

### NEWSLETTER 121 November 1996

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## The Regency Square Improvement Fund Prize Draw

Beach Hotel in Regency Square on Thursday 28 November starting at 730 pm. The winning tickets will be drawn by Councillor Nimrod Ping

Everyone welcome!

The first prize is a 2 week holiday in Tenerife (flight and accommodation) Other prizes include hotel breaks, restaurant meals, theatre tickets, a presentation hamper and much much more ...

It's not too late to buy tickets. They cost £1 from the following local businesses: Burnetts in Preston St, West Pier News in Astra House, Daisy Fresh Cleaners in Imperial Arcade, The Regency Tavern, The Hole in the Wall (Queensbury Mews)



### **Beep Beep**

There is growing concern amongst members about the problems of traffic.

Cannon Place is particular problem. Since the closure of Regency Road there has been serious congestion on Saturdays as motorists queue to get in and out of what is left of the car parks.

Almost all of Cannon Place has been blocked at times. Residents of Sussex Heights are concerned that emergency vehicles would have great difficulty getting into St Margarets Place if necessary.

At present both the entrance and the exit to the old car park are in Cannon Place. This seems to be the cause of the problem.

Once the new car parks are open the problem should disappear - or at least move elsewhere. The new car park entrance will be in West Street and the exit in Russell Road.

However, it will be some time until the new arrangements are in place. At its next meeting the Society committee will be considering whether there is anything that can be done in the short term. If you have any ideas please contact the Chairman or a committee member.

# Excuse number 452: "the Unitary Authority"

We wrote recently to Brighton Council to complain about parking and to ask if the residents' scheme could be extended to 24 hours.

The reply is a masterpiece of buck passing: the present parking arrangements are the responsibility of East Sussex County Council. The new Unitary Authority will be taking over responsibility in April and will be reviewing the residents' parking Scheme along with "a multitude of other subjects".

The problem with our suggestion of extending the hours that the scheme operates is enforcement - and that is the job of the police. We have also written to the police to ask for better enforcement and the reply was that our concern has been drawn to the wardens' attention.

So the one body that has no responsibility at all for residents' parking problems is Brighton Borough Council - except of course that it is Brighton Borough Council that residents have to pay for the privilege of having a part-time parking permit.

It is also Brighton Council that owns the car park under Regency Square which visitors fail to use most of the time because it is unattractive and they can park on the street with little or no fear of a penalty.

### Gifts Galore

Many thanks to everyone who donated items for a prize hamper.

We have had so many gifts that we are making up two hampers. One will be a prize in the Society's draw on 28 November. The other is being donated to the Evening Argus Christmas Appeal.

### **Tickets Please**

Each member should have received 5 tickets for the Society draw. If you have been able to sell the tickets please return the stubs and the money in the envelope provided to Traude Tappin, 1 Abbotts 129 / 130 Kings Rd. Each ticket stub should show the name and address or telephone number of the ticket holder.

The draw prizes have been donated and all money from ticket sales will go into the Regency Square Improvement Fund.

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### Membership Renewal Form

A number of members have not yet renewed their subscriptions for the current year. Please support your Society by renewing today if there is a cross in the box below.

To Gail Simons, 28 Regency Square, Brighton.

I would like to renew my membership of the Regency Square Area Society for the year 1996/97 in the category ticked below:

	£
Ordinary member	3.00
Family	3.50
Senior Citizen	2.50
Junior	1.00
Associate (non-resident)	2.50
Business (non-resident)	5.50
Optional donation: £	for
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Cheques payable to the Regency Square Area Society please.

A cross in the box means your sub is due!

