

LITTLE CHISLEWICK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

March Meeting Monday 4th March 6pm-9pm

The Conference Centre, Kemnal Technology College, Sevenoaks Way, St Paul's Cray

Guest Speaker:

James Cleverly, Conservative London Assembly Member for Bexley & Bromley



You are invited to attend what will be a great evening, a chance to meet some of the 'movers and shakers' of our community...and to hear about our Cray Valley Vision initiative.

The LCRA are pleased to announce that James has agreed to speak at our meeting and will be talking about the important relationship and link between local people, the London Assembly, Mayor's Office and National Government.

We intend for this meeting to have a positive outlook, it is all about what we can do for ourselves

A light finger buffet with tea's and coffee will be on offer from 6pm, there will also be a presentation display on the work that has been done on the River Cray in the Cray Valley hosted by Carroll Long, LB Bromley Healthy Communities Officer, Streetscene And Greenspaces Division

During the evening, Andrew Wilson, LCRA Chairman, will be presenting the Cray Valley Vision initiative, more details below.



Profile

Member of the Health and Environment Committee
Member of the Police and Crime Committee
Chairman of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority
Chairman of the London Regional Resilience Forum

James comes from a background in web and print publishing. He has a business degree from the University of West London and before being elected was the co-founder of a company that runs websites helping entrepreneurs and small businesses grow and develop. Until February 2010 James was the Mayor's Youth Ambassador, and he is currently the Mayor's appointed Chairman of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority and Chairman of the London Local Resilience Forum. For over 20 years James has been an officer in the Territorial Army, rising to the rank of Major, and until 2005 was the Officer Commanding 266 (Para) Battery Royal Artillery (Volunteers).
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From our involvement in the Bromley Community Engagement Forum where we first heard James speak, we believe you will find his delivery both interesting and informative.



Speaker: Andy Wilson, Chairman LCRA

THE CRAY VALLEY VISION of the LCRA

Focus & Co-ordination

The idea of the meeting is to put forward a focussed vision for the Cray Valley area within the Ward boundaries of Cray Valley East and Cray Valley West.

A vision of bringing together individuals from the various Residents' Associations, Schools, Churches, Businesses and other Volunteer Groups such as the Scout and Cadet Organisations to have a single aim of improving the environmental and social standards in the Cray Valley through co-ordinated projects and initiatives.

A co-ordinated approach would see a Time Pledge Scheme set up to allow organisations and individuals to pledge volunteer time to help carry out the Cray Valley Vision projects and initiatives on the ground, something along the lines of individuals volunteering perhaps half a day every six months.

A Central Register of Projects could also help co-ordinate equipment, volunteers and other resources in a more efficient manner.

The planned co-ordinated vision would also allow for funding from various sources to be applied for and distributed out to projects in a more effective manner.

Partnerships

The plan is to develop partnerships with all the organisations mentioned above, by doing so we will be able to achieve a lot more.

A lot of good work is already being done in the area by the various groups and the LB Bromley Friends Initiatives...Friends Of The Park, Street Friends & Snow Friends etc...

Partnering with local business to help achieve our funding goals is very important, as is the partnering with schools to encourage good citizenship among the children of the area.

As a group of people, living or working in the Crays, it is time to roll our sleeves up and get involved to make our area a place to be proud of, which will bring benefits to all.

Going Forward...

Building on the great positive work that has been done so far, we want to keep the momentum going in a more efficient manner.

As for the Cray Valley Vision initiative, an executive committee is being created to push forward this plan and begin what we trust will be a successful and long term vision for our area.

We are pleased to announce that the meeting will be attended by two of our Ward Councillors, unfortunately both Jo Johnson MP and Bob Neill MP have forwarded their apologies as they are both attending Parliament on that night.



Official Guests: Councillor John Ince, Cray Valley West & Councillor Peter Fortune, Cray Valley East

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Agenda

1. 6pm-7pm Meet & Greet with Light Refreshments / Finger Buffet
Display Of Work On The River Cray

2. Start Of Meeting 7pm

3. Welcome 5 mins
James Cleverly – Member of London Assembly for Bexley & Bromley
Councillor Peter Fortune, Cray Valley East
Councillor John Ince, Cray Valley West
Caroll Long, LB Bromley Healthy Communities Officer, Streetscene & Greenspaces Division
Old St Paul's Cray Village Residents' Society, Members
Star Lane Residents' Association, Members
Hockenden Lane Residents' Association, Members
Perry Hall Residents' Association, Members

4. Apologies For Absence 2 mins
Robert Fisk, News Shopper
Alfred Kennedy, LCRA Member
Garry Elwood, HLRA Chairman

5. Introduction Of The LCRA – Speaker: Andrew Wilson 10 mins
Who are the LCRA, What Do We Do

6. The London Assembly – Speaker: James Cleverly 20 mins
The London Assembly & how it fits in with Community, Mayor's Office & National Government

7. Q & A Session 15 mins
Questions from the floor

8. The Cray Valley Initiative – Speaker: Andrew Wilson 10 mins
The LCRA's Vision for a co-ordinated initiative to improve the Cray Valley for all.

9. Q & A Session 15 mins
Questions from the floor

10. 8.30pm End Of Formal Meeting

11. 8.30pm -9pm
Informal Time To Meet & Speak To Our Guests