

Upper Beeding Parish Council

For the Parish of Upper Beeding, Edburton and Small Dole
Newsletter Spring/March 2013

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

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

In my last letter in November, I told you that we were talking to other councils about setting up a new youth service. Since then there has been a consultation with residents and opinion turned out to be 10 to 1 in favour of participation; the other parishes had similar results. The whole project has moved forward since the positive results became known and we are now creating the Steyning Area Youth Service. Elsewhere in this publication you will see that there are openings for residents to participate in the management of SAYS and I do hope that some of you will come forward.

I look at the last line above while I try to think about what I should write next, and, Hey Presto, the idea is there! The clue is in the suggestion of coming forward. The Parish Council should have 15 members, 3 being from Small Dole and 12 from the rest of the parish including Edburton. At present we have 6 vacancies, 1 in Small Dole and 5 in the parish.

Life as a parish councillor can be interesting and varied and, if a councillor wishes, can involve meeting with many people from both the parish and the surrounding areas. The aim of the PC is always to do the best it can for residents; until recently, parish councils were really restricted in what they could do, but a recent change in the law has allowed parish councils to take on works which were the responsibilities of others, or indeed to do things which are not done by any other authority. This means that, subject to financial restraints, councils can do anything that is lawful.

It can now be said that Parish Councils live in interesting times; it seems unlikely that big projects such as SAYS will come forward very often but there are other possibilities. For example, in co-operation with other council chairman, I have been involved in discussions on parishes taking on some of the duties of WSCC in respect of road maintenance (pot holes!) whereby the parishes would be funded by the County to handle the work. Additionally the District Council is consulting with County and Parishes on areas where co-operation could be valuable.

The time requirement for a councillor need not be much; there are monthly meetings of course and then there are various committees every other month but the reality is that it is up to the individual how much time is required. Call the clerk or any councillor for more information.

The Annual Parish Meeting is your chance to have your say! The theme for this year's meeting is Emergency Planning and there will be briefings on what the Parish Emergency plan is and what it does. We are working on having an interesting array of speakers. The meeting is to be on **18th April at 7.30 in the Bramber and Beeding Village Hall, Refreshments from 7.00pm.**

David Coldwell

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Please let me have any feedback on the newsletter,
Sean: teatum@btinternet.com
Don't forget to visit our website for latest news and updates:
<http://upperbeeding-pc.gov.uk>

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

- Village Hall UB 18th. April
- Starts at 7.30 pm
- Refreshments from 7.00 pm
- Find out what the PC have done
- Discuss Emergency Planning
- Update on Community Resilience



COMMUNITY YOUTH PROVISION

Readers will recall that the Parish Council conducted a survey before Christmas to establish if the residents would support the creation and funding of a Youth service to replace the West Sussex County Council service which is to be withdrawn due to budget cuts. The response rate was close to 30% and the result was overwhelmingly, 10 to 1 in favour of setting up the service.

The Parish Council has been working closely with Ashurst, Bramber and Steyning and is now at the point where the new service, Steyning Area Youth Service (SAYS) will create a management committee consisting of representatives from the four councils and those from the community who have an interest in youth service provision and can contribute to the service. More information on this can be obtained from Liz Burt of Horsham Matters

lizburt@horsham-matters.org.uk Website: www.horsham-matters.co.uk

Members will not be working directly with the youth participants as this will be managed by Horsham Matters. It is anticipated the committee will meet monthly for the first three months and quarterly thereafter.

If you have the enthusiasm, experience/qualifications to participate, please contact the Parish Clerk, Steve Coberman.

POLICE & CRIME

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

PCSO Louisa Hull E-mail: louisa.hull@sussex.pnn.police.uk Mobile: 07765 340753

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

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 our non-emergency number 101 if you wish to report an incident, tell us about something that has happened or make us aware of a problem or visit Steyning Police Station, Charlton Street, between 10am and 2pm Monday to Friday. However 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.

Horsham District Neighbourhood Watch Association needs more street co-ordinators in Upper Beeding Interested ??? If so contact Louisa or if you would like any crime prevention advice or wish to discuss any incidents of anti-social behaviour please contact Louisa, Tom, Paul or Michael.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

You may remember Civil Defence; this became Emergency Planning and has now evolved into Community Resilience. Our last Emergency Plan was made in 2011 which we are planning to review and update so as to meet the Government's request for councils to look beyond emergency planning and introduce Community Resilience.

So what's new?

In emergency planning we considered the kind of emergencies we might face and planned what measures we could put in place to help deal with them. We prepared a document to be held centrally so that all likely emergency services could see the essential details that would help; such as places of shelter, helicopter landing sights, doctor's surgeries and so on. We designated drop-off sites for dump bags of rock salt in case of snow, and in fact just a few weeks after the plan had been submitted it did snow and the bags were dropped as planned. (Sadly, local government cuts seem to have pushed us to the bottom of the list of priorities for this past winter.)

Community Resilience asks us to take two more steps. First, the public are to be more involved in the planning and testing of our Emergency Plan. Second, after the emergency has past the plan must assist the community to return to normal as soon as possible.

What's Happening Now?

Upper Beeding Parish Council has begun its review of the Emergency Plan. We have a new Emergency Committee under the chairmanship of Miles Carey. In order to develop our Community Resilience Plan we would like to start community involvement at the Annual Parish Meeting on the 18th. April in the Beeding & Bramber Village Hall. To help with emergency planning Horsham District Council would like to prepare a database of vulnerable people. If you would like to be on the list please pass your details to the Clerk as per the information on page 6.

More information can be found at the following websites:

<https://www.gov.uk/resilience-in-society-infrastructure-communities-and-businesses>

<http://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/5974.aspx>

<http://www.sussexemergency.info/>



OUTCOME OF THE COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Proposals to change the boundaries and structure of parishes in the Horsham District are being considered following the end of consultation and recommendations have been made to Horsham District Council.

In February 2012 the Council started a community governance review where interested people and organisations were invited to submit proposals to changes to the boundaries or structure of parishes by the end of May 2012.

Members of the Council's Electoral Arrangements Committee have now considered the submissions and further representations following the end of the consultation and will make the following recommendations to Council:

- no change needed to number of parish councillors across all parishes
- a change of boundary so Southwater Parish would include the Millfield development
- that Storrington and Sullington Parish is no longer split into two wards

The meeting of Horsham District Council took place on 13th Feb. 2013 and intends to publish its recommendations by March 2013, any changes will come into effect at the next full election of parish councilors in the Horsham District in May 2015. For more information, please email elections@horsham.gov.uk or call 01403 215126.

UB 2013/14 PRECEPT SET AT £125K

The Clerk tabled a proposal to set this years precept of £110K in addition to the Council Tax Support Grant of £9,564 representing a total grant income of approx. £119.5K (an increase of £2K on last year) and resulting in a deficit of £30.7K to be funded from reserves. The meeting considered this but decided that as we were going to fund the youth provisioning by £15K and the likelihood of future precept capping that such a deficit would be imprudent. It was therefore voted to set the precept for 2013/14 to £125K.

COMMUNITY MEALS ON WHEELS ACROSS WEST SUSSEX

Enjoy a range of nutritious hot meals and desserts with West Sussex County Council's Meals on Wheels. The service, available across W. Sussex helps thousands of older or housebound people to remain independent in their own home. New customers can sample some of the dinners on offer by ordering a five-day Taster Pack for £15, which includes roast beef, fish in butter sauce, lamb with minted dumplings, apple pie and Irish coffee cream mousse. A hot or frozen two-course meal costs £4.00 weekdays & £4.20 at weekends.

The Meals on Wheels service is delivered by the WRVS across West Sussex.

As well as a wide choice of dishes – from hot meals to salads and desserts – an afternoon tea service can also be ordered, providing sandwiches and cakes.

All meals are designed to meet nutritional standards and special dietary needs can be catered for, such as diabetic, low fat, gluten free, reduced salts and pureed. They can also be delivered frozen to be heated up and eaten as and when required.

John Figgins, West Sussex County Council Catering Manager, said: "As well as providing hot and nutritional meals, the Meals on Wheels service also carries out a welfare check to make sure customers are okay." "This not only provides reassurance, but it also gives our customers the chance to chat to a friendly face. There are many reasons why someone might want to take up our Meals on Wheels service and it's not just older people who can use the service, for example it could be someone who has come out of hospital and needs a little help."

The service is available to all West Sussex residents and no referral is required.

For further information contact your local Meals on Wheels kitchen or visit the County Council website at:

http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/living/social_care_and_health/adults_looking_for_support/help_to_live_at_home/meals_on_wheels.aspx#costs

IN MEMORY OF ROBIN FRENCH

The Steyning & District Business Chamber have sponsored the planting of a memorial tree (a holm oak) in memory of Robin French and his work in the local community. The tree will be planted on Friday 1 March 2013, at 10.00 a.m. in the Steyning Memorial Field. District Councillor George Cockman has been kind enough to agree to say a few words. The UB PC also planted an oak for Robin in Hyde Street Open Space



As part of a West Sussex-wide health prevention initiative, Horsham District Wellbeing Hub continues to help promote and improve the health and quality of life of district residents and employees. The service is a free 'one stop shop' for information and advice on physical, mental, emotional and social aspects of people's wellbeing. It is a friendly and impartial service, where people are able to talk to an advisor about their health concerns and find out about local services and support groups. The Hub now offers the following programmes:

It's all about ME (Motivation, Eating and Exercise) - Adult Healthy Weight Programme

11 no-cost weekly sessions are designed to teach people the basic principles of healthy eating and exercise, and equip them with the tools to change and continue this learned behaviour towards maintaining a healthy weight. Group and 1 to 1 sessions will be available.. Eligibility Criteria: Adults aged 18+ with a BMI of 25 or more.

It's all about FUN (Families Understanding Nutrition) and Activity

12 no-cost weekly sessions to teach families the basic principles of healthy eating and exercise, equipping them with the tools to change and continue towards maintaining a healthy weight. Group and one to one sessions will be available across the district. Eligibility Criteria: Families with children who are above a healthy weight.

Get Active:

Six no-cost weekly sessions targeting inactive adults, motivating and supporting them to take up physical activity by trying a range of taster sessions, with the aim of changing behaviour toward activity. Group sessions and one to one sessions will be available across the district. Eligibility Criteria: Adults aged 18+ who are inactive.

The Wellbeing Hub is administered from the District Council offices and can be accessed by -

Calling - 01403 215111

Emailing - info@horshamdistrictwellbeing.org.uk

Visiting - www.horshamdistrictwellbeing.org.uk

'small changes make a big difference'



Horsham District Council

All welcome to guided, **free**, sociable, HDC walks led by trained volunteers; no need to book, just turn-up at the start point (if a newcomer please arrive 15 minutes before the start for registration). Programme booklet with over 200 walks is available, contact the Walks Co-ordinator on 01403 215269 or online at www.horshamhealthwalks.co.uk.

UPPER BEEDING FOOTBALL CLUB

is keen to encourage more people in the area to play football. They already run successful men's teams and junior sides. They welcome new players and in anybody who would like to become involved in managing a side. They are able to provide funds to gain coaching badges. **Anyone interested please contact: ronpatmore@ubfc.co.uk**

BEEDING & BRAMBER CRICKET CLUB

New players are always welcome; please contact our Chairman Michael Gurd at bbccchairman@hotmail.co.uk. We are organising a 'Cricket Festival' for the Bank Holiday at the end of May 2013. **WATCH OUT FOR FURTHER DETAILS**



Want to see some great bands locally, you don't have to pay loads and travel miles.



Try the **Live Lounge at Steyning Football Club**, the Speedboatz played last Friday 22nd. Fantastic night next band on 22nd March are The Live Billy Band. Entrance £2 <http://www.steyninglivelounge.co.uk/index.html>. Or the **Rising Sun Upper Beeding**, various bands, open mike last Sunday of the month, no charge <http://www.therisingsunupperbeeding.co.uk>



SMALL DOLE VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall in Small Dole provides an excellent space for meetings, parties and a number of other activities. It has a large and well equipped kitchen and everything needed to satisfy the needs of users of the hall. There is a reasonable amount of parking for users and flat access.

The Hall is run by a small band of dedicated volunteers and representatives of user groups but the numbers are falling and replacements are needed. The village hall committee meets quarterly so the commitment need not be great, but as always, the committee would welcome members who could contribute some expertise and knowledge to the maintenance of the building.

If you consider that you can provide some help in any respect, or require more information, please contact the committee secretary, Janet Daly on 01273 494831 or at constancedaly@btinternet.com.

BEEDING & BRAMBER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our next event is the Spring Show on Saturday 16th March in the back rooms of the Village Hall. If you would like to enter anything, you need to take it to the hall between 8 and 9.30am on the day. You can enter a variety of daffodils and narcissi, flowering shrubs and pot plants. There are other classes for floral art and children can do a spring flower arrangement or make a birthday card. For full details and entry forms you will need a copy of our Show Book, so ring 812847 if you would like one. After judging, the event will be open to the public from 10.30am to 1pm and entry will be free.

On the same day the Village Hall Spring Fair will be in the main hall from noon to 4pm.

Why not join the society. Membership is only £3 a year. Contact Diccon Hart, 25 Dacre Gardens, Upper Beeding, BN44 3TD or (email d.hart@ucl.ac.uk)

Pat Nightingale

BEEDING IN BLOOM

Last year our hanging baskets were a great success and carried on blooming well through into September. This year our colour scheme will be pink, purple and white. In the autumn we reorganized the 3 flowerbeds on Dawn Close verge and we thank those residents who helped and provided a welcome cup of tea. Please help us by contributing to our Sponsor a Basket Appeal, by joining our work parties and by supporting all our fund-raising events.

SATURDAY 16th MARCH – PLANT STALL at Village Hall Easter Fair

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH 10 AM – BIG DIG at Flower Meadow in Manor Road

SATURDAY 27th APRIL 10-12AM – AGM AND PLANT SALE in Village Hall

SATURDAY 22nd JUNE – PLANT SALE at School Summer Fete

JULY – GARDEN COMPETITIONS and OPEN GARDENS EVENT

GARDEN COMPETITIONS. This year you can enter either your front or back garden or hanging baskets and containers in one of the following categories: “Newcomers”, “Mainly Perennials”, “Courtyard” or “Edible & Integrated” (Newcomers means not entered before). There is also a category for Allotments.

SPONSOR A BASKET APPEAL

Each basket costs £13 to plant up. We need your help & support so that we can continue to make our village a beautiful place to live. If you can sponsor a basket or make a donation towards one, please enclose it with this form in an envelope marked Beeding in Bloom and hand it in to Beeding News in the High Street. Cheques should be made payable to Beeding in Bloom. Thank you so much.

Name & Address.....

Donation.....

I/We would like to help by.....

(For more information on any of the above please contact Tricia on 812366)



BEEDING & BRAMBER LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

At the last meeting of the Society John and Jeanette Simpson gave a gripping presentation, complete with sound effects, about Philip de Braose, the Second Lord of Bramber.

Forthcoming meetings in the Village Hall at 7.45pm:

Wed March 6th, our AGM followed by an illustrated talk by archaeologist Diccon Hart “From Neolithic Pits to Roman Farms – a Downland site at Peacehaven”.

Wed. 3rd April Ian Everest uses old films to depict “A Sussex Farm in the 1950s”.

Wed. May 1st Recent Archaeological Digs in Sussex – Priors, Privies, Pits and Rory McGrath by Simon Stevens

Wed. September 4th Brighton Station by Jackie Marsh-Hobbs

On **Sat. March 16th** we will have a table at the Village Hall Spring Fair when you will be able to see some of our archive, including photographs of Briouze in Normandy, the original home of the de Braose family.

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. Tel. 01903812847 for further information. Pat Nightingale

UPPER BEEDING EMERGENCY PLAN
REGISTER OF VULNERABLE PERSONS

Upper Beeding Parish Council has a register of “vulnerable” residents within the Parish who in exceptional conditions might need help which would not be otherwise available.

‘Vulnerable people are those who are at greater than normal risk of harm or abuse. Unprotected young, older people, sick, frail, disabled, confused, those unable either to stand up for themselves or keep track of their affairs, those unable to communicate (totally or not in English)’

If you would like your name and contact details to be included on the register please let me know. My contact details are at the bottom of this notice.

The purpose of the register is to enable the Parish Council to contact people in the case of severe or prolonged adverse weather conditions (such as deep snow), or as a result of an exceptional emergency. We will contact people on the register to make sure they are ok, and to assist with such things as shopping for food supplies and ensuring the provision of medical assistance.

In the event of prolonged adverse weather we would in the first instance contact people by telephone. Where necessary this would be followed by a home visit.

Your details will remain confidential to Upper Beeding Parish Council, and will only be used for the purposes stated above.

Please provide name, home phone number, email and optionally mobile phone number. Please also indicate if you suffer from mobility problems. The information should be provided to me by either:

- Returning the slip below to me at the Parish Council Office, r/o 3 Hyde Square, Upper Beeding, West Sussex, BN44 3JE.
- Emailing me at upper.beeding@btconnect.com.
- Telephoning me on 01903 810316.

Steve Coberman

Clerk to the Parish Council

Register of Vulnerable Persons

Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Email:

Mobility impaired? Yes/No



UPPER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL

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COUNCIL MEETINGS IN UPPER BEEDING VILLAGE HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

- March 5th. Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30pm) *at Small Dole*
- March 19th. Planning Committee (7pm), Sports & Leisure Committee (7.30pm), Amenities Committee
- April 9th. Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30om)
- April 18th. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (Refreshments from 7pm for 7.30pm Start)**
- April 23rd. Planning Committee (7pm) only if required
- May 7th. Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30pm)
- May 21st. Planning Committee (7pm), Sports & Leisure Committee (7.30pm), Amenities Committee
- June 4th. Planning Committee (7pm), Council (7.30pm)
- June 18th. Planning Committee (7pm), Policy & Resources Committee (7.30pm)
- June 25th. Cemetery Inspection (7pm) and Cemetery Committee

Parish Clerk Karen Dare of Ashington is running the **London Marathon in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support**. If you can spare a few pounds to sponsor her then please visit www.justgiving.com/Karen-Dare or cheques payable to Macmillan Cancer Support can be dropped off at Honeysuckle House, London Road, Ashington. Thank You



My Name's Bond.....James Bond & I'm coming to Upper Beeding on Saturday 9th March-

Upper Beeding Picture House presents 'Skyfall' at the Upper Beeding Village Hall.

Tickets are £10 and include a drink and some yummy popcorn. Pizzas on sale from 7pm thanks to the wonderful mobile Pizza Oven.

Tickets on sale from the Upper Beeding Newsagents or e-mail ubpicturehouse@yahoo.co.uk
Great film, great pizza and great fun!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO DANCE



KEEP FIT

ZUMBA

Kevin Edwards holds Zumba on a Monday evening in the UB Sports Hall and Dance on a Wednesday. He can be contacted on 07951295822

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

£6 an hour Monday to Fridays until 6pm £8 an hour after 6pm £9 an hour Saturdays & Sundays -

Long Term Bookings negotiable
(CURRENT CHARGES UNDER REVIEW)

Contact Julie on 01903816790 or 07803 504199

HOW'S YOUR BADMINTON!!!!!!!!!!!!



LADIES ONLY

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday afternoons in the UB Sports Hall
Contact Anna Starley on 01903 813692 for further info.

Beeding and Bramber Village Hall

EASTER FAIR

Saturday 16 March

12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m.

incorporating the

Beeding & Bramber Horticultural Society

SPRING SHOW

from 10.30 a.m.

in the back rooms of the Hall



Visit the Main Hall for soup and filled rolls, many stalls, including cakes, Easter Egg tombola. tovs. refreshments. etc!

EVER WANTED TO BE A BLACK BELT



Karate is held in the UB Sports Hall on Wednesday evenings.

Call Andy Pink on 01903 810332.



B&BVillage Hall 24th April

Ken Scott Photography Evening

THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY EASTER

Please send Sean: teatum@btinternet.com

Any article / contribution / questions by 24th May 2013 for our Summer / June Edition