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Theft from vehicles is of constant concern. Do not leave sat-navs in plain view and remove any telltale mounting markings from your windscreen. Do not leave valuables in your vehicle overnight especially remove any expensive tools or equipment from vans.

Anti-social behaviour 01603 212100 [asb@norwich.gov.uk](mailto:asb@norwich.gov.uk)

Police non urgent 101 (calls cost 10p)

Crimestoppers 0800 555111

In an emergency always dial 999

They were told that there had been fraudulent use of their bank cards – in some cases the line then went dead and in others they were told to call back on another number and when they tried the line had not been cleared.

Incidents have previously been reported in the Norwich area and residents should remember the following:

- Your bank or the police will never ask for your PIN, bank card or bank account details over the phone – never give these details out.
- If you receive such a call leave the landline for at least five minutes to make an outside call. Fraudsters will keep the line open and have been known to play ring tones, hold music and a recorded message down the phone so the victim believes they are making a call to a legitimate number.
- Use a friend or neighbour's telephone instead.
- Friends, family, carers and neighbours are asked to spread the word to ensure everyone is aware of this scam and what they should do.

Anyone who believes they have been a victim of fraud should call police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. You can also report a fraud to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or via their website [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)



**RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**

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**Welcome to your Autumn Newsletter**

After a wet Spring followed by a gloriously hot long summer, it is wonderful to see the trees and hedges laden with fruit and berries. This is natures way of providing our wildlife with much needed food for the winter months.

Our roads, gardens and the hedge have many creatures visiting to forage for these treats plus anything else that our residents put out for them.

More regular visitors are squirrel, fox, small birds and seagulls. It is amazing to see such a rich variety of wildlife on our doorstep, but it is wise to be careful. Whilst many of these furry or feathered creatures look cute through our windows, we must remember that they are wild. Living alongside them we should be aware that they will scavenge and so please check that your food waste bin lid is secure with its handle locked down. Foxes are canny creatures and will try to get to the food, and if they get lucky will make a mess in our streets. Seagulls coming inland to find food are circling our estate daily for food left out in gardens. Whilst you may think it kind to put food out for them please think of your neighbours, the mess they can make with their flying projectiles over washing, windows and cars is not pleasant. Also whilst leaving food waste such as chicken carcasses out for the gulls along with large amounts of bread, will also attract foxes and rats. None of us want to have a problem with vermin so please be careful.

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## **Hedge News**

The hedge has fared well this summer with all of the recent planting growing and only a small number of losses. The area on Lyhart corner has had a problem with bindweed which our volunteers have tackled for now and will keep an eye on it in the future. If anyone has any suggestions on how to deal with the problem of bindweed without killing our plants please let Kathleen know.

Autumn work involves taking the tops off of the new planting to encourage a thicker growth from the bottom of the plants in spring. Finally we have been promised 1000 native bluebell bulbs from Norwich in Bloom and these will go in during November. Year on year both the hedge and the verge in front will become more colourful as it matures.

## **Garage Sale**

Although the weather proved to be changeable on the morning of our garage sale back in July the outcome was a resounding success. Twenty five residents opened their garage or drive for three hours selling a vast variety of goods to keen shoppers. Many raised funds for their own chosen charities thus making this a worthwhile event. The Residents Association raised £63 from the sale of the map and booklet which, together with donations of £125 from those holding garage sales, has helped boost our Hedge Fund.

Thank you to all who took part. This event like our previous Open Gardens was very popular with residents, many of whom have commented on how the estate was buzzing and what a pleasure it was to meet other residents. What a friendly lot we are!

## **Eaton Rise History Booklet**

Did you know that Eaton Rise as we know it was built over sixty years ago? What you may not know is the rich history of the land before that. Why not purchase a copy of our 49 page Eaton Rise History Booklet? You will find an abundance of interesting facts dating the land and surrounding area back through time to the Neolithic age. With reference to old maps, historical facts, residents recollections, a copy of the original brochure for Eaton Rise and both black and white and colour photographs. It has been produced to a high standard and costs just £5. Anyone who has a home on Eaton Rise will find this a must have!

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## **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

We were pleased to hear that Mrs Jill Gent, a Lowther Road resident, held another very successful coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Nurses on Friday September 5th raising the fantastic sum of £753.30p!

She would like to thank everyone for their support and was pleased to welcome more local residents this year, particularly several new arrivals. She'd like to say a really big "Thank You" to all her helpers too including Bob, Myra and Brenda, her lovely neighbours!

## **Wanted - a keen historian!**

Several ex-committee members have been sorting through their old ERRA committee papers and passing them on to Janet, the current Secretary. She is now feet deep in folders and files of previous committee meeting minutes, letters, reports, campaign information etc, some of which is very interesting but which she doesn't have the time that it deserves to devote to sorting it all out. Is there anyone who could spare some time to go through it to see what might be of historical interest and worth keeping and maybe cataloguing it so it's more accessible in the future? If so please contact Janet (details above) and save her from drowning in paper!

## **Community News**

This year's Christmas event at The United Reformed Church is a Rainbow Christmas Tree Festival. All users of the church premises have been invited to provide a decorated tree either in rainbow colours or a single colour.

The display will be open to the public at the church from 10am-4pm on November 27th, 28th and from 4-6pm on November 29th, 30th.

## **Annual Subscriptions**

Our hard working team are collecting the annual subscriptions at the moment. The voluntary subscription remains good value at £1.00 and is used for 'the furtherance of the interests of members and the maintenance and improvement of the amenities of Eaton Rise'. In recent years we have, for instance, funded grit bins at Ipswich Road and made many representations to the City Council on a number of topics included trees and verges on Eaton Rise.

Your support is very important so please be kind to our collectors.