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Newsletter

**Copers Cope Area Residents' Association**

**MARCH 2011**

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## **PUBLIC MEETING**

8 PM Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011

Beckenham Public Hall, 4 Bromley Road,  
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**Annual General Meeting of the Copers  
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**CCARA OPEN MEETING  
17TH NOVEMBER 2010  
A LOOK BACK AT LADY BENJAMIN'S TALK**

This was Lady Floella's Benjamin first visit to Beckenham since she became Baroness in May 2010. She gave a passionate and insightful speech.

Floella first came to England from Trinidad when she was 10 years old. After living briefly in Chiswick her family moved to Beckenham and she went to St John's School. Beckenham had the best schools, the best education and the best jumble sales, so her mum said!



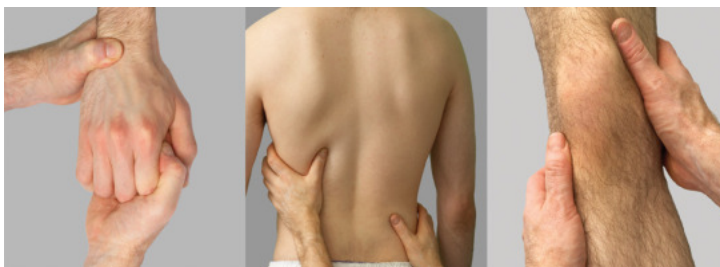
A special guest was introduced, the original TV 'Play School' character Humpty, took centre stage as Floella recalled the journey that led her to her most famous role on 'Play School'. She started Play School in 1976 and was there for 11 years. People still write to her to tell her that Play School fired their imagination as a child. Some went on to become teachers, many credit her inspiration as the catalyst for their success, others said they lived in children's homes and when they watched Play School they felt she was the only person who loved them. On meeting Lady Diana, Princess of Wales in 1984, Lady Diana recalled fondly watching Floella with her sons, Floella had left a lasting impression.

Floella spoke of occasions where she felt she had made a significant connection with children she met. During a school visit she called a troublesome child to the front and asked him what he wanted to do. Nonchalantly the child replied 'Karate'. He was shocked when Floella jumped into action, feigned a few karate moves on him, then went on to hug and kiss him telling him he could achieve whatever he wanted. 20 years later, in a supermarket someone shouted 'Are you going to hug and kiss me again Floella?' The young boy was now 31, married, with two children and a business. He told her he thought of her every day when he played with his own children. He had never forgotten how she had once believed in him. "It makes one realise how important it is working with children, childhood lasts a lifetime!" Floella said. "You never know how much a simple thing you say in life can change a child's world around."

Floella exclaimed to the crowd "We need to tell children they are special because everything we do affects them. We have to do it right!" This passion is why she spent 20 years lobbying the government to appoint a Minister for Children, after her campaigning we finally have one. Floella continued to say that we must each have responsibility for our actions and communication with children because if we don't we can break a heart. "Children need to feel special. I am here to ensure that the well-being of children is in the public's consciousness she said.

Floella said her own childhood had been a happy one in a family full of love. She was born in Trinidad and learned about England, the wonderful motherland.

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When her parents moved here she and her brothers were left in care of foster parents. It was an awful period and they were badly treated and neglected. Her brothers still talk about their bad experiences to this day.

After 15 months her parents sent for their children. Floella arrived in England in September 1960. When she arrived her mum hugged her and gave her a blue knitted M&S cardigan with yellow flowers. Floella felt wonderful. The whole family lived in one room at first but that didn't matter, she was back in a loving environment with her family.

When Floella first lived in Beckenham people were not very kind, the police were even called when the family first moved into the street. Life at school was much harder. Early on she was bullied by boys in the playground who called her names, but she refused to cry. At home, her mum told her that some people in England wouldn't like her because of the colour of her skin but that her mum and dad loved her. She couldn't understand why people treated her like that. She was angry at the injustice and felt bitterness and rage. She retaliated in kind and for the first four years and she fought with other children every day.

The 'motherland' was turning her into a monster but at 14 years of age she had her first spiritual moment. One day whilst out on an errand to David Grieg's in Penge, a boy started calling her names in the street. In retaliation she rammed the lolly he was sucking down his throat. He began to choke and suddenly she heard a voice saying to her that because of his stupidity she'd get into trouble. The voice told her to start respecting herself. The boy's bad behaviour was his problem, not hers. 'Love who you are!'

That was the day she stopped fighting with her fists and started fighting with her brain. Floella loved education and learning. She learned to absorb everything she was taught and to broaden her mind. Now she tells young people to learn to adapt and to communicate. As Chancellor of Exeter University she hugs each and every graduate when handing them their degree and tells them to go out and change the world. Floella advocates the 3 'C's; Consideration - respect and empathy for others; Contentment - have a happy feeling in your heart, don't always want what others have; Confidence - have high self-esteem and love yourself; if you respect yourself you can give more to others.

As the only House of Lord Peer with the name Benjamin, Floella was not required to attach a place name to her title. However, she chose Beckenham as her title for her mum who made Beckenham her home for 40 years and also to express how much Beckenham had changed. She hopes she will make Beckenham proud and feels Beckenham is a place to be proud of.

In closing, Floella's advice was 'No matter what happens, smile, because winners always smile.' She then ended with a song 'Smile though your heart is breaking.....'



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## ABOUT THE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

### What does the Association do?

The CCARA is a non-political organisation which, by means of members' voluntary subscriptions, seeks to increase awareness of the widest range of local community matters amongst all residents in Copers Cope Ward. The Association was founded and exists to serve as their voice, to be proactive in promoting their concerns and aspirations and to take positive action in addressing every opportunity that may impact on the local community.

Initially it was set up to help act on concerns about factory encroachment in Copers Cope Road. More generally, today, CCARA participates in any element likely to affect the local community. Achievements of CCARA include the creation of Beckenham Green - now the visual centre of the town.

### Who do we represent?

CCARA's area covers about 5,000 dwelling units from Lower Sydenham to Shortlands and Southend Road. It has approximately 1,500 members.

### What of our future?

This year, 2011 is the CCARA's 75th anniversary. The Association will be arranging an event to celebrate but need extra members to help organise things. To meet our aims we will need new members and the force they bring in confronting the issues which affect us.

## PLANNING UPDATE - CASEBOOK NOTES

Further details in the Planning Section of our website: [www.coperscope.org.uk](http://www.coperscope.org.uk)

### NEW CASES AND UPDATES ON EARLIER APPLICATIONS

**66 Park Road:** Following a number of applications that had been either refused or withdrawn, a new application was lodged on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Some earlier schemes were for a block of flats but this outline proposal is for the erection of 6 three storey four bedroom dwellings with 12 parking spaces. Meanwhile the developer has lodged an appeal against refusal of an earlier scheme refused at Plans Committee in September 2010.

**68 Park Road** The same developer has made three applications since 2005 to develop this site with either four storey housing or three storey blocks of flats. All have been refused at Plans Committee and the most recent, also in September 2010, is also subject to appeal.

**73B Copers Cope Road: (Copers Cope Conservation Area):** A new application was lodged on 20<sup>th</sup> January for roof alterations and rooflights in side and rear elevations to allow for conversion to provide additional living space.

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**125 Park Road:** An application was refused in early November 2010 for demolition of the existing buildings and erection of a four storey block comprising 2 one bedroom, 4 two bedroom and 3 three bedroom flats and a two storey block comprising 3 business units (Class B1) and 12 parking spaces.

**135 Albemarle Road:** A new application to be determined by a Plans Committee was lodged in late January 2011 for approval of details of appearance and landscaping for the scheme permitted on appeal in August 2010. This is for a development of two blocks comprising 20 flats with associated parking.

**Land rear of 91-117 Copers Cope Road:** A revised application for an already approved scheme, on behalf of Castlefort Properties Ltd. was lodged in mid-August 2010 for the erection of 39 dwellings and estate road, together with improvements to Grangewood Road, to provide vehicular access for the development. The revision was to enable 103 and 105 Copers Cope Road to be retained on the frontage. This application was refused in the week ending 28<sup>th</sup> November 2010 on grounds of unsatisfactory access arrangements and traffic and pedestrian safety.

**Bromley Park Nursing Home:** On 16<sup>th</sup> November 2010 the Inspector published his Appeal Decision in which he dismissed the Appeal against the Council's decision to refuse a 2 storey detached building at the rear of the Home at 75 Bromley Road, Beckenham, to provide 6 bed-sitting rooms for employees. The CCARA had supported the Council in contesting the Appeal.

## NEW GUIDANCE NOTE

**Parking Standards and Parking Policy Guidance 13 (Transport):** Whilst the London Plan dictates certain targets and standards on development issues, in the future more regulation at local level is contemplated, together with the likely return to minimum rather than maximum parking. Some real progress on this issue is expected in March or April this year.

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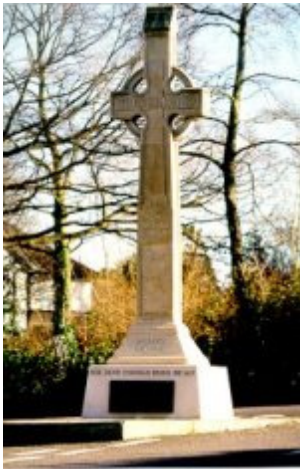
## BOMBS OVER BECKENHAM

During the war seventy years ago (1941) the evening and the night of 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> April saw the heaviest raid of the conflict on Beckenham with 40 residents losing their lives and 133 injured.



A large part of the Beckenham area came under aerial attack: Albemarle Road, The Avenue, Brackley Road, Bromley Road, Foxgrove Road, and Westgate Road were some of the streets which were badly hit in our area. Shortlands Station and St Mary's Church also received direct hits.

Bombs were seldom dropped singly, but at the very least in pairs, and most commonly, in close sequence across an area. Incendiaries were dropped in large numbers to start fires in order to mark the target. All businesses had compulsory firewatchers to deal with incendiaries using long handled shovels and stirrup pumps with buckets of water.



Mr Peter Bone was 19, and on fire watching duty when all the sirens sounded at 9pm on Wednesday evening the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 1941. The following account comes from the diary he wrote on the following day.

*.....“Almost immediately the planes came over and kept up a terrific attack until just before dawn at 4.30. Incendiaries rained down in their thousands. About 10pm, my mother, sister and brother went down to our brick surface shelter in the garden of 12, Eden Way, while I kept a watch for incendiaries that lit the sky in all directions. The Bethlem Royal Hospital at the back of us caught fire and blazed red for an hour or more. High explosives came down in twos and threes continuously. The guns were deafening, flares lit up most of Beckenham.”*

*At midnight it eased, so we came up to the kitchen and made some tea. We decided to go to bed but it became bad again so we retired to the cupboard under the stairs. All the time, the planes roared over, low in the sky. The night seemed endless but we went to bed about 4am and did not hear the All-clear at 4.30, but there were fires in all directions. “*

Thanks go to Pat Manning and Cliff Watkins for most of the information included

in this article.

## RACHEL NOTLEY CENTRE

### Dementia & Alzheimer's Support Centre - Bromley Mind Care

The Rachel Notley Day Centre has been closed for the last four years , after forty years of continuous service for Age Concern, but the good news is that the premises are now being used as the Dementia & Alzheimer's Support Centre, open six days a week.



The Centre has a weekly timetable of planned activities including: tea dances, bingo, beauty competitions, flower arranging , exercise classes, sing-along's, piano playing , poetry readings, word games, crosswords, scrabble, quizzes, dominoes, jigsaw puzzles, art & craft groups, gardening, woodwork, snooker, darts, football, bowling and quoits.

The Centre also organises special events: guided walks in London, carol services at Christmas and making a Guy for Guy Fawkes night in November. Cooked lunches are provided and refreshments are available during the day.

Transport is provided to the Dementia and Alzheimer's Support Centre.

Eligibility for attending the Centre is dependent on assessment of your symptoms and needs by your G.P. or social worker.

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### **BEWARE OF SCAM**

A number of residents have reported receiving bogus calls from a Lady called Christine, claiming she was from the London Borough of Bromley Council Tax Department. Christine is telling them they are entitled to a refund or a discount and asking for their bank account details. These calls are a scam, Bromley Council never call residents asking for account details, If you receive a call like this please contact the police.

### **PUBLIC TOILET CLOSURES**

The CCARA along with other individuals and organisations such as the West Beckenham Residents Association, Beckenham Civic Society and West Wickham Residents Association have all figured strongly in this campaign against the threatened closures.

Bromley Council's Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee hold meetings every two months, but the item on the public toilets keeps being taken off the agenda.

The last heard on the Community Toilets scheme was that in Beckenham only the Odeon cinema, Costa Coffee and Waitrose had shown any interest in participating. The issue now appears to have become something of a hot potato, so perhaps Bromley Council will rethink their policy on this matter.

You can still give your views on the issue of closing down the public toilets by writing to the relevant Portfolio Holder, Councillor Colin Smith, Bromley Civic Centre, BR1 3UH.



### **FANFARE FOR BECKENHAM - A GRAND CHARITY CONCERT** **By Cliff Watkins**

Fanfare for Beckenham is a music concert organised for the fifth time run by Cliff Watkins (CCARA member). As always it promises to be an eclectic mix of popular and classical music. The concert takes place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March and will be compered by Christian Stover.

The concert band includes instrumentalists from all over South East London. 23 pieces of music by 16 composers include the premieres of 'Fanfare For Beckenham' by Gordon Carr. of the famous Salvationist family who lived in The Drive for 30 years until 1976; and the arrangement for brass sextet of Peter Warlock's the 'Cricketers of Hambledon' which celebrates cricketing legend W G Grace who played in Beckenham in Crystal Palace Park and Foxrove Road. The audience will be asked to join in the chorus for this number. The Director of the Lewisham Concert Band, Leslie Lake, was educated at the Beckenham



County School (now Langley Park School for Boys) in the 1950s and several of the band members live in Beckenham.

## SECOND READING OF LOCALISM BILL

This Coalition Government's flagship policy Bill will devolve greater powers to councils and neighbourhoods and give local communities more control over housing and planning decisions. It heralds a real culture change in local government affairs.



Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, Eric Pickles, introduced the second reading of the Bill in the House of Commons on 17 January 2011. It was passed with a vote and until the deadline of Thursday 10 March will be considered by

the Public Bill Committee, when it will be presented for further consideration at a third reading. In this period members of the public are encouraged to submit written evidence to the Committee at the House of Commons. The [www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk) website gives guidance on how this evidence should be submitted.

The provisions of the Bill are wide-ranging but there remains a great deal of uncertainty over the precise nature of the enabling regime, dealing with back-up support, funding and guidance for the people to take on services and also because considerable order-making powers stayvested in the Secretary of State.

## CONTENT OF BILL

**The provisions relating to councils** include giving councils a general power of competence, allowing councils to choose to return to the committee system of governance and allowing for referendums for elected mayors in certain authorities, abolishing the Standards Board regime and the model code of conduct and introducing local accountability and a criminal offence of deliberate failure to declare a personal interest in a matter, giving residents the power to instigate local referendums on any local issue and the power to veto excessive council tax increases, allowing councils more discretion over business rate relief, providing new powers to help save local facilities and services threatened with closure, and giving voluntary and community groups the right to challenge local authorities over their services.

**The housing provisions** will abolish the requirement to have a Home Improvement Pack, reform the Housing Revenue Account system, provide for a new form of flexible tenure for social housing tenants, allow local authorities to



discharge their duties to homeless people by using private rented accommodation, give local authorities the power to limit who can apply for social housing within their areas, abolish the Tenant Services Authority and provide for a transfer of functions to the Homes and Communities Agency, amend the way in which a social tenant can make a complaint about their landlord and improve the ability of social tenants to move to different areas.

**The planning and regeneration provisions** will abolish Regional Spatial Strategies, abolish the Infrastructure Planning Commission and return to a position where the Secretary of State takes the final decision on major infrastructure proposals of national importance and amend the Community Infrastructure Levy, which allows councils to charge developers to pay for infrastructure. Some of the revenue will be available for the local community, provide for neighbourhood plans, which would be approved if they received 50% of the votes cast in a referendum, provide for neighbourhood development orders to allow communities to approve development without requiring normal planning consent and give new housing and regeneration powers to the Greater London Authority, while abolishing the London Development Agency.

**The Copers Cope Area Residents' Association (CCARA)** welcomes the move towards local control and the revitalization of local democracy. Once the mechanisms have been worked out there should be greater opportunity within the neighbourhood for the wants and needs of local people in respect of creating a better place to live and work to be heard and acted upon. The CCARA is hopeful that it can tap some of the potential in the town to become more actively involved in the community and in the Association's affairs.

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## CHANGES TO THE PLANNING SYSTEM?

by Julie North

We can expect fundamental changes to the planning system under government measures to return power to local authorities and to local people in England and Wales. The aim is to create a flexible and efficient system by restoring control over housing and planning to “neighbourhood” councils and their communities.

It is proposed to abolish the Infrastructure Planning Commission and to replace it with a democratically accountable body to provide advice on major infrastructure planning. The Mayor's London Plan will remain but all other Regional Spatial Strategies (introduced to control long term master plans at the widest regional level) will be revoked as the Decentralisation and Localism



Bill goes through parliament. Regional Development Agencies are also on the way out with the intention of encouraging partnerships between local authorities and the business community so they can act as the driver for local economic development.

However, the baby is not necessarily out with the bathwater; the Department for Communities & Local Government has informed local planning authorities that they must still have regard for their currently adopted Development Plans and other existing Local Plan documents and also that evidence from revoked regional strategies may be a material consideration in determining planning decisions. Some local authorities have been quite slow to introduce and apply replacements for their unitary development plans which are now



known as the Local Development Framework (LDF). This system may need revision to make it easier for local authorities to involve local communities in amending local plan but meanwhile there is reluctance on the part of councils to devote resource to LDF development until reform proposals are announced.

On the whole local communities seem to like the idea that the planning system will become simpler and easier to understand but the property world and some Town Planning institutions have concerns that a lack of overarching regional strategies will hinder major development, removal of co-ordination across local authority boundaries will lead to inconsistencies and the lessening of pressure on councils to approve contentious projects such as wind farms must affect development schemes for renewable energy. There is also the view that, though there are to be financial incentives to local authorities to deliver housing

schemes, the abolition of formal housing targets could reduce investment and bring about mothballing.

It may not yet be All Change and there are gaps to be filled and detail to be sorted out but it seems fairly certain that local community involvement will provide more opportunities to influence the planning procedures of local councils. The CCARA has always closely monitored the applications and decisions affecting Copers Cope Ward. So bring it on!

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## FANFARE FOR BECKENHAM

### Programme

**Concert in St George's Church, Beckenham on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

#### PART ONE

Gordon Carr

*Fanfare for Beckenham*

Gilbert Vintner

*James Cook Circumnavigator*

Carey Blyton

*The Hobbit Overture*

Donald Swann

*Bilbo's Last Song* (1)

Gordon Carr

*Reverie* (2)

Benjamin Britten

*Gloriana - two Courtly Dances*

Peter Warlock

*Basse-Danse* from *The Capriol Suite*

George F Handel

*Music for the Royal Fireworks*

Felix Mendelssohn

*Wedding March* from a *Midsummer Night's Dream*

Aram Khachaturian

*Onedin Line*

Peter Warlock

*The Cricketers of Hambledon* (3)

Carey Blyton

*Sweet and Sour Rag* (4)

Anne Dudley

*Jeeves and Wooster*

#### PART TWO

Sir Arthur Bliss

*March* from the film *Things to Come*

Gustav Holst

*Chaconne* from *First Suite in E-flat*

Sir Edward Elgar

*Nimrod*

Hubert Gregg

*Maybe it's because I'm a Londoner*

Carey Blyton

*Pasticheries* (4)

*Indian Coffee House Tango* (4)

Peter Warlock

*Beethoven's Binge*

Vangelis

*Chariots of Fire*

Keith Mansfield (arranger)

*BBC Grandstand* theme music

Jacob Gade

*Jealousy* (Tango)

The Lewisham Concert Band will perform all pieces, except for:

- (1) Paul Allen and Christian Strover
- (2) Dave Lee and Christian Strover
- (3) Paul Allen and LCB Brass Sextet with chorus  
(other band members & audience)
- (4) Derek Foster and Anthony Green

## **DO YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME? CAN YOU HELP US KEEP AN EYE ON LOCAL ISSUES?**

**We are seeking volunteers to assist us in monitoring and informing residents on local issues.**

We welcome volunteers who take a interest in local activities, who may already contribute to a local authority working group, or who feel passionate about a particular area, to report on residents concerns. Do you have some spare time, would you be willing to monitor a local issue and feedback to the Association and perhaps provide a contribution for The Express if required? Many hands make light work, the Association relies on many volunteers making small contributions.

There are a number of areas that require coverage:

- **Policing** - crime reduction, anti-social behaviour, drug and alcohol abuse, participation in Safer Neighbourhood Scheme
- **Licensing** - liquor licenses, food safety, new commercial licenses, extensions to trading hours and trading standards
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- **Sporting and other leisure activities**- local availability and potential for development of arts, crafts, sports, youth clubs and cultural activities

**All contributions no matter how big or small, on any area would be greatly appreciated.**

Helping with your local community doesn't necessarily require you to join the Committee or attend Committee meetings. We would love to welcome you informally. For further information please ring our Chairman, David Vevers, on 020 8650 2078.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE CCARA COMMITTEE?

During the AGM on 30 March 2011 members will be voting-in new officers and committee members to run the Association. The committee posts for officers are:

- Chairman
- Vice-Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer

The current Vice-Chairman and Treasurer will be stepping down and we thank them for their hard work and dedication over the years. There also several posts for ordinary members (i.e. that don't carry specific titles). Nominations, which may be made by any two CCARA members with the consent of the nominee, must be received by Thursday 24 March 2011.

We always welcome new committee members and ask that you complete the nomination form below which should be returned to: M Heffernan, Brook Cottage, Blakeney Road, Beckenham, BR3 1HA.

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as...../committee member of CCARA

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