

ASPRA PROJECTS REPORT

ROAD REPRESENTATIVES MEETING – WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2017

1) Festive Lights

These were considered to be a great success last year – thanks to all our ASPRA Members for making them possible.

The two designs which Members voted for were thought to be particularly attractive: the “Holly & Berries” & “Snowflakes”.

In spite of repeated appeals to the Traders & Businesses along Lower Addiscombe Road, that we hope benefitted from the Lights, other than Councillor Andrew Rendle’s generous contribution of £1,000 from his own Ward Fund Budget, we have only received donations from Blackhorse Residents’ Association - £200, St Mildred’s Church & Stovell House Doctors’ Surgery - £100 each and the Tram Stop Cafe - £30. Thanks to them.

For this coming year, we are fortunate to be receiving £1,000 from our Councillor Stephen Mann, from his Ward Fund Budget – so, very many thanks to him for such a further generous offer.

2) ASPRA Public Noticeboard

Following Lyn’s suggestion at the last Meeting, & Jenny Crook’s intervention, a vote was taken on the title of the proposed Addiscombe Noticeboard, resulting in the choice of “Addiscombe **Village** Noticeboard”.

Due to a further generous donation from Andrew Rendle’s Ward Fund Budget for the cost & his additional assistance over the requisite Planning Application, Gill & Dave Lee have now submitted our official Application to the Council.

This may be viewed online on Croydon Council’s website.

It will take about 6 weeks to process, so we will not expect to have any decision until then.

As discussed earlier, the proposed site is in the “public realm” space at Blackhorse Corner & is for a lockable, double-sided, double A1 board.

This will be used to announce events & local activities, meetings, etc.

3) As this process has taken so long, any idea of organising a Planting Scheme along the Addiscombe “Village” shopping area has been put on the “back burner” for now.

