

## NOSTALGIA TEAM REPORT

Following an extremely successful presentation of our work on 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May, we wish to thank the following for their considerable help:

- Abbots Bromley School & International College – allowing us the use of their sport's hall
- Staffordshire County Councillor Philip Atkins – financial support to assist with the purchase of presentation equipment.
- Abbots Bromley Parish Council – continuing financial support to assist with our on-going work.
- Residents of Abbots Bromley who continue to take an interest in our work through the provision of much of our material from their own personal family memorabilia.
- Individual donations from many welcome sources that allow us the flexibility to ensure that access to our exhibitions is free at the point of entry.
- The help of other interested residents who freely give their time and support to us.
- Anyone else who I may have inadvertently missed out.

We are delighted to inform everyone that we will continue to present our work for the enjoyment of others as long as the interest is there. It is important that we remain open to new ideas, and we also need to seek out new material.

If you have any suggestions (or indeed any artefacts that you would like us to consider for future display) please get in touch. Believe me, everything is worthy of consideration by us, and we would be delighted to help you share your history with others.

As an early alert, we would like to remind you that the 'Nostalgia Team' will be staging their third exhibition of Horn Dance memorabilia at this year's Horn Dance Day (Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016). We will be sited in the assembly room at the rear of the Crown Public House. Please come along and be fascinated.

### Note:

Following discussions with a number of residents, we would also like to seek your support for a worthwhile village cause:- Much of what we do is as a result of our research into the history of the local War Memorial; and the names of those commemorated on it. We have approached the Parish Council to show our support to them for the on-going restoration and maintenance of the memorial, and will donate a nominal sum from our proceeds to assist them with this work. The Nostalgia Team invite you to join them in this initiative by offering a small donation (either through us or directly to the Parish Council). Together, we can all feel justly proud of what this village monument stands for. It deserves to look as special and as loved as it can be as it approaches its own centenary.

**Tom Wheeldon**

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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
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# Bromley Bulletin

## Abbots Bromley Neighbourhood Development Plan

Many thanks to all those who took the time to have a look at the displays and talk to the Neighbourhood Plan group at the Parish Assembly on the 18<sup>th</sup> May. The group has had some really useful feedback. We had almost 100 questionnaires returned that went out with the last bulletin so the group is delighted by the response and the interest shown. The full results of the consultation will be added to the website shortly. We are working to access a Government grant to enable the group to carry out some background research into those issues that you have identified, principally traffic, transport and parking and future housing need. Once this is complete we will then bring forward a further consultation later in the summer. Make sure you keep up to date.

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Website: [http://www.abbotsbromley.com/neighbourhood\\_plan](http://www.abbotsbromley.com/neighbourhood_plan)

## Wild Flower Planting

This year the Parish Council decided to plant wild flowers near to the Rugeley turn, here are Councillors taking on the back breaking task! Although a bit trial and error we hope that the plot will flourish in the coming weeks and perhaps even help with Best Kept Village.



# Abbots Bromley

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## PC Meetings

7.00 pm Wednesdays

In the Village Hall:

- ♦ 29th June
- ♦ 27th July

## PC Surgery

10-11am Saturdays in Church House

- ♦ 23rd July

## Best Kept Village

Best Kept Village judging continues throughout the Summer. We would ask everyone to help us keep our village tidy, not just for BKV but all year round.

There have been several litter picking sessions in the village but more keeps appearing, particularly in the playgrounds, including broken beer bottles! Thank you to everyone who has helped.





## Chairman's Report

As presented at the Parish Assembly on 18th May 2016

**Planning** – continuing from our report in 2015:

**Ashbrook Lane:** Fortunately this 80 house development was not approved by ESBC, but we have just heard of an appeal by the developer. The presence of an accepted Village Plan, outlining a maximum of 40 new houses, certainly helped ESBC make the correct decision for our village, and hopefully will continue to make a positive contribution to the appeal process.

**The Village Plan.** As previously stated our submission had been accepted by ESBC. But until the Borough wide plan had been approved by Central Government, we were still very vulnerable – hence the speculative Ashbrook Lane submission. Although this was approved by the Government on the 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015, and confirmed by the ESBC at a full council meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> October, the fact that the developers of Ashbrook Lane consider it worthwhile to appeal must put in some doubt the strength of the Borough wide plan. The Governments approach to local development still appears to be developer lead. Hopefully this cynical; view will prove to be incorrect

**Abbots Bromley Neighbourhood Plan.** Following on from the Village Plan, we decided in July to begin the process of developing a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Parish following a well attended public meeting was held in November. From that a working Group was set up including both Members of the Parish Council, and representatives of the community. The intention is to complete this plan and submit it to ESBC by November 2017. This is under the Chairmanship of Cllr Bryn Walters, who will discuss it in more detail later...

**Ivy House, High Street.** Still as a matter report, the development is well under way. Walton Homes have now bought further land from Abbots Bromley School, which should accommodate 4 addition houses. Because of the length of time it took to come to fruition, the original development did not count towards the 40 houses required by our Village Plan, these 4 will.

**Kentilee, Ashbrook Lane** We have been battling against this inappropriate development in the garden of Kentilee of 2 detached houses. This is a very small plot which will look out of proportion to the immediate area and will not be able to provide adequate off road parking, thus causing potential danger so close to a road junction. Unfortunately this has now been passed, with the 2 houses now being semi-detached, not detached. This does not address the problem of parking.

**Best Kept Village** – This year we were second to Yoxall in the large village category, with Tutbury third. As you will have seen as you drive through Hoar Cross, they won both the small village category, and the area trophy. Again, as with every year, we had a wonderful display of childrens posters.

**Bromley Bulletin** – This year we published in August, October, and February (with the Neighbourhood flyer).

**Christmas Tree** – Again, our thanks to the Brandrick family for donating an excellent tree.

**Parish Council Surgeries.** As with previous years, these bi-monthly surgeries have continued. As we said last year, the public attendance is not great, but we hope that those that have needed to discuss a problem have found them useful.

**Traffic and Parking:** WPC Josie Shepherd attended our July meeting to discuss speeding and parking on the pavement. She confirmed that she had been out with a speed camera, but found that although some people had been just over the speed limit, it was not enough to prosecute. Re parking, although the Police would take action if any one blocking the pavement was caught “live” (i.e. not just a photograph); the only way to tackle “one wheel on the pavement” would be to implement a total parking ban through the main streets of our village. As a Parish Council we confirmed that this would not be practical, or in the best interest of many residents.

**Mobile Library** We have now been downgraded from 3 stops to 1. Although there is a short stop in Bromley Wood, the best that we could get for the village was the Bagot Arms, but a longer stop from 3:15 to 4:45.

**Abbots Bromley Sports Association** As reported in both the October and February Bulletins, much progress has been made in making the new village sports field a reality. As a practical expression of our support we have a awarded a grant of £5,000 towards the project.

**Jubilee Cup 2014/5.** Last years worthy recipient was John Stevenson. Having been involved with Abbots Bromley Cricket Club for many years, this award was given in recognition of the work that John has done, with his fellow committee members/trustees, in getting the Abbots Bromley Sports Association off the ground, and making the possibility of the sports development on the Lichfield Road a real possibility.

**New Parish Councillors.** Having said farewell to 5 retiring Councillors last year, this year it is with pleasure that we welcome 5 new Councillors: Caroline Ashton, Paul Greenwood, Rosamund Robb, Adele Wakefield, and Bryn Walters.

Cllr Roger Jarman, Parish Council Chairman , May 2016

## Dog Fouling

It is very difficult to find something new to say about this antisocial activity that is blight on this community. Personal insults do not seem to work, perhaps because the perpetrators are too thick to understand that I am referring to them. It is no good appealing to their better nature, because they obviously do not have one.

An issue that we have raised before, the issue of dog fouling on the Anglesey and the Lovers at Abbots Bromley School. We have been advised informally that they have a few ground staff who perform a "sweep" of the fields before any of the students do outdoor sports activities as it's obviously a potential health risk.

If dog owners continue to act irresponsibly it may lead to the idea of fencing land off from the public rights of way. I am sure that this would only be done as a last resort. AB School have said that they are more than happy for the village to make use of the open spaces but not if they continued to be mistreated in this way. This is totally understandable. A very few thick and irresponsible dog owners do not realise, dog poo and children do not mix. Please do not let the few spoil it for the many.



## Abbots Bromley First Responders

Abbots Bromley CFR group needs new recruits to survive. The group needs more active responders.

Volunteers need to be over 18, have the ability to undertake training, and be able to give their time to the group's activities.

A minimum of 15 hrs. per month is required. It is also necessary to be able to cope with medical emergencies before the ambulance service arrive. The training can be useful in normal life.

Contact Colin and Elizabeth on 01283840667, or Rob on 07800849237 for more information.

