

Upper Beeding Parish Council

For the Parish of Upper Beeding, Edburton and Small Dole

Newsletter Autumn 2019

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

Chairman's Message

Welcome to our autumn newsletter.

At the time of writing I'm enjoying light duties due to our summer recess. However when we resume in September we face challenging times. Our next budget round will see us trying to build our reserves whilst maintaining services. Due to cuts in higher tiers of local government we are under pressure to take on more tasks previously carried out by them, such as maintaining verges. To help us we want to gauge your opinions so we will be carrying out a survey later this year.

Among the areas that particularly interest me are the environmental challenges we face. As part of the local greening campaign, along with Steyning and Bramber PCs, we are considering installing drinking fountains to help reduce the need to buy bottled water. We would be interested to hear your thoughts on this, and where might be good places for any fountains. As usual you can contact us via email through our website, by calling [01903 810316](tel:01903810316) or through our Facebook page.

Another area that might be considered environmental is trees. The parish council has recently signed up to the Tree Charter. This recognises that value trees bring to us and how they can help us face future challenges such as climate change. We have long had a programme of planting trees in verges. If you would like one in a verge near you and can care for it until it's established please get in touch.

You may have noticed that the speed limit on the Henfield Road through Castle Town has been reduced to 30 mph. We have long been asking for this and thanks to sterling efforts from our county councillor, David Barling, it has finally been done. We are still hoping to do the same on the Shoreham Road up to High Trees roundabout.

In response to public complaints about speeding in the village we have instigated the setting up of a Community Speed Watch. We are now working with Bramber on this. Although we started the process this is not a council scheme, it relies on public volunteers. If you think you can help please get in touch.

We are considering making a directory of local clubs, businesses and other organisations to help parishioners find them. If you'd like your club, business or organisation to be included please let us know. Depending on the kind of response we get we will consider the best way of proceeding, for example a page on our website or a booklet issued with our newsletter.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and the following mellow fruitfulness.

Simon Birnstingl
Chair, UBPC

Village Hall News

During the summer the Village Hall has undergone major refurbishment works to the main hall and the WiFi has been upgraded to give a very good reception throughout the entire premises available to all hall users.

The dates for the autumn quizzes are as follows:

18th September, 16th October and 20th November,

They start at 7.30 p.m. up to 6 per table, £1.00 to enter, cash prizes. Tea and coffee available or bring your own refreshments.



The popular Patcham Silver Band will be returning for a Proms Night on Saturday 19th October 2019. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start. Tickets will be available in advance from Sue's Newsagents or from Sue at 15 School Road at £5.00 per ticket or £6.00 on the door. Tea and coffee and soft drinks will be available.

The Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 30th November 2019 from 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. We are fully booked with some regular stall holders and many new stalls so don't forget to come along and buy those Christmas presents. The Village Hall's preserve table will be there together with a raffle and tombola and of course Father Christmas. There will be a large working model train layout in the large meeting room to interest the children and those not so young. Refreshments will be available.

Check out our website and Facebook sites for all events planned:

www.beedingandbrambervillagehall.org.uk

www.facebook.com/BeedingandBramberVillageHall

We will have vacancies for a Chair and a Treasurer who both plan to retire next April. If you would like to find out more contact the secretary Brenda Carrick at bjcwalnut@byopenworld.com. Our next Village Hall meeting will be held on Monday 21st October 2019 at 7.30 p.m. if you would like to attend and find out how your Village Hall is run we would be pleased to see you.

Sports Hall - Hire Charges

The Sports Hall is available to hire for sporting and non-sporting activities.

Facilities include;

Sports Hall which is marked out for badminton, volleyball and handball.

Changing Rooms, toilets and showers.

Kitchen and lounge areas

Monday to Friday	9:00am – 6:00pm	£8 per hour
Monday to Friday	6:00pm – 9:00pm	£10 per hour
Saturday and Sunday	9:00am – 10:00pm	£11 per hour

Bookings: Julie Bakter 01903 816790



Neighbourhood Plan Update

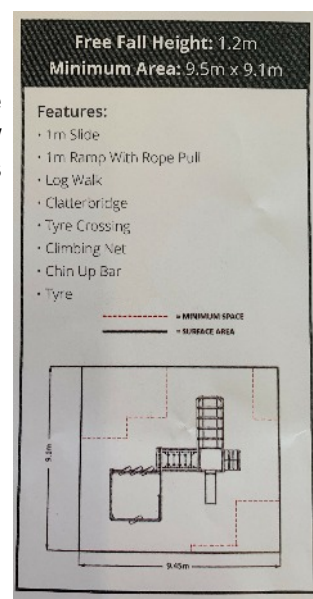
I am pleased to report that the Regulation 16 consultation is complete and the Neighbourhood Plan is with the independent examiner. The independent examiner has already carried out site visits and is reviewing all the documentation, we will then be required to provide clarification and/or respond to any questions he may have. The Parish Council website, Facebook page and notice boards will provide further updates as appropriate.

Small Dole Play Area

Thank you to everyone who responded to the consultation regarding improvements to the play area in Tottington Drive, Small Dole. The Parish Council approved the design below as it best meets the criteria following the consultation and we hope you will agree this is an exciting addition to the play area.

The next stage is to complete an application for S106 funding, this grant will be supplemented by the Parish Council and it is hoped everything will be agreed and the order placed by the end of October.

Just to re-iterate, this is an addition to the play area and no equipment is being removed. Actually, one of the things that was raised during the consultation was better access to the tunnel slide and we are looking at ways to do this.



Youth Club

Upper Beeding Parish Council in partnership with Bramber and Steyning are delighted that Sussex Clubs for Young People will be providing Youth Clubs again, starting from the 9th September. Upper Beeding sees a new day and location (The Sports Hall) as well as an additional session, which will be straight from school on Tuesdays for school years 5 and 6 followed by a session for school years 7-9 from 7pm until 9pm.

Young people are very welcome to attend Youth Club in any location to suit and it is hoped that many more will be able to benefit from these improvements to the service which are as a result of the ongoing desire to promote the best possible range and cover of Youth service across the area. The changes have been made as a result of an ongoing consultation process being undertaken by the Sussex Clubs for Young people in close association with the Steyning, Bramber and Upper Beeding Parish Councils.

Monday	The Cuthman Centre, Steyning	16:30 - 18:30	Young Leaders - Year 9+
		19:00 - 21:00	Year 7 - 9
Tuesday	The Sports Hall, Upper Beeding	15:30 - 17:30	Year 5 - 6
		19:00 - 21:00	Year 7 - 9
Thursday	The Cuthman Centre, Steyning	19:00 - 21:00	Year 10+



Steyping Village Minibus

Our Community Village Minibus is a regular door-to-door service for everyone. Last year we were proud to be presented with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service to mark our 40th anniversary of serving the community.

The aim is to provide friendly assistance to those needing help with their shopping or just a convenient means of transport in the local area. We operate this service five days a week and can pick you up from your home. We help you from your home to the various destinations including Steyping village, the Holmbush Centre, Storrington, Pulborough, Worthing and Horsham, plus some Garden Centres.

Our members find our service invaluable, both socially and for getting out and about. There is no need to struggle on your own – we are here to help in a friendly way. Our minibus seats 8 passengers so it is a small intimate bus where our current passengers enjoy chatting with each other during the journey.

This year we have been delighted to receive a grant from Upper Beeding Parish Council, which will really help with our costs and help us to continue this valuable service.

We would also welcome anyone who would like to offer their time to become a volunteer driver or escort. It would only involve at the minimum a commitment of half-a-day a month.

If you would like more information about our service which covers the Steyping area then please contact either

Sherie Knight tel: 01903 815433
Fiona Wright tel: 01903 812141

New volunteer drivers and escorts also welcome.



LOOKING BACK TO 1919 – A FEW RECOLLECTIONS, 100 YEARS ON

As the gunfire died away, hostilities ceased in November 1918, but what of the immediate post war year of 1919? The resultant, so called “Peace Treaty of Versailles” turned out, as the subsequent years progressed, to have posed just as many issues and problems as the Treaty’s authors and planners felt they had resolved.

Moral standards had fallen during the 1914-1918 war with the birth of thousands of illegitimate children whilst a shortage of potential husbands (and to some extent the effects of female emancipation) resulted in a number of British women outnumbering men. “Our surplus girls” as the *Daily Mail* called them; the newspapers in general simply extolled the virtues of matrimony. Memories of the War were all too often exhibited by disabled former soldiers – men racked with coughs after being gassed in the trenches, and those whose minds never really healed.

Yet, before the British people had come to terms with this aftermath of war, a further terrible disaster struck in the shape of the worldwide “Spanish ‘flu”. Outbreaks in Spain were widespread and in Germany the disease was put down to a diet too heavy in turnips! It has been estimated that half the world’s population caught the virus but only a fraction of them died. In Britain the ‘flu death toll, over eighteen months, amounted to 230,000 people.

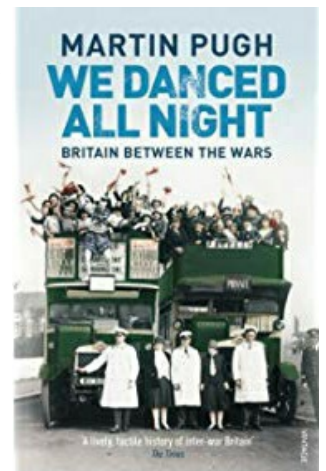
Separately, Church attendance during wartime fell, and one incumbent clergyman, when talking to a returning soldier simply asked “do you still believe in God?” The all too common response was “I did, until the war – you would be surprised if you had seen what I had seen”. Churchgoing numbers in the immediate pre-war period for all religious denominations reached a peak of about 8 million and only partially returned to this level in the 1920s to decline again in the 1930s. In turn, this led to an increase in an interest in spiritualism including, amongst others, the prominent author Sir Arthur Conan-Doyle who eagerly absorbed a fanciful depiction of the afterlife.

Politically, the Communist Party of Britain emerged in 1920 to cause, at the time, concerns over working practices (for those who had work) and principles. Even the Police went on strike in 1919. Surely life could only get better.

Ian Ivatt,
Parish Councillor (Small Dole), Upper Beeding Parish Council

Suggested further reading:

We danced all night, Martin Pugh, Bodley Head Press, 2008.



Police & Crime

The local PCSOs and Wardens for Small Dole and Upper Beeding are:

PCSO	Erica Baxter	Erica.baxter@sussex.pnn.police.uk	
Neighbourhood Warden	Paul Conroy	paul.conroy@horsham.gov.uk	07734 387889
Neighbourhood Warden	Mike Pearce	mike.pearce@horsham.gov.uk	07734 387888

Contact Sussex Police via the non-emergency number 101 to report an incident. **Call 999 immediately** if crime is being committed, the offender is still nearby, people are injured, being threatened or in danger.

Parking

Parking is always a problem and we continue to receive numerous and regular complaints. Please be considerate of others, remember not to block drives and entrances (parking opposite a drive can also cause problems depending on the location) and please do not park on pavements, especially around the school. The safety of pedestrians, particularly children is paramount and whilst walking a little bit further is inconvenient it must be preferable to causing an accident.

The Neighbourhood Wardens will be monitoring parking whilst on patrol, issuing advice notices where appropriate and involving Horsham District Council parking services if required.

Beeding & Bramber Local History Society

These are the remaining meetings of the year:

Wednesday 4 September, Ian Everest on the Women's Land Army (Land Girls)

Wednesday 2 October, Tony Pratt with views of Littlehampton Ships and Boats on postcards; Sail, Steam and the Black Rabbit

Wednesday 6 November, Janet Pennington on an Archaeological Childhood in Sussex

Meetings are held at **7.45pm in the Village Hall** with an interval when refreshments are available. All are welcome and there is a charge of £3 for non-members.

Our booklet about World War Two in Beeding and Bramber is now available, price £6 from Beeding News, or directly from me, and I can also supply our books: Bramber, Glimpses of a Village, price £3, Beeding, History of a Village, price £7.50, and Beeding and Bramber in the Great War, price £12.

Pat Nightingale, 01903 812847

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Beeding & Bramber Horticultural Society

On **Saturday 24 August**, we held our annual Summer Show in the Village Hall. Though entries were down in the flower and vegetable sections, mainly due to the strong winds a few weeks ago, there were plenty of entries in the sections for photographs, cookery and children's drawings. The many visitors who came to see the display also enjoyed refreshments and the raffle, plant and produce stalls.

Membership is only £3 per year, so please join us and help keep this village tradition alive. The next Show will be in the Spring.

Pat Nightingale

THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU ALL A WONDERFUL AUTUMN

Please send to the editor: editor@beeding.plus.com

Any article / contribution / questions by 15th November 2019 for our Winter Edition

Meeting Schedule

September 2019 – December 2019

All meetings are held at Beeding and Bramber Village Hall unless otherwise stated

September	Tuesday 3 rd	7:00pm	Planning Committee	(Small Dole Village Hall)
	Tuesday 3 rd	7:30pm	Council Meeting	(Small Dole Village Hall)
	Tuesday 17 th	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 17 th	7:30pm	Staffing Committee	
October	Tuesday 1 st	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 1 st	7:30pm	Council Meeting	
	Tuesday 15 th	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 15 th	7:30pm	Sports and Leisure Committee	
November	Tuesday 15 th	8:00pm	Amenities Committee	
	Tuesday 5 th	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 5 th	7:30pm	Council Meeting	
	Tuesday 19 th	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
December	Tuesday 19 th	7:30pm	Finance Committee	
	Tuesday 3 rd	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 3 rd	7:30pm	Council Meeting	
	Tuesday 17 th	7:00pm	Planning Committee	
	Tuesday 17 th	7:30pm	Sports and Leisure Committee	
	Tuesday 17 th	8:00pm	Amenities Committee	

Please note: Planning committee meetings will only take place if there are applications to discuss

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The Parish Council office is at the rear of 3 Hyde Square, Upper Beeding BN44 3JE. The Clerk is generally in the office most days between 9am – 3pm. If you are making a special journey please telephone in advance as I am often out and about in the village or at off-site meetings.

SPORT



UPPER BEEDING FC

Pre Season preparations are completed and the football season is underway. Our 1sts commenced their campaign away at Worthing Town FC in Macron SCFL Div 2 on Sat 17 August and following their appearance in the Sussex Intermediate Cup Final last April are hopeful for a good season.

Our Reserves will be competing in the West Sussex Football League Div 1 South after being promoted last season. Their season begins Sat 7 September, details of fixtures are still awaited.

Sat 7 Sept also sees the season start for both our Youth teams, under 10s and the Under 12s.

Our thanks to all our local sponsors and supporters, it is very much appreciated. We hope to see you at the upcoming fixtures!

Upcoming Matches at Upper Beeding Memorial Fields (UBMF)

Sat 7 Sept

Upper Beeding U10s v Lower Beeding, ko 9:30am
Upper Beeding U12s v Hurstpierpoint Colts, ko 9:30am

Sat 14 Sept

Upper Beeding 1sts v Littlehampton Utd ko 3pm, Macron SCFL Div 2

Sat 21 Sept

Upper Beeding U10s v Steyning Town, ko 9:30am

Sat 28 Sept

Upper Beeding 1sts v Copthorne, ko 3pm, Macron SCFL Div 2.

Sat 5 Oct

Upper Beeding U12s v Faygate Utd, ko 9 30am



All support for is very welcome, come on Beeding !!!! Follow us at www.upperbeedingfc.com and on twitter @upperbeedingfc

We would be interested in speaking to anyone willing to help run an Under 8s team, and a Beeding Girls team that we can get to start with a view to starting to play matches in 2020.

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