



What's On?

2014!
Happy New Year!

The Newsletter of Bulmer - December 2013
(Including Bulmer St., Bulmer Tye, Finch Hill, Batt Hall, Upper & Lower)

Important Meeting 25th April 2014

On the 25th April 2014, Bulmer Parish Council will hold a Parish Meeting, but what is a Parish Meeting?

All Parish and Town Councils throughout England are required by law to hold an Annual Parish Meeting between the dates of 1st March and 1st June (inclusive). This is not a Council meeting but a meeting of registered electors.



Frequently Asked Questions

Is a Parish Meeting the same as a Council meeting? No. Although a Parish meeting is convened, chaired and minuted by the Parish Council, it is not a Parish Council meeting but a meeting of registered electors (including councillors who are registered electors).

What is the purpose of the Annual Parish Meeting? — The purpose is to enable the registered electors to discuss parish affairs and to pass resolutions thereon. This meeting is also an opportunity for the Parish Council (and higher tiers of local government, District and County) and community groups such as Bulmer School, Bowls Club, Coe's Meadow Management Committee, Village Hall, PCC (St. Andrews Church or Skylarks to give updates on their activities over the last year and any future plans.

Who can attend the meeting? — Anyone may attend but only registered electors in the parish (i.e. of Bulmer) may speak and vote.

Will I be able to ask questions and make resolutions? - Yes, any registered elector may ask questions of the Council. These will usually be answered by the chairman or by the Parish Clerk or a designated Councillor. An elector may also make suggestions and comment on parish issues and propose resolutions. Resolutions are persuasive only, but will be considered by the Parish Council at their future meetings.

Who will chair the meeting? — The Chairman of the Parish Council must chair the meeting, if present. In his absence the vice-chairman must preside if present. If neither is able to attend, then the meeting will elect a chairman from those electors present.

Will Parish Councillors be there? — Although there is no compulsion, Councillors normally attend. They will speak if required, but the purpose of the meeting is to enable the ordinary electors to have their say. Councillors will listen with interest and as electors themselves, also have the opportunity to raise questions and make comments if they wish.

Who sets the Agenda? - The Parish Council initially puts the Agenda together, but any elector can request an item to be added.

Will notes be taken of the meeting? - Yes, a written record of the meeting will be taken by the Parish Clerk and kept in a special book. The rules on the signature and admissibility of minutes are the same as those for Parish Council meetings.

How long will the meeting last? - As long as need be within reason. It really depends on those present and the number of questions and the discussion that is raised. Generally, the meeting will last no longer than 2 hours.

This is therefore your opportunity to raise a specific issue to be discussed or put questions to the council. Further publicity will be given by circulation to all Parish households, with details of how to request an item for the agenda. The Agenda will then be published on notice boards and the Parish Council website Bulmer prior to the meeting.

Wine and cheese are also planned to be available, before and after the meeting.

Further details can be obtained from the Parish Clerk - Hannah Fraser on 01787 374310 or hannah.fraser@sky.com

COFFEE MORNING FOR MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

A very successful Coffee Morning was held at the end of September. £419.28 was raised from donations and sale of cakes preserves, fresh fruit and vegetables. Liz Fulcher would like to thank all those who supported the event and a particularly special 'thank you' to the Bulmer Village Hall Committee who donated £50 from half of the proceeds from their Raffle held at the Quiz Evening at the beginning of October.



BULMER NATURE DIARIES

Hasn't there been a real glut of fruits and nuts this Year? Our few trees produced bumper crops of plums, cherries and apples. In the countryside hazel nuts, conkers, sweet chestnuts, sloes, rose hips, haws and acorns have all added to an overflowing larder to help feed our wildlife in the leaner months to come. On a walk in Maplestead we picked up over three pounds of sweet chestnuts in just a few minutes. We discovered that the microwave provided a brilliant and fast way of cooking them. Perhaps not as pleasing as the good old traditional way of roasting them on an open fire, but it saves getting your fingers burnt! There was a really good show of mushrooms and other fungi in October and November. In Parsons Wood there was a most impressive "fairy ring" about 20 ft across, of large funnel caps. Even more impressive is the fly agaric, with white spots on a bright red cap, which can be up to 9ins across, the sort that a pixie or an elf would feel at home on.



Edible species such as field mushrooms; common parasols, wood blewits and shaggy inkcaps provided us with tasty additions to several meals.

One thing, which was very noticeable, despite our long run of "proper" Summer, everything was two or three weeks later ripening than usual. This was due to the extremely late Spring, when the abnormal cold held back the flowering of all trees, putting them back by as much as three weeks. The leaves were equally late in appearing, which in turn delayed the appearance of the small caterpillars, which are essential for feeding the young blue and great tits etc. Many of these hatched around their usual dates. As a consequence some young broods perished, the parent birds not finding enough food to keep them alive.

As usual, here are my dates for the comings and goings of migrant birds in and around Bulmer. Last years dates in brackets.

Summer migrants, last dates recorded by me: -

Swift 3rd Aug. (5th Aug.) House Martin

23rd.Sept (29th Sept.) Swallow 18th.Oct.

(5th.Oct.) Chiffchaff 7th Oct (14 Oct) Blackcap

19th Sept. (14th Oct.)

Willow Warbler 4th . Sept.

Autumn migrants, first dates: - Fieldfare 14th Oct (27th Oct)

Redwing 26th. Oct.(20th Nov) On 23rd Sept. about 90 swallows were lined up on the electric wires at the back of The Street. Along with them 4 or 5 house martins were perched and at least 1 sand martin, not often seen around here. The 2 swallows seen on 18th. Oct. were late stragglers.

On 1st October I spotted a carrion crow mobbing a large brownish bird, I fully expected it to be one of the local buzzards, but in fact it was a red kite, still something of a rarity around here. I was amused to watch the antics of a carrion crow with a very large chunk of bread out in the back field. It had obviously eaten it's fill, because tearing off another chunk, it hopped a few yards and buried it. It repeated this feat several times before flying off, leaving something for a rainy day. On another occasion a crow had a whole slice to itself. Now, he was clearly "the boss crow", as another one hoping to get a share was very firmly rebuffed whenever it approached. All was not lost however, as each time this happened the "boss" took his prize a bit further away. It's subordinate soon cottoned on to the fact that each time this

happened there were always a few scraps left behind, which it eagerly pecked up.



Walking in Twinstead we came across a little egret that had attracted the unwelcome attention of a couple of magpies. This small white heron was perched in a small alder tree and the magpies had clearly decided that its presence was an affront to them. The assailants hopped in and out of the branches around the egret, cackling and thrusting their beaks towards it. To my surprise the egret sat there quite placidly and practically ignored the would be bullies, occasionally just pointing its dagger like beak towards them. Surprisingly this mild response seemed to somewhat throw the magpies, and after a couple of minutes they admitted defeat and flew off.

Another bird to visit the garden this Autumn was a grey wagtail. This bird is anything but dowdy, the grey being restricted to its back and the top of its head, whilst the lower parts are a bright yellow, with a black bib on its throat. The more usual wagtail to see is the pied wagtail, a dapper little black and white bird. These are usually seen just singly or in pairs, but in December over 30 were feeding in company with around 20 meadow pipits on the rape field behind Upper Houses.

We survived the Late October gale relatively unscathed in The Street, but the Tye had more damage, presumably because it's on higher ground. However in the Belchamp valley several cricket bat willows were broken off or bent at right angles about 3 or 4ft above the ground. A sad loss for the grower who has been tending and protecting them for 15 years or so.

The only remaining little ivy covered ash pollard in the Upper Houses lane was split in half, revealing that it was completely hollow, leaving only half of the poor old veteran still standing. This tree was a link with my boyhood, sixty odd years ago my cousin Robin and I had used it as a hideout. Up amongst the heavily ivy screened branches we were invisible to all! This, together

with other dens, was all part of the Wild West fantasy world that we lived in, roaming freely across the Griggs Farm acres.

The Seasons Greetings, to everyone.

Peter Rowe



VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The alterations to the bar area have now been completed and we hope this didn't interfere with any of your activities held in the Hall. The new storage room is perfect for our needs and the bar is still a good size. A new sink unit and a water heater have been added and it is hoped to redecorate the area in the New Year. Hopefully this will encourage hirers to use the space for their functions. We would like to thank Bill Dixey and all his staff for their help and advice on this project.

The Christmas Fayre was a great success and it was fantastic to welcome so many of you to the event. The Hall and back room were filled to capacity, the atmosphere was both joyful and very seasonal and an early visit from Santa was a treat for both young and old. The Committee would like to thank all who worked so hard to make the afternoon such a success but most of all they would like to thank you for your wonderful support, it made it all worthwhile.

May we wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year



BULMER SKYLARKS

Our final meeting for this year was great fun as Sue Butcher who held a "Washboard Workshop" entertained us. This was very much an audience participation event as we were all given a washboard or triangles, bells and similar instruments.

This proved that music can be fun as looking around the room it was noticed that every single member was smiling broadly and thoroughly enjoying playing along with Sue on her piano accordion.

We will end our year with our Christmas lunch, which will again be held at St. Andrew's School. We are very grateful to the school for inviting us as our members always have such a wonderful afternoon and the interaction between adults and children is amazing.

We will begin the New Year on January 28th with a visit from Trudi Parsons who works for the **East Anglian Children's Hospice**. The title of Harry Buckledee's talk on February 25th is "**For You The War Is Over**" and on March 25th we will welcome back Peter Banham with

his much requested presentation on the "Origins of Old Sayings".

Later in the year Vernon Lever, a well-known local artist, will be amazing us with his watercolour painting. We will also have a visit from a Tudor Time Traveller and have a Summer Party to look forward to.

If you wish to know more about our events please ring Barbara on 370845 or Maggie on 374758



VILLAGE LOTTERY WINNERS

The Lottery still provides 3 lucky winners each month. It is a vital fundraiser for your village hall. Are you a member? The more members the more funds for the village Hall and the bigger the prizes!

Month	First	Second	Third
Oct.	Mr & Mrs D Willock	Mr & Mrs K Moulden	Mr & Mrs M Raymond
Nov.	Mrs L Fulcher	Mr & Mrs D Whillock	Mr P Wenborne
Dec.	Mrs T Bowler	Mr J Kent	Mrs B Mauldon

Please support your village hall and contact Dawn at the Post Office (376676) if you would like to join the village lottery.



COE'S MEADOW

The Coe's Meadow Committee would like to thank the Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project (DV&SVP), volunteers and those residents who



came to assist, for cutting the wild flower areas and instead of the grass being sucked up as in the past the grass was raked and removed by hand to the 'haystacks'. The grass needs to be removed to prevent the soil becoming enriched, as wild flowers grow better on poor soil. Thanks also go to the residents who provided soup and drinks for the volunteers.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



YOUR COUNCIL HAS A VACANCY

Would you like to have a say in how the Parish Council should manage the village? Perhaps you have ideas on how the area could be improved or how residents' money is better spent. If the answer to any of these questions is yes, then please contact the Parish Clerk, Hannah Fraser on 374310 or email hannah.fraser@sky.com for more details. Or you can speak to any of your current Councillors, their details can be found below and on the Parish Council website www.essexinfo.net/bulmer/your-councillors

YOUR COUNCILLORS

Mike Crome (Chairman)	- 01787 378155
Peter Fulcher (Vice Chairman)	- 01787 269935
Stephen Morgan	- 07973 341048
Chris. Leigh	- 01787 378133
Bethan Cook	- 01787 370435
Rose Raymond	- 07813 205743

Hannah Fraser (Parish Clerk) - 01787 374310 or email hannah.fraser@sky.com

DATES OF FUTURE PARISH MEETINGS

All meetings are bi-monthly, normally held on the second Friday of the month in the Village Hall at 7:45pm

10 th January	14 th March
25 th April (Parish Meeting)	9 th May (Including AGM)
27 th June	12 th September
14 th November	

All parishioners are welcome to attend and there is a 15 minute slot for questions from the floor.

Bulmer Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Parish Council meeting

Held on Friday 8th November 2013 at the Village Hall, at 7.45pm

These minutes are unapproved until the next meeting on 10th January 2014

Present: Cllrs. Crome, Fulcher, Hill, Raymond; DCllr. Swift; Mrs H Fraser (clerk); 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllrs. Leigh, Cook and Morgan, and were accepted.

2. Declarations of interest (existence and nature, with regard to items on this agenda)

Cllr. Fulcher declared an interest in item 12.

3. Public question time (15 minutes)

None.

4. Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on Friday 20th September 2013

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Cllr. Fulcher and seconded by Cllr. Raymond; all were in favour.

5. Matters arising from the minutes

i) Salt bin update: There had been no progress on this matter, the clerk was asked to progress quickly.

ii) Local Highways Panel – update on Finch Hill: A speed survey is currently in progress at Finch Hill. The implementation of the new speed limit on the A131 is delayed due to one objection. It is scheduled to be done by April 2014. In the last month there have been 10 accidents on this section of road.

6. Julian Swift, District Councillor: BDC update

- Scrap metal dealers are now to be licensed due to theft of metals.
- A discretionary business rates relief fund has been created.
- Between 60-70% of future gravel extraction (ECC Mineral Plan) will be within Braintree District. Bradwell quarry is a massive extension.
- Solar farm briefing: The substation at Belchamp St Paul has free capacity to return power to the grid. The estimated capacity is 50megawatts: which could mean a solar farm of 350 acres. There has been a lack of transparency in the process. The scale and damage to the countryside is inappropriate. Cllr. Fulcher asked if the proposed substation at Butlers Hall would have a similar capacity. Cllr. Swift declared a pecuniary interest and so was unable to answer specifically, but any new station in this local area might have spare capacity. Councillors will be following the matter closely.
- The Localism Fund (previously Parish Support Grant) is now fixed pro rata to the amount BDC receives from central government. Other avenues of funding

should be explored. Cllr. Swift left at this point.

7. Coe's Meadow report

A report had been circulated previously. The Clerk was asked to write to Stour Valley Trust with thanks and to invite for next year, suggesting a similar donation for cutting the wildflower areas. The Clerk is to send the photo of refreshments to the Chairman for What's On and the website. The Clerk was asked to write to thank Cllr. Leigh, Mr Leigh and Mrs Fulcher for supplying the refreshments. All were asked to keep an eye out for the lost banner.

8. Allotments report (Appendix B)

A report had previously been circulated. Cllr. Fulcher has done the weed spraying, and will contact Cllr. Morgan to arrange removing rubbish, possibly hiring a skip; and will look at any repairs necessary after the storm and accidents. Spare plots may need to be advertised. All but one resident have paid rent due. Mrs Rawlins has stated she would like to retire from administration of the allotments. The Clerk will take over and continue to monitor hours. The handover is likely to be in January.

- i) Draft of new allotment rental charges (Appendix C): Some draft costings had been prepared by the Clerk and were discussed. The council has been advised that residents and non-residents cannot be charged different rates. Braintree District Council charge 25p per square metre. A gradual rise to 20p for all tenants (except garden/paddocks) was discussed, to take place over two years. It was therefore proposed by Cllr. Fulcher that the rate for residents be increased to 17p in September 2014, then to 20p in September 15. It was seconded by Cllr. Raymond and all were in favour. There will be no change to the new water charge.

ii)

9. Clerk's report (Appendix D)

i) A draft schedule of next year's meetings was presented. The clerk is to book and inform councillors of the confirmed dates. The clerk was asked to research possible dates in April for the Parish Meeting.

ii) The clerk was reminded to send the Declarations of Interest to the Chairman for the website.

10. Planning - updates

- Granted: Polrudden, Stone Cottage, The Bungalow plot 1
- Granted with ongoing issues: The Stables
- Pending: Tin Tops, The Bungalow plots 2&3
- An objection to the solar farm in Henny has been submitted and progress will be reported.

11. Receipts & Payments

i) Balance in hand (Appendix E): The balance is up due to grants received towards CMMC. It was suggested items that go over budget but are covered by these grants are not indicated in red, but in a different colour. These grants were not included when the budget was drafted last year.

<i>Receipts since last meeting</i>				
BDC Precept & Localism Fund		2,181.00		
BDC S106 funding CMMC		4,695.00		
Allotment rents	BR	2,002.40		
Interest on HSBC		5.31		
TOTAL (£)		8,883.71		
<i>Payments since last meeting</i>				Budget Status
Anglian Water	Jun -Aug	41.37		Under
Mr K Leigh	Fun Day reimburse	649.19	inc VAT	Grants
Cllr P Fulcher	Paint reimburse (CMMC)	9.98	inc VAT	Grants
Mortimers	Grasscutting (Jul, Aug)	895.20	inc VAT	Under
Cllr P Fulcher	Paint reimburse (CMMC)	19.98	inc VAT	Grants
Mrs H L Fraser	Salary Jul& Jul; expenses	576.51	inc VAT	Under
Playsafety Ltd	Rospa inspection	207.00	inc VAT	Grants
PKF Littlejohn LLP	Annual audit	120.00	inc VAT	Under
TOTAL (£)		2,519.23		
<i>Payments to be signed at this meeting:</i>				
Mrs H L Fraser	Salary Sep & Oct, expenses	575.26	inc VAT	Under
Cllr P	Travel and	42.60	inc	Under

Fulcher	weedkiller reimburse		VAT	
Bulmer Carpet Bowls Club	Donation towards trolley	186.00		Nearing
Chilton OS	Newsletter	86.40	inc VAT	Under
Mortimers	Grasscutting	512.40	inc VAT	Under
TOTAL		£1,402.66		

ii) Review capital investments: It was agreed to maintain the current split of investments.

iii) Review non-index linked insurance: The council is currently in the second year of a fixed 3 year agreement.

iv) Budget/Precept for 2014/5 – (appendix F): The clerk was asked to add a column for s137 to the budget. This could be donated towards the church Toilets project if the benefit to the general public can be assessed. The s137 fund would be £6.94 per elector, therefore roughly £3,500. The clerk was asked to research an exact figure to add to the budget. It will come out of capital savings. The matter of increasing the Precept was discussed. It was suggested the council consider the 1% and 1.5% increases shown in the draft budget, and also the option of no increase until 2015/6, when it will have been discussed at the Parish Meeting. The clerk was asked to add a figure to the budget once the estimate is obtained, for work stemming from the recent Tree Survey (item 12).

v) Risk Assessment course costs: The envelope should be returned to the Clerk. Cllrs. Morgan and Raymond would like to attend. Cllr. Fulcher proposed and Cllr. Hill seconded that the council agree that this cost come out of the training budget. All agreed. The clerk was asked to book the course.

12. Tree Survey

The broken branch on the oak tree on Church Meadow has been removed by Graham Nichol (tree surgeon). He advised the tree may lose further branches in future due to split bark and water damage. A fence could be considered. It was agreed to approach Graham Nichol for a rough estimate for the work stemming from the Tree Survey.

13. National Grid

The removal of the existing 132k line is under debate between National Grid and UK Power Network. The substation at Butlers Hall will have another consultation before the final planning application. The next community meeting is at the beginning of December.

14. Broadband

County Broadband is shortly to post out a letter to Bulmer residents. They are awaiting the Chancellor of the Diocese of Chelmsford's

approval on the use of church towers. Essex Superfast Broadband has Bulmer towards the end of their list due to some areas already having 2MB. Improvement will not be until 2014-16.

15. Speed Indicator Device

The Chairman had circulated information he had received from other local villages. The projected cost of switching to solar power would be £110. Cllr. Fulcher proposed and Cllr. Raymond seconded that this switch went ahead. All were in favour. A permanent site would need to be selected, or ECC could move SID for a potential cost, the Chairman will make enquiries of ECC. The clerk was asked to add this matter to the next agenda to decide if SID should remain in one position.

16. Telephone Boxes – adoption/sponsorship

There had been no response/interest from residents on this matter. The clerk was asked to report the damage to BT, to contact the North End Parish Clerk for advice and to add the matter to the Parish Meeting draft.

17. Parish Meeting 2014

The council meeting had reached 2 hours, Cllr. Fulcher proposed and Cllr. Crome seconded that the meeting should continue. All agreed. It was felt that residents would need to be encouraged to attend, to give their views. There will be a paragraph in What's On December about the Parish Meeting. Under the Localism Act the parish council could achieve much more, but only with the demonstrable support and involvement of the community. Also an article could go into the parish magazine. Invites should go out in the new year. The clerk was asked to draft an agenda, and research whether refreshments are possible.

18. Items for the next agenda

Broadband update
National grid update
Speed limit update
Footpaths – volunteers and priorities

19. Date of next meeting

10th January 2014.

Meeting closed 10.00pm.



GOLDINGHAM HALL ARCHAEOLOGY DIG Supervised by Access Cambridge Archaeology (ACA)

At the beginning of October an archaeological dig took place in a field to the west of Goldingham Hall. Over four days a number of Bulmer residents took part, together with children from Bulmer School and other enthusiasts from nearby villages. Three main sites were excavated, finding the remains of what is thought to be a medieval kitchen area. But

the most exciting discovery was the remains of an almost complete pig.



Carenza Lewis--who headed the excavation, and who many will recall from the 'Time Team' television programme-- provided more information in her blog of the event, on the Access Cambridge Archaeology website.

" The budding archaeologists at Bulmer Primary School, who took part in our recent excavations at Goldingham Hall, have been in touch with ACA for an update on the pig discovered in trench A, and we thought that we'd take the opportunity to update you all on what we think so far.

It's definitely a female domestic pig. The snout is not long enough to be a wild boar, but it's longer than modern domestic pigs. Some of the bones are unfused, which means that it hadn't reached its full adult size and was under 3 years old when it died. However, the teeth are very worn down and there are some signs of arthritis in the spine. It must have had a very tough life, and would have had difficulty eating. This is speculation at the moment, but it's possible that it may have died from malnutrition or been killed because it was struggling physically, although why this was the case for a relatively young pig is difficult to say.

The pig didn't seem to have any association with the ovens found in the same trench. If they were contemporary or later in date, we would have expected the ditch where the pig was buried to also have contained the black ash. This makes us think that the pig was buried before the High Medieval



ovens, and going by the pottery found in a couple of the other similar ditches in that trench, we think it could be Late Anglo-Saxon (10th-12th Century). We will look into the funding for a radiocarbon date of



the bones, which will give us a more reliable date. The really unusual thing about the pig was that it was buried complete. Pigs were bred as a source of food, and it would have been wasteful to discard the whole animal. Faunal remains specialist, Jess Rippengal, is doing some research to see if she can find any other examples, which could shed some light on whether ours is a buried pig or a pig *burial*. The latter implies a deliberate decision to slaughter the animal and some care and attention in putting it in the ground. Our pig certainly seemed to be carefully put in on its side, rather than thrown into the ditch. Some archaeologists have a tendency to categorise anything they can't explain as 'ritual', but in this case, there is definitely something odd and intriguing about it.

The next steps are to excavate the pelvis and back legs which are still in situ, have all of the bones fully examined by an expert in faunal remains, scour the literature for comparative examples, and send a sample for radiocarbon dating. Ultimately, we may not be able to shed much more light on the pig unless we go back to do some more digging of the ditch in which it was found to understand the chronology of the site and the spatial relationship between the pig and other features in proximity."

Since writing this, the remaining bones from the pig have been excavated and radio carbon dating is taking place to establish exactly which phase of Bulmer's history they belong to. (Anyone who might like to participate in future archaeological excavations in Bulmer or the surrounding area, is invited to contact the newly formed ' Stour Valley Community Archaeology Group' by emailing laurebonner@hotmail.co.uk)



TED WOOD

Ted sadly passed away on Sunday 22nd December and is now at peace following a long illness. Ted was a key member of the team during the construction of Coe's meadow and then went on to become chairman of the management committee. He helped us with many



battles and was successful in obtaining funding for the ground's creation and obtaining an award when completed. Ted also hosted a day when Anglia Television came to film what had been achieved, as can be seen from the above photo when being interviewed.

His dedication lives on to be enjoyed by the younger generation of Bulmer and the many visitors who now use the field.



PARISH PATHS WALKS

More and more we are being told 'walking is good for you', and 'slim by walking'. So, why not start by joining our monthly walks and finding out more places to go striding out. Strong footwear and waterproofs are the only equipment you need.

Here are the next few dates starting with a short winter walk. They are all suitable for adult accompanied children interested in walking. Dogs are welcome but must be on fixed short leads.

Forthcoming Walks

Saturday 26th January at 2.30pm

'AROUND BORLEY' A circuit of about 3½ miles.

Meet at Rodbridge Car Park

Sunday 23rd February at 2.30pm

'OVER THE BORDER' approx 5½ miles.

Meet at Henny Church (north side).

March – a walk to be arranged later

Easter Bank Holiday

Monday 21st April at 10.30am

'PONDS & PEGGLES' a walk of about 5½ miles.

Meet at Belchamp Walter church.

Queries to Margaret Mills 269377



The next edition will be published around the end of March 2014. Can I please have all your pictures & articles, by the **15th March**. Call 378155 or email mike@mcrome.fsnet.co.uk