

BIRDBROOK NEWS DATES AND INFORMATION PAGES

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Blois Meadow Day Nursery, Steeple Bumpstead***

Regular meetings and dates

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 - Chat & Stitch group
Community House, 2-5pm

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

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 waste: Green bin collected along with clear sacks every other Thursday.

Food Waste: Food bin collected every 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.

Little Stars Nursery

Little Stars Pre-school has now been amalgamated into a Foundation Stages unit and Ridgewell Primary School.

8.45am - 12 noon Mon-Fri

Lunch club 12noon-1pm Tues, Weds & Thurs
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 101 and ask for what you need or 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 Halstead is 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 01440 788611

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 2014

Thursday 6th March

Thursday 1st May - Parish Council AGM & Annual
Parish Assembly from 7.30pm

Thursday 3rd July

Thursday 4th September

Thursday 6th November

January 2015 T.B.A.

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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birdbrooknews@googlemail.com

All copy to be in a common text format (e.g. Word, RTF or TXT) or a scanner friendly document please.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Community House Bookings

John Weekes 01440 785634

Essex Highways Dept (reporting potholes etc.)

Contact@Essex.gov.uk/Highways

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 (Cust. 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 101 or 0300 333 4444

Wilkins Chimney Sweep 01440 787878

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
May			
Thursday 1 st	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection Parish Council AGM & Annual Parish Assembly	Please have at roadside by Community House	7.00am From 7.30pm
Monday 5 th	May Bank Holiday Monday		
Tuesday 6 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 8 th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Friday 9th	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll.	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 13 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 14 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 15 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 20 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 22 nd	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll. European Elections	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Saturday 24 th	Farmers Market	Steeple Bumpstead Village Hall	9.30am-12pm
Monday 26 th	Spring Bank Holiday Monday		
Tuesday 27 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 28 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Friday 30 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
June			
Tuesday 3 rd	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 5 th	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll.	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 10 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 11 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 12 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection Birdbrook Ladies Group	Please have at roadside by Community House	7.00am 7.30pm
Tuesday 17 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 19 th	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll.	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 24 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 25 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm - 4.15pm
Thursday 26 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Saturday 28 th	Farmers Market	Steeple Bumpstead Village Hall	9.30am-12pm
July			
Tuesday 1 st	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 3 rd	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll. Parish Council Meeting	Please have at roadside by Community House	7.00am 7.30pm
Tuesday 8 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 9 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 10 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 15 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 17 th	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll.	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 22 nd	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 23 rd	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 24 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Saturday 26 th	Farmers Market	Steeple Bumpstead Village Hall	9.30am-12pm
Tuesday 29 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 31 st	Green Bin, Clear Sack & Food Bin Coll.	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

St Augustine's Church

These are the service times currently:

First Sunday No Service at Birdbrook. Holy Communion at Sturmer 9.00am

Second Sunday Morning Prayer 11.00am

Third Sunday Family Service 10.00am

Fourth Sunday Family Communion 11.00am

Fifth Sunday combined service of Holy Communion at one of the six benefice churches 11.00am

There could be last minute changes to this so please check church noticeboard. If we have enough notice will include in Dates Listings.

St. Augustine's Service Schedule for May

Sunday 4th No service at Birdbrook, Holy Communion at St. Mary's Sturmer 9.00am

Wednesday 7th Communion at Birdbrook, said service 9.30am

Sunday 11th No service at Birdbrook. Confirmation service at St. Mary's Steeple Bumpstead
With Rt. Revd. Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford. 11.00am

Sunday 18th Family Service 10.00am

Sunday 25th Family Communion 11.00am

Please note:

Don't forget to keep us advised of all activities, either for adding to these pages or as an item for the magazine, preferably both, to help maximize your attendance. An item with pictures after the event is also welcome.

Bus services available in the Parish

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 (now The Tavern) 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 2012 issue (56).

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