

*The Kemp Town  
Society*



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Dear Members,

**COMMUNAL BINS**

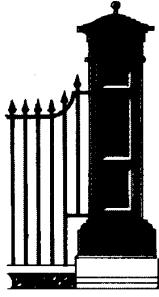
This is a general letter to all members to inform you of some the recent events concerning communal bins at this important point in time. Your letters and phone calls to Councillors have had their desired effect!

Many of you will know that the Environment Committee met last Thursday at Hove City Hall, in order to proceed with the rollout of communal bins across the City as proposed by Councillor Theobald. Much concern was expressed about whether the claimed “success” of the trials of the bins was true (e.g. to make our streets cleaner) and the manner in which this “success” was being extended across the city with little regard to consultation with Councillors and residents. Clearly, the visual impact of the bins in sensitive heritage areas, apart from the implicit removal of house to house rubbish collection, is of primary concern.

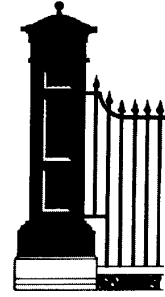
After much correspondence and phone calls, Councillors rounded on the committee and an amendment to the Agenda was called for and was passed unanimously for there to be full consultation on the matter before its implementation. This will now include residents!

It presents our community with the opportunity to obtain a more formal response to the impending imposition of these bins, which CityClean and the Council wish to place around our roads in front of our heritage squares, terraces, and crescents, unless the body of evidence against this is overwhelming. So we MUST rally all to give full effect to this window of opportunity.

I am currently in discussion to enlarge the effectiveness of our campaign by enjoining our prominent Conservation areas, especially in Hove: Palmeira Square, Arundel Crescent and Brunswick Terrace. We are represented by a steering committee “Conservation Area Group” (CAG) to deal with the councillors on such matters. I will continue to uphold the presence and voice of KTS in this matter as ardently as possible both through CAG and directly as needs be. I am also concerned for obvious reasons that this issue will have to be extended beyond our Grade 1 listed area and its membership and potentially encompass at least some principal residential streets along and off the seafront areas adjoining Kemp Town.



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Accordingly, plans are being drawn up to consult with Members and local residents to present a unified position to inform the council *with authority* what the residents of our area are prepared to accept. It will undoubtedly now suspend the assumption that the rollout of the bins will take place without further full consultation. I will keep you notified of such further action shortly.

I am taking advantage of this letter to bring you some news of the Developments of which are likely to be our neighbours in the next few years.

**1. The Brighton Marina Regeneration.** Consultation with this group has taken place over the last number of months and modifications have ensued. The density is still excessive and the tower above the current Asda will be moderated in height. However, we will have to wait until the planning application goes in to see if the height is less than the 30 or so floors proposed.

**2. The Black Rock Arena.** The recent public statement by the developers insists that the development is alive and that the planning application will be sent in before the end of the year.

**3. The Brunswick Development.** The erection of the hoardings around the Black Rock site are for the Brunswick Development. Permission by the Council has been granted to use this site for their construction materials, which we are informed as to arrive by sea. (I suspect this will be changed to road!). Some speculation that the tower's height is not sustainable based on the recent chalk bedrock findings questions also the economic foundations of this element of the scheme .

If any member has more up-to-date information to share with us, please let us know!

There is much to look forward to over the coming months to bring our Society together.

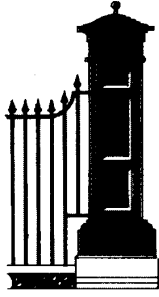
Our Social Committee has organised Monthly events at the recently renovated Hanbury Club (no longer Arms!). They will be splendid and great value (£15), by bringing in West End quality performances to our doorstep!

These events are held on Sunday afternoons at 4.0pm as follows:

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November: The Life and songs of Jack Buchanan, "That's Entertainment"  
Michael Chance and George Hall.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October: "What's a lady like me...?" Linda-Mae Brewer  
with Stuart Hutchinson.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January: "The Smut in Harriet's Eye": Adventures of filming Forster.  
Derek Granger.



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Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February “Drop another Hat”, A Tribute to Flanders and Swann.  
Michael Bernstein and Colin Stevens.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March “Hollywood Ladies”. Rebecca Caine and Gerald Martin Moore.

Flyers have been dropped in all houses around the Estate. Many dates are filling up fast. Some purchasing the tickets for all performances. So better book soon, as only 80 seats! You are welcome to email or leave a phone message with me this month until I can get your names out to those members handling the bookings, who are currently away.

Should other forms be needed, please let us know.

The Social outings have been a great success this year. I joined the party for the performance of Fiddler on the Roof at the Savoy Theatre, which won wide applause.

I believe the trip to Glynebourne on the 12<sup>th</sup> October is fully booked. Gina Bryson holds the list of participants.

Best wishes to all,

Paul Phillips, Chairman

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