



**DECEMBER 2023**

Hello to all Knights Gove neighbours and members,

The end of another busy year is nearly upon us, time has flown with much going on across the estate. Thank you to all who helped plant out bulbs, the spring flourish was beyond our expectations, enjoyed by all.

The trees have certainly flourished too which has meant close working with our Arborist throughout the year on specific projects.

Tanners Brook was cleared in the spring, thanks to the efforts of the Estates Director, supporting the ongoing maintenance of the brook. Test Valley Borough Council and the Environment Agency are working with us to maintain this programme.

You'll have noticed scaffolding at the flats this year working on roof repairs. The general maintenance of the flats is now set on a rolling programme with local trades.

Unfortunately, this year we have seen incidence of fly tipping across the estate, expending much unexpected efforts from the Management Company relating to clearance. Please help us to be vigilant by reporting to Test Valley Borough Council.

Thank you for continuing to park sensibly to ensure access for emergency vehicles. Mindful at this time of year many of us will welcome friends and family into our homes, a gentle reminder to our guests to use the roads and communal areas respectfully.

Like us all, we've seen an increase in costs throughout the year, we will endeavour to keep next year's charges reasonable in line with ongoing costs.

Thank you to Nick our gardener, who many of you will appreciate, looks after the estate year round. Shout out to PCSO Alex, who also looks after the estate yearround and has helped us this year to keep anti-social behaviour to a minimum.

As those of you who attended the AGM know, we have many plans in the coming year, not least of all to look at composting with Nick, continue to work on the Head Lease, we're keen to explore electric car charging and also aim to update our website to become a valuable source of communications.

We are a group of volunteers, with a common goal to maintain our estate to the highest standards whilst keeping our annual estate charges to a minimum - we all know charges would be a great deal higher under a management company. If you have Web development skills and can help update our website, please let us know by sending an email to [admin@knightsgrove.co.uk](mailto:admin@knightsgrove.co.uk).

**Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

**Knights Grove Management Company**