



Why should I join the CRA?

Chipstead Residents' Association has been an integral part of our village life for more than 70 years. It has a **unique mandate to represent our views**, made possible because a **solid majority of residents** are members. The CRA:

- **Monitors every local planning application**, opposes unsuitable ones and when necessary appears before the borough Planning Committee. The CRA also appears at Planning Appeals representing village interests
- **Campaigns to mitigate the impact of large scale development** in adjacent areas in conjunction with other residents' associations in the affected areas
- **Campaigns to reduce the volume and speed of traffic** using our narrow lanes. Chipstead is particularly vulnerable to "rat running" traffic and the CRA works closely with Surrey Highways to implement effective traffic calming measures
- **Works closely with Surrey Police** on security issues such as burglaries, dangerous driving and law enforcement procedures
- **Monitors development policy and transport schemes** issued by authorities including local councils, county councils, the GLA and central government
- **Represents the village** to bodies such as Reigate & Banstead council, Surrey County Council, Croydon council, London Green Belt, East Surrey Transport Committee
- **Meets monthly with county and borough councillors** to promote our interests
- **Works closely with other local organizations** including the Chipstead Village Preservation Society, Cherish Chipstead, Speedwatch, and other residents' associations in Coulsdon, Woodmansterne, Banstead and Netherne
- **Supports our local businesses** and **monitors environmental issues**
- **Issues a monthly e-newsletter** and **maintains the village website** at www.chipsteadvillage.org

The CRA committee is a group of volunteers who are passionate about **maintaining the quality of life in our village**. We need **your support** to allow us to perform our roles to the full. So please help us by **joining the CRA**. Subscriptions are a minimum of £10 per household, which are collected by bank Standing Order. You can **download an application form** from the **website** at **Contact Us**.