

## **MACKWORTH ESTATE COMMUNITY TENANTS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Welcome to the Mackworth Estate Community Tenants And Residents Association and this first Information Leaflet about the Association. We hope to produce regular Information Leaflets in order to keep the Residents of Mackworth up to date with the Association's developments and activities. Thank you for expressing your support for the Association by signing our Proposal Form, and thank you to our Estate Shopkeepers and other Residents who kindly exhibited our literature and collected the names of Residents. This support confirmed the positive interest of Mackworth Residents, enabling us to develop your proposed Association.

The Association has been formed on behalf of, and for the benefit of **ALL** Residents of Mackworth Estate - **It is YOUR Association**. The purpose of the Association is to enable **ALL** Residents to have a voice in how Mackworth Estate should be developed and maintained, what is required in order to improve the Estate, and your help in making the desired improvements happen.

The Aim of the Association is to promote the benefits of **ALL Residents of Mackworth Estate**, in order to make the Estate an excellent environment, and a safe place to live. By working together, and in partnership with all of the existing and future Mackworth Association's, Clubs, Societies, Groups, Schools, College, Organisations, etc. Mackworth Residents can present a powerful voice when lobbying for improvements to our beautiful Estate. To achieve our Aim we need the support and help of **ALL Mackworth Residents**. We need to know what you want, and your help in achieving what you want. We want to involve Residents of all ages, particularly the young people and teenagers - what would these groups like to see on Mackworth Estate?

### **Where are we now?**

A formal Constitution has been drafted which will enable the Association to apply for Charity Commission recognition after one year of operation

A Steering Group has been formed from Mackworth Residents who are experienced committee members of existing Mackworth organisations, and keen to see positive developments on the Estate. This Steering Group is working very hard to ensure that the launch of the Association will be free of potential problems, following which the Association's first Annual General Meeting will be arranged when **ALL** Mackworth Residents will be invited to attend in order to formally agree the Association's Constitution, elect Committee Members, and agree a programme and way forward.

We are hoping to call the first Annual General Meeting within the next three months, subject to all of the necessary legal documentation being agreed by the appropriate official organisations

### **What do we need to succeed?**

- 0 The continued interest and support of **ALL** of Mackworth's Residents
- 0 The support of representatives of all of the official organisations.
- 0 A suitable building for all members of the Community to use - this is being actively progressed.

### **How can you obtain further information?**

- 0 Telephone Terry Kelsall Steering Committee Secretary, on 01332 346356
- 0 Further Information Leaflets will be distributed to all addresses on Mackworth Estate at regular intervals

### **Thank you for your continued support.**

A word from our local Mackworth Beat Police Officers; Inspector Andy Stokes, Sergeant Martin Critchley, PC. Dave Wilson, WPC Rachel Knibbs, and WPC Dena Coates:

**Football in the street** - Many Residents are alarmed by children playing football in the street, hitting their fences, running out in front of cars, and coming into their garden to retrieve stray footballs. It is hoped that the following advice concerning the law will help to resolve what is becoming a distressing issue to many Residents. We would firstly advise parents that under no circumstances should children be playing football on the highway as this is an offence under Section 161 (3) of the Highways Act 1980, which applies to "football or any other game" The term "Highway" means all roads, pavements and footpaths  
Contravening this Act could lead to prosecution and a subsequent fine Not only is this behaviour against the law, it is extremely dangerous. Children are easily distracted, and running into an oncoming car in pursuit of a football is an accident waiting to happen. Please ensure that you inform your children that they cannot continue to play in the street in this way, and must take their football game onto designated parks. Mackworth has adequate parkland with goal posts where children can play - please use these facilities. The Police do not want to prosecute anyone unnecessarily, but we are here to ensure that community issues are addressed, and to promote harmony in our neighbourhood. We know that many Residents will support this approach and appeal to all parents to work with the Police to improve community relationships and ensure Mackworth continues to be an Estate we can all be proud of.

Our Mackworth Beat Officers can be contacted on telephone number 01332 717825...: They are here to help.