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SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING

of

THE CROXLEY GREEN RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

at 8 p.m.

on FRIDAY, the 30th MARCH, 1978

at CROXLEY GREEN LIBRARY

This meeting has had to be called because, at the A.G.M. on the 17th November, 1978, insufficient new committee members volunteered their services, and as a consequence, your Residents and Ratepayers Association ceased to exist as an effective body. However, assisted for a limited time by the retiring members, an interim committee agreed to carry on until the above Special Meeting could be convened and the Association brought up to a workable strength.

The tasks of this Special Meeting will be to:

- a) obtain a mandate from the members to carry on the traditional work of the Association.
- b) to elect new committee members.
- c) amend the existing Constitution to reduce the quorum to a more realistic figure.
- d) discuss ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

HOW DID THIS TOTALLY UNEXPECTED SITUATION ARISE? Certainly not because of a failure by the outgoing committee. The finances of the Association — a barometer of any Association's good health — were in excellent condition, from being almost bankrupt a few years previously. A nicely co-ordinated network of distributors of the "Resident" had been built up and a social evening for all our helpers has become an established annual feature. There had been absolutely no dissension or splinter groups within the committee — quite the reverse in fact; members of the committee attended Council meetings, sat on various Council committees and then reported back for co-ordinated action by the Committee. A petition was taken and presented to Parliament. The Resident is now virtually self-financing and although there is unfortunately a sad lack of articles from members, it has even had a few words of commendation in the Watford Observer Leader (12.1.79). In short, the committee had risen from the ashes of a few years earlier and was altogether a thriving body.

WHAT HAPPENED?

So what happened? Firstly, for a variety of reasons, the Resident was too late to advertise the A.G.M. so that despite advertisements and a letter in the local press, in shops, library etc. and letters to local organisations, very few people attended the A.G.M.

Secondly, both our Chairman, David Dunderdale and Howard Smith had had to resign because of pressures of work and Andrew Brode had to resign as he is leaving the district.

So with no new members coming forward from the meeting, coupled with the constitution ruling that there has to be a quorum of 7, there were then insufficient remaining committee members left to carry on effectively.

Those are the reasons for the fantastic situation where a thriving association suddenly finds that its power supply has run out. But we have to ask ourselves, why did that power supply run out? Why were there no new committee members ready to step into the vacancies? Probably because of feeling that "all is well", so why bother? After all, the Council seems to be joggling along reasonably well — no Councillor has proposed converting the Green into an extension of Luton Airport — and your association appears to be going its job as a watchdog and line of communication between you and our Council, reasonably well.

WHY BOTHER?

So why bother? As everything is going fairly well, is your Association of any value? For one very good reason, it unquestionably IS. As someone once said — "the price of Democracy is eternal vigilance". Ask yourself what would the position be WITHOUT your Association — what WILL the position be if fresh volunteers do not come forward?

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OUR LIFE IS IN YOUR HANDS

The skeleton of the new committee is there — I hope that soon we shall have enough flesh to give the body a new life.

But before this can happen, we MUST have many more committee members to do all the things that have to be done. We desperately need:—

1. **TREASURER** — This is an office which most urgently needs filling. It is not a difficult post and it does not necessarily require professional qualifications.
2. **ADVERTISING** — We shall need someone to promote advertising, see to sending of bills etc. etc. This could be done by the Treasurer as in the past, but ought to be separated and perhaps worked in co-operation with the Editor.
3. **GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS** — We need many new members to act as district representatives to receive complaints from their area and to collect any extra information for the next meeting; to be responsible for keeping an eye on special subjects, i.e. planning applications, new roads, transport etc. etc.; to monitor Council meetings on a rotational basis; to help generally in maintaining the friendly and efficient atmosphere of a committee devoted to serving the community. No great skill is required — we are all quite ordinary people trying to do our bit. We have only one unwritten rule NO PARTY POLITICS PLEASE!
4. Outside the Committee, but not necessarily so, we also need a few people to bundle up the "Residents" magazine and to deliver them to the distributors on receipt from the printers — one evening or two, 3 or 4 times a year.
5. But even more important, we need MORE SUBSCRIPTION COLLECTORS — we lost a lot of income last year because whole areas were not covered. Fortunately we were able to absorb this loss, but this is quite unfair and must not occur again. So please do volunteer for this. It takes only a few hours spread over a few evenings; it is essential to the Association and a glorious opportunity for you to meet people. Most people will welcome you; hungry dogs and the odd anti-social characters have been noted for future avoidance!!

PLEASE COME FORWARD AT THE SPECIAL MEETING ON THE 30th MARCH at 8 p.m. or CONTACT LEWIS FRY, JOHN HEDGES or MYSELF, FOR A GREAT WELCOME.

AND NOW FOR A MOAN . . .

As you all know, the last Resident was very late, too late for the A.G.M. even. This was because, initially, it took longer than intended to write various articles AFTER the copy date had passed. This was caused by outside pressure on my time. For this I apologise. Other delays also built up along the line, culminating in delays in batching and delivering to distributors, owing to a shortage of volunteers.

But really the basic cause was the LACK OF ARTICLES FROM YOU FOR YOUR MAGAZINE! If there had been enough material, we would have had an issue in July. IF there had been enough material I would not have had to write 3 or 4 pages AFTER the copy date to ensure that we had an Autumn issue. It is NOT easy. Most people can write one article fairly easily on their pet moan or groan, but try filling several pages in zero time and you will see what I mean.

So PLEASE help in the next issue. There is a long chain of events before your Resident is through your letterbox. You can help so much in ensuring that a link in that chain is not broken. If you can and WILL help, please give me a ring on Watford 28418.

And one final moan. If you have paid your subscription and feel aggrieved that your Resident is late, please remember that the whole sequence of production is a lot of hard work by too few people and it is entirely UNPAID. If you want to ring up, by all means do, but please channel your energies into offers of HELP rather than a bout of abuse. I did not feel much job satisfaction after a gentleman had acquainted me with his displeasure, which however did not extend to agreeing to help, with 2000 copies still to be bundled up.

And the moral of that little moan? YOUR Resident and YOUR Association is a TEAM effort. So please come along to our Special Meeting on 30th March and help to strengthen that team.

A LITTLE TRUMPET BLOWING

The Watford Observer were kind enough to give your Resident a pat on the back in their Leader of 12.1.79, entitled Trouble on the Towpath.

. . . "but the comment on off-canal moorings in the current issue of the Croxley Green Resident is worth digesting. The organ of the C.G.R. & R.A., draws attention to the boat explosion and points out that ribbon linear moorings along the canal impede walkers and reduce speed of passing craft for miles at a stretch . . .

It is a ridiculous situation and the Resident performs a service in drawing attention to it."

YOU DON'T REALLY MEAN TO BE MEAN, DO YOU?

Most of us have, at one time or another, become involved in fund-raising, whether it be for a social club, charity or our children's parent-teacher organisation. The first question "How?" sounds simple enough, but the pitfalls are many: do you ask for donations and risk the refusals? or do you organise an event — social, musical or otherwise, and hope that the profits outweigh the cost? Do you run a sponsored something and hope all your friends will support you — or do you have a raffle or lottery, of which not everybody approves. No wonder that so many organisations fall back on the good old sale of work! No problems here we think; not much worry, mostly profit, and good fun into the bargain.

Bargain, did I say? That word makes me jump straight on to my hobbyhorse.

Think again, the next time you go to a Sale of Work or Christmas Bazaar, look at the prices, and consider whether your bargain is a fairly-priced one. It is my belief that all of us who go to these sales, however much we support the cause they are raising money for, have a mean streak in us. We all go to sales expecting to buy goods at way below shop prices, simply because someone has spent hours at home making them for love and not in a factory for a living.

Admittedly, the ladies who price the goods have a problem on their hands in deciding whether or not to put a realistic value on their goods. If they do, there is a risk that those carefully sewn toys or knitted baby-clothes will remain unsold . . . to everyone's disappointment. The money and time invested in materials and labour will be completely wasted. If, however, the goods are priced down so that they do sell like the proverbial hot cakes, how much profit can be made? The people who make the goods need to recoup the cost of the materials, for who can afford to donate it all these days? The knitters and sewers gladly give their time, skill and ideas in the hope that the 'cause' will profit from their handiwork — while we shoppers go and pick the goods over, looking for a bargain!

Why don't we buy the goods at a realistic price at a Sale of Work, when we would happily pay much more in a shop? Why do we think 'that's expensive' when we look at these beautifully made soft toys which would cost two or three times as much in the department stores? The funny thing is that the double standard does not seem to apply to anything edible . . . watch how quickly and profitably the home-made pickles, jams and cakes disappear from the stalls! Is it because the words 'home-made' are acceptable when applied to cakes but not to anything else? Do we all think when looking at the goods for sale: "I could do that just as well myself" or "I couldn't give X THAT, she'll think I made it myself". Home-made, hand-made — is there a difference?

Please bargain hunters all, let's be fair to the organisers of the sale we aim to support, and be willing to pay fair prices!

Mrs. Valerie A. Ward,
6 Grosvenor Court,
Croxley Green,

EDITORIAL

How wrong one can be! In the last issue I thought I had thrown in enough provocative thoughts on the Croxley Rail Link to ensure that the next few issues would write themselves! But apart from one very good letter on the subject, printed elsewhere, nothing happened. Doesn't anyone mind, one way or the other? Or worse still, doesn't anyone read the Resident?!

On the other hand, a strong response HAS come from an unexpected source (printed elsewhere), entitled "The Green and Everyone", to whom an apology and explanation is due. I printed the original article, "The Green and I", as a peaceful piece of almost pastoral nostalgia. But I was wrong! Unfortunately, apart from being provocative, the article was accidentally anonymous. So let me hasten to point out that "The Green and I" was written by John Hedges and that it was NOT his intention to write anonymously, nor, in fact, would I have printed it anonymously, knowing that it was an EXPRESSION OF OPINION. There are certain cases when I think an anonymous article CAN be justified, but this was NOT one. John's name must have come unstuck somewhere between pasting up the mock-up and the printing stage. By an odd twist it had to be John's name which dropped off. If it had been anyone else's name, nobody but the writer would have known. If I am to blame, please accept my apologies.

Before leaving the rail link subject, let me reminisce. Way back in the 1930s, a brilliant British invention, the Mayo composite piggy-back aircraft, flew and flourished, only to fizzle out. Today America is using the same idea to launch a space shuttle craft. Also in the 1930s, a diesel train/bus, capable of running on road AND rail, ran, prospered, only to rust away at the bottom of a heap of Brabazons, Princess Flying Boats, T.S.R.2s, etc. But today such an idea is being considered again, for the St. Albans Branch Line of British Rail.

Why not such a vehicle to provide a Croxley rail/road/rail link? The present Croxley Green station and embankment could be lowered to provide a ramp (no need to keep the station this time!) at one end, to facilitate the transition from rail to road, whilst the existing car park approach is ready made at Croxley Met. to take the vehicle back on the rails. Present bus stops in between could be used by the rail bus.

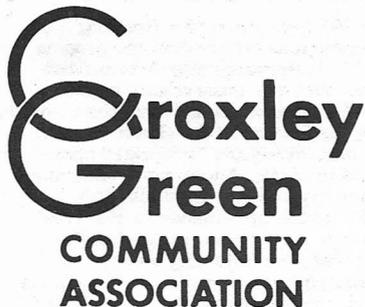
The vehicle EXISTS: the completion of a "TRACK" is NOT INSUPERABLE: environmental objections would be satisfied; in fact certain areas could be improved.

SO HOW ABOUT IT?

CULLED FROM COUNCIL MINUTES

Councillor Robinson's motion that a resident of Croxley Green be elected to the Rickmansworth Local Library Committee was lost . . . Is this why our moans over the loss of our proper shelves and hard-back books were to no avail at Croxley?

"The Committee were advised that a further four letters of objection had been received". Well! Well! I thought the Post Office would have objected at such material!



**Croxley Green Community
Association Executive Committee**

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Mr. D. Reader,
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FUTURE EVENTS

**Friday, March 23rd – Barn Dance
8.00 pm at Watersmeet**

**Saturday, April 28th – “200 Club”
8.00 pm at the Youth Centre**

**Friday, September 28th – Barn Dance
8.00 pm at Watersmeet**

**Friday, November 30th – Barn Dance
8.00 pm at Watersmeet**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I wish to join the Croxley Green Community Association.

Name:

Address:

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Telephone:

THE LIBRARY

During the Easter holidays we shall be having a session of activities for children aged 5-12 years old. This will take place on Wednesday 11th April 1979 from 10.30-12 noon. Free tickets will be available from the library approximately 2 weeks before the event. The session will include making Easter bonnets and cards, painting Easter eggs, and storytelling.

Storytime for under-5's is held at the library EVERY FRIDAY at 2.30 p.m.

At the beginning of the school year we embarked on a programme of class visits to the library. We hope that by July every class in the area will have had an opportunity to visit the library for an introductory talk. Malvern Way School has already visited us and Harvey Road School is next. The other schools will be contacted in due course and we will welcome as many classes as they wish to send. But please remember that children do not have to be of school age before joining the library. We have simple picture books and a small stock of board books for the very young. Children are issued with their own tickets and like adults they may take out 4 books, 1 record and 1 cassette per visit. Out of a total stock of 28,158 items held by the library 7,607 are junior books. Playgroups and nurseries are welcome to borrow a selection of children's books for an extended period. Please ask the staff for a special ticket.

The Citizens Advice Bureau holds a 'surgery' at the library every Thursday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. So if you have any problems come along for free and confidential advice.

Every month the library has a Book Sale when we sell discarded books at cheap prices. The Book Sale starts in the first COMPLETE week of every month. Conversely we are pleased to receive any of your books that you no longer require with a view to adding them to stock if suitable. We also have a magazine swap box and children's comic swap box.

I should like to remind you that the library is available for hire in the evenings by local groups and societies. The fees are reasonable and the siting of the library makes it an easily accessible meeting place for people in this area.

The library can supply you with books for every occasion. It will cost you nothing to join — so please come along and become a member NOW!

Carole Hudson
Librarian

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CROXLEY GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH, Baldwins Lane

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY . . .

23rd-27th July, Holiday Adventure '79.
31st July, 1st & 2nd August, Junior Adventure.
Full details will be given in our next issue.

THE GREEN AND EVERYONE

In the Autumn 1978 edition of the 'Resident' you published an anonymous letter under the heading 'The Green and I'. It seems regrettable to publish unsigned letters, especially those critical of the work of certain Societies which exist for the common good. However, the Friends of the Green, Croxley Green Society, presumably the "misguided conservationists" attacked by Mr. Anonymous, can make a good guess as to his identity. They take this opportunity of defending themselves so that local residents can decide for themselves who has the better case, and make the following points:

1. The destruction of mature hedge rows along the Green was one of the reasons for the formation of the Society in 1973. It was hoped to stop the rot, and one of our successes has been the preservation of that part of the original hedge which is in front of Longways and which would otherwise have gone like the rest.

2. The first group of trees on the triangle was planted by the Croxley Green Residents' and Rate-payers' Association (with which, if our identity guess is correct, Mr. Anonymous has been closely associated) with Council approval. The idea was to provide a natural screen for the unrural-type houses on the Whitegates development as viewed by motorists arriving from the direction of Sarratt, but the trees failed. So did their successors, partly due to wrong weather conditions soon after planting, partly due to vandalism. It is a matter of opinion whether all these trees were "worse than the loss" of which Mr. Anonymous writes. We happen to think that the idea was a good one; so did the Council, as they planted the second batch, and the third group planted in December 1978.

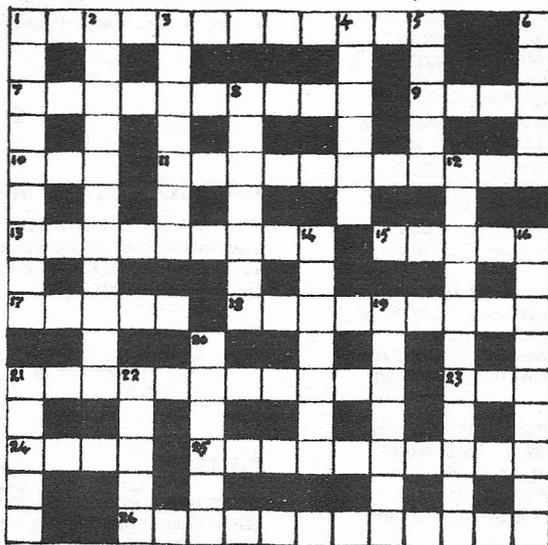
3. As for harebells being obscured "by weeds that never flourished naturally" we point out that as a result of our approaches to the Council the amount of grass cutting on the triangle was reduced specifically to give the harebells and other wild flowers more time in which to seed themselves, as we consider that harebells obscured by weeds (even if that DID occur to a noticeable extent) would be preferable to having hardly any harebells at all. Incidentally we are not sure just what Mr. Anonymous meant by "weeds that never flourished naturally" as we were unaware that they could flourish any way but naturally.

At all times the Friends of the Green have liaised with the local Council whose co-operation on most issues has been for the benefit of all who enjoy the amenities of the Green. If anyone would like to know more about the work of the Society — Mr. Anonymous certainly ought to — I should be pleased to hear from them.

N.S. THOMSON,
Secretary, Friends of the Green,
Coplands, Copthorne Close,
Croxley Green.

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Residents Crossword No. 1 by Segdeh.



ACROSS

- 1) Our home patch makes Ron Grey excel (7, 5)
- 7) Share piled in front for guidance (10)
- 9) Sound this with an aspirate, or point (4)
- 10) Flow reversed (3)
- 11) Men not riven for this locale (11)
- 13) Sound on the box will ring (9)
- 15) Helped in staid edition (5)
- 17) Finance, confused fixed look (5)
- 18) Side in tatters (9)
- 21) Group football (11)
- 23) Greek equal to English 20 (3)
- 24) One in race falling down (4)
- 25) Do they draw purses in a hurry? (10)
- 26) 18 ladies penetrated by electrical particles after French capital (12)

DOWN

- 1) One who gathers pass before reader (9)
- 2) Outside broadcast, a doctor with breeding deceased to a point, walks about (11)
- 3) If still, surely waters only (3, 4)
- 4) Use a space for a printer to trick (6)
- 5) He prophesied North American song for Pooh perhaps (5)
- 6) Palindromic dogma (5)
- 8) One who delivers various changes (7)
- 12) No longer need the grin upset (6, 5)
- 14) In series french together (2, 5)
- 16) Throws up in committee? (9)
- 19) Alternatively dum-de-dum (4-1-2)
- 20) Does it give you a glassy look (6)
- 21) To consent about in time (5)
- 22) Confess to having ascended (3, 2)

The Editor,
The Croxley Resident. 30 December 1978

Dear Editor,

I read with interest the various items relating to the Croxley Link.

Whilst other suburbs around the London conurbation are receiving improved rail services, we in South West Herts, see ours declining. I cite for instance the electrification between Royston and Moorgate and Kings Cross, along with a similar project underway, between Bedford and Moorgate, using the widened lines from Kentish Town to the City.

Elsewhere, the Southern, albeit with some problems, have introduced a new system on the South Eastern Section into Cannon Street/Charing Cross, coupled to the Central Section from Sussex into London Bridge.

As stated in the earlier article, a link line could be provided within the safety regulations laid down by the appropriate government body, without major inconvenience to house dwellers hereabouts. In fact they would gain most from the suggestions listed here:

- a) Frequent service on a circuit route Baker Street to Queens Park, change for Bakerloo Line. Both BR and LT use Four rail systems, as a service is currently operating in peak hours from the Junction station to Elephant & Castle using 8 car LT tube stock.
- b) A peak hour circuit route from Broad Street to Moorgate using the link line at Croxley, again dual stock can be used.
- c) A weekend service using the Rickmansworth spur line to Croxley thus allowing a 'shoppers service' from Amersham and the Chilterns to the centre of Watford, thereby alleviating some of the current parking problems.
- d) An off-peak daily service from the two car platform at Rickmansworth to Watford High Street Station thence to London.
- e) The above service could also assist in funnelling people to the Junction Station to connect with the inter-city services, which stop to pick-up or set down during certain times of the day.

On the subject of possible use by 'freight traffic' on the link line, I would suspect that this would be unlikely owing to the signalling system which LT operate and their general reluctance to allow 'foreign train movements' over their tracks.

Besides, unless BR upgraded their lines north of Aylesbury the tracks here, coupled to the signalling system would be inadequate to cope with the size and speeds that the modern freight trains run at.

The proposals as laid down in your last publication, using some of the suggestions mentioned above would in my opinion, offer a new concept in rail passenger usage, which has gradually been showing a decline over the years, due mainly to the so-called 'planners' being completely out of touch with the needs of those they are there to serve.

Perhaps we should propose a public discussion on these ideas, with a ballot by users/residents etc. Personally, in view of the need to be less reliant

on 'fossil fuels' as we approach the year 2000, coupled to rumours of the Watford branch closure and work recently completed on a new car park at Northwood, time is not on our side.

Any such system, if applied could prove mutually beneficial to all concerned in this area, facilitating maximum use of track, personnel and rolling stock, bringing relief to a crowded road system.

CASSIOBRIDGE MARINA

As I look out of my window, I can see a large excavation sticking up out of the ground, waiting for the lorries to take it away. So things are happening at last.

NOISE

From time to time there have been complaints about noise apparently coming from Dickinsons at night. I have now received one from Lewes Way. This could be an exceptional case, or even coming from somewhere else. If other readers — wherever they live — can add further evidence to this complaint (times, type of noise, e.g. low, high, buzz, rumble, etc.) please let us know, so that we can present a detailed case to the Council.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONS

1. The Council have now agreed new plans showing demolition of the garage previously built at Highfield Estate to achieve a landscaped strip comparable with the approved plan. Other buildings and roadways have been realigned to regularise what has already been built.
2. The Planning Committee have indicated some loss of allotment land in connection with later development of the Community Centre. Despite the fact that even though Barton Way car park is even more underused in the evening than during the day, provision must be made for 24 car spaces, IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.
3. A tenant has requested that two garages be demolished to allow for an additional shop in the Baldwins Lane shopping parade.
4. Rough road texture will be installed at two control points in Rousebarn Lane during February/March.
5. Three Rivers are sending 4 Councillors to consider complaints of nuisance from Leavesden Airport.

EDITOR'S CORNER

THINK ABOUT IT . . .

Life is always challenging us with the invitation —
"Come on in, its great". But what do we do? Stand
back and take its picture!

Fate is what life gives you.
Destiny is what you do with it.
What is frequently forgotten is that we have
tremendous control over our destiny.

The city has a face; the country has a soul,

As long as you have a window, life is exciting.

It is important that people know what you stand
for; Equally it is important that they know what
you WON'T stand for!

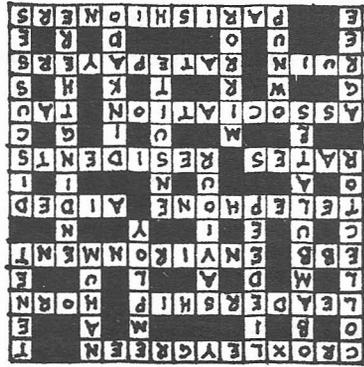
Vanity is the delusion that someone is paying
attention.

It is strange that, after lying in the energy-giving
sun, we seem to have so little energy.

I don't have failures with my paintings — I just
work at them until they aren't!

Now that China is in the news . . .

The only predictable thing about Chinese events is
that unpredictable events will occur with predicta-
ble regularity.



Solution to Crossword No.1.

WANTED — WHY FEAR UNEMPLOYMENT?

Head Classifier, Also Head Cook required by
Borneo Cannibal Tribe.

Rubber Technologist — Flexible hours.

Female Assembler — Part-time.

Records Clerk — required at Breaker's Yard.

Watchmen required by old established clockmakers.
Urgent — little time left.

Mechanical Engineers — must possess M.O.T.
certificate.

Drivers required by Watford Screw Co.

Draughtsman required for Wind Tunnel testing.

Models wanted for responsible positions.

Lively lad required by Funeral Director.

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CORRESPONDENCE

OPEN SPACES

Sir,—Are we selfish? As we pass to and fro do we give the members of the future a thought? Many are selfishly content and say, "Why worry as long as Jack is all right." The Baldwins Lane area has been sadly neglected in the matter of open spaces. Maybe lack of foresight on the part of planning experts or other causes perhaps. Whatever the cause, we cannot afford to neglect this matter any longer. There are one or two spaces left, easily accessible that is, while the present owners or tenants remain; but should they, either through death or force of circumstances, relinquish their hold on these delightful spots, what happens? More builders! So why not a park for the public next to the L.N.E. Railway bridge in Baldwins Lane?

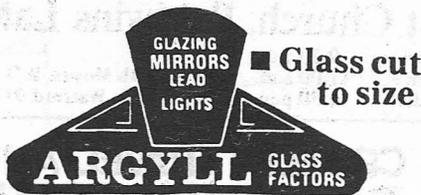
For those who have not noticed the beauties of this spot I would advise them to walk up Winton Drive for two hundred yards and then look back. The site is well timbered and a delightful place for a future playground.

The mansion could no doubt be converted into a Community Centre or Library or Clubhouse, and the poultry farm cleared for a park. Sheltered by the boundary wall is an ideal spot for a bowling green, three pitches midfield and say six courts on the road side. Opposite, on what is now the sewage outfall, a children's playground surmounted by a rock garden.

Some may say, "This will put your rates up!" It should not, it runs as a business proposition as is Moor Park Golf Club.

We must see that our Council supports us in this matter in approaching the powers that be and making the necessary zoning arrangements. The property adjoins the Green Belt, so why not continue the good work? The Council must know that we are interested in the future aspects of Croxley and its amenities. — *"Foresight."*

(Should you like to support this notion drop a line to the Secretary with any further suggestions you may have in mind. — Editor.)



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