

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, 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

Churchwardens

Judi Price 730506

Patrick Crouch 709090

Parochial Church Council Secretary

Ginny Faire 785341

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
	M. Gilbert	785967

Clerk to the Parish Council

Mrs D Hillard 01440 785629

Or by e-mail debbiehilliard614@gmail.com

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robertjohnbolton@btconnect.com

County Councillor

David M. Finch 01787 371878

cllr.david.finch@essex.gov.uk

Local MP (for Braintree)

James Cleverley MP

james.cleverly.mp@parliament.uk

Parish Council website www.birdbrook.org.uk

DATES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2016/17

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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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.

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 hr 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: 24hr non-emergency number

101 or 0300 333 4444

Revd Canon Jonathan D Lowe 01440 731687

Email: vicar@tworiversbenefice.org.uk

Birdbrook Bowls Club

YVONNE LAWRENCE

Chairman.

01284 789521

TRICIA BIRT

Secretary

01787 461581

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
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Please note that after the green bin collection on 28th November the green bins will not be emptied again until the first such collection in March 2017 on the 6th. Therefore in December, January and February such collection days will be clear sacks and food bins only.

December

Don't forget our usual warning that some groups may change their usual procedure in December and some may have extra meetings.

December

Monday 12 th	Clear sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 13 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Sunday 18 th	Nine lessons and carols	St Augustine's Church	7:00pm
Monday 19 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
Wednesday 21 st	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Sunday 25 th	Christmas day		
	Family Communion Service	St Augustine's Church	10:30am
Monday 26 th	Boxing Day		
Tuesday 27 th	Bank Holiday		
	Clear sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am

January

Monday 2 nd	Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 3 rd	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
	Coffee Morning (all welcome)?	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	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	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	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 18 th	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 23 rd	Clear sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 24 th	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm
Monday 30 th	Grey Bin & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 31 st	Coffee Morning (all welcome)?	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	Chat & Stitch Group	Community House	2.00pm-5.00pm

February

Wednesday 1 st	Mobile Library	Outside Church	3.45pm-4.15pm
Monday 6 th	Clear sacks & Food Bin Collection	Please have at roadside by	7.00am
Tuesday 7 th	Coffee Morning (all welcome)	St Augustine's Church	10.30am-12pm
	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	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

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 438 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!

Monday to Saturday Demand Responsive Service (DaRT 3) full details in issue 76 July 2016.

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)