



The Wandle Side Residents Association was established in 2012 primarily to organise a Summer Street Party celebrating The Queens Diamond Jubilee. The party was so successful it was then decided to organise a winter street party - again very successful. Since those first parties in 2012 we have continued to hold numerous events, we have just hosted our 12th event - a fabulous "Hogwarts" themed winter party.

As well as encouraging a positive community spirit, in recent years we have raised funds for various charities and collected/delivered supplies for local food banks. Charities include: Princess Alice Hospice, Alzheimer's Research UK, Orchid Male Cancer Charity, Cancer Research UK and we are very proud of our recent donation to Barnardo's of just over £400.

Our parties are attended by most residents who invite friends and families, this has enabled many of us to make new friends and get to know one another. We ensure that all residents feel welcome to our parties however understand that some do not wish to join in ensuring they are not inconvenienced in any way.

Unusually we have had a fairly high turnover of residents in the past 3 years – our new residents have embraced the rather unique spirit of Wandle Side, attending our regular association meetings and helping to organise events.

We are very grateful for the local council grants which enable us to close Wandle Side creating a safe party area complying with our safeguarding policy, also helping us to keep costs at an affordable level for all attendees. We aim for full transparency circulating our balance sheet to all residents and complying with association guidelines.

Our aim is to continue to organise events encouraging a supportive and lively community spirit -possibly inspiring other local communities to do the same.

Amber Cox	Chairperson
Gillian McKay	Secretary
Mary Duggan	Treasurer

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