



Welcome to the January 2014 newsletter from the Love's Farm Community Association (LFCA).

Happy New Year from LFCA

The Love's Farm Community



Association would like to wish all residents a Happy New Year. Before Christmas, we had a great Christmas quiz with a record number of teams, we thoroughly enjoyed carol singing around the Northern part of Love's Farm. Also, our virtual Christmas Tree festival was a big success. We have lots planned for 2014. If you would like to know more about what we do, join one of our committee meetings. These are provisional dates, depending on room availability. Keep an eye on our website or Facebook group for further information.

- 12 Feb 2014
- 16 April 2014
- 11 June 2014
- 13 August 2014
- 15 October 2014
- 10 December 2014

Last month we discussed a number of volunteer working group opportunities, including:

- Community Centre update
- Parking issues
- Responsible dog ownership
- Neighbourhood watch
- Broadband
- Northern access petition
- Street reps

Barnardo's Now Open

Love's Farm's second shop opened for business before Christmas. Barnardo's is located next to Tesco on Kester Way and will be open six days a week: 9am until 5:30pm on Monday to Friday, and on Sunday from 10am until 4pm. It's staffed by Nikki and Tom, and is already well stocked with clothes, shoes and household goods. Next time you're in Tesco, please pop in to give our new arrivals a warm welcome and support this great cause.



There are 3 other retail units and two of these are under offer, with expected fit-out and opening in the next couple of months, including a fish and chip takeaway and a café / pizzeria.

Possible parking issues

The long-awaited footbridge connecting us to the station is due to open early this year. Whilst this will be welcomed by many of us, some residents are rightly concerned that Love's Farm will be blighted by commuters parking here to avoid charges at the station.

There is no obvious solution to this problem, but we are looking for volunteers who can work together to liaise with our councillors, developers and railway companies to see what can be done. If this is something you feel passionate about, and can spare a few hours to help out, please get in touch - chair@ourlovesfarm.co.uk

If there are enough willing volunteers, we will expand the scope of this group to look at other parking issues on site - including match day parking around the Football Club and irresponsible parking by residents.

SMARTen up Love's Farm

We are still keen to see if there are other areas in which we can be of help SMARTen up Love's Farm. For example, small areas of tree or plant care, helping old or disabled people with their surroundings. The next SMART days are:



- 11:00am Saturday 22 February
- 11:00am Saturday 5 April

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Call the police on 101

Following the sad story a few months back about vandalism on the pirate ship playground, we need all residents to be vigilant and please report all incidents to the police by calling 101 and reporting it.

Changes to the constitution

In the February committee meeting, the LFCA will agree a new constitution. Please take a look at our website. The constitution can be found under the 'about LFCA' page. Please feed your comments to our Chair, Marcus Pickering.

New on the forums

Currently being discussed on the Love's Farm discussion forum:

- Water pressure very low
- Parking on Love's Farm
- Best vet in town
- St Neots and District Camera Club
- Items for sale

Our website



Have you taken a look on our website recently? We have lots of information for residents, including:

- Bin collections
- Frequently Asked Questions
- News from the developers
- History of Love's Farm
- Our local councillors
- St Neots Town FC

Out and about

Stuck for things to do on the weekend? New to the area and looking to find good dog walks? Take a look on our out and about section of our website under local information. Places include:



- Cambridge bus tour
- St Ives guided bus
- Wimpole Estate

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Keep in touch

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