



# KIRBY FIELDS ROADS FUND LTD

NEWSLETTER, JANUARY 2017

Dear Kirby Fields Residents,

## **DO YOU WANT THE ROAD FUND TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE UNADOPTED ROADS IN KIRBY FIELDS ON YOUR BEHALF?**

This newsletter explains the urgent problem facing our Road Fund and outlines the options. The decision as to whether the Road Fund continues, is yours.

### Background

The Kirby Fields Road Fund has been organised by volunteer residents for over 40 years. During that time the volunteers have managed to keep our unadopted roads in very good condition within the limits of the finances available. The unadopted roads have been kept free of potholes making them safer for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. The good road network has meant that houses in Kirby Fields have kerb appeal in this desirable residential area and therefore house prices remain strong.

### Current need for additional volunteers

At the moment, there are just four volunteers running the Road Fund, with an average age of 75! Therefore, if the Road Fund is to continue we urgently need new volunteers from both the adopted and unadopted roads. It is not very time consuming as only about one or two meetings are held each year, but a small amount of extra work is involved in delivering invoices/newsletters, liaising with solicitors, balancing the books and checking on the condition of the roads.

The alternative to the Road Fund would be for everyone to look after their own section of road surface which would result in our roads being in the same condition as Forest Rise and Linden Lane, which do not have a Road Fund. It is also very difficult and more expensive to get a contractor to come out to mend a small area of road.

If you can help the Road Fund continue its good work, please contact Gill Baron - details at the bottom of this Newsletter. As well as welcoming volunteers willing to deliver letters, we also need residents with Accounting, insurance, IT and legal experience.

### Your responsibilities

For any new residents who might not be aware, the Road Fund only takes responsibility for the road surface, NOT the drains, street lamps, gutters, trees or pavements. The local authorities do not sweep unadopted roads, nor clear the drains, and therefore it is the individual householders who must do these essential tasks. Keeping the gutters clean of leaves and the

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drains clear helps to stop the road surface being damaged by water or ice and therefore keeps Road Fund contributions low. If you haven't done yours recently, please do it as it really does make a big difference.

## Your annual contribution

As already mentioned, the Road Fund is organised by volunteers. It helps enormously if annual contributions are paid by standing order on February 10th annually as paying by cash or cheque involves a lot of extra work. If any resident wishes to change their payment method or realises they haven't contributed towards the Road Fund because they have recently moved here or were unaware etc. please contact me (details below) and I will deliver the necessary paperwork to you so that you can set up a standing order. Or use the bank account info below, but please ensure you include your surname and house name or address (e.g. Baron, Timberly) in the Reference line, so that we can match your payment to your address. Residents on the unadopted roads contributed £60 per year and those living on the adopted roads pay £30. Thank you.

Our Accounts are filed with Companies House and they can be viewed on the Companies House website ([www.companieshouse.gov.uk](http://www.companieshouse.gov.uk)). If there are any questions, please contact me.

I look forward to hearing from any Kirby Fields residents interested in joining the volunteers on the Board who run YOUR Road Fund.

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