

NEWSLETTER 2026 - The Orchard (Banstead) Residents Association

We hope you are all keeping well. Since our AGM in August 2025, we would like to update you on the following items:

Land Registry completion

- Last week, we received the Registration Completion Sheet and the up-to-date official Copy Entries issued by the Land Registry. This finalises our purchase of the land and the documents are saved on our website.

Hedge cutting

- Tom, the gardener will be cutting the hedges on Wednesday 18th February (weather permitting). We ask you not to park close to the hedges during this time.
 - In addition, we have received requests from several residents to improve the path access at the entrance of The Orchard, by the granite setts. Therefore, Tom will be cutting back the conifers on that side to allow better accessibility.

Fees

- Fees Due for 2026: £100 per household

We would appreciate payment by bank transfer. Payment by cheque should be made payable to The Orchard Residents Association. We would be grateful to receive payment by the end of February.

As discussed at the AGM, the committee has decided to collect lower fees this year to reduce the surplus in the account and run the bank account with minimum funds. However, in the event of large, unexpected costs it may be necessary to request an interim payment.

This year's annual fees cover the Tree cutting, Gardening, Insurance and Website.

Recommending Tradespeople

- We are compiling a trade directory to add to the website, which will include trades people who have carried out work for residents – please feel free to recommend a tradesperson. You can also refer to the list, should you need any work done.

Snow

- Following the recent snow in January, we have invested in a small quantity of road salt to help de-ice the communal areas within The Orchard, the next time it freezes.

As always, the committee welcomes your comments, feedback and ideas.