

VILLAGE INFORMATION

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- 1pm on Saturdays.*

Next Parish Council Meetings

Great Braxted Previous meeting of the Gt Braxted PC rescheduled to 1st Oct', see below website for details

Email: greatbraxtedpc@gmail.com

Website: <https://e-voice.org.uk/greatbraxtedparishcouncil/>

Little Braxted - All meetings are held at the Braxted Bakery, and start at 7.00 p.m.

The next dates are: To be confirmed Email the following for details: littlebraxtedpc@hotmail.com

All members of the public are welcome to attend either PC meeting

WELCOME TO OCTOBER

If you are a parent you are probably preparing for Halloween. Halloween has its origins in pagan festivals held around the end of October in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland. ... In Puritan times, Halloween celebrations were outlawed, but they were revived in later times. Halloween can also be called All Hallows Eve, or the day before All Saints' Day, observed on November 1

In regard to the subject of the CoronaVirus and isolation, the governments lockdown announced on the 23rd March, means that this edition of The Bulletin, will only be distributed via email and the Braxteds Facebook groups.

If you know anyone that does not access Facebook, or would like a copy emailed to them, please let me know at lee.kane01@hotmail.com

WELCOME TO BRAXTED

... If you have new neighbours that you would like to add to this article next month, please let me know.

BRAXTED RESIDENTS FACEBOOK GROUPS



Those interested, in local updates, including stories found in the Braxted bulletin and other local issues, please feel free to join the following Facebook groups , **by either** searching for 'Great Braxted Residents' or using the below link for Great Braxted, or requesting to join 'Little Braxted' group via Facebook message to Ali Aldi. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1637978482902828/>

GREAT BRAXTED PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

<https://e-voice.org.uk/greatbraxtedparishcouncil/>

The above referenced website is updated by our parish clerk, and includes local information, including planned road closures, as well as news from Maldon District council including campaigns, news and bulletins.

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ST NICHOLAS, CHURCH LITTLE BRAXTED

St Nicholas: ❖ Since the Church re-opened daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm for casual visitors and those wishing to come in for private devotions there have been quite a number of visitors. Please take heed of the Special Notices relating to Covid-19 restrictions and care, including leaving contact details for potential tracing purposes (a Gov't requirement; details kept for 21 days only) ❖ The 9.00am Service on the third Sunday was fully 'booked' in September and will continue in October using the Book of Common Prayer (1662). Because of Social Distancing we can only have a maximum of 18 worshippers and so, ask that you 'book a pew' with Elsie on 07960558587.

St Mary's Chapel ❖ The Chapel at Little Braxted Place will remain closed.

St Bartholomew's: ❖ The 10.30am Sunday Communion service will be in St. Bartholomew's Church Hall. Numbers for this service will be limited to 30 taking into account required social distancing. The first part will continue to be streamed on Face Book Live. ❖ There will be a Holy Communion Service at 10.00am on Wednesdays also streamed...in the Hall

The whole Parish ❖ The Zoom Prayer meeting will continue to take place on Fridays at 10.15am – do let me know if you wish to be included on the invite. ❖ The Sunday Order of Service as well as the weekly Pew Sheet, double the usual size, with the Collect and Readings for the day and other information about other podcast or online services is available on our Website to read or download. <https://www.churchinwickhambishops.org.uk/>

❖ **St B is now closed for part redecoration until mid-December so from Harvest Festival Service** onwards Services will be in the Hall and numbers restricted to 30 - **bookable** on 01621 892867.

'Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul'. (3 John 1:2)

Rev. Hilary

SUNDAY 4 Harvest Thanksgiving 10.30 am Service of Holy Communion in St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Phone 01621 892867 to book a seat. also on Face Book Live

SUNDAY 11 Trinity 18 - St Luke 10.30 am Service of Holy Communion in St Bartholomew's Church Hall Phone 01621 892867 to book a seat also on Face Book Live

SUNDAY 18 Trinity 19 9.00 am Service of Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) in St Nicholas'. Phone 07960 558587 to book a Pew. (Limited to 18), 10.30 am Sunday Praise Service in St Bartholomew's Church Hall Phone 01621 892867 to book a seat also on Face Book Live

SUNDAY 25 Last Sunday of Trinity 10.30 am Service of Holy Communion in St Bartholomew's Church Hall Phone 01621 892867 to book a seat also on Face Book Live

WEDNESDAYS Service of Holy Communion in St Bartholomew's Church Hall 10.00 am also on Face Book Live

FRIDAYS Zoom Prayers (please email revhilary@btinternet.com if you 10.15 am wish to be part of this so we can send you the link)

Priest-in-charge Rev Hilary Le Sève **01621 892867, Churchwardens** Barry Cousins & Graham Wingrove 01621 891355/ 07902 453893 & 01621 891844

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ALL SAINT'S GREAT BRAXTED CHURCH NEWS OCTOBER 2020

It is now the start of Autumn and the end of Summer. Schools are back but the virus is still with us and we must take precautions.

Our Harvest Festival will be on SUNDAY 4th October at 11.15 am. For the last few years we have asked for supplies for the Colchester Soup Run which has supported the homeless and disadvantaged and we are one of a number of churches who do this. But this has been temporarily discontinued. Therefore, we would ask that donations for the Harvest Festival be non-perishable food items, etc., so we can support the local FOOD BANK.

We are pleased that churches have been able to reopen, albeit with some guidelines. We provide hand sanitization and social distancing. Face coverings need to be worn by everyone over the age of 11 unless they have a medical exemption. We also take note of names and contact details for test and trace but do not keep this information or use it for anything else. Such details will be disposed of after 21 days. Also, at present there is no singing of hymns but we can have music by the organ or recorded on CD or IPod.

Early warning: On Sunday 1st November it is All Saints' Day which we will note with a Family Service at 11.15 am. The Remembrance Service will be on Sunday 8th November at 10.50 am so we can have the 2 minute silence at 11am. It is likely that the service at the War Memorial usually on that afternoon will not take place.

Services this month are as follows:

Sunday 4th October HARVEST Family Service at 11.15am
Sunday 11th October Communion at 11.15am
Sunday 18th October Matins (morning service) at 11.15am
Sunday 25th October BIBLE SUNDAY Communion at 11.15am
(taken by the Archdeacon of Colchester)

Contacts:

Rector	Revd. Anne-Marie Renshaw	01621 815260
Churchwardens	Mike Puttick	01621 816830
Admin Assistant	Christine Hall [office hours]	01621 819557
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We are so excited to have been able to open our doors to all our pupils and to welcome our newest members of the Totham family in Reception. Having said that, we have not forgotten our former Year 6 pupils who conducted themselves brilliantly during their last half term at primary school.

Year 6 Leavers' Celebrations

At the end of the last academic year, the Y6 children had the opportunity to find messages posted 'secretly' around Wickham Bishops and Great Totham. We hope the children (and maybe you!) enjoyed searching for all 32 of the good luck messages written by the Great Totham team.

Certificate and PTFA Memory Book Presentation Drive-Thru

The infant playground was transformed into a special leaver's drive-thru where Miss Vass and the Year 6 teachers could present the children with a special leavers' certificate and memory book. The children were able to have a lap of honour whilst being clapped and cheered by the Totham staff team!



Leavers' Picnic on the Field - The children enjoyed fun and games and a burger and chips lunch on the field together where the different bubbles could sit in a giant square, therefore seeing each other whilst maintaining distance.

Autumn Term Topics

The new academic year is well underway and the children have started learning about their fantastic topics for the autumn term;

- Reception – 'Rhyme Time' – books by Julia Donaldson
- Year 1 – 'Superheroes' and 'A Toy's Life'.
- Year 2 – 'Come Fly With Me' – the Wright brothers and aeroplanes
- Year 3 – 'Ancient Egyptians' and 'An English Country Garden'
- Year 4 – 'Settled Saxons, Vile Vikings and Dangerous Dragons'
- Year 5 – 'Our World and Beyond'- rivers, coasts and space
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October News from Maldon District Councillor

If you are keen to give your views about Maldon District Council and its services, the council is very keen to hear from you. The annual Residents and Business Survey was launched in September and is available for six weeks until 1 November 2020. You can complete it by going to www.maldon.gov.uk/yourviews The questions cover everything from your general views about the District, and then detailed questions about health and wellbeing, climate change and detailed questions about Council services and facilities. Working with the Highways department and Essex County Council, I am continuing to push for the need for changes to be made at the Five Corners junction. As it may take some time for a permanent solution, with the help of resident Colin Heaviside, we have put forward some interim solutions. The proposals are being investigated by the Highway Engineers.

During September, the joint standards committee met to discuss the allegations against the Leader of the council. He was found to have breached the code of conduct in his actions towards myself. Despite what you may have read in the local paper, I brought the complaint not for any political motive, but to ensure that all those that hold a public office behave in an appropriate manner. The decision by the committee, proved that my motives in raising a complaint were justified. The full council will vote this month to agree the sanctions against the former leader.

As I am unable to hold physical district council surgeries at the moment, my intention is to hold these virtually. I am proposing to hold them on October 24th. If you wish to meet me virtually please get in touch via my email address: cllr.richard.siddall@maldon.gov.uk to arrange a time, You can of course contact me via email or telephone if you have an urgent matter.

Stay safe and well
Richard

BRAXTED GOLF COMPETITION

This annual event was to take place on Saturday 26th September but has had to be postponed due to the pandemic and the various restrictions.

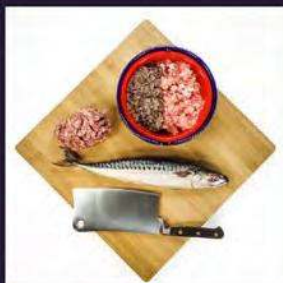
It is a shame as this has always been a very enjoyable and sociable event and has raised a fair amount of money for the church.

Now provisionally re-scheduled for April assuming the problems with the virus are dealt with or we all have a shot of vaccine.

We will advise you further in due course.

Kind regards and stay safe Ken Hornett 891424

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Temporary Traffic Regulation Order of **Tiptree Road, Great Braxted**

Please use the following link <https://one.network/?tm=117781862> to find details of **the intended closure of Tiptree Road, due to commence on 14th October 2020 for 1 day**. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while UK Power Networks undertakes install and replacement overhead lines and poles.

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WEST TEY WATCH Newsletter NEW TOWNS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

WITHOUT admitting the so called 'Garden Communities' were an expensive mistake, Colchester and Braintree Councils have agreed to withdraw West Tey and West of Braintree new towns from the Local Plans. Braintree have started a public consultation, rather than just following the Planning Inspector's guidance. To reduce risks of speculative planning attempts, Local Plans do need to be approved asap. Encouragement to councillors and MPs would be helpful.

North Essex Garden Communities Limited, the company set up by our local authorities and Essex CC, is being wound up. Papers presented to Colchester's Scrutiny Panel on 17 August show NEGC cost us all £6.88million. Colchester have asked for an external review of costs.

Does this mean we can relax, with our region no longer at risk from vast new development, unsupported by appropriate infrastructure? Apparently, not. The Ministry of Housing has started a consultation on planning reform with a new formula for housing targets. Colchester have stated this may result in doubling its house building from around 1,000 to 1,600 pa (60% surely?). In contrast, Braintree thinks it can reduce its numbers.

The suggestion is that land is zoned 'growth'; 'renewal' and 'protected'. Countryside is not given a category, so unless it's specifically designated it may not be protected. The consultation period runs until late October - why not give your views?: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-for-the-future>

On infrastructure, for the A12 widening between Kelvedon and Marks Tey, the 2019 routes through Copford have been eliminated and a preferred route was announced at the end of August: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/east/a12-chelmsford-to-a120-widening-scheme/>

Sadly, the A120 has claimed another young life and there is no obvious progress on re-routing the road. It is in Highways England's pipeline for Road Improvement Strategy 3 - after 2025 - subject to funding being allocated.

Spiders: 8 ways to keep them out of your house this autumn

thanks to Maldon Standard for this article

Spider season is here & they are heading indoors as temperatures outside drop.

Every autumn, spiders head indoors to mate, and avoid the cold weather & although they pose no danger to you (whatever you've read, even the false widow spider presents little threat, and will only bite if provoked) no one really likes them creeping around.

1. Keep things clean

Spiders thrive on the damp & the dark – the nooks & crannies they find in dirty corners & cluttered floors. If you vacuum & dust regularly, store items in boxes that have lids, & generally keep floors & surfaces clear, spiders will be much less inclined to venture inside.

2. Seal your windows and doors

Spiders are small and sneaky, but they still can't get in through solid walls. Use a DIY sealant to close the little crevices that surround so many doors & windows. A watertight home keeps out spiders, & has the added bonus of squishing your heating bill.

3. Eat more oranges

Spiders 'taste' with their legs, & if their legs taste something they don't like – in this case, citrus – they'll be out the door as fast as their 8 legs can carry them. 1 strategy is to rub citrus on your door & window frames, although we're not sure what the neighbours would think if they spotted you absent-mindedly massaging your door frame with an orange peel.

4. Get a humane spider catcher

A lot of people take a confrontational approach when dealing with spiders (i.e. splat), but it might be better for the ecosystem & your conscience to redistribute them somewhere other than your home. Spider vacuums will suck up spiders into a long tube to be released at your leisure, without you having to get within striking distance.

5. Let natural light in

Spiders are attracted to the dark & the dank, while spiders' prey (flies, moths etc) are attracted to light bulbs & lamps. Sidestep both by keeping your blinds open, and flooding your home with natural light.

6. Use a vinegar-based deterrent

Spiders hate vinegar just as much as they hate citrus, so vinegar-based cleaning products often send them scurrying back the way they came. The only drawback: you might think it smells awful too.

7. Clean up your exterior

Tidy anything outside your home that spiders might hide in, and use as a bridge to your interior. Think leaves, woodpiles, climbing plants, compost heaps, and even bins.

8. Get a cat

We might think they're cute and cuddly, but in the urban ecosystem, cats are apex predators that kill on sight. Just as good at munching spiders as they are mice, cats are all-purpose pest control, though some are more energetic than others. Rather drastic as a standalone measure, it's probably wise to only get a cat if you also happen to want one.

VILLAGE ACTIVITIES IN BRAXTED PAVILION & GROUNDS

Lettings Officer & Key Holder: Yvonne Hunter 892034

NOTE: Several of the below regular activities have been suspended including, The Bridge Group, The Art Club and Parish Council meetings, all separately decided to close for the time being. This is in line with government recommendations. There may be others that hold activities within the pavilion building, so please check with organisers before attending.

The pavilion itself will be subject to daily checks to ensure it is OK and things such as maintenance, cleaning, decorating and the like will continue, as these do not involve "gatherings" of more than a very few people

Monday	U3A Bridge Group 09.30 am, - 12.30 pm (Ken Hornett 891424) Metafit [keep fit] 6:30pm – 9pm. <i>Lisa Brand 01621 893720</i>
Wednesday	Pilates Class 4:30pm - 5:30pm. <i>Maureen Barnes 07718741362</i>
Thurs& Sat	Dog Club Thursday 09:30am-1:30pm, 1 st Saturday of the month (Excl Jan), from 10am. <i>Diane Sawford 01621 893664</i>
Thursday	Braxted Art Club. <i>David Joyce 01621 891241</i>
Saturday	Braxted Bombers Keep Fit (outdoors when weather good) 8.30am -9.30am. Terry Martin 07976617534
Misc	Parish Council and Pavilion Committee Meetings (details in Bulletin) Home school intermittently some weekday Wednesday's

The cost of the Pavilion is £25 or £10 for residents of Great and Little Braxted.

