



Note

1. **Apologies for absence** – see attendance sheet on page 4 below.

2. **Matters arising since 25 November Public Meeting & 6 January Executive Meeting**

Charles Runcie said apart from those matters arising listed under this heading, most of them would be covered through out the meeting.

- S2 subzone parking consultation – survey would be held until end March.
- Dog poo signage – although some signs had gone up, it did not look as they would be that effective in deterring owners from letting their dogs foul the pavements. It was suggested that SGRA should, via Grid News, social media & community posters, help spread the message to dog owners to prevent such bad behaviour. People could inform the Council if they spot irresponsible dog owners by contacting animalwelfare@richmondandWandsworth.gov.uk or 020 871 7606
- Census – work was being done on compiling the census returns for 1921. Once ready, they will be uploaded onto the website. So far, the Instagram mention of the Grid Census returns had 3K viewings.
- Poppy Appeal 2026 – Dr Ahmad had informed Charles that they would be looking to organise the Poppy Appeal for this November.
- Grid Residents Survey – due to come out in the Spring.
- Intergenerational Party – planned to take place in the Summer, a mixture of senior citizens and young people would be involved.

3. **AELTC development proposals update - Simon Wright (Save Wimbledon Park)**

- Simon gave brief updates on two cases: land held in public trust and the appeal against the GLA decision of Sept 2024 to allow planning permission.
- On the former, the Royal Courts of Justice heard SWP's case against AELTC (to establish whether the land was sold to AELTC correctly by Merton Borough Council back in 1993). The case was held between 16 & 23 January. An announcement is expected in weeks/Spring.
- The case appealing against the GLA decision is expected to take place in the Autumn of 2026.
- Likely outcome on both cases would be that AELTC could win on both counts, lose on both counts or win/lose on each. If they lost, Simon said that AELTC should think again about their plans, consult with local interested parties and draw up better plans. He also recommended people read the Putney News which, recognising the legal complexities of the cases, have reported on these issues clearly and understandably.

4. **SGRA 2025-2026 Priorities (until 31 May 2026) – Will Smart, Ian Shaw & Amelia Obertelli-Moriarity**

- Window Wanderland & Grid Kids – Will Smart said that following a successful Grid Kids launch in November, he was looking to plan a Kids Mend, Fix and Repair Cafe, a Disco fund raiser and a careers evening for the older children. In terms of the Window Wanderland, this would occur in the last weekend of February, posters would be up giving people details. Will also said that McCluskie's agreed to supply materials.
- 2nd Art Festival - this would be held on 7 March 2026 and in St Barnabas Church. 42 invites had been sent to artists in Southfields and there would be maximum of 32 spaces.

- Front Garden Awards – Amelia said that the judging was expected to take place between 19 & 28 June. There would be no changes to the prizes this year and there would be an update at the March Public Meeting.

5. Wandsworth Elections 2026 – Local Election Hustings

Charles said that this was booked for 21 April at 7.30pm in St Barnabas Church. Further details will be posted on the SGRA website publicising the event.

6. Feedback session on Christmas lights switch-on (3 December 2025)

Those who attended thought it went very well. Guy Humphries said that he met two newcomers who had moved into Replingham Road who described it as an amazing evening. Congratulations were passed onto all those who organised and took part.

7. Community Panel on Wimbledon Championships Residents' feedback

Ian said that the second meeting would be on Wednesday 28 January of which the purposes would be to hear what progress had been made. Without giving any spoilers, Ian said that Merton Borough Council and ALTEC had some useful discussions to date.

8. Guest Speakers: Wandle Wellbeing Hub: Sarah Elliot and Luke Woodward – Wandle Primary Care Network See presentation [here](#)

Sarah and Luke spoke about three elements of the Wandle Wellbeing Trust:

- social prescribing (i.e. non-medical) which acts as a community arm of the 5 GP practices;
- provision of new types of support via, social activities, wellbeing sessions, events & sessions involving GPs, Physio and voluntary, community, social enterprise (VCSE) organisations;
- delivery of such events by social prescriber (Lynne Capocciama) and are held at the local community centre (Brathway Hall, Brathway Road, SW18 4BE).

They then spoke about two events: Carers Week event & Beat the Blues:

- Carers Week Event – was held in June 2025 and gave an opportunity to PCN registered, unpaid carers to access in-person support from local VCSE organisations.
- Beat the Blues – Wednesday 11 February 9.30 to 1.30pm at two sites (i) Earlsfield Library hall hosting VCSE organisation stands; and (ii) Tara Theatre studio hosting well-being sessions & GP talks.

The following VCSE organisations are involved: MIND, Wandsworth Talking Therapies, Hestia Recovery Cafe, Ethnicity & Mental Health Improvement Project, Happy Homes, Sanctuary for Sisterhood, Wandsworth Adult Social Care, Enable, Places Leisure, THRIVE, Live Karma Yoga, Surrey Physio (Mindfulness & Relaxation), Wandle PCN & Brocklebank PCN Social Prescribers, Wandle PCN GPs. For more details click here to access the [website](#).

9. Guest speaker – Kelly Murtagh – Home-Start Wandsworth

Home-Start Wandsworth are a local family support charity, providing practical and emotional support to disadvantaged families living in the borough of Wandsworth. They are seeing an increase in the number of referred families in Southfields and the Putney area and want to ensure that they are recruiting volunteers in those local area to be able to serve these families.

As a local charity, Home-Start Wandsworth is looking for compassionate people to join their network of trained volunteers, offering a listening ear and an extra pair of hands to support disadvantaged families with young children. Those people who are interested in adopting/fostering children may benefit from such experience. All training will be provided. If anyone is interested they can either visit the [website](#) or email Kelly (Kelly@homestartWandsworth.org.uk)

10. SGRA Executive Updates

- **Finance:** The current account balance as of 22 Jan was £9,212.67. All subscriptions for September have been collected @£3,800 and income from advertising so far totals @ £4,900. There are two outstanding costs due this financial year - £2k donation to Friends of Coronation Gardens and the next issue of Grid News (@£1.8k). For the AGM, there will be an analysis of the subscriptions database which will be cross referenced with data from SGRA bank account
- **Planning - Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) application for 10 Elsenham Street (planning case: 2025/2919).**
- Sue Wixley said that a planning officer from Wandsworth Borough Council's Planning & Enforcement (P&E) department carried out a site visit in late December. There were only 6 bedrooms in operation (i.e., the permitted development). The other areas in the house are still communal spaces and not converted into additional bedrooms. As things stand, there is no breach of the planning rules. P&E said that they would welcome feedback from neighbours. To date only one complaint has been received so far.
- Heritage Dry Cleaners (Corner of Brookwood Road & Clonmore Street), the landlord has notified his intention of converting the shop into a ground floor flat. As this comes under permitted development, any appeals or concerns may be ignored by the P&E Dept. However, that does not mean that we can not point out the importance to the Grid in having this remaining dry-cleaning facility which is heavily used and popular.
- **Crime** – Figures for November 2025 are at Annex A.

Forthcoming meetings

- SGRA Public Meeting **31 March**, 7.30-9.15pm, Parish Room, St Barnabas Church

Forthcoming events

- West Hill SNT Cuppa with a Copper, **3 February**, 11am-12pm Southfields Library, 300 Wimbledon Park Road
- Window Wanderland, **28 February - 1 March**, 5.30 to 9pm click [here](#) for website
- Southfields Art Festival, **7 March**, 12.30-5pm, St Barnabas Church
- Southfields SNT Cuppa with a Copper, **11 March**, 12-12.45pm, location to be confirmed.

SGRA PUBLIC MEETING: 27 JANUARY 2026

Apologies: Dr Sadar Ahmad, Cllr Kim Caddy, Ameet Phadnis, Rachel Roberts

SGRA – Executive Members (11)	Role
Charles Runcie	SGRA Exec. Comm – Chair/Pirbright Rd Rep
Ian Shaw	SGRA Exec. Comm – Secretary/ Brookwood Rd Rep
Serena Potter	SGRA Exec. Comm – Membership Secretary
Amelia Obertelli-Moriarty	SGRA Exec. Comm/Joint Trentham Street Rep
Ann Kerr	SGRA Exec. Comm/Joint Clonmore Street Rep
Clive Williams	SGRA Exec. Comm
Kyle Forder	SGRA Exec. Comm/Joint Astonville Street Rep
Will Smart	SGRA Exec. Comm
Rod Lewington	SGRA Exec. Comm - zoom
Sue Wixley	SGRA Exec. Comm
Margaret Brett	SGRA Exec. Comm – Ex Officio - zoom
Speakers/Main contributors (4)	Role
Simon Wright	Save Wimbledon Park – Elsenham Street
Kelly Murtagh	Home-Start Wandsworth
Sarah Elliot	Wandle Primary Care Trust
Luke Woodward	Wandle Primary Care Trust
SGRA Road/Street + zoom (19)	Attendees
Astonville Street	Lesley McCaul/Joint Astonville Street Rep, Jenny Underwood,
Brookwood Road	Jelka Mitic,
Clonmore Street	Dr Nick Steiner/Joint Street Rep,
Elborough Street	
Elsenham Street	Wendy Rose,
Engadine Street	Jackie Pearce, Beth McKillop
Hanford Close	Michele Clarke
Heythorp Street	Kyra Von Schottenstein/Street Rep, Peter Watts, Ann Redman
Langton Place	-
Lavenham Road	Georg Mueller-Koegler,
Merton Road	Catherine Sutton
Pirbright Road	
Replingham Road	-
Revelstoke Road	-
Trentham Street	Trevor Howes/Joint Street Rep, Di Brennan,
Zoom:	Hilary, Rosie, Katrina, Sumil Good, (4)
Outside (3)	Attendees
Emmeline Owens	Conservative Cllr
Jeffrey Barber	Pulborough Road
Fran Andrews	Balvernie Road
	Total: 37

Crime Figures for Southfields Grid & Pirbright Road**November 2025**

November 2025	Anti-Social Behaviour	Burglary	Criminal Damage & Arson	Drugs	Other Crime	Other Theft	Public Order & Weapons	Robbery	Shoplifting	Vehicle Crime	Violence & Sexual Offences	Total
Replingham Road	1					2						3
Brookwood Road						1						1
Lavenham Road												0
Revelstoke Road												0
Elsenham Street										1		1
Heythorp Street						1						1
Clonmore Street										1		1
Engadine Street											1	1
Elborough Street												0
Trentham Street										1		1
Astonville Street												0
Hanford Close											2	2
Pirbright Road										1		1
Merton Road							1					1
Total	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	4	3	13



All Crimes reported in Southfields Ward in Nov 2025 50 [SGRA: 13 & Rest of Ward: 37]

Heritage Wimbledon Park: (0)

(LB of W) West Hill (0): (LB of M) Village (0): Wimbledon Park (0).

[Information extracted from the Crime Maps for Southfields Ward from www.police.uk]