



Regency Square Area Society

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### SOCIAL EVENING

Make a note in your diary. There will be a Society social evening at 7-30 pm on Friday 18 October 1991 at the Metropole Hotel.

Nick Tyson will give an illustrated talk - more details in the next newsletter.

Refreshments will be provided.

### COUNCIL ANNOUNCES LITTER ZONING

The Regency Square Area has been designated as Zone 2 for litter clearance purposes.

What this means is that if any part of the area becomes "heavily littered" the street cleaners will respond within 3 hours to a request for it to be cleared.

"Widespread" litter will be cleared within 6 hours and if there is just "some" litter it will be cleared in 12.

If you want to know what is meant by "widespread" and "heavily" littered, look at the photographs published in the latest issue of the Council's newspaper, The Brighton Line (September 1991).

Of course high speed cleansing miracles can only take place if someone tells reports the litter in the first place.

So if you think you see something that matches the photographs, get on the phone and tell the Council.

The free contact number is

0800 525573

### THE WEST PIER - Does it have a future ?

Brighton Council want opinions about the Pier.

Is it a lost cause which should be demolished now?

Or does the new team leading the West Pier Trust deserve support and encouragement to renew the efforts to save it ?

Send your views to the West Pier Survey, Bartholomew House, Bartholomew Square, Brighton BN1 1JW.

### THE WEST PIER - Here and now !

Things are starting to happen on the Pier itself.

Under the leadership of its new chairman, Bryan Spielman, the West Pier Trust is making efforts to tidy up the pier and make it more attractive.

Rubbish has been cleared from the area underneath the north end. 33 metric tonnes of rubbish was removed and the area has been sprayed to keep the rats away and boarded up using materials supplied free by local building firms.

Soon an access ladder, for use by authorised people only, will appear on the seaward part of the pier. The Trust has acquired a small boat and will be sending a team of volunteer engineers onto the pier to assess its current state. They also hope to clear some of the flotsam from around the pier.

Negotiations are in hand to obtain a donation of paint and the Territorial Army has offered some skilled manpower.

If you want to know more about what the Trust is doing, or to offer your services as a volunteer, you can contact Mr Spielman on 21499 (Pier Office) or 688373 (home).



### SOCIETY CONTACTS

CHAIRMAN Roger Hinton: tel 21794  
SECRETARY Richard Pau: tel 26711  
TREASURER Harold Lawson tel 28203

## ON THE BRIGHTON LINE

The Council publishes a newspaper called the Brighton Line which gives details about what the Council is doing.

As a resident of Brighton you are entitled to see it. You are also entitled to take part in the opinion surveys that are often included.

But if you live in a flat you may well lose those rights.

The reason is that it is distributed inside the weekly Leader newspaper. The Leader has adopted a policy of not posting papers through the doors of blocks of flats. They will only deliver directly to an individual's front door.

If you have not seen the September issue of Brighton Line phone the town hall (29801) and complain.

## YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU MIGHT NEED THEM

St John's Ambulance provide a volunteer first aid service and they need everyone's help.

The more people who can apply first aid, the safer we all are, so a first aid course is being offered on Thursday evenings between 7-30 and 9-30 pm. the cost is £25.

If you can't make it to the course perhaps you could help with a donation. A fully equipped ambulance costs £33,000.

For more information contact Terry Wing on Brighton 748748.

## ROUGHING IT IN RUSSELL SQUARE

The road surface in Russell Square is still a mess after at least two attempts by the Council contractors to get it right.

We have been asking the Council to explain what is going on ever since the chaos started. At last we have had a reply from Mr T Meredith of the Environmental Services department. Here is a summary of the main points:

During the first attempt at re-surfacing, too many loose chippings were applied and "sweep" was arranged to remove them.

A second attempt at re-surfacing has now been carried out. This resulted in bitumen marks where wheels have gone over the pavements. These will be removed.

A water main in the north west corner of the Square fractured causing yet more chaos. The fracture resulted from the fact that it is an old main which is much closer to the surface than would now be allowed. Responsibility for the water main does not rest with Brighton Council.

The Council has now re-painted the yellow lines and presumably the job is considered to be complete. The result does not look a lot better than it did before.

Generally speaking, the whole operation seems to have been a disaster.

## NEW MEMBERS NEEDED

There are always new people moving into the area. Do you have any new neighbours who might be interested in joining the Society? If so why not bring them to the social evening in October.

## ARE YOU BEING INTERFERED WITH ?

Have you been suffering from TV interference recently on all channels ?

Society member, Terry Wing is trying to find the cause of the problem which he thinks may be a local CB radio.

If you are having problems please contact him at Regency House, 48 Regency Square or telephone 748748.

## BRIGHTON LITTLE THEATRE

From 29 September to 5 August the Little Theatre Company will be presenting "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest".

The Company is based at the Studio Theatre in Clarence Gardens, just off Clarence Square.

For more details, or to join, telephone 205000.

Don't forget the  
SOCIAL EVENING  
on Friday 18 October