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## UPDATE : SPRING 2008

Our group aim is to be a meeting point for everyone who lives or has an interest in Carr Green & Crowtrees, enabling us to :

- be a collective voice for everyone in the Carr Green & Crowtrees area
- help create a unified community where people support one another and work together to achieve the protection and continual improvement of the environment, facilities and prospects of the area.

Here are the main things discussed at our meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> March :

**Community Survey** : An overview of the major findings of our recent survey was given. Full findings will be available on our website and at the library by the end of March. We now invite everyone to add any further comment to any of the points raised in the survey, and to suggest how the finding might best be incorporated into our Community Plan.

**Community Group Event** : We are holding a community event 'Party in the Park' on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 12 till 3 at Carr Green Recreation Ground. This will be to raise funds and awareness for our group whilst having a community celebration and fun day with food, entertainment, exhibits etc. Next sub-committee meeting to progress event on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30.

**Website** : We now have a website where everyone can access lots more information, address as above.

**Crowtrees Village Green** : No progress reported on the application for Village Green status for the land opposite the Library

**Carr Green Lane Land Development** : The land opposite the tennis club was re-sold on 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. Although it's unconfirmed, we understand the new owner is a private individual with plans to grow vegetables on it, with the possible involvement of the school, and maybe the building of an eco-home in the future. This was accepted as welcome news by the group.

**Cycle Play Track at Carr Green Recreation Ground** : Our grant application to 'Awards for All' is still in process.

**Rastrick Police Forum** : Our Crime & Safety Representative reported back from Rastrick Police Forum Meetings that the neighbourhood policing team have primarily been focussed on air rifle attacks, vandalism and youth nuisance mostly in other parts of Rastrick. Police Forum meetings are now temporarily suspended pending new shift patterns. Once these, and some staffing changes are implemented, it is hoped that we will benefit from increased police coverage in our area.

**Tidy-ups** : Last month we began clearing the land beyond the 'dead end' at Carr Green Lane, adjacent to the playground, assisted by Calderdale Council's Safer Communities Team, using the new set of tools they'd provided for ongoing use by all Rastrick Community groups. The site was chosen as it was pinpointed as an eyesore in our survey, and because it's adjacent to our 'Party in the Park' venue. It will take at least one more session to complete it, depending on volunteer numbers. Therefore, everyone is, as always, VERY welcome to 'phase two' - on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 1pm**.

**Dog Fouling** : We recently distributed 600+ letters in conjunction with Calderdale Council's Environmental Health Service encouraging positive action to stop this anti-social and unnecessary behaviour. It was noted that the vast majority of dog owners are responsible in cleaning up after their dogs, and should not feel anti-fouling campaigns are aimed at them.

**Traffic Calming Measures** : No report was received on any progress with traffic calming for our area. Group to pursue.

**Carr Green Stores Refurbishment Planning Application** : It was requested that the group support objection to this application on safety grounds. We are aware that road and pedestrian safety, and in particular on Crowtrees Lane is of great concern in our community. Equally, the shop is a valued facility and its improvement generally welcomed.

It was decided that a working party meet before close of representation (14/3/8), to agree a plan of action and to ensure that the group acts in a way that most fairly represents the feelings of everyone.

**Withdrawal of 380 / 381 Bus Service** : The group continues to stand ready to campaign to have this service, or an equivalent service re-instated. However, we are advised that a reasonable period of time should be allowed for Calderdale Council & Metro to discuss the matter further, which they are obliged to do following formal receipt of a 700+ signature petition presented by Councillor Paul Rogan in mid-February. We therefore await the results of this discussion.

**Celebrating Rastrick** : Volunteers to man the group's stand at this event came forward. It will be a joint stand with the Castlefields and Woodhouse groups. We will liaise with them directly to ascertain how we can best use the display area.

**O2 Grant** : We have been notified that grants are available for small community projects between £100 & £1,000 from this company. It was felt most apt to apply for more benches for the proposed Village Green.

**Notice Board** : It was suggested and agreed to have a regular 'notice board' opportunity at meetings for anyone with anything they'd like to publicise through the group, subject to prior consultation with the Chair. Malcolm Brown gave a couple of such notices - one a request for volunteers for Overgate Hospice, where he is a Volunteer Coordinator, and one offering a personal listening service. Anyone interested may contact Malcolm through the Chair, or the website.

Everyone is very welcome to attend our ...

**NEXT MEETING : WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 7pm, CARR GREEN SCHOOL**

Ongoing news & information on our website : [www.cccactiongroup.com](http://www.cccactiongroup.com)

Quarterly Updates at following Information Points, who we thank for their support:

Rastrick Library \* Rastrick Health Centre \* Carr Green School \* Carr Green Stores \* St. Matthew's Parish Centre \* Ward Court  
Rastrick Cricket & Athletic Club \* The Paper Shop \* St. Matthew's Church \* C. Anderson Dentist \* New Road Sunday School

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