

Abbots Bromley Village Hall Charitable Trust

YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU !!!!!

For various reasons vacancies have arisen for new committee members willing to help us to take this Village Institution forward profitably into the future. We need people who have the vision and ideas to attract new activities and bookings. Historically we have asked members of Village Associations to come on board to represent their interests and ensure that the building is used by villagers to its best potential and make it economically sound but there is room for anyone who feels that they can contribute.

Have you got the energy and commitment to join us and take us forward whilst dealing with the age of computerisation and legal regulations? If you have please call the secretary Maureen Allaker on 01283 840936 or email on m.allaker124@btinternet.com and she will be happy to discuss matters with you.

Traffic Speed



Quite a few residents in Abbots Bromley have expressed concern about the speed of some vehicles travelling through the village.

Ian Shaw, co-ordinator of the Safer Roads Partnership, has agreed to the resurrection of the Abbots Bromley Community Speed Watch group. He, together with PC Richard Boulter, will provide training and equipment for anyone who volunteers to join the group.

Some may feel a speed gun is only a deterrent whilst it is actually in use. However, I would like to think that the data collected from the equipment might be used to persuade the parish and county councils to provide more permanent measures to slow traffic through our village.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact me - Keith Baker - at School House (01283-840690). If you would like to find out more before deciding, contact Ian Shaw (01785-232702).

If we have enough volunteers, I hope the group could be active from late spring onwards.

Councillor Tel no.

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Debbie Burrows	840058
Philip Charles	840251
Clive Cook	840928
Roger Jarman	840678
Karen Johns	840381
Michelle Moore	840280
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Phil Ryan	840019



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PC Richard Boulter	0300 123 2345 04407
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Other useful numbers

Highways Hotline To report any problems with Highways, Lighting, Signs: 0300 111 8000

ESBC waste management: To report full re-cycling bins at Schoolhouse Lane: 0800 26 90 98

ESBC Enforcement Team (Dog fouling): 01283 508576

ESBC Planning Enquiries: 01283 508570

Police: All non emergency calls: 101

Sustainable Staffordshire: 01785 277253

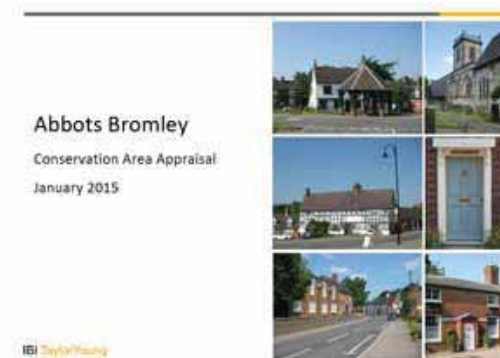
Phillip Atkins (County Councillor): 018895 90922

Greg Hall (Borough Councillor): 01283 840836

Bromley Bulletin

Will You Have Your Say?

The Abbots Bromley Conservation Area is in the process of being reviewed and at present there is an opportunity for residents to comment on proposed changes up to 13 March 2015.



The 48-page January 2015 Abbots Bromley Conservation Area Appraisal document can be found on the [ESBC web pages](#) from where it can be viewed or downloaded.

There is also a form for you to use in making your comments.

The document includes maps and photographs of the village along with extensive narrative covering the historical development of the village, assessments of the townscape and landscape along with future management recommendations.

If you would like to know more information then there will be a presentation from ESBC on the conservation area review at the next Parish Council meeting on 25th February and the matter will also be on the meeting agenda.

QR Code for ESBC web pages



Abbots Bromley Village Hall Charitable Trust 200 Club

Due to peoples' changing circumstances, in order to keep this as the packet says we need some new people to join the club. At present we are running at approximately 90% capacity. The New Year starts in April and the cost is £12 per annum. There is a monthly draw of 3 x £25 and 1 x £50 prizes. For further information please contact Mrs Susan Phillipson on 01283 840492 or by email suephillipson@msn.com

Abbots Bromley

Parish Council Newsletter February – Issue No 56

PC Meetings

7.00 pm Wednesdays

In the Village Hall:

- ◆ 25th February
- ◆ 25th March

Parish Assembly

- ◆ 22nd April

PC Surgery

10-11am Saturdays in Church House

- ◆ 22nd March

Parish Council Elections 2015

Parish Council Elections will be held on 7th May.

Parish councils make all kinds of decisions on issues that affect the local community.

Common topics that PCs get involved are planning matters, crime prevention, managing open spaces and campaigning for and delivering better services and facilities.

More information on the elections will be posted on the village website and noticeboards over the next month. If you are interested in becoming a councillor keep a look out for notices or contact the Parish Clerk.

Closing date 9th April.



Nostalgia Team

The team will be holding another afternoon of nostalgia and reminiscing in the Village Hall on Sunday 3rd of May from 1pm to 5pm.

Come along, have a cup of tea, a chat and look at documents/photographs/newspaper cuttings of old Abbots Bromley.

If you have any photo's/documents/military information or old letters/postcards of the village and you are willing to share them with us - please bring them along.

EYES DOWN and lets play Bingo, held the 1st and 3rd week in every month in Church House. Doors open 7.30pm to start playing at 8pm. No joining fee just £1.00 at the door. Game books start from £1.50 for two books.



Come along for a game, a chance to win a raffle prize plus a cuppa and a chat. Don't forget you marker pens you may be a winner. Please support your local village bingo.
Dates for bingo:-March 4th & 18th, April 1st & 15th, May 6th & 20th.

Best Kept Village

We will be entering the Best Kept Village competition again this year. Please help us to retain the title by keeping the village tidy.

The judges visit the village 2-3 times from May through to end July.

If you would like to volunteer to help with our efforts in the BKV competition then please contact the Parish Clerk.



Calling All Village Groups

If you help to run a village group or charity then the Parish Council has a small amount of grant money available before the end of this financial year, 31st March. If your group could benefit from funds for a specific project or piece of equipment then please contact the Parish Clerk for more information before Friday, 13th March so that applications can be made and considered at the March meeting on 25th March.

St. Nicholas Church Fund Raising

It is almost 3 years since I was first asked to head a fund raising campaign for our church in Abbots Bromley.

After 30 months of events up and down the village, sharing some great fun times with friends old and new,

I have made a difficult decision to stand down and make way for new blood and new ideas. Quite simply, I feel I have run my course and after almost £25,000 raised, it is time to move on. We need a new standard bearer for the role of Fund Raiser for St. Nicholas Church.

I want to put on record my sincere and grateful thanks to so many of you who supported me whether it was by donation, attendance, good wishes, or all three.

Thank You!! Martin Godfrey

Abbots Bromley Youth Club

Contrary to the rumours, we are still alive and well ! Despite the withdrawal of Staffordshire Youth Service funding and resource on 31st December, the volunteers of Abbots Bromley Youth Club have committed to maintain a service for young people in our community. We continue to be one of the only youth clubs which remain in operation in Staffordshire, following these cuts.

We have established a new organisation to manage the Youth Club and will look to engage professional services to comply with our safe guarding and health and safety obligations.

We are currently financially viable (for the next year at least), but funding will be a challenge to us and we are very grateful for the support of local organisations such as the Parish Council, Abbots Bromley United Charities and the Village Cricket Club. We would also like to recognise the contribution from the village at large through events such as the Horn Dance and our own Fun Day.

We continue to operate on Tuesday evenings between 7pm and 9pm at the Village Hall throughout the year (we will break occasionally , but advise young people accordingly). We are open to young people of school ages between Year 6 and Year 13. After consideration, we have elected to maintain our subs at the bargain price of 50p (you can save that on the tuck shop alone !) to make the Youth Club as accessible to as many young people as possible.

We plan our sessions around various activities, which include sport, cooking, art & crafts, to name a few. We also have a pool table, WII, table tennis and table football available for our young people.

We have some fantastic volunteers, but we can be stretched at times, and will always welcome more support—either on a regular basis or adhoc. If you have a skill that you could share or impart upon our young people, we would always welcome those contributions.

We were originally established at the request of young people in the village and provide at least one night a week, where there is something to do and a place where young people can meet. We must make sure this facility is not lost to our village—your support is appreciated.

The Abbots Bromley Youth Club Committee



Abbots Bromley School

Dear Members of the AB Village Community,

May we please draw your attention to an on-going problem that we are experiencing Whilst we welcome the fact that members of the community take advantage of walking through our beautiful school grounds, whether on the designated Public Footpaths or on the sports fields, it is disappointing that some dog walkers do not always act responsibly by cleaning up after their pet.

Not only are our playing fields used by our own pupils and those of visiting schools, children in the local community also benefit from playing on the fields. It is vital therefore that all dog owners act responsibly by removing dog faeces please. Toxocarasis is an infection in humans which is caused by roundworm parasites found in dog faeces; the serious side effects of such an infection can lead to damage to body organs such as the liver, lungs, eyes or brain!

In drawing this matter to your attention, we very much hope that everyone will be on the look-out to ensure that dog owners behave in a responsible manner.

Thank you for your full co-operation in helping to keep our village a healthy environment to live in.