



# WATCH IT

The newsletter for Nailsea's Neighbourhood Watch  
June 2020 edition



## Nailsea Neighbourhood Newsletter June 2020

This June edition of the Newsletter is only available here on our Website and there are no future editions planned. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Adroit Print & Design for all their help and support over the many years in providing all our printing needs.

Our April edition can also be downloaded here:

<https://www.nailseanhw.org.uk/public/April%202020%20Newsletter%20-%20Website%20Edition.pdf>

## AGM 24<sup>th</sup> June Postponed!

It will come as no surprise that our AGM has had to be postponed indefinitely. Although at the time of writing lockdown restrictions are slowly being lifted, we will need to wait until the situation is more stable before we can start looking for a new date. We shall give at least 28 days' notice of the new meeting so that there will be ample opportunity to receive any nominations for any of the Committee positions. This can be done via email to either the:

Chair (Sue Lomax) at [nailseanhw@gmail.com](mailto:nailseanhw@gmail.com) or

Secretary Anne Slade at [anne.slade@nailseanhw.org.uk](mailto:anne.slade@nailseanhw.org.uk)

## Message from the Chair, Sue Lomax

A **HUGE BIG** thank you to all our Co-ordinators. You have done a wonderful job over the years and are all very much appreciated. I would like to also thank the Committee for all their work during the year, in particular Nick who has taken the meeting pictures for our newsletters.

## FUTURE OF NAILSEA NHW

As stated in the April edition of the Newsletter the key members of the Committee (Chair, secretary, treasurer) have agreed to stand for re-election at our AGM if no one else comes forward, BUT only for one year until July 2021 .So unless we get new volunteers for these positions next year then the association will have to be wound up.

Likewise, this will be the last edition of the Newsletter unless we get anyone to take on the role as Editor.

### There will be no further Subscriptions

The Xmas Social has been cancelled but Open meetings with speakers are planned to continue until next summer (subject to Covid 19 restrictions)

## Committee Member 2020/2021

Chair:	Sue Lomax
Vice Chair:	Vacancy
Treasurer:	Sandra Hearne
Secretary:	Anne Slade
Website and Signs administrator:	Colin Oliver
N.NHW Schemes administrator:	Tim Holman
<i>Committee Members:</i>	<i>Nick Hastings</i>
	<i>Brenda Dashfield</i>
	<i>Pam Wakeling</i>
	<i>Richard West</i>
Social Media Manager:	Grete Howard

## RESOLUTION OF THE MONTH

Paying for goods and services by bank transfer gives very little protection if you become a victim of fraud. Use a credit card or payment service such as Paypal if possible.

## Treasurer's Update

The bank balance at the end of the financial year May 31st stood at £4,289.13. There are two outstanding cheques which will bring the total to £3906.43

## **Be aware of COVID-19 scams & crimes**

Due to lock down restrictions there has been a reduction in burglaries reported over the area. However, criminals are using the Covid-19 pandemic to scam the Public using a whole range of different platforms. As more people are working from home there has been an increase in phishing scams and calls. Examples of just a few below:

- 1) An email, purporting to be from TV licensing claim that the recipient's direct debt has failed and payment is needed to avoid prosecution. The message contains links to a bogus website where personal and financial information is stolen.
- 2) Emails and SMS supposedly from HMRC offering tax refunds and goodwill payments to protect against Covid-19. This scam has been seen in various formats. Do not reply or open any links. Report to [phishing@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:phishing@hmrc.gov.uk)
- 3) New mobile phone app that claims to give updates on the virus but instead locks your phone and a ransom is then demanded
- 4) On-line sites selling face masks, hand sanitiser, gloves etc. which never arrive
- 5) Virus testing kits, may well be fake or unreliable
- 6) Shopping, medication collection services -- only use people you know and trust.
- 7) Letters from bogus Charities wanting money to treat Covid-19 patients.

Don't assume websites e-mails, SMS messaging and adverts are genuine.  
**Refuse, reject or ignore any communications you aren't comfortable with. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.**

**Please visit our website which is updated regularly for Calendar schedules and is useful to see which scams are currently circulating in our area, especially as there will be no more Newsletters:**

**[www.nailseanhw.org.uk](http://www.nailseanhw.org.uk)**