# WGRA Westgate Residents' Association

Westgate, Henty Gardens, Mount Lane, St. Bartholomew's Close, Tannery Close

# **Bulletin August 2021**

#### **CONTACT US:**

Chair: chair.wgra@gmail.com
Secretary: sec.wgra@gmail.com
Planning: planning.wgra@gmail.com
Website: www.westgatera.org.uk

### Traffic on Westgate – and a new Group!

For your information, a new group has been established: the Old Westgate Group (please, no jokes unless you have a better idea!). Their task will be to worry specifically about the properties at the east end of Westgate (the historic core). As you may already be aware, this Group began life seeking the views of those households on traffic. There were no leading questions. Households were asked simply for their views.

I was astonished by the vehemence of many of the replies received by WGRA committee member, Richard Staughton, who conducted this first survey. I do not propose to go into more detail at this stage as I do not want to pre-empt what you might say yourselves for clearly, we need the views of everyone who lives not only on Westgate but in the adjoining streets: Henty Gardens, Mount Lane, St Bartholomew's Close, and Tannery Close. You will therefore be receiving a brief letter from Richard Staughton shortly with a form for you to report your views on traffic in Westgate.

Sarah Quail Chair

### WGRA Regular Social Events are back!







#### Coffee Morning - Saturday 7 August

Finally, after many months of lockdown, our <u>first Saturday of each month</u> coffee morning returns and we look forward to seeing you again at the Crate & Apple at **10am on Saturday 7 August**. Please come along and meet up with neighbours, old and new, and catch up with the latest Westgate news.

#### Knitting & Social Group - Monday 9 August

This will also restart on **Monday 9 August** at the Crate & Apple from 10am – 12 noon and continue <u>every Monday morning</u>. Knitter or not, please come along for coffee or tea and a chat!

#### Bavardage au Pub - Monday 30 August

Our French speakers have already started in July and will continue to meet on the last Monday of the month at the Crate & Apple at 6.30pm. Note that **30 August** is a Bank holiday but the meeting will go ahead.

### **Westgate PLACE Assessment**

Chichester City Council are compiling an assessment of the whole city using the PLACE technique. This is an analytical method that allows neighbourhood groups, residents associations and other volunteers to record issues that matter to them, all linked to the topics of Planning, Landscape, Architecture, Culture and Engineering (PLACE) All the assessments go forward to make up the Chichester Neighbourhood Plan which gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for the neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. The plan will be used to decide whether or not to approve planning applications and can set out aims, objectives and an overall vision for the future of a defined area. Neighbourhood Plans will then form part of the development plan used by Chichester District Council in determining planning applications.

WGRA members completed our <u>PLACE Assessment</u> in June and a copy of this is attached for your information to the covering email of the Bulletin.





Chichester BID have been working closely with Chichester District Council to bring back the successful Summer Street Party for 2021 on **Thursday 26th August, 3-7pm**.

Come along for an afternoon of fun, food and festivities including: music with local radio station, dance performances, street food, kids entertainment and in-store events, activities and special offers from many of our high street businesses.

## New to Chichester or have visitors coming?

Chichester BID has new Visitor Guides! These are 48-hour guides to help make the most of your visit to Chichester city centre. There are guides for families, couples and culture seekers with ideas on places to visit and explore, shops to discover as well as bars and eateries to experience. Each guide is followed by a suggested two-day itinerary. Click on <a href="https://chichesterbid.co.uk/guides/">https://chichesterbid.co.uk/guides/</a> to download the Guides.

For more information on many more events taking place in and around Chichester in the summer months, follow these suggested links:

https://www.wealddown.co.uk/ www.thegreatsussexway.org www.experiencewestsussex.com www.lovechichester.net