

VILLAGE INFORMATION

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

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Essex County Council 0845 6037631

Library Information: Wickham Bishops Library

Wickham Bishops Library will re-open on Monday 12th April Opening hours will be

2pm - 5:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays, 9am - 5pm Saturdays:

Contact 0345 6037628

The library is a collection point for Maldon District council recycling sacks and also free Lateral Flow test kits

Next Parish council meetings

Gt Braxted PC next meeting date to be confirmed. Please look out for the agenda which will be posted on the Council's noticeboard and website, and the new date published on its Facebook page.

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 AUGUST

This month is the last Bank Holiday before Christmas, but maybe still a bit early to put your decorations and lights up!

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

Braxted 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 TruCam Patrols, speed camera checks

Please see below for statistic in regard to speed camera checks now taking place regularly in Great Braxted, as part of the Parish Council initiative in response to community concerns

Parish/Town Council	Month	Total Number of Hours
Great Braxted	Jun-21	2
Number of Tru Cam Patrols	Hours Spent on Tru Cam	Number of Offenders
4	2	1

<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.

WELCOME TO BRAXTED

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

Pop-Up Pub at Great Braxted's cricket pavilion Friday 13th August from 6:30pm, bring drinks & nibbles for yourself, all welcome, £1 a head. We are hoping to make the most of some good weather by utilising the inside and outside areas, to stick to government guidelines, and as ever this is subject to change! (last minute changes may be required, so these will be posted on local facebook groups.

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ALL SAINT'S GREAT BRAXTED
CHURCH NEWS AUGUST 2021

Roy Copsey RIP There will be a Memorial service on Monday 13th September at 11.30 am at All Saints' followed by a reception at the Braxted Pavilion

Graham Harvey has passed away too and his funeral will be at All Saints' on August 10th. He was a very good friend of the Braxteds and was very much involved in various matters including the Fete and concerts. Our condolences go to Marilyn and the family.

A lot of the pandemic restrictions have been lifted. We would still like face masks to be worn in church and hands to be sanitized. Everyone is welcome to come back to church now if they wish. No social distancing and free seating.

We have had weddings already and three were held in 7 days in July! People can now have more guests

Services for the coming month are

Sunday 1st August	Communion at 11.15 am
Sunday 1st August	Double Baptism at 12.45 pm
Tuesday 10th August	Funeral
Sunday 15th August	Morning service (Matins) at 11.15am
Monday 23rd August	Wedding at 2.30 pm
Sunday 29th August	Communion at 11.15 am
Tuesday 31st August	Wedding at 1pm

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

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE FUNDING

Recently there has been an increase in available community initiative funds, and although Great Braxted Parish Council have come up with some potential ideas as listed below, it is felt that this should also be opened to our community to think about improvements that they would like to see in their community.

The typical funds range from £1000 - £10'000, so there would be a limit to how ambitious the ideas could be, but if you have some relevant ideas please feel free to email these to greatbraxtedpc@gmail.com, the parish council would then consider all ideas, and potentially progress these to an application for funds.

Separate to these funds, the parish council have also looked into applications to the local highways panel, for additional traffic calming measures, such installation of white gates on the verges when entering Great Braxted from either direction, automated electronic speed displays and other traffic calming measures.

Example ideas already put forward for initiative funding:

- Additional benches in the cricket field
- Local Senior keep fit classes
- All Weather surface for the outdoor gym equipment area
- A community shop, to be run from The Pavilion
- Improvements to the Pavilion car park (to include better surface, increased parking and height restriction barriers)
- Printing costs for The Braxted Bulletin
- Braxted in Bloom 2022



St Nicholas' Church Little Braxted
In the Ecclesiastical Parish of Wickham Bishops
with Little Braxted



Events commemorating the 900th Anniversary of the founding of St Nicholas'
RESCHEDULED DATES

The Eucharist and Reception with the Bishop of Chelmsford : 12th September

Replies to Invitations by 12th August please

Talk by Dr James Bettley JP DL 'An evening with Fr Geldhart' : 16th September

Tickets: £8 incl. glass of wine, from Braxted Bakery, WB Health Food Shop or from revhilary@btinternet.com

'Beacon Hill Churches Together' Songs of Praise : 4.00pm 10th October

The final celebration event will be over the weekend of 4th/5th December which will include an exhibition and blessing of home nativity sets and the St Nicholas' Day Patronal Festival Eucharist Service designed for our young people.

IN AND FROM OUR PARISH : SERVICES FOR AUGUST

With the recent changes in Covid-19 restrictions social distancing and wearing of face coverings is advisory but no longer mandatory. We are asked to continue with 'checking-in' for Test and Tracer purposes.

We broadcast our services from St. Bartholomew's online on Face Book Live (posted later on YouTube).

This information is accurate at the time of going to print but there may be changes according to government guidelines

Sunday 1 st	TRINITY 9
10.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8 th	TRINITY 10
10.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15 th	TRINITY 11
9.00 am	Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion at St Nicholas' Little Braxted.
10.30 am	Service of the Word offered by the Sunday Praise Team.
Sunday 22 nd	TRINITY 12
10.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29 th	TRINITY 13
10.30 am	Holy Communion

Friday Prayers on Zoom at 10.15am...contact Rev Hilary if you want to receive the invite and join-in details

Priest-in-charge Rev Hilary Le Sève

01621 892867

Churchwardens Barry Cousins

01621 891355 / 07902 453893

Graham Wingrove

01621 891844

Braxteds Community Playground Project

August 2021 Update

Playground Approval

After several years and months of planning, research and fundraising it is with enormous pleasure that we can announce that on 15th July and 28th July 2021, the Great Braxted Pavilion Management Committee and the Great Braxted Parish Council respectively, unanimously agreed to formally approve the preferred supplier and design proposal for the Braxteds Community Playground Project.

The preferred supplier and design proposal (originally Design B) is Playsafe Playgrounds Ltd (www.playsafeplaygrounds.co.uk)

This formal agreement allows the project team to start collecting all the funding pledges made so far (*albeit we still need a further £9000 to deliver the total project*) and liaise with Playsafe to ascertain a potential start date (*which we will advise in future updates*).

Playground Final Design

Following feedback and comments shared by residents as part of the design preference exercise, the project team arranged a further site visit with Playsafe to (1) revise the location (2) review equipment requirements and (3) finalise colours of the eco-mulch all weather safety surfacing.

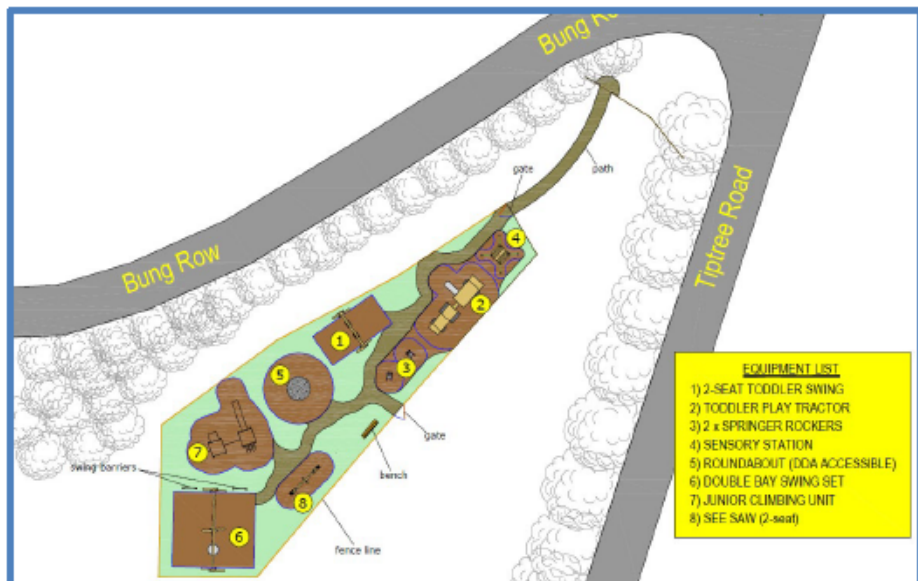
The final design is illustrated below (*further imagery will be displayed in the Noticeboard and will be available via Facebook and/or email requests*)



Following the site visit the following changes to the design proposal were made (1) relocate back to current equipment position & footprint, (2) double toddler swing instead of single, (3) removal of the recycled slide mound, (4) post & rail fencing with green safety mesh, (5) safety barriers between junior tower and junior swings and (6) 3-Seater bench inside playzone and x3 picnic tables outside play zone (x1 DDA).

You will see that the design concept and style remain the same, with linked paths between each piece of apparatus and as much natural grass as possible.

We thank you in advance for your ongoing support.
Braxteds Community Playground Project Team



Moving Forward

Some of the key tasks to progress are:

- Agree a potential start date with Playsafe
- Ongoing fund-raising efforts and collecting pledges made.
- Ongoing ad-hoc research tasks including signage, recycle/general waste bin, hedge & tree trimming, new gates and more.

If you would like to volunteer to get involved with the playground project tasks still to come or have any suggestions on how we might close the final £9k funding gap (*we have got almost £72,000 so far pledged*) then please do email us at: braxtedsplayground@gmail.com.

We thank you in advance for your ongoing support.
Braxteds Community Playground Project Team



Little Princess Trust - Pheobe

A huge well done to Phoebe who donated 14 inches of her hair to the Little Princess Trust, raising over £400 for the charity in the process!



Y6 Leavers Trip - Nuclear Races

Our Y6 leavers enjoyed a fun-packed day out to Nuclear Races in Brentwood!

On Monday 28th June 2021, we had our school trip to Nuclear Races - a day that was full with an abundance of mud and fun! Although I had been told it was going to be muddy, I didn't quite imagine how disgusting I would be after all of the activities.

The first of many obstacles was a wall (with handles and foot holders on) that towered over a pool of dank, dingy water. Adrenaline rushed through my veins as I placed my trembling foot on the wooden plank - I dreaded to think of how cold the water below would be. The moment that I stepped off the wall, I beamed, not just from the fact that I made it across but also the fact that I didn't fall in!

Another of the obstacles was the death slide, a huge 'L' shaped slide leading into a lake of mud. I climbed up the ladder whilst a kaleidoscope of butterflies fluttered around in the pit of my stomach. Gliding down the slide, all of my worries disappeared into thin air. The best feeling was when there was a moment of zero gravity, where the world seemed to come to a complete halt. I felt like an eagle hovering in the air. Plunging into the water, I realised that, in that split second, I had done it!

After the mud run, we went to Nuclear High Ropes, a challenge almost like an obstacle course in the trees. I went round with Holly and Lilla and we had so much fun (at least I did anyway)! I clutched the wooden poles as I stood, anxiously, on the miniscule planks starting at the obstacles ahead. Despite my fear, I made it to the end and could have quite happily stayed up there for the rest of the day. By Emma



Date for the Diary

Fall Ball

2nd October 2021

6.45pm - 12.30am



A fabulous event held in a huge marquee on the school field which can hold around 240 people. Book a table and sit with your group; seating is all reserved.

The glamorous marquee has matting (so don't worry about high heels), chandeliers and a dancefloor. The evening's entertainment is amazing live music from Funk2K, a local 6 piece band with over 19 years experience, and a disco until 12.30am.

There will be a bar stocking wines, prosecco, gin, vodka, beer, lager and cider only £3 each. Bring your own food, or even order your own take away to be delivered in the break!

Please contact the school office for more information.

News from District Councillor

Please contact me at any time either by email or telephone 01621 890809 cldr.richard.siddall@maldon.gov.uk or message me at @tothammatters on Facebook

Stay safe and well
Richard



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Maldon District Council is undertaking this project jointly with the North Essex Economic Board. The Board is a partnership of local authorities in the area: Braintree, Tendring and Uttlesford district councils, Colchester Borough Council, Chelmsford City Council and Essex County Council.

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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. **(It is hoped that activities can restart in June)**

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, - 12.00 pm (Ken Hornett 01621 891424) Braxted Art Club 1pm. David Joyce 01621 891241 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 11:00am-1:30pm, 1 st Saturday of the month (Excl Jan), from 09:30am. <i>Diane Sawford 07840 778042</i>
Friday	Popup Pub Friday 13th August from 6:30pm , bring drinks & nibbles for yourself, all welcome,£1 a head.
Saturday	Braxted Bombers Keep Fit (outdoors when weather good) 8.30am -9.30am. Terry Martin 07976617534 Summer Cricket matches 1pm
Misc	Parish Council and Pavilion Committee Meetings (details of dates in Bulletin) Home school intermittently some weekday Wednesday's

** Private hire available from June 21st, UK government willing!*

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

