

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 (2nd & 4th 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 2011 this is the make up of the Parish Council:

Chair	T. R. Walker	788887
Vice Chair	R. J. Bolton	788273
	Mrs. H. Hodge	785346
	D. Hoyer	788836
	Mrs A Beetson	788102
	L. Carter	788100
	S. Rhenius	785219

Clerk to the Parish Council

Mrs D Hillard 01440 785629

Or by e-mail 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

website: www.brooksnewmark.com

Parish Council website www.birdbrook.org.uk

DATES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2011

Thursday 3rd March

Thursday 7th April - Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 5th May - Elections

First Meeting for new council to be advised

Thursday 7th July

Thursday 1st September

Thursday 3rd November

Thursday 5th January 2012

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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15th November

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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

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
December			
Please be aware that some clubs change the day/time/and venue of December meetings and some may be open to members only. Please check.			
Thursday 1 st	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Saturday 3 rd	Church Café	St. Augustine's Church	10.00am
Wednesday 7 th	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 8 th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Sunday 11 th	Christingle Service	St. Augustine's Church	10.00am
Wednesday 14 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 15 th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 18 th	A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols	St. Augustine's Church	6.30pm
Thursday 22 nd	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 25 th	Family Communion for Christmas Day	St. Augustine's Church	10.30am
Monday 26 th	Boxing Day Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 27 th	Bank Holiday for Christmas Day falling on a Sunday		
Wednesday 28 th	Mobile Library (may be cancelled)	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Friday 30th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection (not Thurs)	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
January			
Wednesday 4 th	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am-12.30pm
Thursday 5 th	Parish Council Meeting	Community House	7.30pm
Friday 6th	Grey Bin Collection (not Thurs)	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 11 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 12 th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 19 th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 25 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 26 th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
February			
Wednesday 1 st	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am-12.30pm
Thursday 2 nd	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 8 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 9 th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 16 th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 22 nd	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 23 rd	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

Please note:

Birdbrook News has not yet had the new lists for 2012 from the Mobile Police Office or the Mobile Library. However on the assumption that any planned cutbacks following the financial changes at council level have not yet affected these services we have assumed the four weekly and fortnightly visits respectively will continue as before. As always, you are advised to check if interested. Also Clubs may change their days/dates particularly in December

Please Note:

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. Please check if there are any changes during the festive period!

Tuesday's, Shoppers' Bus, The Upper Colne to Haverhill Bus, leaves Birdbrook Church 11:25am arrives back 14:18. Don't forget "Use it or lose it."

Bus Service 89B operates every Friday

Bus Service 118 is available on schooldays.

Don't forget "Use it or lose it", applies to all these services

These are still the only services currently available in the parish and there are no changes to the timetables published in the July 2011 issue(51).

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

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If so please call 01440 788887 or email birdbrooknews@googlemail.com for further information.