currently experienced and the fact that they are likely to get worse at peak times with an increase in pupil numbers of 40 percent. Broxtowe Borough has acknowledged our concerns and will keep an eye on it. We look forward to seeing more of you next year to meet up in informal surroundings.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jean Anthony for all her work last year as Chair and for the time that she and her husband Phil put in at the Church Tower. It is now really coming along especially as the pointing has now been completed and the doors re covered. We have also had some good news re funding for the Church Tower in that £8,500.00 has been secured to refurbish the roof. This will enable us to ensure that it is weather tight hopefully for the next 750 years.!!

The Heritage weekend at the Tower on the 11th and 12th of September was very well attended with over 250 people coming along to see the on-going refurbishment including seeing the tower interior and looking at the new stained glass window. Please look at our website for future events of painting lessons, lime pointing and bring and by plant stalls.

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Bramcote Hills Park part of the Bramcote and Stapleford Hills Public Open Space Forum has won a Green Flag award in acknowledgement of its high standard of upkeep, local usage by schools and groups and for holding organised activities. Other open spaces under the Forum are the Stapleford Hills area (around the Hemlock Stone), Bramcote Ridge (off Thoresby Road) and King George's Park (the Rec). Well done to all those who contributed to this. The current aims of the forum are to try and get a permanent refreshment outlet with toilet facilities at Bramcote Hills Park and the commissioning of the newly landscaped and planted land that used to be Bramcote Quarry .

The horse fields just off the A52 on Brian Clough way which includes part of what is locally known as Bluebell Hill has recently been sold. This green belt area is currently protected but we are keeping an eye on developments to try and ensure that this beautiful natural area remains.

We are now also collecting emails on our website:- www.bramcoteconservation.org to enabling the committee to keep you up to date. If you can visit our website ensuring that we have your e-mail it will enable you to gain more information as to what has happened locally and to keep upto date with the local conservation area. Thank you to Phil Sands for keeping this up to date.

Did you know that we have eleven listed buildings in the Bramcote Conservation area? We as a committee are currently putting together a leaflet on the Conservation area and the listed buildings within it. This along with information on the surrounding area will enable you to be as well informed about our locality as possible. We are hoping to follow this up with guided walks, tours and treasure hunts to enable you to find out as much as possible about our local area. Please keep an eye on the website to find out more.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

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