



Prospect Place Conservation Area Trust Newsletter

Dear Resident

Welcome to our April 2022 newsletter. We wanted to tell you what we have been doing in this rather difficult of times and to update you on future events.

2022 Street Party for Queen's Platinum Jubilee

We have not felt able to organise a street party during 2020 and 2021 as a result of Covid precautions and restrictions. The Queen is celebrating her Platinum Jubilee in June and there will be a public holiday from Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June 2022. As we expect there will be many alternative attractions over that weekend, we are planning to hold our 2022 Street Party the following weekend on **Saturday 11 June**.

The party will take the same format as in previous years and we attach an invitation. All you need to do is let us know how many of you are coming by Friday 3 June together with £5 per adult head to cover the charity's costs which include live music and sausage sizzle on the day

Prospect in Bloom

We held our very successful inaugural "Prospect in Bloom" Competition in June 2021 and now plan to continue this as an annual event. It was judged by Linda Kasmaty, a local councillor and gardener and we hope that she will do so again this year. This year's judging will take place on **Saturday 18 June** and the categories are as follows (together with last year's winners)

Hanging Basket - 13 Eastcott Road
Window Box - 13 Prospect Place
Front Garden - 25 Prospect Place

There is no need to formally enter – we will tour the Conservation Area on the day with the judge and will announce the winners as soon as we can. A £25 garden voucher will be awarded to the winner of each category.

Membership and AGM

We will be holding our AGM later this year and would like as many of you as possible to be involved. It would be very helpful to us if we could contact you by email as this will enable us to keep you informed on a more regular and cost-effective manner.

If you would like to be a member of Prospect Place Conservation Area Trust then please email us at ProspectPCAT@gmail.com . If you would like to become a trustee then let any of the current trustees know and we will be pleased to talk to you about it.

Website

South Swindon Parish Council kindly donated money to build a website which is now up and running – please visit <https://ppcat.org.uk/>

Litter Picks

We have started to recommence our weekly litter-picks and they are Wednesday/Thursday evening at 6.30pm. In previous years these have been very effective at improving the appearance of our area and provide an opportunity to meet some of our fellow residents. They are good fun and sometimes we go to the pub afterwards. If you would like to join us then contact us on at ProspectPCAT@gmail.com

Enhancing the Area

You may have noticed that we have installed planters in the forecourt of the church in Prospect Place. They contain Lombardy Poplars as a centrepiece and we regularly plant flowers around them. We'd like to thank all the residents who have helped to maintain and water them. If you have any suggestions for more locations or would like to be involved, please get in contact.

Other Ways of Getting Involved

Perhaps you could help with other specific events, e.g. Heritage Walks in September, collecting stories about the history of the area. Please talk to us at the Street Party or send an e-mail to ProspectPCAT@gmail.com.

Heritage Open Day Walks

Heritage Open Day is 9 – 18th September this year, and we intend to offer 2 guided walks on one of these weekends.

2022 Eastcott Window Wanderland

The illuminated walking trail organised by the Eastcott Community Organisation took place at the beginning of March. Several homes in the Conservation Area produced spectacular window displays which were admired by residents and visitors alike. Why not join in next year?

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