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There is so much to do in the run-up to the Christmas celebrations, presents to buy, meals to plan, cards to write, decorations to put up and Christmas tree lights to untangle. In all of this activity, it's easy to overlook something. A particular present to buy, a particular card to send, sometimes even the most important things can get overlooked – the brandy for the pudding, or even the crackers!

But there's one thing we don't want you to overlook in the run-up to Christmas and that's the **Oliver's Battery Plan Questionnaire**. So we've decided to put it out to all residents **AFTER** Christmas, rather than **BEFORE**. We do not want this important document lost or misplaced.

The Questionnaire will go out to everyone living in Oliver's Battery. **Look out for yours by Friday 8th January, 2016.**

Why is the Questionnaire important?

It is the first opportunity residents have had for many years to express their opinion on a range of local issues. It would be really helpful if every household completes and returns the questionnaire so that, together with the earlier consultations, we have as clear a picture as possible of what our local community thinks. It should only take around 30 minutes to complete. This is your opportunity to have your say in the future of our community.

We'll help you to return your Questionnaire

Because we want as many Questionnaires as possible to be completed and returned, we have made arrangements for your Distributor to collect the document from your home, as well as to deliver it to you. **Final Date for Collection - Sunday, 17th January, 2016.**

You will see your Distributor's contact details and your own personal collection time on the first page inside the questionnaire. If this time is not convenient for you, telephone your Distributor to arrange another. If you have any problems understanding or responding to any particular questions, telephone your Distributor and they will arrange for someone to help.

If you want to drop your questionnaire off at the shops, there will be a **secure collection box at Barlow's the butchers.**

Distributors will also be displaying **signs outside their houses** and you can **drop your questionnaire off at any of these.**



£50 Prize Draw!!

As an incentive for you to complete and return your Questionnaire, we are offering a £50 Prize. Just complete the tear-off slip with your name and address to be entered into the Prize Draw. Don't worry about privacy – the questionnaire is completely anonymous. The tear-off slip will be separated from the questionnaire before being passed on for analysis.

What next?

We hope to have all the results counted, analysed and ready to publish by the end of February – then the most exciting part of the Oliver's Battery Plan process will start – the Action Plan. We will be holding more public meetings, and are asking for more people to get involved in all aspects of the development. All in all, 2016 is going to be an interesting year for Oliver's Battery.

If you want to become involved in Oliver's Battery Plan, or want more information, contact Cllr Connie Leach on constance@leach154.plus.com.