

Stoneygate Conservation Area Society



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Team is all set to branch out



• *Cedars Court residents like the lady above have for a number of years made a positive statement about where they live by working together to plant and maintain colourful floral displays in the grounds.*

Last year the small but dedicated gardening community gained a respectable joint 4th place in the Leicester Mercury sponsored Best Street competition.

• *Leicester in Bloom's floral feature on the London Road/Mayfield Road roundabout island will be planted soon.. The sponsor is Midland Vending.*

• *Leicester Disabled Gardeners' Club is looking for a volunteer to help maintain planters for the British Red Cross Shop annexe on Clarendon Park Road.*

Everything will soon come up roses for lucky residents in Stoneygate - thanks to *Leicester in Bloom* and Stoneygate Conservation Area Society (SCAS).

For Cedars Court flats on London Road, can expect a blooming good show of trees and shrubs, all done as part of a new community enhancement project which is being funded jointly by the two groups.

The occasion for SCAS will mark the Society's re-launch as a major force in helping to conserve the unique architectural and environmental qualities of the city's southern aspect.

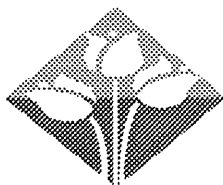
David Oldershaw, acting chair of SCAS, said: "The link being formed with Leicester in Bloom is positive right from the start, and I hope it will continue to strengthen and attract similar projects for the area."

SCAS has taken on board a number of ideas arising from a well attended open meeting, and is set to reveal them fully at the forthcoming AGM on Wednesday 27 March.

The meeting will be addressed by Michael Taylor, senior planner, Urban Design Group, Leicester City Council

Time for questions will be allowed for. Members and others interested are invited to attend what is expected to be a most informative evening.

SPRING programme



MEETINGS HELD AT:
St. John's Parish Centre
Clarendon Park Road
(London Road end)

Wednesday 27 March 1996 at 7.30pm
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

followed by:

Stoneygate, past, present and future.

An illustrated talk by Michael Taylor, Senior Planner
Urban Design Group, Leicester City Council.

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Wednesday 1 May 7.30pm

Leicester in Bloom

Nick Thornton, Campaign Co-ordinator.

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Monday 10 June 7.30pm

The Good and the Bad

A walk around Stoneygate Conservation Area
with City Guide, Richard Gill.

Please meet outside the Parish Centre.

(There will be a 50p charge for this event.)

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Plans in the pipeline

31A Knighton Drive:

One detached house and detached garage - pending.

149 Avenue Road:

Alteration and extension to garage at rear to form 'granny annexe'.

5 Pendene Road:

Garage extension to side of house.

SCAS aims to:

Compile an historical record of listed buildings in the area, add to it when necessary, and also raise any observed matters of concern about the outside appearances, including 'in-filling' and high fences.

Encourage the local authority to maintain and keep in good repair (a) its own environmental improvement schemes, and (b) to create more such schemes when and wherever possible.

Make permanent and temporary residents aware that the Society exists. Listen to their views, and encourage an ear-to-the-ground approach.

Monitor planning applications for demolition and alteration of buildings, and the felling and lopping of trees. Report instances where the wilful destruction of trees has been brought to notice.

Offer and promote ideas for improvement of parking and the environment.

Preserve the architectural and environmental character of the area.

Publicise the need for sensitivity in the design and development of new buildings and extensions.

Conservation and the law:

Aspects of the environment to which certain laws will apply are:-

- ◆ Listed buildings
- ◆ Demolition or part demolition.
- ◆ Windows and doors.
- ◆ Trees and gardens.
- ◆ Alterations to buildings.
- ◆ Satellite Antennas.
- ◆ Roof and decorative features

SCAS can tell you more.

STONEYGATE CONSERVATION AREA SOCIETY

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