

# ***BIRDBROOK NEWS DATES AND INFORMATION PAGES***

## **Regular meetings and dates**

Second Wednesday of each month The Birdbrook Club, The Community House, 2.30pm.

Second Thursday of each month Birdbrook Ladies Group, The Community House. 7.30pm.

Every Tuesday in season (April to Sept. approx.) Birdbrook Bowls Club, rear of Community House, 6.00pm onwards.

Every Tuesday Pop In Parlour coffee morning, St. Augustine's Church, 10.30 to 11.30am.

The mobile library calls at Birdbrook near the church every two weeks on a Wednesday 3.45 to 4.15pm.

Every four weeks, on a **Wednesday**, the Police Mobile Office calls near the church 11.30am to 12.30pm.

**Domestic Refuse:** Grey bin collected every other Thursday (Non-recyclable items only)

## **Recycling:**

**Newspaper/card/plastic/metal:** clear sacks collected every other Thursday when grey bin not collected.

**Compostable garden/food waste:** Green bin collected along with clear sacks every other Thursday.

**Bottles:** there are banks at the Community House.

**Textiles:** use charity shops for reusable items or see Braintree DC literature. Some children's groups also hold sales for children's items.

**Mon-Fri 9am-12noon Little Stars Nursery,** Congregational Church, Ridgewell. 3-5 year olds.  
**Lunch club Tu,W,Th 12noon-1pm.** Tel: Angie Barker 07585 141559 or School Office: 01440 785364  
**Fri (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> of the month) 1.45pm-3.15pm Under 5's parents & toddler group,** School Hall, Ridgewell Primary School, Ridgewell. Tel: 01440 785364

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

Information contained in these directory pages is as advised to the editor and believed to be correct at the time of printing.

Birdbrook News cannot be held responsible for any changes between then and the date of the next issue, or indeed for any changes that are not advised to us

***If your group or club would like a contact name added to our list enclosed please let us know.***

## **Postal Collections**

Baythorne End, next to The Old Post House, Monday to Friday last collection 4.45pm. Saturday 9.30am.

Birdbrook Church: Monday to Friday last collection 4.30pm. Saturday 10.30am

New England on B1054 next to notice board: Mon to Fri last collection 4.30pm. Sat. 10.00am.

On Monday to Friday other collections will be made "as and when required".

For Sundays, no collections from any of the boxes. During the week, Monday to Friday, there is a later collection at 5.45pm at post box 46, High Street, Halstead.

## **POLICE**

For all police enquiries including all police stations call this number and ask for what you need, 0300 333 4444, this is a 24hr non emergency number. For all emergencies dial 999 as before.

There are the following Police Stations available to us, open to the public as follows:

### **Gt. Yeldham, 1-2 High Street (opposite the oak tree)**

Opening hours:-

MONDAYS	14:00	20:00
WEDNESDAYS	10:00	12:00
FRIDAYS	18:00	20:00
SATURDAYS	10:00	16:00

### **Halstead Police Station**

MONDAY & TUESDAY	09:00	17:00
WEDS, THURS, FRI	08:00	20:00
SATURDAY, SUNDAY	09:00	17:00

### **Braintree Police Station**

**24 hours 01376 551312.**

If either or both Great Yeldham and Halstead are not available callers will automatically be diverted to the Braintree number.

**Our Neighbourhood Specialist Officer is PC Nicky Smith on 07855 781127**

### **St. Augustine's Church.**

Normal schedule of services:

First Sunday of month, Holy Communion at 10.00am.

Second Sunday of month, Family Service with Sunday School at 10:00am.

Third Sunday of month, Holy Communion at 10:00am.

Fourth Sunday of month, Morning prayer at 10:00am led by Vernon Cutler (Lay reader)

Fifth Sunday of month, combined service of Holy Communion at one of the four Benefice churches.

## **YOUR PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES**

As from May 2010 this is the make up of the Parish Council:

Chair	T. R. Walker	788887
Vice Chair	R. J. Bolton	788273
	Mrs. H. Hodge	
	J. Rook	
	T. Fenner	
	R. Kirby	
	D. Hoye	

Clerk to the Parish Council  
Mrs D Hillard 01440 785629  
Or by e-mail [debbie.hilliard@duffields.co.uk](mailto:debbie.hilliard@duffields.co.uk)

District Councillor  
Robert J. Bolton 788273

County Councillor  
David M. Finch 01787 371878

Local MP (for Braintree)  
Brooks Newmark MP 01376 512386  
e-mail: [newmarkb@parliament.uk](mailto:newmarkb@parliament.uk)  
website: [www.brooksnewmark.com](http://www.brooksnewmark.com)

Parish Council website [www.birdbrook.org.uk](http://www.birdbrook.org.uk)

### **DATES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2011**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April - Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Elections

First Meeting for new council to be advised

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

January 2012 TBC

All of these will be held in The Community House commencing at 7.30pm. Members of the press and public are invited to attend.

## **BIRDBROOK NEWS DETAILS**

Editors	
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15<sup>th</sup> April  
15<sup>th</sup> June  
31<sup>st</sup> August  
15<sup>th</sup> November

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[birdbrooknews@googlemail.com](mailto:birdbrooknews@googlemail.com)  
All copy to be in a common text format (e.g. Word, RTF or TXT) or a scanner friendly document please.

### **OTHER USEFUL CONTACT NAMES AND NUMBERS**

Community House bookings  
John Weekes 01440 785634

Floodline	0845 988 1188
Electricity 24hour fault line	0800 7 838 838
Water 24 hour fault line	08457 145 145

Stansted Flight Evaluation Unit 0800 242788  
or e-mail [Stanstednoiseline@baa.com](mailto:Stanstednoiseline@baa.com)

Braintree Council (Customer Services)  
01376 552525  
(This number for all departments including Community Warden)

Essex County Council Libraries, Library Direct  
(either to join or volunteer to deliver) 01245 438438  
Village Agent: Richard Ould 07540 720601

**Police:** Neighbourhood Specialist Officer  
PC Nicky Smith 07855 781127  
24hr non-emergency number 0300 333 4444  
Great Yeldham Police Station 01787 237254

Doorstep delivery of milk, juice etc  
Moojuice Dairy Haverhill 01440 702220  
Calor Gas Deliveries  
M&M Leisure Haverhill 01440 703974

Birdbrook Bowls Club  
Paul Mayes Chairman 01440 706733  
John Pateman Treasurer 01284 850751

## **DATES AT A GLANCE**

DAY/DATE	EVENT	WHERE	TIME
<b>February</b>			
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 17	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
<b>March</b>			
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Parish Council Meeting	Community House	7.30pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	British Summer Time Begins	Clocks forward one hour	2.00am
	National Census Day		
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
<b>April</b>			
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mothering Sunday		
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Annual Parish Assembly	Community House	7.30pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Good Friday Stations of the Cross Service	St Augustine's Church	6.30pm
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	St. George's Day		
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Day Family Communion Service	St Augustine's Church	10.00am
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Monday Bank Holiday		
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Royal Wedding - Public Holiday		
	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	<i>(although this is a public holiday Braintree DC have assured that collection will go ahead)</i>		

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## May

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	May Day Bank Holiday		
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Parish and District Council Elections including referendum on alternative voting system	Community House	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection (Not Thurs.)</b>	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Bank Holiday		

Birdbrook News has not yet had the new lists for 2011 from the Mobile Police Office. However on the assumption that any planned cutbacks following the financial changes at council level will not take place so quickly we have assumed the four weekly visits will continue as before. As always, you are advised to check if interested. The Mobile Library dates are now confirmed.

**Don't forget "Pop In" coffee morning at church 10:30 to 11:30 am every Tuesday. Please feel free to drop in to this event whether you are a regular church goer or not. It is a chance to meet friends and neighbours for a cup of coffee (or tea) and have a good old natter. Some new faces would be very welcome at this time.**



**NEW for Tuesdays, Shoppers' Bus. From Thursday 4th January 2011 The Upper Colne to Haverhill Bus, leaves Birdbrook Church 11:25am arrives back 14:18. Because there is little use by some villages we understand the route has been changed prior to its arrival in Birdbrook hence the slightly earlier times than before. New details enclosed with this issue of "News." Don't forget "Use it or lose it."**

**Don't forget availability of the Wednesday Bus Service 89A . The grant has been extended for a further year. From 4<sup>th</sup> August 2010 the middle day bus leaves Haverhill one hour earlier, 12:25 and not 13:25 and operates one hour earlier throughout.**

**Bus Service 89B operates every Friday**

**Bus Service 118 is available on schooldays.**

**I have full timetables for whole of Essex if anyone wishes to look (TRW)**