

The  
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Society for maintaining the amenities of Wimbledon.

*Museum at Village Club, Ridgway, S.W.19.*

Autumn Lecture. "London's Outdoor Statuary" is the title of the illustrated lecture to be given by Mrs. Lesley Lewis, F.S.A., at 8.15 p.m. on Friday, 11th November, in the Lecture Hall of the Village Club.

Mrs. Lewis is an experienced lecturer and will be using the Victoria and Albert Museum's technique of operating two projectors simultaneously. We confidently recommend this as promising to be a most interesting evening. Invitation is enclosed herewith.

Village Association. We are extremely sorry that the Village Association which was formed at the time of the Face-lift Scheme has become moribund. The Association accomplished much good work at that time and we hoped it would continue to keep interest in the scheme alive, to organise re-decoration in the future, and to watch planning applications for the area. This work is important, and to ensure its continuance we are recruiting to our own Society, those members of the Village Association who feel as we do; setting up a Committee for them and others to continue their operations, and engaging the architects Alan and Sylvia Blanc to act in an advisory capacity to the Society in general, and to the Village in particular.

Memorial Seat. A teak seat in memory of our late President, J.D. Casswell, Q.C., is to be purchased and placed in a suitable spot on the common. The occasion of the formal handing over to the care of the Ranger will take place next year.

Fly-posting. The Council of the London Borough of Merton has recently successfully prosecuted a person caught in the act of fly-posting. In spite of this the practice continues and is causing concern not only to us but to the Chamber of Commerce. Little better are the large posters in the windows of the Supermarkets. We remember that our founder, Richardson Evans, was vitally concerned with the effect of advertising on amenity and consequently formed SCAPA, the Society for Checking the Abuses of Public Advertising.

The Old Central School, Wimbledon Common. A number of members have expressed concern to us about the future of this important piece of the Wimbledon scene. We have written to the London Borough of Merton to express our views and have heard from both the Borough Architect and the Chief Education Officer that they will bear these in mind when considering any future plans.

Litter. We are concerned about litter; on the roads, in the Village, and on the Common. We are hoping to arrange a suitable lecture next year at which we can discuss what steps we can take to alleviate this problem.

Enterprise Neptune. If you missed our lecture last autumn on this National Trust campaign to preserve our coastline, you may be interested to know that his Worship the Mayor, Cr. Sir Cyril Black, J.P., D.L., M.P., has arranged a public meeting in the Council Chamber at 8 p.m. on Friday, 4th November, when Air Vice Marshal H.R. Graham will speak on the subject.