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|  | Riverview Park Residents Association |
|  | Newsletter September 2021 |
| **In This Issue**   * AGM Voting for new   Association Committee   * Chairperson’s Annual Review 2020- 2021 * Committee Members Meeting with G. Logan * Open Weekend * Ongoing Site Maintenance * Ongoing Dispute with Local Farmer * Attention Drivers * Onsite News     e-newsletter :  Welcome to our  e-newsletter.  In a bid to cut down on paper and ink costs, also to reduce recycling, we are hoping that residents will use this version of newsletter. For residents who do not have internet access we still deliver a paper version so all residents on Riverview are kept up to date with onsite news.  Contact Us :  Secretary  Bill Gray 1 Grosvenor Park  Tel: 07872498494  billgray479@btinternet.com  **www.riverview-park-residents-assoc.com** | **AGM Residents Association Committee Vote:**  The following are the nominations for the positions on the  Riverview Park Residents Association Committee. We have  delivered the voting forms to all members and we ask that  you fill in this form and return it to our Secretary Bill Gray at 1 Grosvenor  Park (or any other member of the present Committee) by **September 23rd 2021**  so votes can be counted and results published.  **Nominees for Year 2021 – 2022**  **For Chairperson:** Janet Reid **For Secretary:** Bill Gray  **For Treasurer:** Mavis Jewitt **Other Members:** Morag Groundwater, Fiona Graham, Irene Patterson,  Pam Armstrong, Jake Lee, Fiona McMillan  **Please use your votes and elect all of the Nominees from the names listed  above that you want to run the Residents next Association on the behalf  of all residents across the whole of Riverview Country Park**  **Note:** Only one form per household as per our Association Constitution.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **RPRA Chairwoman’s Review of the Year 2020-21**: This time last year I don’t think anyone anticipated that the affects of the Covid  crisis would still be with us. My condolences to those who have lost family  members and friends and to the families and friends of members of our  community who have passed away from corona and other causes in recent  months.   For the second time we are unable to gather for a proper AGM where the  outgoing chair, secretary and treasurer can present their reports in person,  and the new office bearers and committee members can be elected by show  of hands. Over the autumn, winter and spring, the committee had regular meetings with  Ivan Wilson, in which we voiced the long list of complaints - the state of the  access roads,  the sewage, maintenance of the grounds, the lighting and signage - and were  met with the same answer - there is no money.   There was also the issue with Jenny Davidson’s claim to ‘her’ land, which has  caused disruption and distress to several residents and is still an ongoing dispute.  From January on, we were aware of the possibility, then the likelihood that the  site would be sold to business people (rather than financiers like B&T) with  money to invest.  All the committee members kept the secret for months and it is to my mind  unfortunate that news of the sale was spread by word of mouth, rather than  properly announced by letter.  Last September, the RPRA did not renew its annual subscription to NAPHRA  as we were finding them slow to respond to our requests for information and  their subscription was very much higher than SCOPHRA’s. We have joined  SCOPHRA and those of us willing and able to use Zoom have attended on-line meetings.  I’d like to congratulate and thank Bill Gray for all the work he has put into  producing, printing and distributing the newsletter and for all the work he has  put into creating and maintaining the Residents Association website.  Thanks also to the Volunteer group who worked hard to brighten up Riverview  during lockdown. I’d also like to thank everyone else on the committee for their work through  these trying times, for their tolerance and for the good humour of all our meetings. As I’m not standing for office again, I wish the incoming committee all the best in representing the residents’ interests to the new owners.   **Fiona Graham (Chairperson) 02.09.21**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Meeting with Gavin Logan (Director):** Two members of the Residents Association met with Gavin Logan on 21st  August for an impromptu chat about their future plans for Riverview. Residents with internet access can view a follow up letter on the Ongoing  Updates page of our Residents Website:  <https://www.riverview-park-residents-assoc.com/onsite-updates>    For other residents the following points were covered:  The access road potholes would be repaired.  The old buildings opposite the office will be professionally demolished  An area in the garden of the Farmhouse (TBC) can be used by the residents  as a community garden, run by the Residents Association Committee. Sizes,  rules etc to be agreed with Riverview Management.  The Peppermill Restaurant will move into the hub and operate from there, we  hope that residents give this venture their support to ensure this continues.  Phase 1 of Riverview Plan is to build a coffee shop/ice cream parlour and gym.  The restaurant will be open to the public but the gym is only for residents or  paying members.  Residents are asked to investigate various pathways for walkers, cyclists etc,  that can be marked for their enjoyment with coloured signposts and varying  distances.  **Gavin Logan (Director) 01-09-21**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Riverview Country Park Open Weekend:**  The Open Weekend 21st / 22nd August went very well with residents and prospective buyers attending. Several lodges have already been sold.  So we can already see great changes happening on the site. Exciting times ahead !!  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Ongoing Site Maintenance:** The old buildings are in the process of being demolished,  which will leave a substantial area for the new Phase 1 court -way buildings to be erected. Obviously this will take time but already we are seeing a huge change to Riverview in the  space of a few months compared to nothing from the two  previous site owners.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Ongoing Dispute with Local Farmer:**  The longstanding dispute with Jenny Davidson continues and she has recently  given her version to the Forres Gazette (01-09-21).  Graham Calley has spoken to the Gazette also and made them aware that some  of her claims are not entirely true, also others are currently being dealt with in cooperation with both Moray Council and SEPA.   Most of these problems have been there over the last two site owners with  nothing being done, the new owners have done more in the last few months  than all the previous owners have in years.  We just heard that Jenny’s Boar managed to escape from the fields, and was  being aggressive towards some of our residents at the top of Rowan Road. This is very worrying as the residents up in that area have small children, who  could be playing in their gardens. Please take care and report any animals  running free.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Attention: Residents Driving Cars Over 10 Years Old:** In case you missed it, the government is introducing E10 petrol as the new  standard. It differs from the unleaded fuel we are using in that it contains up to  10% ethanol, which is derived from plants instead of oil.   The trouble is car engines built before 2011 may not run on  E10.  You can check if your car can use E10 on the government website ….. [www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-e10-petrol](http://www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-e10-petrol)  If your car is not compatible with E10, you can continue to use E5 petrol,  otherwise called super unleaded. The problem with E5 is that it costs up to  12p more per litre and is not currently available at the Forres petrol station,  but only in Elgin or Nairn.  The introduction of E10 is meant to cut the use of fossil fuels, and so cut  carbon emissions, but for some residents here it is going to add to costs and convenience.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Welcome:**  We would like to welcome Sarah and Nick Blampied 6 Grosvenor Park  to Riverview Country Park.    We hope you are settling in well. If you require any help or any  information, please get in touch with any of our Residents  Association Committee Members.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Sad News:**  We just heard from Mavis that June Bryers is due to go in to Meadowlark Care  Home in Forres on Friday 03-09-21.  For anyone who did not know June, she is one of Riverview’s older members  who has been living in Springbank for some considerable years. Following a  severe fall last year June’s health has deteriorated dramatically.   The Residents Association wish June well in her new accommodation. We would also like to thank all of the residents who have given their time and  effort in helping June over the last year or so… Thank you All.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Your Ideas / Suggestions:**    We would love to hear from you with ideas of what you  would like the Residents Association Committee to set up or  try to arrange for residents.  Give it some thought and let us know your suggestions.  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**    **Spiced Pumpkin Soup:**    This is the perfect recipe to use up the [pumpkin](https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/uk/food/cookery-videos/a657350/how-to-prepare-pumpkin/) flesh out  of your Jack-O-Lantern! Ready in just 20min, it makes a  great starter to celebrate your [Halloween](https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/uk/halloween/) feast with.   If you like a bit of spice, try adding a sprinkling of chilli  flakes to the top of your soup. If cooking for a dinner party  and guests, add a drizzle of olive oil or you favourite  flavoured oil to makes things a little more fancy!  **Ingredients:**   * 600 g pumpkin flesh, roughly chopped * 2 celery sticks, roughly chopped * 1 garlic clove, roughly chopped * 1 tsp. each ground cumin and coriander * 800 ml vegetable stock * 200 ml coconut milk * 1 tbsp. pumpkin seeds   **Method:**   1. Put the pumpkin flesh into a food processor and whiz for 30 sec until almost smooth. Add the celery, garlic and spices and whiz again for  30sec. Empty into a large pan. 2. Pour over stock and coconut milk, bring to the boil, then cover and  simmer for 15min. 3. Remove from heat and blend until smooth - do this in batches, if necessary. Check the seasoning and ladle into warmed soup bowls. Sprinkle with pumpkin seeds and freshly ground black pepper.  Serve with crusty bread.   Per Serving:  Calories: 222 Total fat: 20g Saturates: 15g  Carbs: 8g Total sugars  **ENJOY !!**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **Riverview Park Residents Association (RPRA)**  **Run by Residents for the Residents**  **Membership**  is open to all home owning residents with the exception of all Riverview  Country Park Staff. As a member you will also have membership to the  Scottish Confederation of Park Homes Residents Associations [S](https://www.naphr.co.uk/)COPHRA (**[www.scophra.scot](http://www.scophra.scot/)**)  This a voluntary organisation who give advice on Mobile Home Law – Written Statements – Problem Solving etc. Riverview Park Residents Association (RPRA) has been recognised by the Park Owners as a Qualifying Residents Association.  **Membership is £5 per home per annum**  **Chairperson**  Fiona Graham  **shapeybeings@googlemail.com**  **Secretary**  Bill Gray  [**billgray479@btinternet.com**](mailto:billgray479@btinternet.com) Phone: 07872498494  **Treasurer**  Mavis Jewitt  [**chickenbones@tiscali.co.uk**](mailto:chickenbones@tiscali.co.uk) Phone: 01309 674803    **Other Committee Members**  Janet Reid  **Janmreid@btinternet.com** Phone: 07766 716077  Morag Groundwater  **Morag.Groundwater@gmail.com** Phone: 07895 528100  Anyone wishing tojoin / rejoin**,** please contact **……….**  **Mavis Jewitt 90 Beech Ave or Bill Gray 1 Grosvenor Park.** Membership is still only £5 per year.  We are working for the benefits of all residents on Riverview Country  Park**……** Stronger Together !  Sincerely Bill (Secretary)  Email: [billgray479@btinternet.com](mailto:billgray479@btinternet.com) Tel: 07872498494 |