

BIRDBROOK NEWS DATES AND INFORMATION PAGES

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 Monday (Non-recyclable items only)

Recycling:

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

Compostable garden waste: Green bin collected along with clear sacks every other Monday.

Food Waste: Food bin collected every Monday.

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

Following the installation of the new Priest in Charge a schedule of services has not yet been properly agreed. For the time being details are on page 4 of this pull-out but will return here as soon as we can.

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 debbiehilliard614@gmail.com

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 2015/16

Thursday 5th March
Thursday 30th April Annual Parish Assembly
Thursday 7th May Elections
Wednesday 13th May AGM
Thursday 2th July
Thursday 3rd September
Thursday 5th November
Thursday 7th January 2016
Thursday 3rd March 2016

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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Publication dates
February, May, July, September, December

Deadline dates for copy, advertising etc.
15th January
15th April
15th June
31st August
15th November

Details to 'The Meadows', Daw Street or e-mail
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
February			
Monday 2 nd	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 3 rd	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 4 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 9 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 10 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 12 th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 16 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 17 th	Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 18 th	Ash Wednesday Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 23 rd	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 24 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
March			
Monday 2 nd	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 3 rd	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 4 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 5 th	Parish Council Meeting	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 9 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 10 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 12 th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Sunday 15 th	Mothering Sunday		
Monday 16 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 17 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 18 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 23 rd	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 24 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Sunday 29 th	Palm Sunday British Summer Time begins	Clocks go forward one hour	
Monday 30 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 31 st	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
April			
Wednesday 1 st	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 2 nd	Maundy Thursday		
Friday 3 rd	Good Friday		
Sunday 5 th	Easter Sunday		
Monday 6 th	Easter Monday Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 7 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 9 th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 13 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 14 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 15 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 20 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 21 st	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Monday 27 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

Tuesday 28 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 29 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 30 th	Annual Parish Assembly	Community House	7.30pm

May

Monday 4 th	May Day Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 5 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Thursday 7 th	General & Parish Council Elections	Community House	7:00am-10pm
Monday 11 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 12 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 13 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
	Parish Council AGM	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 14 th	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 18 th	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 19 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm

Current service times for St. Augustine's Church Birdbrook

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1st Sunday Morning Prayer	10.00am
2nd Sunday Holy Communion Rev. Liz Paxton	10.00am
3rd Sunday Family Service	10.00am
4th Sunday Holy Communion Rev. J. Lowe	11.00am
5th Sunday Holy Communion at one of the benefice churches place and time T.B.A.	

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)