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WELCOME TO THE DECEMBER NEWS BULLETIN FROM BRIXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Brixton Parish Council News Bulletin

Welcome to the December and last news bulletin of 2022 from Brixton Parish Council (BPC).

The Parish Council meet monthly in the Community Room adjacent to the school. The location of our meetings is constantly reviewed as we are mindful of the safety of parishioners and councillors alike. All working group meetings are continuing via zoom.

BPC is continually pressing our local MP and Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to allow councils the flexibility to hold meetings remotely when they deem appropriate.

BPC is looking into the possibility of streaming meetings and undertook a trial meeting in October. Watch this space for more news on streaming meeting during 2023.

Brixton Parish Council has a Business Continuity Plan. This can be viewed on <u>www.brixonparishcouncil.org.uk</u> along with the councils' other policies.

Traffic Calming Red Lion Hill / Stamps Hill

BPC is in discussion with DCC officials to discuss traffic volumes, speed and unsuitable use of HGV's on Red Lion Hill and Stamps Hill. S106 funding from the Sherford development is available for this project. DCC have completed site audits & data analysis and external consultants are currently working on proposals which will then be the subject of a public consultation led by BPC

Community Speedwatch

Community Road Warden is liaising with D&C Police to add a new location in the village. A couple of successful speed watch sessions have been undertaken along A379. If you would like to join the team of volunteers please contact our Clerk Kirstie Aldridge clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk.

Highways

BPC Traffic Management Working Group continues to meet remotely with DCC Highways Officer on a quarterly basis and the latest meeting was held in October.

If you have any highways related issues or any questions for a future meeting please email

clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk

Parking in Brixton

BPC held two open community consultation events in October, approx. 20 people attended the events. The responses from the events will be collated and a working group set up.

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Parking on the pavement is an issue in the parish, particularly on the A379 in the village. Did you know it is illegal to park in the area in front or behind the bus stop? There is a single yellow line denoting a bus stop and parking here is an enforcement offence. Please think about parking considerately.

Cost Of Living Crisis

BPC are mindful of the 'Cost of Living' Crisis and a small working group are currently meeting regularly to discuss this. Keep an eye out for a leaflet that will be delivered to every household with invaluable information. There will be a Community Help Box located in the church porch containing cleaning and hygiene products funded by BPC, Brixton Feoffee Trust and donations. A Warm Hub will open from the beginning of January - 'The Foxhound' will be open Mondays and Thursdays from 11.00-12.00 and 3.00-5.00pm

River Yealm Water Quality Group

This working group with the 7 Riparian Parish Councils in the River Yealm Catchment area together with other interested parties continues to meet to work with Environment Agency and South West Water to look at improving the quality of water in the River Yealm particularly relating to the discharge of sewage into the river at times of heavy rainfall. You can help by only flushing the 3 P's down the loo i.e. pee, poo and paper.

Land at Cofflete Creek

Brixton Parish Council has purchased the parcel of land at the head of Cofflete Creek on the site of the former Cofflete Mill.

The aim is to create a community amenity space for the residents of Brixton Parish, through careful consideration of the significant historic and environmental value of this piece of land to the community.

In the last few months an interpretation board. During 2023 BPC will start to focus on the higher area.

Brixton Parish Environment Working Group

This group continues to meet monthly via zoom and the BPC Environment Policy has been updated and an action plan formulated. These can both be viewed on BPC website www.brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk

The next meeting will be held Monday 23rd January 2023 via zoom. The details to join the meeting and the agenda will be published on the website nearer the time.

Bee Wild Group

The Bee Wild Group took part in The Big Green Week, the UK's biggest ever celebration of community action to tackle climate change and protect nature which took place during the beginning of October. There was a vast programme of events during the week, the attendance at these events was small with a very positive and friendly community atmosphere.

Director Sherford Community Land Trust

BPC were delighted to appoint Steven Williams as their nominated representative on the Board of Directors for Sherford Community Land Trust. Steven will report back to BPC at their monthly meetings with a copy of the report available to read on BPC website.

District, Town, and Parish Council elections – 4th May 2023

There will be District, Town, and Parish Council elections on the 4th of May 2023, when all Councillors will retire and those wishing to re-stand will be required to submit a nomination paper

Thank You

BPC would like to express their thanks to parishioners and volunteers that have worked with the parish council over the last year and in particular The Bee Wild Group, street sweepers, litter pickers, defibrillator guardians, footpath monitors, attendees at the Environment and Traffic working groups and our Community Road warden for keeping our village safe. Thank you.



BPC would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

Village decorations and The Green

Brixton Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Wills and Jennifer for the fabulous decorations that adorn the lamp posts in the village. They are stunning and the village is really looking festive

BPC meetings 2023

(These are subject to change) BPC continue to meet on the last Wednesday of the month (excluding August) except during school holidays. All meetings are held in term time.

- 25th January
- 22nd February
- 29th March
- 26th April
- 24th May
- 28th June
- · 19th July
- 27th September,
- 1st November
- 29th November
- 13th December

Next meeting of BPC

The next meeting of BPC is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 25th January 2023.

To keep up to date with the parish council please visit our website www.brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk

or by following the following Facebook pages:

- LOVEBrixton Devon
- Brixton Village

If you have any question or queries regarding the work of BPC please do not hesitate to contact Kirstie Aldridge, Clerk via email

clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk