Upper Beeding Parish Council For the Parish of Upper Beeding, Edburton and Small Dole

Newsletter Winter/December 2013

Website: http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk/



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

This is my first report to you as Chair of the Parish Council. My predecessor, David Coldwell, stood down in September though he remains on the Council and is also a District Councillor. David joined the Council in May 2003 and was Vice-Chair from 2005 to 2008 when he was elected Chairman. During his time as Chair he streamlined the Council structure and reduced the number of meetings whilst making them more effective. He also empowered Committee Chairs to achieve things, such as renovating our playgrounds. He introduced a new, simpler financial information system and made the Council more of a team. David was also very interested in youth issues and was heavily involved in setting up the Stevning Area Youth Service. He has left us with a Council that is much easier to run and more effective. On behalf of all of us I would like to thank David for all the time and effort he has given us. The changes in the Council have been broader; we now have a new Chair of the Amenities Committee, Chris Warren, and Sports & Leisure, Sean Teatum. Sean is also carrying out sterling work editing this Newsletter, co-ordinating the formulation of our Neighbourhood Plan and taken on the position of Vice-

The Neighbourhood Plan is a significant undertaking, so Sean and his Team have their work cut out. This will become the planning document that guides planning decisions everywhere in the Parish, allowing residents to have more control over future developments in housing, business and other planning matters. You will be receiving questionnaires to help the team to understand what people think the Parish needs for the future. Please fill them in and return them as soon as possible, don't file them away and forget them! In October I was privileged to be asked to open the new public defibrillator in the old Hyde Square telephone box as one of my first duties as Chair of the Council. Two others have been opened in phone boxes in Bramber and Steyning, as part of the ongoing efforts of the Steyning Area First Responders. These volunteers are normally the first on the scene of a local emergency and have saved a number of lives with their skills, including the use of defibrillators such as the new one in Hyde Square. They are always interested in new volunteers, so if you are interested please get in touch. You will receive training with South East Coast Ambulance and become proficient in first aid. We especially need volunteers living in Beeding and Small Dole.

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Chairman of the Council.

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Please let me have any feedback on the Newsletter, Sean:

teatum@btinternet.com

Visit our website for latest news and updates:

http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk

PLEASE FILL IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY / QUESTIONNAIRE







CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

While on the subject of the emergency services, they are always asking us to ensure people's houses are clearly identifiable for them. House numbering in parts of Beeding is eccentric anyway, trying to see a small number or nameplate from the road, in the dark, in the rain can be impossible and slows response times. Please take a minute to check that your house can be clearly identified from the road, it may save your life!

Finally I would like to mention the Steyning Area Youth Service. Due to strong public support the Parishes of Steyning, Bramber, Beeding and Ashurst have come together to set up their own Youth Service after the County Council stopped funding theirs due to Central Government funding cuts. Emma Edwards, our Youth Worker, has done great work with the support of the charity Horsham Matters to set this up. However in order to provide the kind of service we would like they need volunteers to help. If you are interested in youth work or simply helping out now and then please get in touch.

As this is our last Newsletter before the Festive Season may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year on behalf of all your Parish Councillors.

Simon Birnstingl,

Chairman UBPC.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - QUESTIONNAIRE / SURVEY

You should be aware of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) that the Parish Council is beginning to produce and will cover Upper Beeding, Small Dole, Edburton and Truleigh Hill. You will be getting a letter and more details on this soon. The letter will also ask you to participate in a Survey/Questionnaire so that the Parish Council can produce the Plan around the things that are important to you and you would like to see developed in our Parish. For more information go to: http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan/survey/ or call Sean Teatum on 07795981969



Where People Live WHY HAVE A 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT IN OUR VILLAGE? Where People Live



- More than half of road deaths and serious injuries occur on roads with 30 mph limits
- Britain has the highest percentage of pedestrian road fatalities in Europe 22.5%.
- Britain has one of the lowest levels of children walking or cycling to school in Europe.
- Speed limits on Britain's urban roads are 60% higher than Europe. (30 mph compared to 18.6 mph)
- Parents cite traffic speed as the main reason why their children are not allowed to cycle or walk to school.
- Lowering urban & residential speed limits to 20 mph increases urban journeys by just 40 seconds maximum.
- Lowering urban and residential limits to 20 mph decreases child pedestrian accidents by up to 70% (TRL).
- In Portsmouth the 20mph limit on all residential roads has reduced casualties by 22%.

YOUR CHANCE TO VOTE ON THIS

Recommendations have been made to declare the village of Upper Beeding (defined by the access points at Beeding Bridge, the roundabout at the Junction of Shoreham Road A2037 & Steyning By Pass A283 and the Village sign on the Henfield Road A2037 coming from Small Dole) a 20 MPH speed limit area.

You can let us know what you want by voting YES or NO on http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk/vote-on-20-mphspeed-area/ or call the Parish Office on 01903810316 and leave a message. If we get overwhelming support for YES the Parish Council will go ahead and pursue this policy.

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NEWS & GOSSIP AROUND THE VILLAGES

- Flooding at Castle Town / Bostal continues. This has been raised with WSCC several times over the last 3 years. The Parish Council will now be taking control as part of Operation Watershed where we can get funding to resolve the problem. It won't be immediate though
- Ditch/Culvert clearing at Saltings Field and possible flooding. This has been going on for over a year. A review is taking place with WSCC and Landbuild to determine what the issue is and may also be taken up under Operation Watershed if work is required
- WSCC Devolved functions for grass cutting. We are looking at taking this over from WSCC depending on what they will pay us and what the service level agreement looks like.
- **20mph Zone** will be up for prioritisation at December's CLC.
- Beeding Bridge Closure. There are plans to close the bridge for major strengthening works next year, for 4-6 weeks. A big program is planned for after the Christmas break, leading up to work starting on 20 January. There is absolutely no alternative to doing this and it is far preferable to have it closed for a short period for strengthening works take place, than have a deteriorating situation, when ultimately the bridge might have to be completely rebuilt. The work involves taking up the surface of the bridge, digging out the material underneath it, and replacing it with a much stronger compound/concrete etc. and relaying a new surface. The footbridge part will remain open at all times so that it will be possible to walk between the two villages. Horse riders will not be able to go through the footbridge area for safety reasons.
- **Changing Rooms**: We have asked 4 companies to give us quotes for new changing rooms and social area for the UB Memorial Field and demolish/ move the existing storage areas. This will be part of a phased development for this area which we will update you on in more detail in our next issue
- Small Dole Recreation Ground and the Skatepark: Work to fill a hole and repair the see-saw at the recreation ground has been identified. In addition work to repair the skatepark and ensure an annual inspection and maintenance routine are in place has been actioned
- Rampion Off-Shore Wind Farm: Onshore survey works are being carried out at various locations along the proposed Rampion onshore cable route from Brooklands Pleasure Park, to the proposed substation site next to National Grid's existing Bolney substation in Twineham. The route touches non-built up areas of Upper Beeding, Small Dole and Henfield. This work is mainly trial pits and bore holes at present.



Unfortunately one of their trucks involved in this work had a sad end on 21st November when it was found near the cycle track above the Quarry at Golden Barn having been possibly rolled from the field below the top road leading to Truleigh Hill. Luckily nobody was hurt. Anyone with any information on this should contact Rampion by Email: rampion@eon.com.

PATH FOR SCHOOL USERS & ALL IN UPPER BEEDING MEMORIAL FIELDS

Unfortunately the mesh path provided by Simon English of English Construction Ltd linking the UB Primary School to the car park in the Memorial Playing Fields has proven to be unfit for the purpose for which it was supplied. The Council have written and left messages for Mr English to rectify his poor workmanship but to no avail. The work will now have to be undertaken again at an additional cost to the Council and ultimately you. We obviously will not be using English Construction again and would advise others to take note!!! It is hoped to have the new path provided in January/February 2014.

HOW'S YOUR PUMPKIN CARVING SKILLS

Children from Upper Beeding Primary School took part in the school's first Pumpkin Carving Competition. All entries were displayed that evening at the Halloween disco and helped to create a wonderfully spooky atmosphere. Children and parents danced to Halloween classics before the winning entries were presented with a ghoulish goody bag. The event raised £500 for the school.







HAPPY 1st. BIRTHDAY TO KATY BOURNE

Did you bother to vote? Friday 15 November marked the first anniversary since Katy Bourne was elected the first ever Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) on a salary of £85,000 a year. The next elections are in May 2016

Reflecting on why she was drawn to the role Mrs Bourne, who lives in Mid Sussex with husband Kevin and two grown-up sons, said: "I saw this as a unique opportunity to represent the public's interests in the fight against crime.

"I believe everyone in Sussex has the right to feel safe on the streets and in their homes, which is why my Police & Crime Plan reflects the priorities that local people have told me matter to them; driving down crime; putting victims first increasing public confidence in the police and value for money.

"I regularly meet with members of the public and I know that visible policing is a key priority which is why I have opened recruitment – for the first time in three years – for 80 new police officers, 30 PCSOs and 120 Special Constables.

See more at http://www.sussex-pcc.gov.uk/news/sussex-policecrime-commissioner-one-year-on/

Any views, have you noticed a difference, I'm sure Katy would like some feedback

POLICE & CRIME

The local PCSO's and Wardens for Steyning, Ashurst, Bramber, Small Dole and Upper Beeding are:

PCSO Tom Slaughter E-mail: tom.slaughter@sussex.pnn.police.uk Mobile: 07917073587

Warden Paul Conroy E-mail: paul.conroy@pnn.police Mobile: 07734387889

Warden Michael Pearce E-mail: michael.pearce@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Please contact Sussex Police via the non-emergency number 101 if you wish to report an incident

You should always call 999 immediately if: A crime is being committed now, the offender is still there or nearby, people are injured, being threatened or in danger.

CENTENARY OF THE GREAT WAR 2014

2014 will be the centenary of the outbreak of the Great War. The "War to End All Wars". We wrote about this in our last Newsletter but unfortunately got little response. Since then we have spoken to Fr. John Challis and got the list of names from both the 1st. & 2nd. World Wars. Simon Birnstingl is going to try and research some of the stories of those named on the UB War Memorial from the 1st. World War. These are the names of those Brave Service People from Upper Beeding who died for our freedom: CE Shepherd, F Symes, F Tullet, A Tickner, A Virgo, WB Watson, SM Watson, F Witten, T Witten, TR Barber, H Brown, A Cook, D Copeland, WJ Cozens, E Driscol, H Earley, AE Finch, CF Fish, H Flowers, C Groves, F Holden, F Hill, S Martin, J May, AH Newman, LG Pointing, R Ransom, RHS Sloan, R Sayer, A E Bousell, R E Dance, F E Gaston, G D S King, S J Fish, E A Owen, F W Ford, E A Searle, R A V Forster, C Tipler and F B C Woolgar.

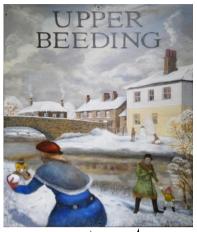
If any of the Families or Friends of these people are still in the village and can give some more information about them, particularly those serving in WW1 please contact the Clerk at: upper.beeding@btconnect.com 01903810316 or Simon Birnstingl at: simon.birnstingl@virgin.net 01903 817 090.

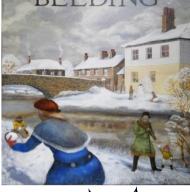


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Support Your Community; Shop, Visit & Explore These Local Businesses & Places of Interest over the Christmas Holidays

- St.Peter's Saxon Church also known as "Sele Priory Church" Rebuilt in 1307-08.
- ❖ Saltings Field, wildlife conservation area, 13th-15th Century salt making remnants
- Bramber & Beeding Village Hall, (various events taking place)
- ❖ St. Andrews Church (13th Century in Edburton)
- Upper Beeding Baptist Church
- ❖ Valerie Manor (Nursing & Residential Home) once visited by Winston Churchill
- Tottington Woods, a 13 acre woodland and nature reserve.in Small Dole
- Playing Fields UB, Sports Hall, Multi User Games & Children's Play Area
- Walk back in time; the UB Cement Works and scene of crime in Peter James book
- The Tottington Hotel & Restaurant in Edburton
- The South Downs Park & River Adur
- The Fox Public House & Small Dole Post Office and Shop in Small Dole
- The Kings Head (Old beamed pub, great history, garden leading to the Adur)
- The Rising Sun (Family run Pub, B&B, good cask ales, quality food, entertainment)
- Downsview (High quality B&B, fantastic breakfasts and retro juke box!)
- Beeding Newsagents, Post Office, Village Barbers, Khusbu Indian Take Away and Southdown Pharmacy in the Upper Beeding High St.
- ❖ Nisa Supermarket, Hairdressers, Village Spice Take Away, One Stop Computer Shop & Handsome Hounds Dog Grooming in Hythe Square UB.
- Springs Smoked Salmon in Edburton

UPPER BEEDING FOOTBALL CLUB is keen to encourage more people in the area to play football. They already run some successful men's teams and junior sides and are able to fund those interested to gain their FA coaching badges. Anyone interested please contact: ronpatmore@ubfc.co.uk

BEEDING & BRAMBER CRICKET CLUB Another successful Summer has come to an end but still lots to do in these Winter months. New players are always welcome; please contact our Chairman Michael Gurd at bbccchairman@hotmail.co.uk.

BEEDING & BRAMBER LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY PROGRAMME FOR 2014

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm in the Village Hall.

All are welcome and non-members can attend for £2. Membership of the Society is only £5 a year, or £9 for two people at the same address. Contact history.beeding@mypostoffice.co.uk. Read more about us on the Upper Beeding Parish Council website or that of Steyning Museum or telephone 01903812847 for further information from Pat Nightingale -

- Thursday January 9th Dark Age Sussex and the Search for King Arthur by Mark Perry-Nash
- Wednesday Feb. 5th The Archaeology of Neanderthals in Sussex by Matt Pope
- Wednesday March 5th AGM followed by Recent Excavations in Chichester by Diccon Hart
- Wednesday April 2nd Sussex in the Great War by Kevin Gordon
- Wednesday May 7th The Lost Village of Tidemills by Joanna Wilkins
- Wednesday Sept. 3rd Movies and Memories by Matthew Jones
- Wednesday Oct. 1st Steyning Grammar School, 400 years of Education by Janet Pennington
- Wednesday Nov. 5th Bonfire in Sussex by Sue Djabri

BEEDING & BRAMBER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Beeding and Bramber Horticultural Society is a thriving local organisation, always willing to accept new members. Our membership of about 180 comes not just from Upper Beeding, Bramber and Small Dole, but also from other nearby towns and villages. To rent an allotment, contact the Parish Clerk, Steve Coberman on 01903 810316 or Email: upper.beeding@btconnect.com. For the Horticultural Society or the Allotment Holders Association contact Denise Rose on 01903 816199 or Email: denise.rose3@btinternet.com







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COUNCIL MEETINGS IN UPPER BEEDING VILLAGE HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Oct.	29th.	Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30pm)
Nov.	20th	Planning Committee (7pm), Sports & Leisure (7.30pm), Amenities (8.15pm)
Dec.	3rd	Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30pm)
Dec.	10th	Cemetery Committee (7.30pm)
Dec.	17th	Planning Committee (7pm) Only if required
Jan.	7th	Planning Committee, Council
Jan.	21st	Planning Committee, Amenities Committee, Sports & Leisure Committee
Feb.	4th	Planning Committee, Council
Feb.	18th	Planning Committee, Policy & Resources Committee
Mar.	4th	Planning Committee, Council (at Small Dole)
Mar.	18th	Planning Committee, Amenities Committee, Sports & Leisure Committee

THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR 2014

Please send Sean: teatum@btinternet.com

Any article / contribution / questions by 24th Feb 2014 for our Spring / March Edition



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The Upper Beeding Sports Hall

Centrally located, easily accessible, good value to hire for: Badminton, Dance, Keep Fit, Kick Boxing, Drama, Music Rehearsals, Choirs, Painting, **Educational Classes, Table Tennis,** Wine Tasting, Reading Club, Weekly Market, Fashion, Training, Parties

£7an hour Monday to Fridays until 6pm £9 an hour after 6pm £10 an hour Sat & Sun Long Term Bookings negotiable

Contact Julie on 01903816790 or 07803 504199

Badminton contact Anna Starley 01903813692

Karate contact Andy on 01903810332

Dance & Zumba contact Kevin on 079512958222





THE HUB CAFÉ the home of ubbc



Have you tried it yet, in the heart of the village, the coffee is great & the cakes are ummh! Delicious Open Mon-Fri 9-12pm and Saturday 10-12pm. Meet up with your friends or make new ones Christmas Carols on Friday 13th Dec and on Christmas Eve from 11.00 - 11.30 On Christmas Eve its for All the Family & kids can dress up in Nativity costumes

SMALL DOLE VILLGE HALL

The Village Hall in Small Dole provides an excellent space for meetings, parties and other activities. The Hall is run by a small band of volunteers and reps of user groups but more help is needed. The committee meet quarterly and would welcome new members to contribute to managing the building. If you could help or require more information contact Janet Daly on 01273 494831 or at constancedaly@btinternet.com.





DON'T DRINK & DRIVE AT CHRISTMAS

Why not leave the car at home and walk to your local pub. We have such a good selection close by: Kings Head & Rising Sun in Upper Beeding, The Fox in Small Dole and Tottington Manor in Edburton. All offering good food and friendly service. Be sociable & support the local community.









YOUR LOCAL CHRISTMAS EVENTS & SERVICES



CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING STEYNING (RC)

READINGS & MIDNIGHT MASS ON 24TH. CHRISTMAS DAY 11.00AM FAMILY MASS (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01273 452654)

CONVENT OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THE TOWERS (RC)

CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00AM MASS (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01903 812185)

ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH BRAMBER **CASTLE (ANGLICAN)**

FIRST COMMUNION OF CHRISTMAS DAY AT 8.30 AM (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01903 810265)

ST PETER'S UPPER BEEDING (ANGLICAN)

CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM CRIB SERVICE 11.30PM MIDNIGHT MASS CHRISTMAS DAY 10AM ALL AGES COMMUNION (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01903810265)

BEEDING BAPTIST CHURCH

SUN, 22ND DEC.10.30AM GINGERBREAD NATIVITY ALL AGE SERVICE & AT 6.30PM TRADITIONAL CAROLS BY CANDLE LIGHT CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00AM FAMILY CELEBRATION (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01903 815944)

STEYNING METHODIST CHURCH

CHRISTMAS DAY 11 AM (FURTHER INFO PHONE 01903 744984)

Village Hall Christmas Fair 12.00 on the 30th. November Come & See Father Christma



HAD ENOUGH COOKING ON CHRISTMAS DAY



Give Yourself a Day Off and try

The Rising Sun Boxing Day Brunch from 12 - 3pm. £10 per person. You need to book on 01903 814424



TOWERS CONVENT **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**









Christmas Café Father Christmas **Tombolas** Cakes & Gift Stalls Christmas Raffle





THE RISING SUN **UPPER BEEDING** CHRISTMAS CAROLS & SONGS ON TUES. 17th DEC 6.30 -7.30

Sing along with the Rising Sun Choir Get in the Christmas Spirit with song and soul. Everybody welcome for a fun time.





FUBS CHRISTMAS







MEET SANTA RAFFLE REFRESHMENTS

