Autumn 2026

BECKENHAM RESIDENTS

Copers Cope Area Residents' Association & West Beckenham Residents' Association **working for Beckenham on your behalf**

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION OPEN MEETING

Monday 2 November 2026, 8pm
Christ Church Beckenham



The Odeon (image courtesy of Alan Old)

COPERS COPE AREA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (CCARA)

Founded in 1935 the CCARA covers Beckenham Town & Copers Cope Ward. CCARA organises the Market On The Green, a local community market with live entertainment, and runs Beckenham Green Friends

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NEWS FROM THE CHAIR



Chloe-Jane Ross
Chair CCARA



Mike Manley
Chair WBRA

Welcome to this edition of our joint Beckenham Residents' newsletter.

You may have noticed that this edition has a blue theme, in celebration of the many years of enjoyment our Odeon cinema has brought to Beckenham, and with sadness at its closure at the end of November.

CCARA and WBRA Subscriptions

At our respective AGMs in 2026, members approved an increase in annual subscriptions for both Associations from £5 to £7 per household, taking effect in 2027. For CCARA, the subscription for block members with volunteer deliverers will increase to £3.50 per household.

These increases are necessary to help cover the rising costs of printing, postage and administration, allowing both Associations to continue their work for local residents.

CCARA subscriptions are collected on 1 March. If you pay by GoCardless, your payment will be updated automatically. However, if you pay by standing order, you will need to amend the amount directly with your bank. WBRA subscriptions are collected on 1 April. Members paying by standing order will also need to update their payment directly with their bank.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope to see you at our Open Public Meeting at 8pm Monday 2 November in Christ Church, when you can ask questions of a panel of Councillors.

Finally, a reminder that Beckenham's Remembrance Sunday Service takes place at 11am on Sunday 8 November at the War Memorial.

Mike Manley and Chloe Jane Ross

‘ASK THE COUNCILLORS’ OPEN MEETING 8pm 2nd NOVEMBER 2026



Our annual ‘ask the Councillors’ Open Meeting is in the main Church at Christ Church, Fairfield Road at 8pm on Monday 2nd of November.

Members and guests can ask questions of our panel of Councillors and London Assembly Member for Bexley and Bromley, Thomas Turrell.

UPDATE FROM WBRA’s ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JULY 2026

The main business of the AGM, held on 20 July at Christ Church Beckenham, was the increase in subscriptions and the new Rules of the Association.



The AGM approved a subscription increase from £5 a year to £7 a year per household. This is the first increase in over 20 years.

The Association’s Rules had not substantially changed since their inception in 1945. They had now been rewritten. Copies of the old and new proposed Rules had been posted on the website for members to inspect before the AGM. There was a debate about the proposed boundaries, which are based "loosely" on the area where our members live, and delineated by reference to train stations, which, unlike ward boundaries, do not change. The Rules including the proposed boundaries were passed.

Thank you to all our members that attended and supported the changes.

CAN THE COMMUNITY SAVE BECKENHAM'S CINEMA?



The biggest story in Beckenham over the past few weeks has been the news that **Beckenham Odeon will close on 29 November**. The announcement has caused huge sadness across our community. For generations the cinema has been part of life in Beckenham and many residents have shared fond memories of visiting over the years.

Losing the Odeon is about more than having to travel further to see a film. It is an important cultural venue that brings people from a large surrounding area into our town centre, supporting local restaurants, cafés and businesses.

What has happened?

In March 2025, Citygate Church bought the freehold of the Odeon building, including the car park, from BlackRock, the world's largest asset management company. Odeon had sold the building to BlackRock in 2014,

taking out a lease to continue operating the cinema until 2038. Since taking ownership, Citygate and Odeon have agreed to end that lease early.

Citygate says the Grade II listed building needs substantial repairs and has ambitious plans to renovate it and reveal many of its original 1930s Art Deco features. These include removing the walls separating the cinema screens to recreate one large auditorium seating 1200 and restoring historic decorative features.

The building would become a church, with the potential for some community activities to take place. The car park would remain available for public use, although access may be restricted during busy Sunday church services.

Citygate's plans: www.beckenham.site



What Happens Next?

Citygate needs planning permission from Bromley Council to change the building's use from a cinema to a place of worship. An application is expected shortly and may already have been submitted by the time you read this.

As part of the application, Citygate is expected to provide evidence about whether the building could continue operating as a cinema if another operator would be willing to take it over and if a cinema is still financially

viable in Beckenham. The Council will consider this alongside planning policies, the impact on the town centre and the loss of a cultural venue.

The application will also need to address the impact of the proposed new use, including concerns raised by residents about parking, traffic and congestion.

Residents will have an opportunity to comment on the planning application, normally during a 21-day consultation period. Comments need to relate to relevant planning matters only (eg traffic, parking, loss of a cultural amenity, impact on economy of the town) rather than simply whether people support or oppose the proposals.

We will share details of the consultation on our website once known.

The Campaign to Save Our Cinema

The announcement has brought residents together, with a new community group, Friends of Beckenham Cinema, leading the campaign to retain a cinema in the town.

The group has launched a petition, which has attracted nearly 12,000 signatures at the time of writing, and is exploring possible alternatives, including other cinema operators and community-led options.

The Friends are also preparing to respond to the planning application, focusing on relevant planning grounds, and will be a useful source of information for residents who want to get involved.

Campaign website: saveourscreenbeckenham.org.uk

Petition: change.org/p/keep-beckenham-odeon-as-a-cinema

For many residents, the Odeon is much more than a landmark building at the approach to the town. It is part of Beckenham's character and an important place of culture and entertainment for people of all ages and backgrounds to enjoy.

CCARA and WBRA believe that Beckenham should not lose its cinema and want every possible option for keeping this much-loved cultural venue open to be fully explored.

When the planning application is submitted, we encourage residents to have their say through Bromley Council's planning website.

BECKENHAM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – A COMMUNITY EFFORT

A new team of local volunteers, led by Beckenham resident Charlotte, has taken on the challenge of raising funds for our town's Christmas lights in 2026.

The Christmas lights are a much-loved part of Beckenham's festive celebrations, bringing some sparkle to the High Street and helping make the town centre a welcoming place for residents, visitors and local businesses.

Can you help?
Whether you're a local business interested in supporting the lights, a resident who would like to contribute or someone who can spare a little time to help with fundraising, every bit of support makes a difference.



You can donate online at the link below or by scanning the QR code in the image:

gofundme.com/f/bring-festive-cheer-to-beckenham-high-street-this-christmas

Let's help make Beckenham sparkle this Christmas!

BECKENHAM WAR MEMORIAL – SEWER REPAIRS AND ROAD REOPENING



Residents and businesses have faced weeks of disruption around Beckenham War Memorial following the discovery of a collapsed sewer beneath the High Street in early August.

Thames Water closed one side of the road to allow tankers to pump waste from the sewer, keeping wastewater services running for local homes and businesses while repairs were investigated.

The good news is that the High Street reopened in early October, following the installation of a temporary pumping system to bypass the damaged sewer. Bus services have returned to their normal routes, although barriers and equipment remain around the War Memorial.

Thames Water still needs to carry out further investigations, including ground-penetrating radar surveys around the Memorial, before permanent repairs can begin. These are likely to require further traffic management.

Ward Councillors asked Thames Water to ensure the War Memorial is safe and presentable for Remembrance Sunday. Thames Water has confirmed that permanent repairs will not begin until after Remembrance Sunday, avoiding disruption to Beckenham's important annual service.

We hope Thames Water can complete the remaining repairs before Christmas, with as little further disruption to our town centre as possible.

STAY ONE STEP AHEAD OF SCAMMERS: SIGN UP FOR TRADING STANDARDS ALERTS

Scams and rogue traders are an ongoing problem, and unfortunately, criminals are always finding new ways to trick people out of their money.

Bromley Council's Trading Standards team provides regular email alerts to warn residents about scams, doorstep criminals and dishonest traders operating in the borough.

Recent warnings have included rogue roofers targeting residents, offering unnecessary repairs and charging hugely inflated prices. Other alerts help residents recognise suspicious approaches and protect themselves and vulnerable neighbours.



Signing up is free and is a simple way to stay informed about the latest scams affecting our area.

Trading Standards also runs a Trading Standards Checked scheme, helping residents find vetted local traders for work around the home.

Useful links:

- **Sign up for scam alerts:**
  www.bromley.gov.uk/ScamAlertSignUpForm
- **Find a vetted trader:**
  www.bromley.gov.uk/tradingstandardschecked

Please consider signing up and sharing the information with friends, family and neighbours, particularly those who may be more vulnerable to scams. A timely warning could save someone a great deal of money and distress.

If you believe you or someone you know is at immediate risk of losing money to a scam or doorstep criminal, contact the police directly on **999**.

COULD BROMLEY'S COUNCIL TAX RISE BY MORE THAN 5%?

Bromley Council has written to the Government asking for permission to increase Council Tax by more than 5% next year. Normally, councils need to hold a local referendum for increases of 5% or more, unless the Government gives special permission.

The Council is struggling to balance its books, with rising costs for adult social care, special educational needs and temporary accommodation.

Bromley also receives some of the lowest government funding per resident in London, despite having one of the largest older populations. The Council says it receives around £110 million less than if it were funded at the London average.

To balance this year's budget, Bromley is using £25 million from its savings (reserves), something it cannot keep doing indefinitely.

Council Leader Colin Smith has warned that a double-digit percentage increase may be needed, with services such as road repairs, parks and bin collections potentially facing cuts without more funding.

Nothing has been decided yet. The Government must first give permission, and councillors would then decide whether to go ahead.

With household bills already stretched, residents will want to know how much extra they might pay and what it would mean for local services.

HSBC SPORTS GROUND SALE – LENNARD ROAD

News that HSBC is selling its sports ground on Lennard Road, next to Cator Park, came as a huge shock to the sports clubs that use the site, the nursery based there and those who work at the ground.

The site is being sold privately by HSBC to Crystal Palace Football Club, which already has two training grounds on Copers Cope Road.

While it is welcome news that the site will remain in sporting use, with its green playing fields retained, the loss of these facilities for the many community sports clubs that have used the ground for years is a significant blow. We understand the nursery will continue on site until at least July 2027.



(Image courtesy of Google)

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT BUSKING ON THE GREEN?

Beckenham Green was filled with music recently thanks to **Busking on the Green**, a fantastic new free community event organised by two local residents, showcasing some wonderful local musical talent.

Chair of CCARA and founder of Beckenham Green Friends, was delighted to support the event, offering advice to help get it off the ground.

A huge thank you to Sarah and Matt, who put so much hard work into organising the day and bringing the community together.



Beckenham Green is a special part of our town, and it's lovely to see it being used for events like this, giving local performers a chance to shine and residents an opportunity to enjoy live music.

You can follow for upcoming events on Instagram at buskingonthegreen

LOCAL POLICING UPDATES

Community Road Watch Returns to Beckenham



Community Road Watch is being revived in the Beckenham area, giving residents an opportunity to help tackle speeding on local roads.

The scheme is run by the police, with volunteers joining officers to carry out speed checks in residential streets using handheld speed detection equipment.

Although drivers cannot be fined directly through the scheme, those caught speeding may receive an official warning letter. Repeat offenders can be flagged for further police enforcement.

If you would like to volunteer or suggest a road where speeding is a concern, email CommunityRoadwatch@met.police.uk.

Crimestoppers: Help Tackle Illegal E-Bikes and E-Scooters

Police across London, including Beckenham, are working to tackle the illegal use of e-bikes and e-scooters.

Stopping riders while they are moving can be dangerous, particularly when they are not wearing helmets. Police therefore need information about where illegal riders gather, start their journeys or return to.

Residents can help by reporting information anonymously to Crimestoppers. This intelligence can help police plan targeted enforcement safely and effectively. All reports to Crimestoppers are anonymous.

Call 0800 555 111 or visit crimestoppers-uk.org

Kelsey and Eden Park Safer Neighbourhood Panel

The Kelsey and Eden Park Safer Neighbourhood Panel gives local residents an opportunity to meet with their neighbourhood police team, raise concerns about crime and anti-social behaviour, and help set local policing priorities.

The panel has welcomed a new Chair, Brian Stapleton, alongside a new Sergeant leading the local Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT), Mike Goodman, and a new Inspector, Louise Steeden, who oversees the local neighbourhood teams.

If you would like to join the panel or find out more about its work, please contact Brian at bsconsulting2009@aol.com

HOW TO REPORT A DANGEROUS TREE

With so many beautiful trees across Beckenham, it's important to know how to report one that may be dangerous, particularly following storms or high winds.

Bromley Council has asked residents to report suspected dangerous trees by telephone on 0300 303 8658, rather than using FixMyStreet or email. This helps ensure urgent concerns reach the Council's tree team directly.

When reporting a dangerous tree, please try to provide:

- The exact location, preferably using What3Words.
- Whether the tree threatens a main path, smaller footpath or road.
- The type of tree and approximate trunk diameter, if known.
- Photographs showing the problem, if safe to take them.

For less urgent tree problems, such as minor maintenance concerns, residents can continue to use FixMyStreet through the usual reporting process.

It is worth saving the Council's number, **0300 303 8658**, in your phone so you have it handy when needed.



BECKENHAM GREEN FRIENDS

The Beckenham Green Friends have been busy over the summer and autumn, with volunteers helping to keep this much-loved green space looking its best.



Recent sessions have focused on strengthening the chestnut fencing, replacing damaged wooden edging and clearing weeds, ivy and brambles along the nature trail. Volunteers have also been sweeping leaves, collecting litter and tidying planting areas.

Particular attention has been given to the corner near Marks & Spencer, where damaged edging is being replaced to prevent mud washing onto the paths during wet weather.

The Friends are also hoping to plant more spring bulbs, with applications submitted to Bulbs for London and the Bromley Friends Forum for support.

Unfortunately, the decorative lights installed in the large trees during the High Street redevelopment have reached the end of their life and will be removed by the Council.

If you'd like to get involved or find out more, please contact the Friends at greenfriends@coperscope.org.uk.

BROMLEY'S AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN

Bromley Council has recently consulted on its Air Quality Action Plan, setting out how it intends to tackle air pollution across the borough.

Although some pollution comes from outside Bromley, there are local sources that can be addressed. The borough has two Air Quality Focus Areas, one in central Bromley and another along Croydon Road, near Elmers End Green. The Council says it will review these areas to better understand pollution levels and whether measures to improve air quality are working.

Interestingly, an idea from around ten years ago to remove the road running alongside the shops at Elmers End Green appears to have disappeared from consideration.

The Council reports that Bromley currently meets national air quality objectives for nitrogen dioxide and particulate matter. However, these standards are less demanding than the World Health Organisation's recommended guidelines, so meeting them does not necessarily mean our air is as clean as it could be.

Road traffic has traditionally been the biggest source of nitrogen oxide emissions, but these are falling thanks to cleaner vehicles, including improvements to London's bus fleet, and the Ultra Low Emission Zone.

As traffic emissions fall, heating and power generation are becoming more significant sources of pollution. These include gas boilers in homes and businesses, as well as diesel generators.

SAINSBURY'S NEW CAR PARK WINDOW IS NOT MUCH HELP!

Whoever put the window in the door at Sainsbury's car park on Village Way must have been tall!

It's supposed to help stop people opening the door into someone's face. Not much use to most residents!



SPEED HUMPS ON CLOCK HOUSE ROAD



Over 25 years ago, following several nasty collisions, Bromley Council installed speed humps on Clock House Road. Since then, there have only been a handful of collisions causing injury on Clock House Road.

In September, residents received a letter from Bromley Council telling them that Clock House Road was to be resurfaced between Cromwell and Beckenham Roads. Quite by chance, one of the residents contacted the number on the letter and was horrified to be told that the work would include the removal of ALL the speed humps on this stretch of road.

As well as having many families with young children, Clock House Road is used by many pupils of Balgowan Primary School to walk to school. Many residents and parents contacted the Council to complain about the proposed removal of the speed humps without any consultation whatsoever. They also involved their ward councillors and MP. At the last minute, the Council paused the works and assured residents that their concerns would be fully considered in future plans for their road.

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WHAT'S NEW IN THE TOWN CENTRE



Soul Street restaurant is currently being transformed into a **new seafood boil and grill restaurant.**

Curry Cottage has changed its name to **Kokil**.



Creature Comforts Vets has now opened at 141 High Street, in the former HSBC and Winkworth premises.

A new coffee shop, **Little Dove**, is due to open soon at 151 High Street.

Afters at 185A High Street is under new management and is expected to reopen shortly.







At 215 High Street, The Gas Fire Place, the neighbouring vacant restaurant and the ex-children's clothes shop units are being combined to create a single larger retail unit for **Savers** (according to their planning application).



Proposed front elevation

PLANNING CHANGES: WHAT THEY MEAN FOR RESIDENTS?

From 31 October 2026, Government changes to the planning system will mean more applications being decided by council planning officers rather than elected councillors.

The aim is to speed up planning decisions, reduce delays and allow planning committees to focus on more significant developments. However, the changes also mean fewer opportunities for applications to be considered at public committee meetings (after being *called-in* to a committee by a Councillor).

Under the new rules, applications will fall into two categories:

Schedule 1: Decided by Planning Officers

These include house extensions and loft conversions, developments of fewer than 10 homes, minor commercial developments, and certain changes to planning conditions and permitted development applications. Councillors will no longer be able to call in these applications.

Schedule 2: May go to Planning Committee

These include developments of 10 or more homes, listed building consent, retrospective applications, protected trees, advertisements and certain council developments. For Schedule 2 applications, councillors must identify significant planning issues, with referral agreed by a senior planning officer and the committee chairman. Councillors will have three

Conservation areas, including those in Beckenham, retain their existing planning protections. However, applications such as house extensions will normally be decided by officers, even within conservation areas.

Residents can still comment on applications, submit objections or letters of support, and contact their ward councillors.Ward councillors can still raise residents' concerns with planning officers, even where applications cannot be referred to committee. If you are concerned about a planning application, do contact your ward councillors as early as possible.

PLANNING AND LICENSING UPDATE

To find out more about a particular planning application, go to: www.bromley.gov.uk then click on search planning applications and enter the case reference in the search box. The website has been undergoing extensive work recently, leading to long periods of unavailability. We hope this will be resolved soon.

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Land to east of South Eden Park Road, BR3 3FT 26/00412

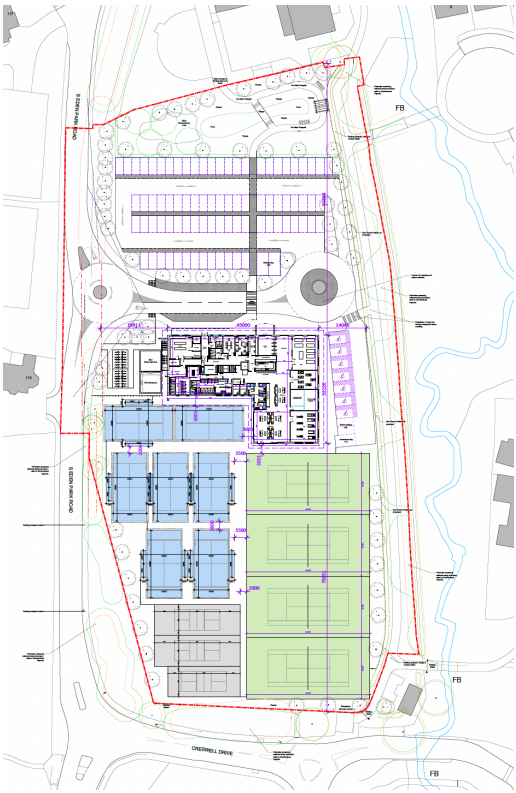
Planning approval was granted at committee earlier in October for a new sports centre on a large piece of open land to the east of South Eden Park Road.

The site is the remaining part of the sports fields of the former Wellcome Foundation/GSK complex. It is situated north of Cresswell Drive and Unicorn Primary School, and east of the Harvington Estate car park.



The proposals include a two-storey pavilion building accommodating a reception area, gym facilities, pilates studio, changing rooms, a cafe, kitchen and ancillary spaces. Next to the building would be 7 padel courts, 3 pickleball courts and 4 tennis courts. A customer car park with 94 spaces is proposed, together with cycle racks.

A new mini-roundabout and carriageway alterations are proposed on South Eden Park Rd, with a new road cutting across the site to access the centre.



The site is designated Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) so cannot be built upon except in very special circumstances. We were surprised by the decision to approve the application, as the planning officer assigned with the case had recommended it be refused. The reasons given were: the scale of the proposed development would be such that it would result in significant harm to openness, in both spatial and visual terms; it would constitute inappropriate development within the MOL; it had not been sufficiently demonstrated that other equally accessible locations without MOL designation had been investigated; the development would cause harm to the setting on locally-listed buildings close by; the landscaping proposed would not be sufficient to offset the loss of existing category B trees. Overall, whilst the proposal would deliver a number of benefits weighing in favour of the development, the considerations given in support of the proposals cannot be seen as sufficient to clearly outweigh the totality of harm identified. Consequently, officers concluded that the very special circumstances had not been demonstrated.

The single pavement, along the east side of South Eden Park Rd, is used by hundreds of children every weekday to walk or cycle to and from four schools which are all close to the site. The pavement is very narrow and traffic relatively fast. We are disappointed that the opportunity for safety improvements to be made, such as widening of the footpath, the introduction of a cycle path ideally and pedestrian crossings across the access road at the new mini-roundabout, has not been included in the proposal.



72-74 High Street, BR3 1ED 26/01563 (above Yammas restaurant)

A second application for a scheme to extend the roofspace to create two additional flats has been refused planning permission, The two floors above the restaurant are currently occupied by flats. The most recent application proposed enlarging the existing second floor flats vertically by extending the roof at the rear and side to create two new internal staircases, replacing the bedroom of each flat on the second floor with a dining room and putting the bedroom in the new roof extension.

114 Bromley Road, BR3 5NU

A public consultation was announced last August for a new care home building situated on the corner of Crescent Road. An existing, though empty, care home currently occupies the site. The existing building is Victorian, in yellow stock brick, and has an adjoining 1980s annexe which extends along Crescent Road.

The pre-planning stage proposal is to demolish the existing buildings and replace them with a larger, four-storey building accommodating 66 bedrooms, ancillary spaces, off-road parking and landscaping.



A full planning application is expected this autumn, at which point we and local residents will be able to comment on the detailed proposals.



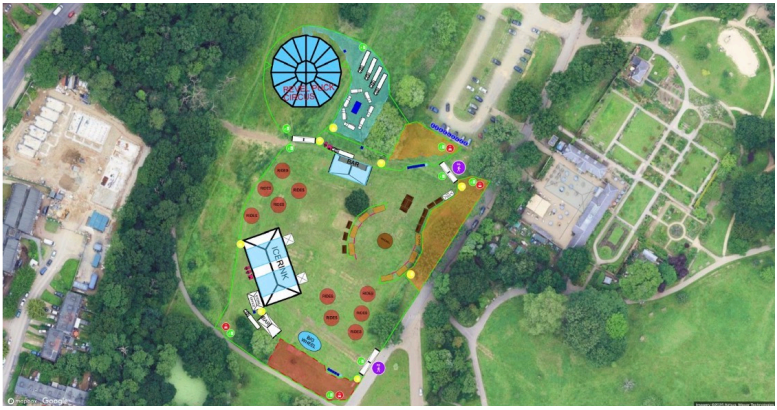
An illustrative image of the proposals from the corner of Bromley Road and Crescent Road

15 Wickham Road, BR3 5JS 26/00815

Permission has finally been granted to convert the existing building at the junction with Chancery Lane, from offices to three flats, with two off-street parking spaces.. The successful scheme has followed a series of refusals over the past five years.

Beckenham Place Park Winter Gardens

An application has recently been made to Lewisham Council for permission to hold Winter Gardens events once a year, every year, at the Park.



The event would take place from November to January each year. The application site has changed since last year. This year, and for future years, it is proposed to be located on the meadow in front of the Mansion and the Homestead, rather than last year where it was situated further north, closer to the vehicle entrance to the Park.

The application includes for films to be shown from 11:00-22:00 every day, and alcohol to be served from the same times. Event dates will be agreed with Green Scene (Lewisham's in-house Parks and Open Space team responsible for the western side of the Park) in advance of each annual event, and will be advertised on Lewisham Council's website.

You can comment on the current proposal by email to **licensing@lewisham.gov.uk**. Your full name and address must be included.

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Copers Cope Area Residents' Assoc Joining Instructions

Copers Cope Area Residents' Association predominantly covers the Beckenham Town & Copers Cope Ward of Beckenham. The annual subscription cost per household is £7. The simplest and most secure way to join is online.

CCARA members only join online by scanning the QR code or at: beckenhamresidents.org/join/

Affiliate Membership – Reduced Subscription

If you live in a block of flats and all the households wish to sign up together, you can join as an affiliate member and each household will only

pay £3.50. As an affiliate you would receive a bundle of the newsletter for your group to be distributed to each household by a resident in your block or left in a common entrance way.

Joining the committee - committee members and officer posts are elected at the AGM (usually in March/April). However, it is possible for the committee to co-opt volunteers outside of the AGM. Please get in touch if you are interested in joining the committee.

West Beckenham Residents' Assoc Joining Instructions

The West Beckenham Residents' Association (WBRA) has introduced a **new online membership system**, making it easier than ever for residents to join, renew and manage their membership.

At this year's Annual General Meeting, members approved an increase in the annual subscription from £5 to **£7**. This is the first increase in more than 20 years and has been agreed to help meet rising costs, particularly the production and distribution of the newsletter.

Existing members who pay by standing order simply need to update their annual payment from £5 to **£7** through their bank before 1 April 2027. Members who currently pay by cash or cheque are encouraged to switch to the new online system, Membership Mojo, which provides a simple and secure way to manage your membership and you can pay online. Scan the QR code to access the new system.

New members can also join online :

membermojo.co.uk/westbra

Further details on the new system for existing members can be found in the accompanying membership letter.

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