

# ***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.

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

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

As from 2016 this is the make up of the Parish Council:

Chair	T. R. Walker	788887
Vice Chair	S. Rhenius	785219
	A. Cook	785458
	P. Smart	788424
	D. Simpson	788113

**Clerk to the Parish Council**

Mrs D Hillard 01440 785629  
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**Local MP (for Braintree)**

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

**DATES OF PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETINGS FOR 2016/17**

Monday 3rd March 2016  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May Annual Assembly and AGM  
Thursday 30th June  
Wednesday 14th September  
Thursday 3rd November  
Thursday 5th January 2017

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

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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**

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**Essex Highways Dept** (reporting potholes etc.)  
[Contact@Essex.gov.uk/Highways](mailto:Contact@Essex.gov.uk/Highways)

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

**Stansted Flight Evaluation Unit** 0800 242788  
or e-mail [Stanstednoiseline@baa.com](mailto: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:**  
24hr non-emergency number 101 or 0300 333 4444

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

**Steeple Bumpstead Surgery/Dispensary:**  
Surgery Mon. Weds. Thurs. Fri. 08:00 – 18:30  
closed lunch 13:00-14:00  
Tues. 08:00 -18:30 closed training 13:00-15:00  
Dispensary Mon. Thurs. Fri. 08:00 – 18:30  
closed lunch 13:00-14:00  
Tues. 08:00-18:30 closed training 13:00-15:00  
Weds. Half day 08:00-13:00 only

## **DATES AT A GLANCE**

DAY/DATE	EVENT	WHERE	TIME
<b>May</b>			
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	May Day Holiday		
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Green Bin, Clear Sacks &amp; Food Bin</b>	<b>Please have at roadside by</b>	<b>7.00am</b>
	Coffee Morning	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Police and Crime Commissioner Election	Community House	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
	Annual Parish Assembly & Parish Council AGM	Community House	7.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Bank Holiday	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Green Bin, Clear Sacks &amp; Food Bin</b>	<b>Please have at roadside by</b>	<b>7.00am</b>
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
<b>June</b>			
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee morning	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	EU Referendum	Vote at Community House	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	Community House	7.30pm
<b>July</b>			
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee morning	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Birdbrook Ladies Group	Community House	7.30pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin, Clear Sacks & Food Bin	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm

## BIRDBROOK LADIES GROUP

Group meetings take place at 7.30 p.m on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Birdbrook Community House. Visitors are always welcome.

### Programme of Events

- June 11th - *The Royal Mail*: Kim Rees
- July 9th - *Leigh's Cheeses*: Leigh Doy
- August 13th - *Afternoon Tea with Louise*
- Sept 9th - *South Africa*: Pauline Short
- October 8th - *Historian*: Llewela Selfridge
- November 12th - *Vintage Clothing*  
Vanessa Howard
- December 3rd - *Christmas Meal*
- January 14th - *RNLI*: Robert Burridge
- February 11th - *A Career in Fashion*  
Amanda Sutherland
- March 10th - *Registrar*: Frances Luck
- April 14th - *Recycling*: Sarah Cross  
Braintree D.C.
- May 12th - *AGM & Refreshments*



### Tea & Coffee Rota

- June - Diane & Gill
- July - N/A
- August - N/A
- September - Kim & Joyce
- October - Emma, Kris & Sarah
- November - Margaret & Anne
- December - N/A
- January - Carol Harding & Mary Ann
- February - Carol Carter & Louise
- March - Sue King & Susan King
- April - Hilary & Alison
- May - Cheese & Wine

Chairperson: Sue King  
Secretary: Diane Cook  
Treasurer: Hilary Hoye Tel: 01440 78836

## St Augustine's Church Forthcoming Services

May 2016

Sunday 1st May: 10:00am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 8th May: 11:00am Holy Communion  
Sunday 15th May: 10:00am Family Service  
Sunday 22nd May: 11:00am Holy Communion  
Sunday 29th May: 10:30am Benefice Service of Holy Communion at St Lawrence's, Ridgewell

June 2016

Sunday 5th June: 10:00am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 12th June: 11:00am Holy Communion  
Sunday 19th June: 10:00am Family Service  
Sunday 26th June: 11:00am Holy Communion

July 2016

Sunday 3rd July: 10:00am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 10th July: 11:00am Holy Communion  
Sunday 17th July: 10:00am Family Service  
Sunday 24th July: 11:00am Family Service with Baptism  
Sunday 31st July: 10:30am Benefice Service of Holy Communion at St Mary's, Steeple Bumpstead

### 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)

\*\*\*\*\* Please watch for further information re Friday service 89B\*\*\*\*\*  
Seems we may lose it or the method of operation may change