

PHOENIX RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION MEETINGS PROGRAMME July - December 2025

14th Jul ***Secret Gardens of London*** - a talk by **Colin Jones**
London is the greenest capital city in the world with over 600 public parks and gardens covering more than 67 square miles. **Colin** returns to show us the oldest, newest, highest and arguably the best.

11th Aug ***The North Pole: on Top of the World*** by **Sue Henning**
Seasoned Croydon traveller **Sue** has been to some of the world's remotest places: why go yourself when she describes them so well?

8th Sep ***From Norwood to Hollywood: the Oscar-winner who Dressed the Stars*** - a talk by **David Morgan**
What could have been more glamorous than Hollywood in its Golden Age? But who created that glamour? Only an Oscar winning girl from an Upper Norwood family! Discover her remarkable story from local historian **David**.

13th Oct ***Paranormal Mysteries & Cover-Ups*** by **Andy Thomas**
As Halloween approaches, **Andy** returns to explore the world's great mysteries, including UFOs, ghosts, the Bermuda Triangle, strange creatures, religious apparitions, psychic phenomena and historical enigmas.

10th Nov ***Christmas Lore*** - a talk by **George Hoyle**
Folklorist and musician **George** looks at Christmas: the food, drink, merrimaking, stories and traditions of times gone by.

8th Dec **Christmas Party**
With food and entertainment by **Sanderstead 2 O'Clock Bells**

The Phoenix Retirement Association meets at **2 for 2.30pm** on the second Monday of each month at the Phoenix Community Centre in front of Sainsburys, Westow Street, Upper Norwood, London, SE19 3AF, and offers high quality illustrated talks, congenial company and tea and cake! Admission fee: **£2**; membership to year's end **£10**. April 2025