

- 1. Members Present:** –Amelia Obertelli-Moriarty (AO-M), Ann Kerr (AK), Charles Runcie (CR) – Chair, Clive Williams (CW), Ian Shaw (IS), Margaret Brett (MB), Rod Lewington (RL), Will Smart (WS). Guest – Michele Clark (MC)

Apologies for absence – Serena Potter

	Update on actions from previous Exec Comm meetings	Owner(s)	Status
1	Focus on ensuring increased dog mess signs in the grid – get street reps involved	SP	Open
2	Contact Juanita Stanuel-Taitte at WBC re notice board for publicising SGRA news and events	CR	Ongoing
3	Update on Jeffrey Barber how SGRA can help STRA6	IS	Ongoing
4	Invite Gillian Brett (FOCG figurine sculptor) to speak at SGRA meeting	CR	Closed
5	Ensure advice on fly-tipped materials and mega- skip days is regularly update on SGRA website and other social media	ALL	Closed
6	Update Exec Comm at 24 Feb meeting plans and timings for 2026 Front Garden Awards	AO-M	Done
7	Remind subscribers via Spring Grid news to tick GDPR box	CR	Ongoing
8	Produce final version of Survey for Exec Comm sign off	IS	Ongoing
9	Find a successor to IS as SGRA Secretary	CR	Ongoing
10	Invite Paul White & Dr Quinton as guest speakers on 27 Jan	CR	Done
11	Pay £2K towards FoCG Fountain restoration by 31 March	AM	Ongoing
12	Consider amount to donate to St Barnabas re Glass Door	ALL	Done
13	Check if Mosque will lead on Poppy Collection in Nov 2026	CR	Done
14	Consider pros and cons of Article 4 Direction for Grid	SW	Ongoing
15	Find out how other Councils monitor HMO licensing etc	SW	Ongoing
	Actions from 24 Feb Exec Comm meeting (bold numbers indicate paras below)	Owner(s)	
A	S2 Parking survey: Reminder of closing date 1 March (3)	All	
B	Website: contact Ben Morrell re missing file directories (3)	IS	
C	Group from Exec Comm to visit Intergenerational event (8)	AO-M	
D	SGRA Quiz: To check if Church & Halls free for 8/10 (AOB)	IS	

- 2. Declarations of interest** – None.

3. Commentary on major matters from 24 February & previous Exec Comms (not covered below)

- Action 1: As the ones provided by Wandsworth Borough Council seemed ineffective, it was agreed to encourage Street reps to encourage street residents to design their own signage.
- Action 2 - 3: these will remain open until they have been acted on.
- Action 4: delayed until after 19 May AGM.
- Action 5: Closed due to Wandsworth Borough Council better informing residents of mega-skips
- Actions 7 & 11: these should be completed/achieved by 28 April Exec Comm.
- Actions 8 & 9: these should be completed by 30 June Exec Comm
- Actions 14 & 15: in abeyance since SW stood down from Exec Comm for Borough Elections.

4. SGRA priorities 2025/26

- Window Wanderland – WS confirmed that 100 people had signed up.

- Art festival – IS confirmed that this would be held on 7 March and would follow the same format as last year's. 23 artists are taking part and some of them would be exhibiting in the Church.
 - Local Elections (Wandsworth Borough Council) 2026 – CR said that he had booked St Barnabas Church and the Parish Room for the local election hustings on 21 April in the evening (@ 7.30 – 9pm). Posters advertising the event should be ready to put up on 6 April (after Easter Monday).
 - Survey – IS outlined a change of plan in that the Survey would come out in the Summer to be accompanied by a short special newsletter.
 - Front Garden Awards 2026 – AO-M confirmed judging would take place between 19 to 28 June. The awards would remain as 'outstanding' and 'delightful'. The prize money would remain the same i.e. £50 for 1st, and £30 for 2nd and 3rd places.
5. **Guest speakers at 31 March Public (and future) meetings** – Debbie Jevans was down to speak on 31 March, and for the AGM on 19 May, invitations would go out to Fleur Anderson, Inspector Paul James and also to the newly elected or re-elected Councillors (candidates would be forewarned at the Hustings on 21 April).
 6. **Update on Southfields Business Forum** – CR recently attended a meeting with the SBF to discuss how well the Christmas light-switch-on (3 Dec) went. SBF were currently talking to related local stakeholders about their strategic plan which came out recently. Current focus is on working with Green the Grid to get better engagement from shop owners to assist in the maintenance of the tree pits outside the shops and improve the look outside their shops with flowers. AO-M said that SBF were meeting again 26 March. AO-M and AK confirmed that they were happy to stay on representing the SGRA at SBF meeting, as did KF.
 7. **Managing SGRA Budget for 2025/26** –As of 24 February, SGRA bank balance was a healthy (£9,194.03). This includes subscriptions for 2025/6 totalling @ £3,800 (basically the same as last year) and income from advertising is c. £4,900 (to date). For the AGM, Ameet will produce as much street analysis as the bank and subscription data allows. Remaining outstanding payments are £2k donation toward the project to restore the fountain in Coronation Gardens (to be paid for by the end of this current financial year) and the printing costs of the Spring 2026 Grid News (£1.8K). There are other costs outstanding before the end of the financial year (e.g. costs for GridKids, Window Wanderland etc.). On the outstanding action of a contribution to Glass Door, Exec Comm agreed that as a general principle SGRA would not automatically match fund donations on request, but would decide how much their contribution should be.
 8. **Seniors Tea Party/Intergenerational event** – Following the Exec Comm on 6 January, CR had been in contact with Emma Chisholm to find out more details of the intergeneration event which she organises and Exec Comm were given details. CR said although there was a request for a seniors tea party at the 27 January SGRA Public Meeting, he felt it needed a refresh and that is why he thought marrying it up with an intergenerational events would be a good way forward. There was broad support in principle. AO-M suggested that she and others could go and see one of Emma's intergenerational but beforehand she would find out dates of future events and report back. There was also a question of time. AO-M said that we were already busy with the Art Festival, Hustings, Front Garden Awards, and the quiz in October, an event could be organised for late November or early December. Due to the organisation required, perhaps this event could be organised by the Street reps themselves.
 9. **Southfields Festival (Michele Clark)** – MC updated the Exec Comm on arrangements for the Southfields Festival (Coronation Gardens, Saturday 20 June, 1 to 4pm). It would be child-centric and traditional with stalls (lucky dip, hook the duck, count the sweets etc), fun and games and a Grid Kids run raffle. Southfields SNT would have a table to show kids how to mark their bikes. The overall theme would be ancient Egypt. For publicity, MC was engaging with local schools for posters to be designed and coloured in and then a winning one would be printed and distributed. Prior to the end there would something called 'SpoGomi' a Japanese craze to get children to run round and pick up as much litter as possible within a certain timeframe. Any catering would be limited to local caterers etc – meat for the barbeque would be provide by the local butchers.

Exec Comm members offered the following ideas for Michele to consider: (i) asking Royal Marines Reserve if they would like to take part; (ii) include those heavy-horse which pull mowers and harrows which help trim the wild grass in the rewilded area of King George's Park; (iii) invite St Johns Ambulance to have a presence; (iv) ensure that the event has public liability insurance.

10. Ongoing updates:

Planning & local

- There is an application for a new build to the rear of 24 Replingham (2026/0170) which fronts Heythorp Street. This is a revised application, and an attempt has made to design it so as to fit more sympathetically with the street scene.
- There is an application to continue to use 91 Pirbright as offices. Although there is planning permission to develop the site for housing there is now an application to recognise it as having commercial use. (2026/0468)
- There is an application to approve change of use from shop to 2 ground floor flats at 169 Replingham. (2026/0662) Similarly there is an application for the change of use of Heritage dry cleaners in Brookwood Road (on corner with Clonmore Street) to residential (2026/0800) to which there are 40 objections.
- AELTC have applied to improve the sewage connection in Wimbledon Park (2026/0133) adjacent to the Revelstoke Road car park. This is with a view to provide better toilet facilities during the championships.
- The application for a new classroom block at Riversdale School (2025/2288) has been revised so that the design is more sympathetic with the adjacent buildings and now incorporates a pitched roof.
- The house in multiple occupation (HMO) at 10 Elsenham Street does not appear to be in use yet.
- Loney Miller has an impressive new design for its front window.
- Il Caffettino has moved from Replingham to Wimbledon Park Road (next to the fish shop).
- The shops at the bottom of Replingham seem to be in decline. The former coffee shop has become a photography studio but many of the others, including Salt & Pepper, seem to be closed.
- Wandsworth Borough Council (WBC) has announced plans for a scheme to install electrical charging channels across pavements so that residents can use a cable to legally charge their electric cars from home. These are subject to a rental agreement and so charges are likely to increase over the years.
- Lime Bikes are colonising the vacant Car Club space at the end of Elsenham. This has helped getting the bikes off the pavement.

Crime

- Updated figures for Southfields Grid streets/roads for December 2025 are attached at annex A.
- Meetings: CW said the next SNT Ward Panel meeting would be held on Saturday 28 March, 10.30 am at St Barnabas Church. The next West Hill Cuppa with a Copper will be held on 11 March 12pm (venue to be confirmed).

AOB:

- SGRA Quiz 2026: IS to check if the Church and Halls were free to book the next SGRA quiz.

Forthcoming meetings

- Southfields SNT Ward Panel **28 March**, 10.30am to 12pm, St Barnabas Church
- SGRA Public Meeting **31 March**, 7.30-9.15pm, Parish Room, St Barnabas Church

Forthcoming events

- 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.
- Southfields Festival, **20 June**, 1 to 4pm, Coronation Gardens, Pirbright Road

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

December 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	1		1		2						2	6
Brookwood	1									1		2
Lavenham											1	1
Revelstoke												0
Elsenham												0
Heythorp		1										1
Clonmore												0
Engadine					1							1
Elborough												0
Trentham											1	1
Astonville										2		2
Hanford	1					1					1	3
Pirbright												0
Merton			1		1	2						5
Total	3	1	2		4	3	0	0	0	3	5	22



All Crimes reported in Southfields Ward in Dec 2025 57 [SGRA: 22 & Rest of Ward: 35]

Heritage Wimbledon Park: (2)

(LB of W) West Hill (2) – Other Thefts (2); (LB of M) Village (0); Wimbledon Park (0).

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