

# BRIXTON



## CELEBRATES

WELCOME TO THE APRIL NEWS BULLETIN FROM BRIXTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Brixton Parish Council News Bulletin

Welcome to the April news bulletin from Brixton Parish Council (BPC).

The Parish Council cannot meet remotely due to the expiry of remote legislation on 7th May 2021 so face to face monthly Parish Council meetings have resumed, initially in St Mary's Church and now 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.

Brixton Parish Council has a Business Continuity Plan which it is following when necessary. This can be viewed on [brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk) along with the councils other policies.

#### Traffic Calming Red Lion Hill / Stamps Hill

BPC has met with Gina Small, SHDC Urban Fringe Team and 2 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 to identify the main issue & their proposals will then be subject of public consultation led by BPC.

#### Community Speedwatch

Community Road Warden is liaising with D&C Police to add a new location in the village. Practical training has been undertaken for new volunteers and posts for a couple of new locations of the VAS along A379 will be installed next month. If you would like to join the team of volunteers please contact our Clerk Kirstie Aldridge for more information [clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto: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 on 4<sup>th</sup> April.

If you have any highways related issues or any questions for a future meeting please email [clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk)

#### 20mph speed limit

BPC has submitted an Expression of Interest (Community Self Assessment) Assessment form to DCC for a 20 mph speed limit. The route submitted for consideration is along the A379 East from the direction of Plymouth towards Yealmpton (start at the current 30mph restriction sign Chittleburn Hill), West from the direction of Yealmpton towards Plymouth (start from the current 30mph restriction sign prior to Winstone Lane. South C classified road from the direction of the A38 towards the A379 Brixton (start from the current 30mph speed restriction at Stamps Hill), North C classified road from the direction of the A379 Brixton, along Red Lion Hill towards the A38 (start from the current 30mph speed restriction at Red Lion Hill).

#### Community Emergency Plan

Brixton Parish Council Community Emergency is being led by Helen Williams, on behalf of BPC. The Plan will be updated at the April Council meeting and refresher training sessions for volunteers will be arranged.



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### River Yealm Water Quality Working 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. The group is in the process of analysing data that has been received from a recent Freedom of Information enquiry from SWW and Environment Agency.

### 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 March volunteers helped to clear the lower part of the site in preparation for an interpretation board and bench. The planted trees have taken well.

### 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](http://www.brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk)

The next meeting is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm via zoom

The link for this meeting will be published on BPC website nearer the time.

In April the **Bee Wild Group** and volunteers planted 11 bee friendly trees in the village under the guidance of Alex Whish

### Carrollsland

Meadfleet have planted wildflower seeds along the long strip and there are now rows of daffodils.

**Sherford** has its own environmental working group with residents from the town and neighbouring Sherford Road creating the Sherford Community Park and Open Spaces Group, with support from the Community Land Trust and gaining RHS affiliation. They have been working with YGS Landscaping, who manage the green spaces, and the Urban Fringe Team on establishing working areas in the Country Park.

### Play provisions

In conjunction with SHDC and with s106 funding a replacement play tower for the Brixstix play space has been installed and will be open after safety issues have been resolved.

### The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee working group continues to meet monthly to co-ordinate events within Brixton for the long weekend

The new planters on The Green will be planted with red, white and blue flowers. Let's keep this theme going with red, white and blue flowers in hanging baskets, front gardens, and window boxes.

Join in with the street cleaning before the weekend with extra cleans on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May.

The Wednesday Craft Group and others have been busy making bunting to decorate the A379

24 A2 posters depicting the 70 years of the Queen's reign will be displayed on the lampposts along A379

### Find The Corgi

In windows across Brixton there will be 70 different pictures of corgis to spot. A special souvenir toy corgi is also hidden.

### Quiz

A Special Platinum Jubilee Quiz will be in the June Magazine

### THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> June

**2.30pm TREE DEDICATION** at the entrance to Woodland Drive on Red Lion Hill, followed by refreshments in St. Marys Church.

**3.30 pm - 4.30pm BELL RINGING FESTIVAL** at St. Mary's Church

Arrive from **9.00pm** to see the lighting of the Brixton beacon / bonfire at South West Composting Site to help us to celebrate lighting the chain of beacons across the country.

Alternatively come out on your doorstep at **9.30pm**, greet your neighbours, and shine your torch or lantern at **9.45pm** to start the celebrations

### FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> June – time TBC

**2.30pm Venn Court** is hosting a barbecue in their gardens - Brixton families (children accompanied by an adult) welcome to join in the fun. Some places in Brixton also plan to have their own street party

### SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm

**THE BIG PICNIC** – grounds of St Mary Brixton School  
Bring your own rug to sit on and picnic and share some fun including children's games from the 1950s, dressing up (eco friendly, homemade!) in any period over the last 70 years or royal themes – prizes for best fancy dresses.

### SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> June 11.00am

Come to the Service of Thanksgiving at St. Mary's Church with community organisations represented.

### FOXHOUND INN – 3.30pm – 5pm

Family Fun at The Foxhound Reservation essential

The updated action plan is available to view on [brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk)

