



WELCOME TO THE OCTOBER NEWS BULLETIN FROM BRIXTON PARISH COUNCIL



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## Brixton Parish Council News Bulletin

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

### Next parish council meeting

Unfortunately, the October meeting of Brixton Parish Council has been postponed due to COVID19. Brixton Parish Council next meet on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Brixton (TBC)

The Parish Council cannot meet remotely due to the expiry of remote legislation on 7th May 2021. Due to rising COVID-19 case numbers and to ensure the safety of councillors and parishioners alike BPC are trialing COVID secure places to meet.

In September, BPC met in Yealmpton Community Centre and this month in St Mary's Church. BPC will continue to monitor the Government advice and inform parishioners of future meetings on social media, noticeboards and BPC and BrixtonDevon websites,

Brixton Parish Council has a Business Continuity Plan which it is following, this can be viewed on [brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk).

Brixton Parish Council is working tirelessly behind the scenes and would like to provide the following updates:

### Traffic Calming Red Lion Hill / Stamps Hill

Gina Small, SHDC Urban Fringe Team and Darren Davey from Devon County Council (DCC) are investigating possible traffic calming measures. S106 funding from the Sherford development is available for this project. The DCC proposals will then be subject of public consultation.

### Community Speedwatch

Restrictions regarding Speedwatch deployments have been relaxed and BPC would like to thank all the new volunteers that have completed the registration and online training. 'On the job' training will commence in November with a view to starting soon. If you would like to join the team please contact our Parish 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. The next meeting will be held in

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



Cllr Colin Cocking - BPC Councillor

I have lived in Brixton for over 11 years. Much of my free time is spent in and around the water and I am a very keen and active environmentalist. I want to give back to the community where I live and work. Having a young family, I am looking to be the voice for my children and the rest of the youth population in the village. I am looking to champion community led events with the aim to bring the village together, these are important to create a sense of community and pride in our village

### Quiet Lane Status

BPC have requested that the lanes to the north of the village are approved for a trial Quiet Lane Status.

### **River Yealm Water Quality Working Group**

In March BPC set up a group working, with Wembury PC, Newton & Noss PC and Yealmpton PC, along with other interested parties to work with Environment Agency and South West Water to look at the quality of water in the River Yealm particularly relating to the discharge of sewage into the river at times of heavy rainfall. This group meets monthly. Freedom of Information requests have been sent to both SWW and Environment Agency.

### **Community Emergency Plan**

Brixton Parish Council Community Emergency is being led by Helen Williams, on behalf of Brixton Parish Council.

### **FP 26**

The restoration of the stone wall on FP26 is almost complete.

### **Cofflete Creek**

Brixton Parish Council have 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.

Work is ongoing to clear the area with some trees being removed due to ash dieback and safety concerns.

An interpretation board is being designed to be located on the lower site along with benches.

### **Play provisions**

Brixton Parish Council are looking at a replacement play tower for the Brixstix play space.

Discussions are ongoing regarding facilities for older children.

### **Brixton Parish Environment Working Group**

The first public meeting of this group took place in April with interested councillors and parishioners from both Brixton and Sherford. The group Terms of Reference can be found on [www.brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk).

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 group meet monthly and everyone is welcome to join. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November when Kat Deeney, Head of Environmental Planning at PCC will be in attendance to discuss the Community Forest.

**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. They have been planting wildflower starts, managing undergrowth and infestations of Ragwort and undertaking bluebell planting.

### **Carrollsland**

The Bee Wild Group have visited Carrollsland and looked at the trees and flowers. An area has been identified for wildflower planting and the management company have been approached for approval.

### **The Green**

Brixton Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Wills for looking after The Green in recent years and keeping it looking bright, cheerful and a colourful focal point for the village all year round. Cllr Wills has handed over responsibility for The Green to Cllr Arran.

### **Next meeting of BPC**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm (tbc)

To keep up to date with the parish council please visit our website

[www.brixtonparishcouncil.org](http://www.brixtonparishcouncil.org)

or by following the

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