

# FOCUS



[www.garrattbusinesspark.com](http://www.garrattbusinesspark.com)

JULY 2017

## BID LEVY INVOICES FOR 2017/18

Unfortunately the BID Levy invoices have gone out very late this year due to a problem experienced by the Council and beyond our control. You will have received your bill for 2017/18 in the last few days of June and we shall be grateful if you would pay it as soon as possible. You will find various ways of making your payment on the back of the invoice including bank details for bank to bank transfer. However, if you wish to pay by phone you need to ring **0845 835 0129** and not the phone number printed on the back of the invoice, as it is incorrect. If you have any queries please ring James Cox at Wandsworth Council on 020 8871 8767.

### ESTATE BROADBAND

In 2015 the Committee arranged for fibre optic broadband to be installed on the estate. 22 businesses signed up for it from the start at a rate of £50 +VAT per month and most of the businesses have now renewed their contracts with BongoIT. The advantage of our setup is that every business is getting its own IP address and that the service does not get affected, i.e. is slowing down, by the number of businesses signing on.

Other businesses now want to join and a small number can be accommodated with our existing setup. This requires some setup and installation costs for each business.

Please contact Judith at [judithgbp@gmail.com](mailto:judithgbp@gmail.com) if you are planning to join in the near future.

### ROAD SURFACING AND MARKINGS

We are awaiting a quote for resurfacing the roads and as soon as this has been received and accepted we will action this as a matter of urgency.

We will then also renew the road markings on the newly surfaced roads. However, markings on the main Riverside Road, which belongs to National Grid, will be implemented as soon as possible for Health and Safety reasons.

Because we still experience some vehicles driving dangerously fast on our estate roads, we are proposing to paint 10mph signs on the road surface and to put up some additional 10mph signs at lamp posts.

### RIVERSIDE ROAD GATE

We are about to replace the Riverside Road Gate and this is expected to be on

**MONDAY 7TH OF AUGUST**

**There will be restricted access and we advise using the Rosemary Road Gate during that time.**

As you know, we had various problems with the existing gate often caused by people forcing their way in and breaking the arms and fasteners. The repair costs were mounting up and we were advised that it would be more cost effective to replace the gate with a better and more robust design. The new design also lets us put warning signs on the gate itself.

We shouldn't forget that the existing gate has served us very well over a decade and more.

**Parking:** At their last meeting the Committee has discussed the parking issues in detail and feels that as a first step we should mark out which parking spaces belong to the estate and can be used by every business belonging to the estate and which parking spaces are private, i.e. belong to particular businesses. This will be colour coded. We will also conduct a small survey over a day or two establishing if there are vehicles coming for example early in the morning from outside the estate. This will give us a better idea if this adds to our problem with parking.

**CCTV:** Our CCTV equipment needs upgrading. A meeting with the CCTV Company has been arranged for the beginning of July.

**SWAN ESTATE:** We are looking for a new Board Representative for the Swan Estate. Please get in touch with Judith.

**SWAN NOTICE BOARD:** This is about to be updated.

**WEBSITE:** Please check the Business Directory on the website [www.garrattbusinesspark.com](http://www.garrattbusinesspark.com) to ensure that your contact details are correct. If you are new on the estate, we need to hear from you, so that we can add your details to the Directory.

**OPEN MEETING:** Just an early reminder that the next Open Meeting will be on Thursday 19th of October at 9:30am

Judith Roscoe GBP BID Coordinator [judithgbp@gmail.com](mailto:judithgbp@gmail.com)