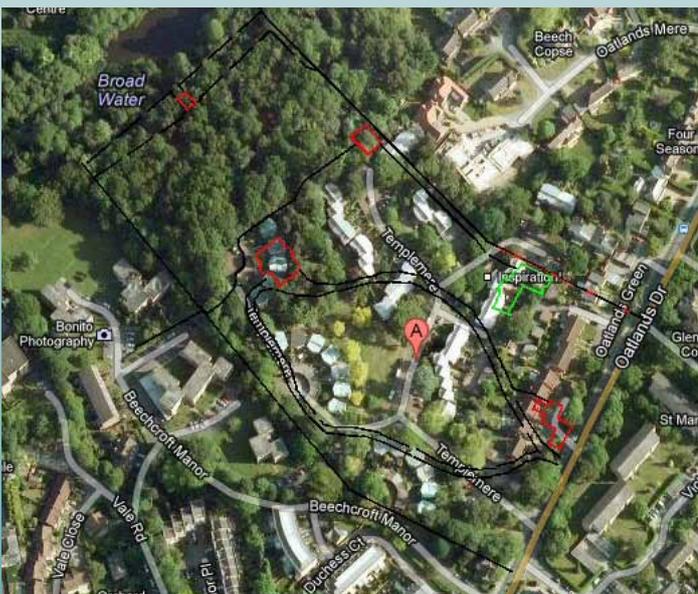




Old Oatlands & Templemere

Present day residents may be interested in these pictures of Templemere in years gone by. The first one (above), taken on a flight made on 23 May 1921, shows the Broadwater lake with Oatlands Park Hotel in the bottom right, then a lawn now part of Farington Acres and Beechcroft Manor (which is the larger house in the trees), and just above it the old Templemere house which was demolished to make way for the present estate. Note that even in those days the lake was narrowing opposite our estate. The second image shows the west front of the old Templemere house facing down the Broadwater towards the hotel. It stood where nos 31 and 29 now are; the house, demolished about 1962, incorporated a replica of Tivoli's 'Temple of Vesta' which formerly stood overlooking the lake but nearer where the hotel is now, and of course gave the house its name. Lastly (below) is the present estate plan with the old house, roads and other buildings, including a gardener's cottage at the top of the woods behind nos 56/58, superimposed. This info is by courtesy of Oatlands Heritage Group. Find other interesting aerial pictures of Brooklands race track and local landmarks at www.britainfromabove.org.uk



Trees

We have to report that the acacia tree outside no 21 has very severely rotted at the base and will have to be cut down for safety. It is a protected tree and will be replaced with one or more of the same species as these yellow-leaved trees give Templemere a very special effect. In fact before the great storm of 1987 these were many more of them on the estate but they were not all replaced (there was no Tree Preservation Order then).

The woods

Please remember that nothing should be left in the woods (eg play equipment or furniture) unless you have cleared this first with Brett Robinson, the committee member responsible.

Welcome to

Marian and Lindsay Bridgewater, the new owners of no 43 (the Lamond family have moved across the lawn to no 25) and to Daniel and Tazlina Woods who are the new tenants of no 20. And congratulations to Carley and Sam at no 67 on the birth of Stanley in August.

And sadly

We report the recent deaths of longstanding residents Stanley Alexander (no 19) and Ernie King (no 48).

Conservation area

Nick Canham (2) writes: I want to update you on where we are with Elmbridge Council and the discussions over achieving Conservation Area (CA) status. Things haven't really progressed since the AGM although the Heritage Department at the Council remain hugely impressed with the estate and what we are all doing to try to maintain it as Eric Lyons envisaged.

Elmbridge have started a public consultation to designate a new CA at Lakeside Drive in Esher which will last 6 weeks, commencing 9 September. This is a 1970s development and one of the first examples of 20th-century architecture which could become a new conservation area. This is one of three areas for investigation on their current list and when Lakeside Drive is considered by the Council's Planning Committee they will try to use the opportunity to nominate Templemere. The process that would then follow is:

Stage 1: the Planning Committee to consider whether they wish to add Templemere to the agreed list for further investigation as a CA and what if any priority it should have.

Stage 2: is based on the Council's approach when investigating Lakeside Drive as a potential CA, which is to contact all interested parties, including residents, and form a working group to do the initial investigative study. This would be facilitated by an independent heritage consultant and enables them to ascertain an area's special qualities and any issues. They use this collaborative work for a draft document, incorporating feedback from the working group.

Stage 3: is to use these findings to form the basis of a Character Appraisal and Management Plan Consultation document to go out for a 6-week period of formal consultation.

Stage 4: is to assess the feedback, amend the document as required and then present it to the Planning Committee and full Council for formal designation and endorsement.

Clare Smith, Heritage Manager at Elmbridge, says: 'It is a lengthy process but public consultation is recommended by English Heritage and we find that collaborative working enables us to understand the area more thoroughly than asking a consultant to prepare a document in isolation and creates a usable and robust document.' This last point is particularly important as I need to clarify something I said at the AGM. Brenda Boyd asked me if the residents would have a vote on achieving CA status and I said we would. This was wrong of me. It wasn't an intention to mislead – every resident will indeed have an opportunity to support or object to the CA status. That opportunity will come through the formal public consultation when residents will be asked for their opinions on the plan. There is a long way to go but I did want to rectify that error and reassure you that everyone will have their chance to comment if and when it goes to consultation.

The Committee remains sure that achieving CA status is a positive step for Templemere and will enable us to more rigorously manage the covenants to which we are all party. I would recommend looking at the Elmbridge Council website where the Character Appraisal and Management Plan document for Lakeside Drive will be. This is the proposal from Elmbridge for a potential 20th-century Conservation Area. Any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Your committee

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Please arrange for access and close your skylights during gutter and roof cleaning.

You should get a completion note through your door but if you are not happy with the service, please contact

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Window cleaning w/c 11 November

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w/c 16 December

Window cleaning w/c 20 January 2014

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