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Dear OWGRA Members

### A. OWGRA AGM, WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 2021, 7.30 pm

**This is your final chance to book a place at this year's OWGRA AGM, which will be held via Zoom. We have a limit of 100 people to attend via Zoom, so to be sure of a place please book now via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/agm-2021-tickets-151857005391>, from which you will receive the invite to the Zoom meeting.**

The meeting will consist of a talk by our senior local Ward Councillor and former Mayor, Tony Louki, about his interesting 2 years as Mayor of Hounslow ('Your Ward Councillor as the 55<sup>th</sup> Mayor'), and the OWGRA AGM (Chairman's Report and Treasurer's Report followed by the election of members for the 2021/2022 Committee). We expect the meeting to finish by 9 pm.

Attached are:

- Minutes of the last AGM (23 May 2019)
- Chairman's report 2021
- Treasurer's report for the last two financial years (2019/20 and 2020/21)
- Nomination form for Committee positions

### B. PETITION TO REJECT APPROVAL FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF TESCO & HOMEBASE SITES DELIVERED TO CITY HALL

On Wednesday 12 May, we delivered a petition with 4,332 signatures to City Hall to our newly elected London Assembly Member for London South West, Nick Rogers, who has presented the petition on our behalf to the Mayor of London.

For a full report of our day there and some photos, please go to our website <https://www.thb.owgra.org.uk/>

The documentation relating to these planning applications has not yet been sent from the Council to the Mayor. As soon as he receives it, he has 14 days in which to decide whether to accept Hounslow Council's decision to approve these planning applications. We know that the odds are stacked against us, but we are trying every avenue available to us to get Hounslow Council's decision to turn those 2 sites into a mass of overcrowded, out of character tower blocks rejected.

### **C. THE BIG ASK CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SURVEY**

The Big Ask national survey is the largest consultation with children and young people in England ever conducted.

Please help to promote the survey to get as much participation as possible from Hounslow's children and young people, as well as and parents and carers.

Increased participation in this survey will help because once the results are available, partners across the NHS and Council can use them to inform local work.

Here is the link to more information, frequently asked questions and the different surveys:  
<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

**Please don't delay as the survey closes on Wednesday 19 May. It will only take 5-10 minutes to complete.**

### **D. NHS APP FOR SMARTPHONES**

We have encouraged you in the past to sign up to on-line NHS services via your GP practice website.

The NHS app is another way of connecting easily to many NHS services online and we encourage you to download this app onto your smartphone if you have one. This app was launched last year but the registration process was quite cumbersome. The process is now simpler and quicker, so please do persevere. NB - It is not the same as the NHS COVID-19 Test and Trace app.

You can use this app to order repeat prescriptions, book appointments and check your medical records. It will in future hold your vaccine passport, and it will be expanded to provide many other services eg view your hospital and other healthcare appointments.

Here is more information about this app <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/online-services/nhs-app/>

### **E. WYCOMBE HOUSE SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP**

Attached is a letter from Wycombe House, encouraging local residents to become social members and to use its facilities. We are very lucky to have a number of sports and social clubs in our area, and Wycombe House, like other local clubs, has been through a difficult year, and needs our support to ensure it continues to operate and serve the community. It offers cricket, tennis and social facilities. See <https://www.wycombehouse.club/>

Kind regards

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