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Brickendon Liberty Parish Newsletter

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Brickendon WhatsApp group for VILLAGE MATTERS: 07811 397399

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DATES FOR THE AUTUMN/CHRISTMAS PERIOD

31st October - Halloween Show at the Farmers Boy: this will take place at the pub and is a public event

2ND November - LITTER PICK - meet at 10am in the Car Park on Brickendon Green

5th November - Guy Fawkes event: this is for Brickendon Liberty residents, a bonfire will be lit in the pub car park and food and drink will be available to purchase

6th December - Children’s Christmas Party: our ever popular Christmas party for young residents of Brickendon Liberty (1 – 7 year olds) will be held at ‘Paradise Wildlife Park’ aka Hertfordshire Zoo. In order to reserve a place parents/carers **must register children** by telephoning Amanda on 07984 937315 **before 15th November**

Sunday 14th December at 3pm - Christmas Nativity: this will be a Nativity Play with a difference held at the church, performed by a cast of willing locals, with music, and returning to the Green for the lighting of the Christmas Tree followed by seasonal celebrations at the Farmers Boy.

Thursday 18th December - Christmas lunch for Seniors who contribute to village life: this will be funded by the PC and FRC and will be held in the Farmers Boy. Numbers limited - invitations will be extended.

Meeting with Hertfordshire Constabulary Neighbourhood Team

This meeting was open to all residents of Brickendon and WWE with an extended invitation to residents of Bayford and Little Berkhamsted. PCSO Leon de Bruyn, who is the Supervisor of Herts Constabulary neighbourhood team, explained the organisation of neighbourhood policing and what it does. Residents asked questions on a variety of issues including fly tipping, motor crime and burglaries. The advice was that fly tipping should always be reported on the East Herts website unless it is obstructing road usage, in which case it should also be reported to the police. Other crimes can be reported using the 101 telephone number or, in the case of an emergency, 999. Residents were advised that the OWL network for keeping residents informed of crime has now been taken over by **Herts Connected** and everyone was advised to join this online. East Herts Police also has a FaceBook group.

Reporting a road, pavement or footpath problem: this can be done online by contacting www.hertfordshire.gov.uk and clicking on ‘report a road, pavement or footpath problem’.

Date of final 2025 Parish Council meeting: 6th November – 7.30pm start

All parishioners are welcome to attend – full Minutes of Meetings are on the parish website

Parish Council Meeting held on 24th July:

- District Councillor, Tim Hoskin, reported on the new waste/re-cycling arrangements.
- The PC are still negotiating for a defibrillator site in WWE
- Purchase of the village green is in progress, fencing will be renewed when it is settled
- Further action is being taken to stop fly tipping in Back Lane, including the installation of CCTV
- Quotes are being sought for tree maintenance
- The application to clear trees/pond on land owned by BGGC does not contravene regulations
- Planning applications were considered, it was reported an injunction for one site has been granted
- The PC is negotiating on travel calming measures in WWE, this is in the hands of EHC
- No need for further bat boxes on the Green but planting of wild flowers should go ahead.

Parish Council Meeting held on 25th September:

- County Councillor Steven Watson attended, together with District Councillor Tim Hoskins
- Councillor Hoskins updated the PC on the devolution of councils, recommendations for this are due to central government this autumn
- A water leak on the corner of the village green has been repaired
- Installation of the WWE defibrillator is now going ahead at the Woodman & Olive PH
- Purchase of the village green in Brickendon is now with the Land Registry
- Residents should look out for notices advising of ongoing road repairs in the parish
- Fencing around the green will start soon and metal bases will be used to protect the posts
- Trees on the village green have been serviced by a tree surgeon, further work will be carried out as required
- It was reported that a profit of approximately £3,700 was made by the fete
- No crimes were reported in the parish in July but one theft was reported in August

To be sure you know which 'bin' to put out go to the East Herts website, select Waste & Recycling and then Collection Dates

Celtic Harmony Camp upcoming events:

Monday 27 – Friday 31 October: Samhain Celebrations

1 November: A Fairy Tale for grown-ups in the chieftain roundhouse

CHC is open every weekend. Visitors can enjoy this unique site, purchase delicious meals, treats and snacks in the Woodland Bistro, visit the pre-history centre and learn about the lives of our ancient ancestors, and for £8pp get the opportunity to try their hand at the Woodland Disc Golf Course (pre-booking required). Well behaved dogs also welcomed. **Tel: 01438 718543/07827 597723** for further information.

Bayford Primary School still has spaces available in their nursery classroom for 2025, if you are interested telephone 01992 511259 or email admin@bayford.herts.sch.uk to arrange a visit.
For places in Reception and other years – phone for further information

Brickendon Fete and Dog Show September 2025



As always, a great day out on the first Sunday of September

Local Information Page

Parish Councillors:

Philip COSFORD – 01992 511207

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Alastair WHITAKER – 07775 626181

Amanda WHITAKER – 07984 937315

Parish Clerk: Laura Brooks-Payne – email clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk

Fanshaws Room Committee:

Linda Ashley **Chair** 01992 511313

Alison Blakey **Secretary** 01992 511045

Robert Williams **Treasurer** 01992 511605

Brenda Lambie **Hall lettings** 01992 511551

Lawrence Price **Environment**

Local Member of Parliament: Lewis Cocking MP (lewis.cocking.mp@parliament.uk (telephone 01992 845335))

Herts County Councillor (elected Mayor of Hertford for 2025/26):

Steven Watson (steven.watson@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

East Herts District Councillor: Tim Hoskin (timhoskin@eastherts.gov.uk)

Police Community Support Officer – East Herts Rural: Sally.Brooks@herts.police.uk

Emergency 999 Non Emergency 101 Online <https://herts.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

Chapel of the Holy Cross and St Alban

Rector: Revd. Theresa Musiwacho – 01707 875940

For Chapel enquiries please contact Virginia Haryott 07770 944854 or email wellpondharyott@gmail.com

Services: 1st Sunday each month - Communion

3rd Sunday each month - Family Service

Parish Activities:

Book Club - meet first Tuesday evening of the month, contact Andrea for details of venue – 01992 511588

Hall Letting - reduced hourly rate for residents of Brickendon Liberty, contact 01992 511551

Knit N Natter - Farmers Boy, Tuesday mornings 10am – 12noon (further information – Janet 01992 511515)

Petanque - meet in Farmers Boy car park. Tuesday evenings 5.30 - 7pm, Thursday and Sunday mornings 10am – midday (Club Secretary Janet 01992 511515)

Pilates - Every Tuesday morning in Fanshaws Room (the village hall) at 9.15am. For more information contact Harriett on 07795 577210 or pilateswithharriett@hotmail.com

Tennis Courts - £5 per hour, to book telephone 07734 715002 or email tony.roberts@brickendon-liberty.org.uk

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