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THE BROCKLEY MIDSUMMER FAYRE JUNE 19th

THE BROCKLEY SOCIETY MIDSUMMER FAIR IS NOW ONLY DAYS AWAY!

The event of the year, our fair, will take place on the 19th June, starting at 2 p.m. A myriad of delights will await you on the park in Hilly Fields. There will be varying stalls, home-made delights, sweets, bric-a-brac, plants, food, books, etc. etc. Many games and puzzles test your skill, chance your arm, have a good time. Donkey rides for the kids, roundabout, all the fun of the now well established Brockley Fair. Its all in a good cause, the money raised goes towards projects for improving your area. Many local organisations will be there running stalls to entertain you and raise much needed funds for their chosen charities and groups.

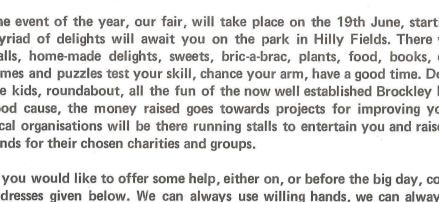
If you would like to offer some help, either on, or before the big day, contact us at the addresses given below. We can always use willing hands, we can always sell all those worn out bits of bric-a-brac you have no further use for; if you are good at cooking, our cake and sweet stalls need your help, garden cuttings you have too many of, bring them along, we can sell them, books are always welcome.

Anything you have to offer, contract Janet Heywood (Tel. 691 5659) or John Park (Tel. 692 1361).

DRESS COMPLETITION - 3.00 P.M.

APART FROM THE FIXED DELIGHTS, THERE IS ALSO A CHILDRENS FANCY

Last year there were many splendid entries, so excel yourselves this time, where are you Superman! Entrants present yourselves to the organisers at 2.45 p.m.



POEMHilly Fields

On Hilly Fields the dogs do run As though enraptured by the sun And, deaf to shouts, they race as if Virvana were another sniff. choolboys, freed from chains of class, Crash drunkenly about the grass seeming not to heed or care he calling bell; with unkept hair hey kick, and fight, and shout, and run ntoxicated with the sun. And then, at last, atop the rise, A calmer scene will greet the eyes: he curious antic bowling scene As, badged and blazered, on the green

Stately stomachs gravely press owards a distant mellowness When, placid-chaired, with oft-told tale, They tend their girth with quarts of ale. o see the vista there outspread Vhat recollections haunt my head of meadow, parkland, bank and lea Vhere lovely girls have lain with me and once again, ablaze with youth, find the fond eternal truth hat we are children of the sun And, young or old, our race is run orever reaching to the light

Away from everlasting night. Now mothers squeal their push-chairs by With babies crowing at the sky. Knitted lovers lie in bliss Sharing the universal kiss. Sun-seekers saunter, some to pass,

Others to crucify in grass — O heady scent of new-mown grass) The daughters of the middle-class Rehearse their role with dreaming eyes And ponies clamped between their thighs.

All the joys that Summer yields Are burgeoning on Hilly Fields!

> John Cowderoy 1980 The Bespoke Poet

Brockley Society MEETINGS are held on the first Monday of each month in the front upstairs room at St. Peters Centre at 8pm. (On Bank Holidays, on the Tuesday instead).

If you care about conservation and want a say in what happens to the area in which you live then come along to the meetings. Many planning applications are in the pipeline which could drastically affect this area, causing immense parking problems (as in Manor Avenue), loss of green space and gardens, and eyesores such as blocks of flats being built amongst beautiful Victorian and Edwardian houses. Examples:

41 Tressillian Road - two 3-storey houses to be built in the back garden. 101/103 Manor Avenue - 2-storey houses to be built in back gardens. Bridge House, Montague Avenue/ Adelaide Avenue - two 3-storey blocks 000

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of flats to be built on either side of this grade II listed house.

Brockley Society is able to vet all planning applications in advance and thus attempts to influence the Planning Committees of Lewisham Council who must give approval to all new building and conversions.

You can't just leave it to the few to fight on your behalf. If you want to contribute, criticise, straighten out our view of the situation then come to the meetings!!

BROCKLEY WALKABOUT

WALKABOUT - History, Houses and Plants, Designs and Designers and Development.

> SUNDAY 11th JULY 1982 At 11 A.M.

Meet at corner of Hilly Fields Crescent/ Tressillian Road

With:

Gill Herwood Chris Johnson Ray Crawford



St. Peter's Church Preservation Group

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Parish Church of Brockley, Wickham Road

Some events in aid of the Restortion Appeal.

Saturday 26th June - Concert at 7.45 p.m. in Church.

Bach Orchestra playing Goldsmith Telemann's Oboe Concerto

Bach's Brandenburg Concert No.4

Vivaldi's Double Trumpet Concerto and Gloria

Thursday 1st July - Grand Concert at 7.45 p.m. in Church Sidcup Wind Orchestra

Featuring — Organ -Singing

Jazz - Barber Shop Quartet and others Saturday 3rd July — Garden Fete at 2.30

in Church grounds Stalls, refreshments, games, Morris dancing, brass and steel bands.

Sunday 4th July - Festival Service and Parade at 6.30 p.m.

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LETTERS

To L.B.C. regarding rumoured closure of Crofton Park Library. Reply Assured us that closure is not planned.

To L.B.C. regarding empty Council owned properties falling into disrepair i.e. 56 Wickham Road, 116 Manor Avenue and 2-8 Chalsey Road. Reply Lack of money is holding up repairs of the last two. 56 Wickham Road was being privately converted but the contractor withdrew and the Council is finding it hard to find a builder to take on the part-finished job.

To City of London Corporation deploring ill-kept Mews behind Brockley Road shops. Results The Mews was cleared within days and letter received assuring us it will be kept so.

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C.V. Storm, Esq., Dip.Arch., Dip.CD, ARIBA, FRTPI, Borough Planning Officer, Town Hall Chambers, Rushey Green, London SE6 4RY

Dear Sir,

We are becoming increasingly concerned at the number of planning applications being received which propose building of blocks of flats or new two- or three-storey houses within the designated Conservation Area, usually on land obtained by halving large rear gardens.

A recent example was 101/103 Manor Avenue, where first of all an application was made to convert No.103 into self-contained flats. Work eventually began on this conversion and the rear garden was divided into half by a wooden fence. When we enquired about the rubbish dumping on this land we were told by the Planning Department that permission had been granted for "temporary storage of building materials" on the rear portions of the gardens.

Some time later (11 January 1982) a separate application was made to convert the adjacent 101 Manor Avenue into 5 self-contained bed-sitting rooms and 2 self-contained two-bedroom flats. Then on 18th February an application was made to demolish the garages at the rear of both gardens and errect 3 two-storey terraced houses on the land thus available plus the rear gardens of 101 and 103 Manor Avenue. The true purpose of dividing these gardens originally now became clear and with hindsight one can see the ultimate goal was probably always to infill. However, was the Planning Committee aware of this possibility when it considered each separate application on its own merits or did they too fail to see the connections?

We are also disturbed by other 'infil' applications received or in the pipeline.

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To Engineers Department asking when Hilly Fields Traffic Scheme is to be implemented. Reply State that hold up is due to approach from Police and Fire Brigade but that GLC approval for some measures is expected soon.

Letter published below to L.B.C. Planning Department expressing concern about infilling new houses in the Conservation Area.

Letter sent to L.B.C. (copy to J. Silkin, MP for Deptford) deploring demolition of coach house attached to 51 Tressillian Road without planning permission. Apparently this is to be rebuilt after conversion! J. Silkin replied that he is taking up the matter with Mr. Skim of the Planning Department.

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Example - 41 Tressillian Road. (Planning Application 15.1.81). The South London Family Housing Association applied to convert this into a rehabilitation home for mentally handicapped recoverers plus wardens' flats. We now find (26.3.82) that there is an application to demolish rear garages and build two 3-storey houses in the rear garden. Has this land been sold to the developer or is the SLFHA building the houses for sale?

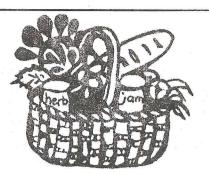
Examples - 60 Wickham Road and 47 Wickham Road - Applications were made in 1981 for erection of a 3-storey block of flats in the rear garden of 60 Wickham Road and earlier, for a 3-storey mews house in the rear garden of No.47. This later was at least approved despite Brockley Society objections specifically on grounds of height and generally on the principle of infilling.

This week we have received an application to infill the garden of 53 St. Margarets Road (a conversion into flats already with no parking spaces) with a 3-storey block of flats. There is already a new block of flats on the opposite corner and an application has recently been made to add two new wings to the grade II listed Bridge House immediately next door, in Montague Avenue, forming 19 flats.

Thus it can be seen that when all these applications are viewed together, a definite trend is apparent, which if it continues will dramatically alter the population density of the area; exacerbate the already difficult street parking problems; remove yet more 'green space' from an urban area and above all destroy the essential nature of a Conservation Area however well the new buildings are designed to 'blend' with the old.

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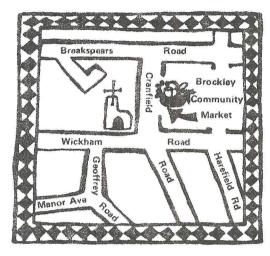
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SELTEC is justifiably proud of its past, but it hasn't overlooked the needs of tomorrow. Courses in microcomputers and microprocessors together with their applications to business and industry are gaining increasing support not only from school leavers who are preparing themselves for the exciting challenges of the future, but also from

people from all branches of industry and commerce.

And now is the opportunity for you to view this College.

On 25th and 26th June SELTEC opens its doors and invites you to see how how the College has changed and adpated itself to tomorrow's world. Indeed, 1982 is Information Technology Year and this theme will be evident in many of the displays and demonstations illustrating the applications of this important development. At the other end of the scale, a sumptuous Wedding Breakfast will be laid out in the Jubilee Restaurant. Such is the versatility of this large College!

Make a note in your diary: the College looks forward to meeting you and welcoming you between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on Friday and Saturday 25th and 26th June 1982 at Lewisham Way.

As you know the College is located in Brockley — those three large buildings at the end of Tressillian and Breakspears Roads. And the College is very conscious of being part of Brockley and therefore specially welcomes you - the reader to visit us.

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