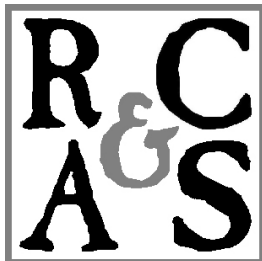


# Redland & Cotham Amenities Society



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Front cover and this page - a riot of colour at Redland station

## Report from the Chair

I would like to start this report by thanking Peter Wilde for his work over the last 15 years in post as Newsletter Editor. In the survey carried out in 2016/17, the Newsletter was identified by 97% of our members as useful or very useful! It has certainly been interesting and attractively presented as well. We will miss Peter's skills and his dedication in attending RCAS and other events to take photographs for the newsletter and his diligence in finding interesting articles to inform and entertain us. He has also been a valued member of the committee; he has ensured that the handover to the new editors has gone well by helping with training and by arranging a visit to the firm where the newsletter is printed. We wish him and Helen, who stepped down as Chair last year, all the best in their move north to Edinburgh.

Our area has been in the news a lot this year; attention has mostly been on the impact of high numbers of student houses in multiple occupation, HMOs, on other residents, with articles in national and local press looking at the issue of large parties with regard to 'legal-high' consumption and impacts of noise.

The Sunday Times Magazine had an article in March 2019 on the use of Nitrous Oxide which started 'I am teetering through the poorly lit streets of Redland - a student district of Bristol' Not the way we like to regard our area, I think. BBC Inside Out West had a report in October 2019 on 'Bristol residents whose lives are ruined by noisy neighbours' and the national press have covered the local police operation. Rob Harris has been working with Andrew Waller from the Noise Pages and with Chandos Neighbourhood Association to encourage the University to support Bristol residents who suffer from, in particular, noise from parties and groups

of students in their areas. The number of disruptive student parties in our area seems to have slightly reduced this term, perhaps affected by the national interest in Bristol's Operation Beech. It is important that residents use this opportunity - see Rob Harris' article on Student Liaison and make a note of the mobile phone number 07773 816248. Information on when Operation Beech is operating is now on the University of Bristol website under Complaints.

We were heartened by the good turnout for the RCAS AGM this year, which was in the Redland Club on Burlington Road, a venue many of us have walked past but have not been aware of what it offered. We were delighted to be able to use the large hall, which is accessible and well-appointed, and encourage other residents and organisations to support the voluntary organisation that runs the building, under a lease from the council, by booking it for their events. Works to repair the roof are now underway; works to improve energy efficiency, paid for by the Landfill Communities Fund with seed funding from the RCAS small grants project, are also in hand.

We are delighted that we have a volunteer for the role of Secretary and look forward to working with Peter Dunscombe who joins us; we are still keen to have some help with the Small Grants project, and also to hear from anyone who would like to help with the task of monitoring planning applications or attending monthly Conservation Advisory Panel meetings.

RCAS has put together a leaflet explaining the society organisation, which is in the centre of this newsletter. We hope that this explains how the society works in practice and the role of the society in representing the views of local residents. We have found



that people are more interested in being involved in specific projects rather than joining the committee so by explaining better the structure of the organisation we hope that we can attract more people to take on areas of work without needing to attend the full committee meetings. We intend to use this explanatory leaflet as a press release through local and social media networks over the next few months in an effort to increase membership.

We are asking all members to use this leaflet to recruit new members to the society by handing it to one of their neighbours who is not yet a member or displaying it somewhere where people can find out about the society. The committee needs your help to increase our membership numbers. Please can you do your bit to support the society?

**Alison Bromilow**



Winter skies over Cotham

# Minutes of the 47th RCAS AGM

**Redland Club Burlington Road  
Wednesday 6th November 2019**

There were over 40 in attendance including members of the Committee. Apologies received from 21 members including councillors Hance, Fodor and Stevens.

The event started with refreshments from 7.00 pm

The meeting was formally opened at 7.30 pm by the RCAS chair, Alison Bromilow, who welcomed members, visitors and councillors. Alison noted that the Annual Report was included in the RCAS September Newsletter. Since its publication there had been developments in three areas:

- There had been recent changes to HMO (Houses in multiple occupation) licensing which was now covering small HMOs necessitating retrospective applications where properties had been converted without planning permission
- A survey of copper beeches on private land had been a response to the felling of a mature beech. This had taken place just prior to the issue of a refusal by the Council. Discussions have been held with the council officers about increased protection of the remaining trees.
- A mural has been painted at Redland Station with support from RCAS, the Community Rail Partnership and Cotham Gardens Primary School.

Alison thanked the small army of newsletter distributors together with the committee and working group members and the Open Gardens team. Thanks were also given to the Redland Club which was providing the venue free of charge.

## 1. Approval of Minutes

The 2018 Minutes as set out in the December 2018 Newsletter were approved.

## 2. Annual Report and Accounts

The Treasurer, Carew Reynell, introduced the accounts. He noted that most work was carried out by volunteers and this work was not reflected in the accounts. A number of projects had been brought forward under the Small Grants programme this year but there was still over £40k of net assets which was too much! Carew thanked Julie Hart for independently examining the accounts.

Adoption of accounts was approved, proposed by Arnold Mayes seconded by Diana Swain.



## 3. Election of officers and committee

A volunteer for the role of Secretary had come forward, Peter Dunscombe, and was proposed by Gill Penrose, seconded by Tony Lloyd

Treasurer Carew Reynell was happy to continue in post and was proposed by Peter Wilde, seconded by Sarah Watson.

Both Peter Wilde and Simon Birch were leaving the Committee, Steve Morris was also stepping down after 25 years as RCAS representative on the Conservation Advisory Panel.

The chair thanked all of them for their work on behalf of the society, and was pleased to say that SB was going to stay on the Planning working group.

New committee member Melanie Gallop had been co-opted and was standing for election: MG was taking over the editor role from Peter Wilde, in job-share with Abi Heath.

Kathryn Armitstead, Alison Bromilow, Rob Harris, Gillian Penrose were also all standing for re-election to the committee; all including MG were approved by show of hands.

Following the completion of the formal business there were a series of brief presentations:

Tricia Roweth introduced the CHEESE project – Cold Homes Energy Efficient Survey Experts – which is an award-winning not for profit community project covering greater Bristol.

The aim is to make homes more energy efficient by means of thermal camera

surveys which highlight simple solutions to heat loss. Tricia urged those present to join the project or to commission a house survey.

Sarah Watson of the (Bishopston, Cotham and Redland) BCR Energy Group explained that the group had been in existence since 2015, and had been involved in the launch of the CHEESE project. A series of informative talks are held at the Kensington Arms and a regular newsletter: contact [bcrenergy@gmail.com](mailto:bcrenergy@gmail.com) for more details.

Simon Birch updated the meeting on progress with the renovation of St Michael's on the Mount church which had been severely fire damaged. Work to replace the roof was going well and it was planned to open the building in Spring 2020.

David Stephenson, vicar of Cotham Parish Church, described the local community initiative to sponsor a refugee family from Syria to live in Bristol. There was a Home Office scheme for Community Sponsorship. It needed an effective team in order to be successful in raising funds and finding suitable accommodation. An ethical investor was helping by purchasing a suitable property and making it available



at an affordable rent. Information available through the Cotham Parish Church website and donations invited on Just Giving.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Councillor Negus made a plea for residents to look out for changes in HMO applications following the revisions to the HMO licensing system. These smaller HMOs needed both licensing and planning approvals. There was a need to be vigilant.



Opposite Page Alison Bromilow with Tricia Roweth from CHEESE

This page Sarah Watson BCR Energy Group with Dave Jones



David Stephenson Vicar of Cotham Parish Church with Bill Nicks

# RCAS Accounts 2018/19

	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
Income			
Subscriptions	6182		6247
Gift Aid	1500		1264
Bequest			10000
Other	60		27
Total		7742	17538
Expenditure			
Newsletters	3800		3680
Meetings/events	190		229
Overheads	352	4342	821
Redland Club	3300		
Hedgelaying	2260		
Trees	524		147
BCR streetscene	500		
Redland Green carols	150		
Redland Green community fete	286		
Chandos in Bloom	330		358
Cossins booklet	(195)		675
Other	0	7155	4945
Adjustment re: 17/18		200	
Total		11697	10855
Surplus/(deficit)		(3955)	6683
Balance sheet			
Bank accounts		41085	45480



Debtors		1380	1544
Creditors		(1060)	(1234)
Held for CNA		(868)	(1298)

## Gift Aid

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a week? Get in touch:  
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# Planning Report

There have been few applications in the last couple of months but a number of developments previously reported are now under construction in our area.

**Redland High School** – the demolition phase of this development has now started. Residents have contacted RCAS with concerns about the loss of on-street parking spaces and local councillors have raised this with the relevant BCC departments. We have now had confirmation that Kersfield have sold the site on to Juniper Homes and AB and SB will be meeting them early in the new year.

**Redland bakery site**, Lower Redland Road. After the demolition of the bakery and the construction of the foundations, the site remained empty for some time. The protection for the existing surrounding houses caused some issues when it became detached in high winds. It is good to see that the site is now proceeding with the erection of two houses, albeit slowly.

That cannot be said of the new house on **Cotham Lawn Road**, which was given permission in 2017 and flew up over the summer months. The construction is from timber which enabled the speed of construction but will be clad in render with a rubble stone wall at ground floor level; the stone boundary wall is to be reinstated.

New house rear of **22 Elliston Road**. Another house which gained permission in 2017 is under construction at the junction of Elliston Road and Elliston Lane. An unusual design which will be timber clad.

**Redland Grove Garage site**, Meridian Road is now under construction with a house and a live/work unit.

## **Pre Application: Land at Blackboy Hill.**

A scheme is being progressed for the site between the AXA building on the roundabout and the ASDA petrol station. Proposals for the site comprise about 65-70 residential units, including some affordable housing but no student accommodation. It will also include some commercial floorspace fronting Whiteladies Road. Representatives from RCAS and other community groups have been involved in discussions with the developers following the redesign after the negative BCC response to the pre application enquiry for a larger scheme.

**Withdrawn Application:** An application to remove the whole front garden to **10 Aberdeen Road** and create off street parking has been withdrawn. RCAS objected strongly to the proposal which sought to justify the removal of the garden on the grounds that it was 'a mess of unkempt foliage' and so a car parking space would enhance the protected frontage!

**Enforcement: Kensington Arms.** Concerns have been raised with the planning enforcement department that the waste bins for this pub have proliferated and are now regularly being stored on the streets. We understand that the waste contract has recently been changed and there have been initial working problems but that the bins will be removed from the streets and kept on site in the future.

Alison Bromilow  
Simon Birch  
Gillian Penrose



Work begins on the former Redland High School

Below, work continues on the Redland Bakery site on Lower Redland Road



# Student Liaison

## Operation Beech and large student parties

It is good to be able to report that the police patrols as part of Beech are having a positive impact. Beech is run by the police and funded by UoB over the Cotham, Redland, Clifton & Kingsdown areas, to address the concerns regarding large student parties and anti social behaviour.

It runs on selected nights from 8pm until 2am with two dedicated police officers contactable by text on the mobile number 07773 816248. For more information please refer to the 'noisepages.com'.

Between 27th September and 9th November Beech was run on 17 nights. Officers were called to 31 parties (28 UoB, 3 others). The police have reported that when called out they talk through the implications of a noisy party to the organisers. Party goers are encouraged to leave in small groups to reduce noise.

They say that it has not been necessary to shut a party down as their intervention was successful. The local community is also of the opinion that the Police interventions have helped. Most students seem to be aware of Beech!

Andrew Waller of the Noise Pages said that he believes that the situation was better than last year with less parties reported on his website and less observed when he walks around. Both UoB and the Police have been proactive delivering letters to student houses stressing the importance of being respectful to neighbours.

## Future developments of Beech?

Whilst very welcome and effective, it remains to be seen (or heard!) whether it is sufficient to manage the effects from 'large' noisy student parties (for example Rokeby Avenue).

Issues of student welfare, fire risk and structural damage caused by too many party goers are significant. The welfare of neighbours subjected to excessive noise levels and anti social behaviour is essential to nurturing a happy community for all!

- The Police finish their patrols at 2am but the parties often go on till 5am. The local beat officer PC Jackson is aware of this and is putting in a request for later hours especially during the summer time when parties often spill into gardens.

- The Police are against the idea of shutting down a party, even though it may be considered to be out of control, as they think this could cause more problems when large numbers of people are pouring out onto the street. They make an operational assessment as to what is the best course of action.

- A leaflet drop to inform residents in the zone on the scope of Beech - and how to contact it - is essential for a full assessment of the effectiveness of the scheme to be made.



## UoB Community Liaison

Gordon Schofield is again UoB's Community Liaison Officer. He has said that 'Shush' corridors (based on a scheme used by Oxford Brookes Uni) could be introduced. This is where street signs remind late night revellers about the effects of noise on people asleep. The possibility of doing this along Hampton and Chandos Road is being looked into. BCC has given UoB permission to put signs on lamp posts.

Gordon has said that he has attended every household this year where a complaint had been made and was trying to engage with the letting agents.

## Public Spaces Protection Orders in Leeds

Another approach for good student liaison that could possibly be used in Bristol is being trialled in Leeds. The Leeds CC has introduced Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs). PSPOs are among the measures introduced by the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. They deal with a particular nuisance in a defined area where this is having a negative impact on the quality of life for those in that public space.

Before introducing PSPOs the council have to apply the 'test' for a PSPO, this being that the behaviour being restricted has to:

- be having, or is likely to have, a detrimental (harmful) effect on the quality of life of those in the locality
- be persistent or continuing in nature
- be unreasonable

The only prohibitions or requirements that may be imposed are ones that are reasonable to impose in order to prevent or reduce the risk of the detrimental effect continuing, occurring or recurring i.e. 'justifies the restrictions imposed by the notice'. A PSPO lasts for a maximum of three years and can be renewed if necessary. Failure to comply with an order can result in a Fixed Penalty Notice.

The order can only be used, as its name suggests, in public open spaces. An 'Authorised Person' who might be a Police Officer or a Council Officer will have the authority to enforce the terms of the PSPO. The Authorised Person can issue a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) of £100, or can make an application to Court. Failure to pay a FPN will result in a court application. The court may impose a £1000 maximum penalty.

## Finally

It must be appreciated by all that it is only a small number of students who are causing the issues that have resulted in the police action. The majority of Bristol students who live in our community are good neighbours and are very much appreciated for what they bring to our city, for example student charitable efforts. At the end of last term students' donations to the Bristol Big Give campaign run by BCC, UoB and UWE with the British Heart Foundation raised £348,000. This brings the total since the scheme started to £1.3m.

**Rob Harris**

## Parks

Another study has been released quantifying the value of parks and green spaces; this time on the benefits to mental health.

We all know how important our parks, green spaces and green infrastructure are to us; it is heartening to see the economic argument finally being recognised for the value of retaining and protecting these assets.

The study sets the value of national parks to the boost to mental health world-wide at £5 trillion, contributing to a significant proportion of global GDP

**Bristol and Bath Parks Foundation** is a charity supporting innovative solutions to sustain our parks and green spaces, set up by partners Bristol Parks Forum, The Natural History Consortium, Bath and North East Somerset Council, Bristol City Council, with links to Bristol Green Capital Partnership and Quartet Community Foundation.

The Foundation will not take over the ownership or management of parks, but will identify projects and partnerships that will enhance and revitalise these important spaces.

A board of 11 trustees have now been appointed. Find out about the BBPF online at [www.bristolbathparksfoundation.org.uk](http://www.bristolbathparksfoundation.org.uk).

Bristol has been successful in gaining funding for **My Wild City project**. Led by Avon Wildlife Trust in partnership with Bristol City Council, with £453,100 funding from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, the My Wild City project will focus on eight local wildlife sites in different neighbourhoods across Bristol, linking people living in the communities nearby with these spaces.

Bristol has also been awarded almost £1 million to help transform the future of the city's parks and green spaces from the **Future Parks Accelerator Fund**.

Bristol City Council is one of eight places across the UK selected by the National Trust and The National Lottery Heritage Fund to take part in its ground-breaking Future Parks programme. Future Parks is designed to help councils find sustainable ways to manage and fund parks and open spaces across entire towns and cities.

BCC is now seeking to appoint a Head of Parks and Greenspaces. Recently, this has been included in the head of Neighbourhoods role, but we are very pleased to hear that a dedicated parks leader is now being sought.

### Cotham Gardens

When Urban Buzz pollinator project donated a number of flowering plants chosen for their attractiveness to insects and for the range of flowering time across the year, RCAS agreed to take responsibility for 5 years for the maintenance of flower bed.

It is pleasing to see that most of the plants have survived their first year and are spreading. We have found odd donations which people have put into the bed without notifying us and in some cases these have been removed because they are not appropriate for the purpose of creating a pollinator rich environment or are trees!

Thank you to the volunteers who help with tending the bed by removing weeds such as thistle and sowthistle, and for dead heading the roses. Also to Louise B. who donated a number of flowering plants and helped plant them this month.

A horse chestnut tree which was grown from a conker from Redland Green has been donated and been planted out in the upper park where we hope it will thrive.

### Redland Green

Concerns about the use of the cycle route through the park continue to be raised. It was exacerbated by the discovery that a cycling app encourages cyclists to take on this route as a speed challenge.

This was raised with the acting head of parks at the Forum meeting. Shared paths through parks are not suitable for speeding bikes; it is dangerous for both the cyclists and other users and their dogs. This cycle route was designated as a condition of the planning approval of Redland Green school.

Other parks are also facing similar issues and parks groups have been pressing for a

proper consideration of the use of shared cycle/ pedestrian routes across the city.

Redland Green benches are in a poor state of maintenance and the Redland Green Community Group (RGCG) are discussing how this can be remedied with the parks grounds supervisor.

Plans are in hand by RGCG for the 2020 Community Fete on April 26th next year with the support of organisations around the green.

RGCG are running workparties to trim the hedges which were laid this year over the weekend of January 18th/19th 2020.

The RGCG AGM is on January 30th 2020 at the Redland Green Bowling Club. All welcome. For more details see their website.

**Alison Bromilow**

# Carols on Redland Green

## Saturday 21st December at 6pm

by the entrance to the playground



REDLAND GREEN  
COMMUNITY GROUP

followed by hot chocolate

in Redland Parish Church Hall

Bring a lantern and download the lyrics from

[www.rgcg.org.uk](http://www.rgcg.org.uk)

## RCAS Small Grant Scheme

### The Redland Station Mural project

The new mural beneath Lovers' Walk bridge in Redland was officially 'unveiled' on Monday 25th November by students from Cotham Gardens Primary School.

The artwork, which sits at the far end of Redland Station, was created by local artists Dave Bain and Zoe Power in collaboration with the school.

Over 85 students took part in a creative workshop with Dave and Zoe, assembling images and shapes inspired by aspects of the local community they enjoy.

This project has been funded by Severnside Community Rail Partnership, Redland & Cotham Amenities Society and the Parent, Teacher and Friends Group from Cotham Gardens Primary School.

Hamilton and Hodson upholsterers who are based in the station building on Redland Train Station platform have also been involved in supporting and shaping this project.

### Greening of Blackboy Hill

RCAS will also be supporting the proposed planting scheme for the triangle at the top of Blackboy Hill through the Small Grants project.

Friends of Downs and Avon Gorge asked RCAS for funding for the planting of the beds which will be of perennial plants. Planting will be carried out by Blaise nursery and volunteers from FoDAG.

**Alison Bromilow**

**If you have any ideas for a future project and are able to help bring it forward, please get in touch.**







## How Does Your Newsletter Get Printed? (with apologies to any readers who are not technically minded!)

As many members may know, after 15 years I am delighted to be handing over the responsibility for producing the RCAS quarterly newsletter to two new editors, Melanie Gallop and Abi Heath. It has been great fun producing each edition, collecting and editing contributions, setting up the layout and getting it off to the printer. Perhaps the most nerve-racking part comes each time I see the full print run of over 700 copies: Will it be OK? Will there be mistakes? Have I forgotten something? Thankfully, major problems have been few and far between.

There have been many changes. At the beginning I decided to introduce new 'desktop publishing' software called InDesign. This is very versatile and was a great improvement on the previous older software which was hard to use. Fortunately, with its regular upgrades, InDesign is still one of the best available. As time went on, I introduced colour covers and now we have access to full colour throughout. This brightens up the magazine considerably but puts the pressure on for high quality photographs.

I used a couple of different printers in the



early days but about 6 or 7 years ago I changed to Sebright Printers who have been really superb, using modern equipment, producing high quality pages and offering quick turn round and competitive prices. Perhaps some of you knew their previous premises at the bottom of the Cheltenham Road, before the St James Barton roundabout, but they have recently moved to newer and more suitable premises in St Anne's on the River Avon, just before the start of the Feeder Canal. Nick Wiltshire is the boss and has run the business for many years. He is really knowledgeable and efficient but above all, he is always friendly and helpful and has the 'personal touch'. We thought it a good idea to introduce the new newsletter team to the printers and so Melanie and I went down to see how the magazines come into being.

The desktop publishing process is wonderful, offering the chance to move text and pictures around, change font size and style and much else besides. In the past, printers wanted to have all this on a computer file together with copies of the fonts, links to pictures and so forth. This did introduce the potential for error, with mismatch between my copy and





the way the printer's computer interpreted it. Now all this is solved! Once I am satisfied with the result, I save it as a 'pdf file' which is basically 'what you see is what you get'. This eliminates risk in communicating with the printer.

Nick showed showed Melanie and me how the process works. When the file is sent to the printer (over the magic of the internet) it is received at Sebright and the colours are separated by computer into cyan, magenta, yellow and black. The basic printing process is called litho (or offset) printing. All printed colour images are made up of primary colours: Cyan (blue) Magenta (red) Yellow and the Key colour Black (Shortened to CMYK). This information is sent to the plate making machine where four large metal plates are etched with the design (text and illustrations together). In the case of our newsletter, 8 of our A5 pages are etched onto each metal sheet. (the machine looks just like a very large photocopier).

This is where the exciting bit starts. The four plates are set up in the huge printing machine with very big rollers dipped in baths of beautiful (but messy looking) coloured

inks. A large stack of paper rattles through at incredible speed, printing one colour after another, until the full colour sheet comes out at the other end. The paper is also rapidly coated (silk finish) to ensure there is no spreading or smudging of the ink. Then, more amazing machines are used to collate (put in order) the sheets, cut and fold them. These processes are all done very fast and computer controlled. It's so fascinating to see the technology in action! We also met some of the staff, all very friendly, and Nick also showed us some of the older machines that they still have. I'm told they still work and can still be used if needed.

Delivery comes back to RCAS within a week, initially to our member Kate Floyd who divides up the 'bulk delivery' before our wonderful volunteers pop each one through your letterbox! So, there you have it, from contributors, to editors, to desktop publishing to printers for litho printing, to bulk delivery and then to you. All covered by your amazing subscription of only £10 a year!

Peter Wilde

#### *A note from the incoming editors:*

*We'd like to say a huge 'thank you' to Peter for the dedication and commitment he's put into editing and producing the RCAS Newsletter 4 times a year for the last 15 years. It's going to be a tough act to follow!*



## BCR Community Partnership

The **Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Community Partnership** forum was held in Redland in November and many RCAS members were there to hear from councillors and local groups and from the new beat manager for the area, Mark Jackson.

PC Jackson reported back on **Operation Beech**, and on local crime figures and priorities. The local neighbourhood police team should be up to full strength by the end of the year.

The chairman presented the current **Clean Air proposals** for the city; as currently proposed half of the RCAS area will be inside the Clean Air Zone which means that non-compliant commercial vehicles will have to pay to enter the zone; there are concerns that some may decide to skirt round the perimeter, potentially bringing higher pollution to streets just outside the zone.

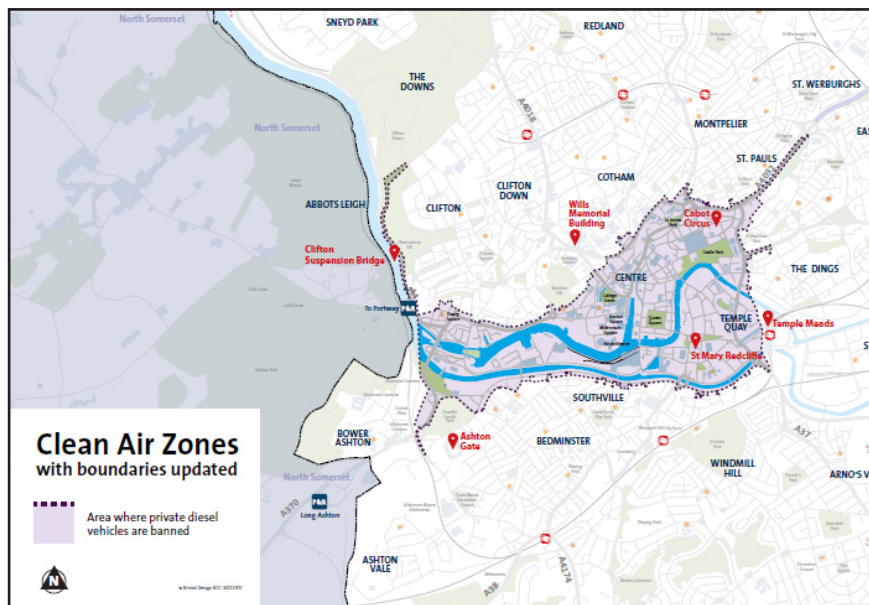
The plan also includes the Diesel Car ban for the central area (this includes Bridge Valley Road and Cumberland Basin area) between 7am and 3 pm. The full business case for the plan is being worked on until February 2020 and it is due to be submitted to the government and implemented in March 2021.

A proposal to encourage more people to take on the role of local champions who are prepared to tackle drivers who are sitting in idling cars was discussed. It was agreed that we all need to encourage behaviour change, especially around schools, not just wait for legislation; in order to tackle the issue of air pollution in Bristol, which is directly responsible for 300 deaths a year.

The minutes of the meeting are on the website [bcrp.org.uk](http://bcrp.org.uk)

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[CleanAirforBristol.org](http://CleanAirforBristol.org)





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**Do mention if you are able to help with any RCAS activities.**

Opposite Page: Chandos Road Festival in September, organised by Chandos Neighbourhood Association.  
Enjoying Louise Block's rocket bombs!

Back Cover: Redland Parish Church in autumn sunshine



