

VILLAGE INFORMATION

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Online <https://www.essex.police.uk/.../af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

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Responsibility for Essex Highways:

Essex County Council 0845 603 7631

Library Information: Wickham Bishops Library



Service disruption

Following [Government guidelines](#), this library is open for the collection of reservations only.

Next Parish council meetings

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Braxtedd Gt Braxted PC next meeting May 6th

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 SPRING

this month has Easter, generally followed by The London Marathon, although I am not sure that an abundance of chocolate and a marathon training go together very well, but just think the average calories burned during a marathon is 2600, so perhaps a small creme egg for a competitor would be OK!

If you know anyone that does not access Facebook, would like a copy emailed to them, or would like a free printed copy delivered to them as they do not have a computer or email address, please let me know by the 2nd week of any month at lee.kane01@hotmail.com

WELCOME TO BRAXTED

Welcome to Heather & Paul Newby who have recently moved into 12 High Ridge from Romford, with their children Charlie aged 2 and Alexander who is 1year old. They also have 2 cats George & Harry We hope they will enjoy living in Great 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/>

<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
In the Ecclesiastical Parish of Wickham
Bishops with Little Braxted



The good news is that we are opening our churches for public worship only from Easter Sunday under restrictions.

IN AND FROM OUR PARISH

All services will be streamed on Face Book Live until further notice.
Sunday Order of Service and Weekly Pew Sheet are posted on the website www.churchinwickhambishops.org.uk

Thursday 1st	MAUNDY THURSDAY 7.30pm Holy Communion – online
Friday 2 nd 2.00pm	GOOD FRIDAY Last Hour at the Cross – online
Sunday 4th 9.00am 10.30 am	EASTER DAY – <i>gathered worship and online</i> BCP Holy Communion at St Nicholas' Little Braxted. Holy Communion at St B <i>and online</i>
Sunday 11 th 10.30 am	Easter 2 Holy Communion at St B <i>and online</i>
Sunday 18th 9.00am 10.30am	Easter 3 BCP Holy Communion at St Nicholas' Little Braxted. Service of the Word offered by the Sunday Praise Team.
Sunday 25 th 10.30am	Easter 4 Holy Communion at St B <i>and online</i>
WEDNESDAYs 10.00am	Service of Holy Communion
MONDAYs and FRIDAYs 10.15 am	Zoom Prayers (please email revhilary@btinternet.com if you wish to be part of this so we can send you the link).

To Book a Pew until restrictions are lifted text 07902 453893 for St Nicholas' and 07910 109396 for St Bartholomew's

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

Events commemorating the 900th Anniversary of the founding of St Nicholas' remain suspended, although some will be reinstated during the coming months! Watch the website and this page for details.

Great Braxted Defibrillator

We are now proud to say, thanks to the work of the Parish Council, that our village now have a lifesaving defibrillator available for use in an emergency, it is located on the car park side of The Great Braxted Pavilion building. (see pictures).

Should you be in the unfortunate position to have to use this, you would dial 999 from your mobile, and the operative should be able to provide the access code and instructions for use.

Further to this all defibrillators are registered with the emergency services, so can advise on your nearest available defibrillator at anytime.



Trucam speed checks come to Great Braxted

Some of you may have noticed Maldon Council Community protection officers, operating speed checks in Great Braxted recently.

This is an initiative paid for by The Parish Council on a six month rolling contract, in response to our villagers concerns around the danger of speeding vehicles through the village.

The officers will operate at least twice a month, at different times of the day, optimised to deter persistent offenders, the first month saw two offenders captured and referred to the appropriate authorities for legal processes to take their course.



ALL SAINTS' GREAT BRAXTED CHURCH NEWS APRIL 2021

Well it seems there may be a light at the end of the tunnel with the latest government news. We know that we can open for services but not until SUNDAY 18th April so no services for Easter except via Zoom but there will be an open air communion service in the churchyard of St Luke's Tiptree at 3 pm on Easter Sunday the 4th April – all welcome. See website and news sheet for all details for Holy week.

We can hold weddings, christenings and funerals again but with very limited numbers.

We have some news about Revd. Lydia who looks after our sister churches in the Layers, Copford and Easthorpe. She will be moving on to another set of parishes, including Duxford, in July. We wish her well.

Due to low attendances during the periods when the church was open last year, we have taken the decision to hold services only on the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month from April onwards. This is a similar pattern to many other rural churches, including similar Inworth and Messing. Everyone will be asked to book for services initially as numbers will be limited. Please email thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com to book and for access to online services.

Services:

Sundays 10 am until 11th April	Online Worship
Maundy Thursday 1st April	6.30 pm Agape Supper and Service
Good Friday 2nd April	2.30 pm Service in St Luke's Churchyard
Easter Eve 3rd April	7.30 pm Service of Light in St Luke's Churchyard
Easter Day 4th April	10 am Online Service 3 pm Communion in St Luke's Churchyard
Sunday 18th April	Morning Worship at All Saints at 11.15am
Sunday 2nd May	Communion at All Saints at 11.15 am

Contacts: Rector	Revd. Anne-Marie Renshaw	01621 815260
Churchwardens	Mike Puttick	01621 816830
	Ken Hornett	01621 891424
Admin Assistant	Christine Hall [office hours]	07421 078981
Website:	www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk	



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News from District Councillor

I am continuing to progress for actions on the roads across the Great Totham ward. I am hoping that this year we will see those schemes that have been approved or agreed to start to be implemented. Whilst the funding for road improvements in the Maldon area has increased, I would like to see that funding being used on some of the crucial issues in the villages, I will be taking a very active role in ensuring that happens.

The council is helping to promote the campaign to shop local and that is something we all need to do to support the local economy as we come out of lockdown. There is also a new policy for the council to ensure where possible it buys from local supplier. If you have a product or business that you feel would benefit the authority, please make sure you provide the council with your details.

The council is also developing new strategies, part of that is ensuring that the council operates in a sustainable manner.

Please contact me at any time either by email or telephone 01621 890809
cllr.richard.siddall@maldon.gov.uk

Stay safe and well

Richard

News from Great Totham Primary School

www.greattotham.essex.sch.uk



What an exciting end to the spring term it has been, we are so pleased to have our children back in school.

Last month, we included some examples of the work produced by our eldest pupils in Year 6 as part of their home learning during lockdown; this month we'd like to share some of the work completed by our youngest pupils, in Reception. They worked so hard and their teachers were incredibly proud of them all.

Paddington Bear

The children used their artistic skills to create these wonderful Paddington Bears.



Thankfully, the weather is being a lot kinder to us now, but the snow last month inspired the Reception classes to create their own beautiful ice ornaments.

Ice Ornaments



Are you fed-up with doing the same old walks?

Walking in Essex www.walkinginengland.co.uk/essex is the website for you!

With hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, contact details for all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Essex (part of the Walking in England suite of websites – one for each county in England) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

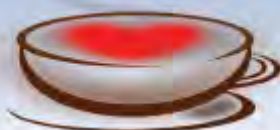
So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris

www.walkinginengland.co.uk/essex

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VIRTUAL COMMUNITY COFFEE EVENT



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07711 438513 OR AMY MELTON ON 07458 300900**



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Volunteers needed to support local COVID-19 vaccination programme

Your local NHS is getting ready to deliver a COVID-19 vaccination programme and they need your help.

They are looking for volunteer stewards across Essex and Suffolk to be at the forefront of the local fight against the virus – you could be part of it!

As a volunteer steward, you will help the vaccination process run smoothly and safely.

Local vaccination stations will be open from 8am-8pm seven days a week. Volunteers are asked to commit to individual sessions of four hours plus 15 minutes handover time.

This is an exciting opportunity to play your part in protecting the community and saving lives.

If you are interested in volunteering please email epunft.businesssupport.volunteering@nhs.net

For more information visit <https://eput.nhs.uk/vaccine-recruitment>

SUPPORT FOR VIRTUAL GET TOGETHERS

**Are you interested in an online meet up for a
coffee and a chat?**

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friends?**

Or perhaps you want to learn a new skill?

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**We can offer as much or as little support as you
need. Whether it's joining an existing group in
your village or starting up something new, feel
free to give us a call.**

Nicky Plumb Moat Foundation 07711438513

Amy Melton United in Kind 07458 300900



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If you FIND a dog . . .

- Look around the area and see if there is anyone obviously looking for their lost pet.
- Report to the local council (dog warden); it is the law and they may already have had the dog reported as missing. You can find details of your local dog warden on-line here: www.gov.uk/report-stray-dog
- If you can, take the dog to a local vets for them to scan for a chip.
In most cases they will then be able to call the owner if dog is chipped, or call the local dog warden to collect if not.
- In Scotland you should also report to the police.
- Also check in the 'Lost' section of the DogLost website to see if this dog has been reported as missing. www.doglost.co.uk/dog-search.php?status=Lost
- Many of our volunteers in the area do have scanners so may be able to come out and scan the dog for you. You can ask on local DogLost pages if anyone can help or call our head office for more information.
- Register the dog on the DogLost website: www.doglost.co.uk and share on Social Media such as Facebook / Twitter, local DogLost pages and groups.
- You can also print posters from this dog's page using the **View Poster** button and put up around the area that he / she was found. Don't forget to laminate in case it rains.
- If you can, put Posters in local shops, pubs, garages, supermarkets; everywhere that there are a lot of people. Spread the word to try to find the owners . . .

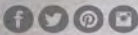
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VILLAGE ACTIVITIES IN BRAXTED PAVILION & GROUNDS

Lettings Officer & Key Holder: Sarah Mann 892821 , email sarahm66@btinternet.com

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.

