

**The newsletter of the Board  
of St Mary's (Ipswich)  
Management Company  
Limited and their managing  
agent; EWS Limited.**



Welcome to the 19<sup>th</sup> edition of the Newsletter.

## Settlement on the Green

Residents may have noticed that over the last two years, the north and south ends of the green have become increasingly uneven.

From time to time, small sinkholes have had to be cordoned off and filled in. We know that there is a large attenuation tank under the green to slow down water runoff and think that due to recent periods of alternating drought and heavy rain, earth has been washed away around the original excavation.

EWS are arranging for an investigation to be carried out so that the situation can be fully assessed, and any necessary remedial work undertaken. We will keep you posted regarding any findings.

## Community Events

Many thanks to the residents who took part in our quiz evening to raise funds for The Bone Cancer Research Trust on Wednesday 19th February.

Thanks to the amazing generosity of our quizzers and raffle ticket buyers and all the contributions from a huge selection of raffle prizes to cakes for our Cake in the Break, we managed to raise **£243** for our chosen charity.

Huge thanks must also go to Simon Jay, our fantastic quiz master, who delivered a highly enjoyable and entertaining quiz; to Steve Kentfield for liaising with The Bone Cancer Research Trust and providing information and prizes and Declan Allen for some superb raffle prizes courtesy of Onion Vinyl in Felixstowe. Many thanks to everyone who donated raffle prizes and came along and supported the event.

It was a tightly fought battle for top place with 4 teams tying for second place. However, the winners were the very worthy Team Successors (pictured) - congratulations! Many thanks again for all the support that went into creating a great night out! Please do get in touch if you have any ideas for future social events that you would like to see happening on the development. *Eleanor Legg*



## Questionnaire

Homeowners with garages will soon be receiving a letter from the Directors containing a questionnaire about the provision of electricity to garages, vehicle charging and related issues and opportunities. This is to help the Directors to build a picture of residents' aspirations and intentions regarding this. It is possible that, given sufficient interest, a presentation could be arranged to discuss some of the issues.



## Wildlife and Conservation News

Network Rail have finished their tree felling along this part of the track in time for the nesting season.

Cuckoo-pint (*arum maculatum*) is flourishing along the woodland path and in a month the bluebells will be out in the woods and cow parsley gracing the edge.

There are frogs around, and early butterflies have been spotted, including the beautiful acid yellow brimstone butterfly.

The hornbeam trees between Servite House and Trafalgar Close will have flowers almost as yellow in just a few weeks' time.

## Community Litter Pick

Last year's community litter pick was a great success, with a satisfying amount of rubbish collected from the verges, paths and woodland!

If you would like to help with this year's, please meet on the Green at 10am on Sunday 6th April. Children welcome!

## Bin Day!

Householders all put bins out ready for refuse collection days, but when do we collect them back in, and where do we put them?

Some residents have asked that bins be brought in as soon as possible after collection as not only are they unsightly but they also block the paths and should be returned to their owners' gardens.

Let's all do our bit to keep the public and garage areas bin free!

Blue bins have recently been left unemptied at Padua House as inappropriate waste has been put in them. Please make sure that all waste for the blue bins is loose (no plastic bags) and complies with the posters and stickers that are on display.

These communal bins are only for the use of people who are living in the flats. There is an additional cost to residents when the bins must be 'sorted'.