



**KNOLLS WOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**  
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**New Committee**

We would like to introduce ourselves as the new Knolls Wood Association committee elected at the AGM held last month. Our new Chairperson is Victor Jones (55 Redwood Glade); our Treasurer Clive Atkins (57 Redwood Glade); Secretary Maggie Cook (4 Redwood Glade); other members are John and Julie Dunne (35 RG); Pauline Lyons (61 RG); Jenny Monk (30 RG); Carol Banks (3 RG) and Francis Monkman (56 RG).

**Thanks to the Retiring Committee**

The new committee would like to take the opportunity to thank the retiring committee for their sterling work over recent years; particular thanks must go to Nigel Ridley, Julie Shaw and Mick Bull who have been instrumental in setting up links with the South Beds District Council and the Greensands Ridge Trust. Other achievements include organising various social/working parties and events and making preparations for a Knolls Wood Association website. We, on the new committee, are indebted to them and hope to build on their achievements so that the KWA continues to work for the benefit of our beautiful environment and those who enjoy the area, whether resident or not.

## **Knolls Nursing Home**

Most of you will have seen the recent front-page story about the Knolls Nursing Home in the Leighton Buzzard Observer. The potential development of the Nursing Home into apartments may be a threat to Knolls Wood and it is our aim to do our best to oppose any move that would threaten our beautiful woodland setting. If there are any comments or statements which you would like us to pass on to the appropriate authorities, please do not hesitate to send them to your nearest committee member and we will ensure that your views are heard.

## **Beech Trees**

Mr. Jones, of South Beds District Council, recently commissioned Countrywide Tree Specialists to carry out a detailed survey on 18 trees, the first half of the avenue of Beech trees in Redwood Glade. When questioned as to the current conditions of the trees, (the surveyor) stated that “they all need attention and in some case are dangerous”. (The surveyor) commented that he does know that there isn't sufficient money to carry out all the work recommended in his report.

## **What can we do for you?**

During our next few meetings we shall be discussing the purpose of the Knolls Wood Association and planning our future.

*What would you like us to do? How can we help maintain the Knolls Wood area as an area of interest and a pleasant place to live? Do you have any views on the Knolls Nursing Home development?*

**Please get in touch. We would love to hear from you.**