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Filling the Gap?

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Thank you for reading the Epsom and Ewell Times in 2022. Throughout 2023 we are all set to continue to "fill the gap" in local journalism identified in the Government commissioned Cairncross Review of the press of 2019.

"*The challenges to public interest journalism are most acute at the local level*." See Chapter 5.3 page 79.

The Epsom and Ewell History Explorer accounts for the demise of local news services and today its website confirms Epsom and Ewell Times as "The local newspaper providing Boroughwide current news".

In 2022 we have reported consistently on Epsom and Ewell Council meetings. The first time this has been happening for 10 to 20 years. We secured a valuable partnership with the BBC's Local Democracy Reporting Service. The only officially recognised press regulator in the United Kingdom is IMPRESS and we qualified to be regulated by this body in 2022.

To sustain our service we need to attract more readers. Many readers can be reached by connecting to our website through the social media of Facebook and Twitter. We publish on those platforms website page links to all of our reports. Please do what you can to help us promote Epsom and Ewell Times. Remember we welcome your letters, opinions, events, news, family and other official notices for publication.

We remain strictly an unpaid, not-for-profit, volunteer service. It's the only way this can be done in a Borough our size.

Have a great 2023.

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