

PERA

PULTENEY

ESTATE

RESIDENTS'

ASSOCIATION

The area covered by the Pulteney Estate includes Pulteney Street, Pulteney Mews, Laura Place, Henrietta Gardens, William Street, Sunderland Street, Johnstone Street, Edward Street, Vane Street, Henrietta Street, Sutton Street, Daniel Street, Daniel Mews.



Although the River is not strictly within the confines of our area, we are all affected visually and aesthetically by the filth that appears on the surface of the river after each time it rains heavily. This is due to farmers upstream illegally releasing slurry from their storage facilities. This has been happening for years and nobody in authority appears to take action, even though fines of up to £20,000 can be levied.

We are to get in touch with the Environment Agency, which is responsible for operation of the river and FOBRA

Pollution of the River Avon

Edward Street One-Way scheme

Plans for the proposed new system are to get further scrutiny. As we are all aware, the road as it is at present is a hazard for Pedestrians and Vehicles alike. Councillor Nicholas Coombes (Lib-Dem, Bathwick) has opposed the plan, saying that buses travelling round Darlington Street will not be able to turn into Great Pulteney Street. The plan is also opposed by First Bus. The decision will now be made later in the year by Councillor Charles Gerrish (Conservative Keynsham North) who has responsibility for traffic in the city. He has stated that he has asked for more information and more research.

PERA are all in favour of the one-way system and we shall be letting Cllr. Gerrish have our strongly held views, which we believe, reflect what our members want.

(Federation of Bath Residents Associations) with a view to getting this pollution stopped forthwith. We suspect this could take time, but something must be done for residents and visitors alike.



Henrietta Street
There is a 7 1/2 tonne limit on this street, yet it is frequently being ignored, particularly by Coach operators. We are in the process of bringing this situation in front of the relative authorities.



Holburne Museum

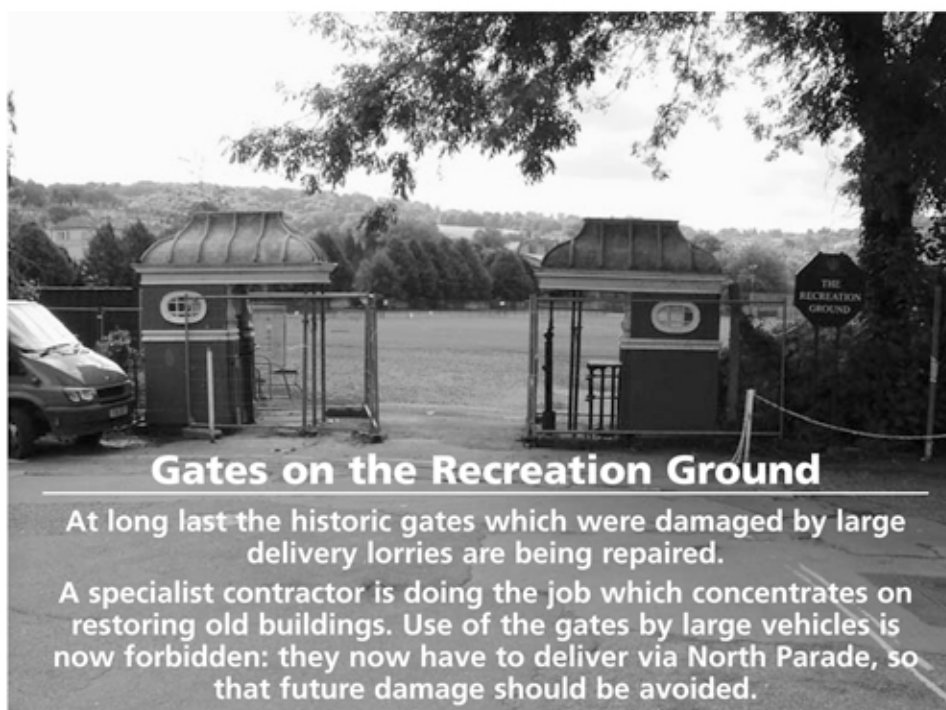
You will have seen the press reports relating to the proposed extension to the Museum and the recent failure of the Museum to obtain planning permission for their proposals - the planning rejection appears largely or wholly related to the external design and choice of materials. We feel it is worthwhile to ask members to reply to the following questions or to add an opinion of their own: we will then pass all data to the Museum in the hope of providing helpful guidance.

Please return to Nigel Websper in the envelope enclosed. Thank you.

- 1 Do you agree with need of the Museum to expand their internal facilities broadly in line with the plan suggested? YES/NO
- 2 Did you like the external appearance of the present plan? YES/NO
- 3 Would you like a more traditional design focused on 'Bath Type' or 'Bath Friendly' materials? YES/NO
- 4 Would you like an alternative contemporary design-not necessarily using 'Bath Type' materials? YES/NO

Additional comments (continue on a separate sheet, if necessary)

Name and address of sender:



Gates on the Recreation Ground

At long last the historic gates which were damaged by large delivery lorries are being repaired.

A specialist contractor is doing the job which concentrates on restoring old buildings. Use of the gates by large vehicles is now forbidden: they now have to deliver via North Parade, so that future damage should be avoided.

Gulls

We are continuing with the operation to deal with eggs that will still be laid until the end of August. This is the third and last year for reducing the number of gulls, which has been paid for by money received from the Film Company for 'Vanity Fair'. We have seen a huge reduction in eggs laid on buildings in Great Pulteney Street, and any nests that do appear have the eggs pricked, which prevents development of the eggs. Whilst we realize the Gulls can go elsewhere to breed, there has been a reduction in noise and nuisance levels in the area of this Association, which has been of benefit to us all.

Rubbish

We would ask members not to put rubbish out for collection until after 8 pm the previous day. In our case this would be after 8pm on Sundays. We would also remind members that normal Monday collections of Rubbish now take place on Bank Holidays. As we all have Monday collections, this applies to almost all Bank Holidays. To date, it has been noticed that only a few people seem to realise that this is now the situation.

Some people, not necessarily living within our area, keep placing bags of litter alongside Litter Bins. This inevitably leads to them being attacked by gulls, leaving a nasty mess on the pavement. If you see people doing this, try and persuade them not to, but to take the bags home and leave them out on the appointed day of collection.

Christmas Party

We will be arranging a party in the normal way. The venue this year will be different, but will be local. Tickets will cost £5 and will include Snacks and drinks. The Committee is sure that you will find it to be an enjoyable experience. We will give full details in our next Newsletter, due at the end of November.

Membership

We have recently increased our Membership by 20%, which is gratifying, but nevertheless the Committee believes there are a large number of people in the area who would be willing to join if approached in the right way. We would hope that as existing members you would try and persuade your neighbours to join for their own benefit and for that of the local community, as strength lies in numbers.

At only £5 a year, this is a very modest sum these days to be part of the local scene.

Applications to Chris McGinn.

Overthrows

We are currently getting the last threads together to make a blanket submission to the Council for overall permission to be given for the scheme to go ahead.

Traffic Lights

At long last the traffic lights and crossing on Pulteney Road, at the bottom of Bathwick Hill, have been completed and are now up and running. This will make it much easier to cross Pulteney Road, without taking your life in your hands!

PERA Committee

There has recently been a substantial change in the make up of the Committee. The Chairman, Terry Gazzard has resigned due to his election as a Councillor for the Abbey Ward. He has been replaced by Nigel Websper, whilst Susan Byrne has resigned after several years of sterling service, together with Mike Mountford who was responsible for reducing the number of Gulls in the area, through the scheme over the last three years. Gordon Melling has also left for personal reasons.

We are pleased to welcome new Committee Members Caroline Greenwood, Roy Hatch and Doug White, who we hope will be with us for some time to come. Your new committee is listed below.

Nigel Websper, Chairman

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Nigel and his wife Sandy have lived in GPS for six years. He has five children including twin daughters born 2005. Went to schools abroad and in UK and until 2006 ran a large regional publisher in Norfolk. He is delighted to be in Bath enjoying this beautiful city.

Chris McGinn, Deputy Chairman and Membership Secretary

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A retired bank employee, Chris McGinn has lived ten years in the area and has served on the committee for the last two years.

Cary Bush, Treasurer:

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Born in Bristol, Cary Bush is a qualified accountant. He spent twenty years in the Far East before taking over Windsor Hotel seven years ago. He is now looking at other business opportunities.

Julia Virley, Secretary

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Julia Virley has lived in Henrietta St for ten years. Her interest in PERA began with vandalism in Henrietta Park. She is committed to keeping this city of ours as immaculate as possible.

Caroline Greenwood, Committee Member

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Roy Hatch, Committee Member

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Roy Hatch has lived locally for eleven years. President of the European Division of an American Chemicals Company and Trustee of the Allergy Research Foundation, he is also Treasurer of Bath and County Club and a member of Bath Bowling Club.

Doug White, Committee Member

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Having worked twenty years abroad, Doug White settled in Bath in 1990. He opened a ladies' dress shop with his daughter on Pulteney Bridge and is keen to improve the profile and way of life in area.