April 2023

\* More bank holidays coming up in May and changes to refuse collection.

   Sevenoaks Council confirms the following:

 “Early May, Coronation and Spring Bank Holiday waste collections

Following the Early May and Coronation bank holidays, there will be changes to your rubbish, recycling and garden waste collection days.

Early May Bank Holiday

* Monday 1 May – all collections this week will be one day later than usual until Saturday 6 May

Bank holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III

* Monday 8 May 2023 – all collections this week will be one day later than usual until Saturday 13 May

Spring Bank Holiday

* Monday 29 May – all collections this week will be one day later than usual until Saturday 3 June.

Please put your sacks and garden waste out by 7am on your collection day.”

\* Garage 23

The wall of garage 23 is under repair and the parking space will be open for use again once the safety railings have been removed.

 \* Easter holiday - change to rubbish collection day.

The collection will take place on WEDNESDAY April 12th.   Collection will then be on Tuesdays as normal.

The next garden waste collection will be on Tuesday, April 18th and fortnightly after that.

\* Fly tipping

The dumping of rubbish and unwanted household items has been a problem on Olivers Mill for a few years now.   More recently,   this has been increasing.   It appears that some residents or visitors to Olivers Mill feel that if they leave their rubbish on VA land, that it will be cleared at no expense to them.

 It is important to note that residents are responsible for their own rubbish disposal.  The use of the KCC waste centres are   available for Kent residents to use for their own, non-commercial waste.   There is a site at Pepper Hill, and another at Swanley.

The Residents' Society does not have the resources to clear rubbish for our residents.   Residents should make arrangements   with the KCC sites as appropriate.   Any expenses that are incurred by the Residents' Society for clearing dumped rubbish, will, require an increase in the monthly subscription for every household.

Fly tipping includes building materials, packaging and trees and garden waste, among other items.   Residents should not be placing, storing or dumping rubbish on VA land.   For clarification, VA land is anything that is not inside your home or within the boundary of the back Garden.

Residents do not own the frontage of the properties or pathways and alleyways around the property.

From time to time, some neighbours contact the Residents' Society directly about problems with fly tipping etc.  In a previous newsletter, we launched the new email address report@oliversmill.org.uk for neighbours to let us know (anonymously if they wish) about breaches of the covenants.

We are working hard to try and keep Olivers Mill looking as well maintained as possible.  Please help with this by refraining from fly tipping and by using the KCC waste disposal sites.