

Essex Chelmsford NARPO News

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Dear Members,

Our Branch website is at www.narpo.org/branches/chelmsford

You will find lots of information about the Branch including the latest newsletters and updates as well as details of forthcoming events.

You can also link to the main NARPO site which has a wide range of useful information at www.narpo.org

Select areas of the main website will now require a log in. The password is XPOL1919

Dear Members,

Just a short news as things are winding down for the end of the year now.

On Behalf of The Chairman and Committee of the Chelmsford Branch, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support over the past year, and wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Meetings

Our next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 12th January and our AGM is scheduled to be held on Saturday 22nd April 2023 at 1100hrs at Essex Police HQ.

The AGM is a very important meeting allowing you, the members to attend and have a say on matters you wish the committee to consider. I would encourage you all to attend this meeting so please save the date, nearer the time I will be collating numbers who wish to attend for catering purposes. Please begin considering any agenda items you may wish to discuss or be discussed on your behalf at this meeting.

The regional meeting will be held in March and representatives from our committee will attend, a date in the summer has been set for a joint meeting with our colleagues from Colchester and

Southend Branches so as you can see the committee regularly meet to discuss important issues for you.

Membership

Our membership is still increasing and the end of year figures show us having 525 members an increase of 29 on last years figures.

Widows for Life Pensions

Please see below the ruling in relation to the recent appeal hearing in respect of Widows for Life Pensions.

The Court of Appeal has now ruled against NARPO, stating that that the policy decision made by the Home Secretary not to retrospectively repeal Regulation C9 could, on balance, be justified. Please [Click Here](#) to read the full judgement. [Click Here](#) for the Press Release.

The judgement is disappointing and sadly not the result the branch or the NEC were hoping for, having pursued this matter on behalf of members for a long time.

This is not the end and Narpo will continue fighting this injustice outside of the courts.

Social

Tower of London-Ceremony of the Keys 2023

After our first two successful visits to this ceremony this year I have managed to secure four new dates for next year. Each date is a Tuesday, being 28th February,

30th May, 29th August and 28th November. There are twenty places available each date.

I am happy to take early provisional nominations from members and their guests but will confirm names and numbers of guests nearer the dates. Thankfully todate I have been able to meet most dates requested and welcome members who wish to attend for a second visit.

Future Events for 2023

I hope to build on events held to date into the new year and always welcome suggestions for events both local and further afield.

Possible events in the pipeline are a trip to the Magic Circle, London, a trip to the National Police Memorial, Staffordshire and a summer Hog Roast/BBQ at EPSA.

Dates will be circulated in due course.

Likewise I would be interested in planning any local events we could arrange such as breakfast or lunch meetings and local pub walks.

Please let me know if these would be interested in such events.

Regards

Pat Mahoney
Social Secretary

That's all for now

Kind Regards
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