**SPTRA General meeting Saturday 24 November**

SPTRA’s XMAS EVENT

Our festive event is going to be on Sunday 30 December.  
It isn’t a party it’s a gathering of friends and neighbours and it’s between 3.00 and 6.30 and you are invited if you are around at this busy time!

We need helpers too – setting up bar clearing - easy but not for 3 people! Help!

Small print - £3 on the door to cover the cost on the day and please bring a bottle!

And then – news to follow soon on the first quiz night of 2013!!

SPTRA SUBS FOR 2013

We are coming round to collect so please have your £5 ready (it’s £2 for pensioners)

NEW GATING SCHEME DETAILS 2013

We have had much discussion and correspondence with the council on this subject!

We will summarise elsewhere more of the expected details.

The gating scheme that so many of us have benefitted from is alive and well and the cuts have not destroyed this excellent security initiative.

The council teams responsible are proposing two application periods from next year – without too much detail the plan is to deliver schemes faster with less admin.

We have interested roads in SPTRA – lets get busy to make our homes and families safer!

OUR LOCAL POLICE TEAM  
Stuart Honey from our Southfield SNT helped us with advices for making sure Christmas is a time of pleasure not criminal activity – see [here](http://www.southfieldparktriangle.org/documents.htm) for a whole range of his sensible security hints and tips.  
The recent Safer Neighbourhood Panel reported back through to SPTRA.

LIGHTING THE PARK  
Improvements and progress with the new lighting have gradually emerged after extensive emailing! The lights now come on at the right time and they go off as intended so they do not waste power or upset local wildlife – the debate is now growing to add additional lighting in the park. Watch this space for news on the consultation about this!