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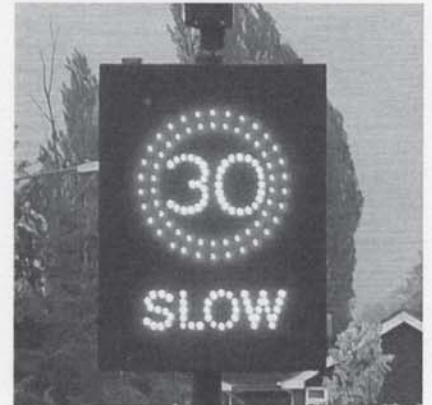


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More speeding on Cumberland Road



Speeding along this road continues to be a problem, with the new smooth surface making it even easier. The Council and the Police have been lobbied to get a "Vehicle Activated Sign" (VAS) installed to replace the old one that was removed 3 years ago, but did help reduce speeds. Thankfully the Council Road Safety team have found a suitable location for a new VAS, and believe they have now also secured the required budget as well. Fingers crossed this should be appearing in the near future and will hopefully make a difference on the road. ■



CARGO WORKS WORK CONTINUES

The Cargo Works development occupies the site of the old JS Fry Warehouse. A central atrium will provide natural light at all levels, with open-plan office space on either side across 5 levels. One new opening in the listed wall is proposed to provide a central main entrance. Large format illuminated lettering is proposed on the top of the listed wall to signpost the development.

The high stone walls will be fully restored inside and out and it will be possible to see the walls which will be exposed to view for the first time in over 100 years.

Outside the walls a new landscaped scheme is planned to provide a new public area, including a loading bay close to the main entrance. The pedestrian route to the



west of the site, called Fry's Walk, which links Cumberland Road to the new Rope Walk through Wapping Wharf, is to be lowered by one metre to replace steps with a shallow ramp suitable for wheelchair use and bicycles. ■

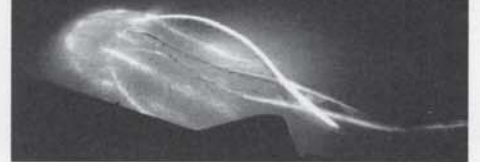
Light up and set sail for Christmas



This year's Christmas Illuminated Boat Parade is due to cast off and brighten the Harbourside on Saturday 22nd. The floatilla is due to set sail from Bathurst Basin at 6:30pm. It's always a very festive sight, so catch it if you can. ■

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22nd
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Harbouring aliens?



Local residents recently reported a 15ft, squid-like E.T. pulsing beneath the water in the harbour. Since videos and images of the tentacled alien first appeared the sightings have drawn debate from leading marine biologists. Dr Steve Simpson, from the School of Biological Sciences at Bristol University, was quoted as saying "It's very intriguing - I don't really know what to make of it". Kerry McCarthy the Labour MP tweeted a picture writing "In other news, a giant jellyfish/ squid/alien has been spotted in Bristol harbour".

Meanwhile BBC Bristol had called in the services of an expert from Bristol Aquarium to help explain the sightings on the local breakfast show.

Theories about the beast ranged from 'Freaky glowing squid' to 'giant jellyfish' with one witness describing the occurrence as 'Close Encounters Of the Bristol Kind'.

However, it all turned out to be part of an elaborate marketing stunt by UKTV's entertainment channel, WATCH, to promote 'The Happenings', a new illusion series featuring master magicians 'Barry and Stuart'. ■

RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION & ML(A)Ltd DATES & UPDATES

AGM

REPORT

Thank you to all who attended the AGM in October, it was good to see some new residents. Thanks to Kevin and Geri



for donating the pictures that were raffled. We made over £100 which added to the summer party raffle proceeds has allowed us to send £200.00 to our charity for the year, The Soup Run Trust. ■

THE BIG QUIZ

REPORT

The big quiz returned and we'd like to give a huge thanks to Bob and Steve for a brilliant quiz night on it's triumphant return! There was a great atmosphere and good number of teams and rumour has it the music round could be answered by more than one person!!

John Bates commented "Although our team of 6 only came 2nd from the bottom, we think that we came 1st in the evening's team enjoyment position.

11/10 to Bob and Steve Bishop. ■

ML(A) Ltd NEWS

Following a suggestion at the AGM in October the Directors are investigating the installation of a bike rack at the rear of Byzantine Court probably located in the hatched area adjacent to the wall.

A new set of metal parking signs have been ordered for the development to replace the existing card signs.

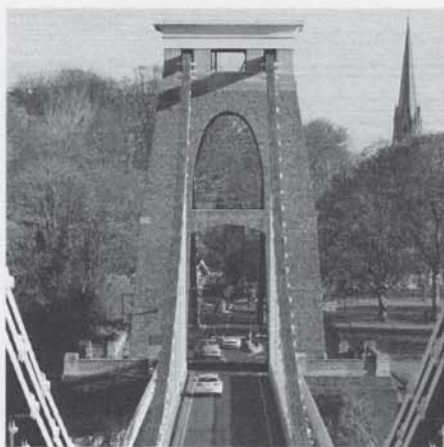
The two herb borders in the garden will be restocked in the spring, if any of the residents have suggestions for specific herbs to be planted could they contact either Roger Bryan or one of the Directors. ■

MORE EVENTS FOR 2019

Hard Hat Tour of Suspension Bridge

SAT
27th
APRIL

On Saturday 27th April 2019 there's a chance a chance to explore the Bristol Suspension Bridge, during the first half of the tour, you will learn about the construction and discovery of the huge red brick abutments which support the bridge towers before donning a hard hat and high vis jacket and exploring two of the twelve vaulted chambers inside the Leigh Woods abutment. The trip is limited in numbers and you need to be able to use a ladder! Please contact Jan Walsh for further information and to book a place call: 01179 268 714 ■



— SAVE THE DATE —

WHIST DRIVE



Friday 18
January
2019 -
Drive
away the

FRI
18th
JAN

January blues with an evening of fun playing Whist, just £2.00 per person entrance and all fully organised again by Mike and Allan. 7.30 on the John Sebastian. ■

WHAT'S ON?

22 DEC	UNTIL 24 FEB
ILLUMINATED	WILDLIFE
BOAT PARADE	PHOTOGRAPHER
18 JAN	OF THE YEAR
WHIST DRIVE	(M-SHED)
27 APRIL	19 - 21 JULY
SUSPENSION	HARBOUR
BRIDGE TOUR	FESTIVAL

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