

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.

Rainbow Play Bus - Tuesdays 11.30am - 12.30pm

Outside village play area

Outreach services: Dawn Wright 07584 021093

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:

Halstead Police Station

Public Counter open **Mon to Sat 12.00 to 18.00**

Outside these hours an external telephone/intercom is available which connects to Force Switchboard.

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 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
10.30am

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. Hoye	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 2012**

Thursday 1st March

Thursday 3rd May - Annual Parish Meeting & Annual
Parish Assembly

Thursday 5th July

Thursday 6th September

Thursday 1st November

Thursday 6th January 2013

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

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15th November

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**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

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
February			
Wednesday 1st	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am-12.30pm
Thursday 2nd	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 8th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 9th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 16th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 21st	Shrove Tuesday		
Wednesday 22nd	Ash Wednesday		
	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 23rd	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 29th	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am-12.30pm

March

Thursday 1st	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Parish Council Meeting	Community House	7.30pm
Saturday 3rd	Teenage Cancer Trust Event (see front page of newsletter)	Steeple Bumpstead Village Hall	7.00pm-midnight
Wednesday 7th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 8th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Wednesday 14th	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 15th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 18th	Mothering Sunday		
Wednesday 21st	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 22nd	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 25th	British/European Summer Time Begins - clocks go forward one hour		
Wednesday 28th	Mobile Police Office	Outside Church	11.30am-12.30pm
Thursday 29th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

April

Wednesday 7th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 5th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Friday 6th	Good Friday - Stations of the Cross	St Augustine's Church	6.30pm
Sunday 8th	Easter Sunday Communion Service	St. Augustine's Church	10.00am
Monday 9th	Bank Holiday		
Wednesday 11th	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 12th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Friday 13th	Grey Bin Collection (not Thurs)	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Sunday 15th	Family Service	St Augustine's Church	10.00am
Wednesday 18th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 19th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Saturday 21st	St. George's Day Race Night	The Plough	7.00pm
Monday 23rd	St. Georges Day		
Thursday 26th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

May

Wednesday 2nd	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 3rd	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

	Annual Parish Assembly	Community House	7.30pm
	Parish Council Meeting (AGM)	Community House	8.00pm
Monday 7th	Early May Bank Holiday		
Wednesday 9th	Birdbrook Club	Community House	2.30pm
Thursday 10th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Friday 11th	Grey Bin Collection (not Thurs)	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 16th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 17th	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Thursday 24th	Grey Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Wednesday 30th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 31st	Green Bin and Clear Sack Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

Please note that the Late Spring Bank Holiday, and indeed schools half term holidays, have been moved from last week in May to first week in June to cater for Queen's Diamond Jubilee and there Mon 4th June is Spring Bank Holiday and Tues 5th June Diamond Jubilee Bank Holiday.

Please note:

The Mobile Library dates are now confirmed. The Police Mobile Office last date we have is for March, please see elsewhere in this newsletter for other comment. Also Clubs may change their days/dates for various reasons, best to check if you are interested.

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.

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.

Bus Service 236 operates Monday to Saturday along A1017 from Baythorne End and will stop at Station Road and Taste of China if you have a mind to walk!

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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