

What's on in Bucklesham?

Carpet Bowls	Monday Evenings Village Hall	Derek Barrett 01473 659821
Bucklesham Players	Tuesday Evenings Pantomime and Variety Show Annually	buckleshamplayers @hotmail.com
Bucklesham Playing Field	Bucklesham Playing Field Manager	David Riddleston 01473 659760
Ladies' Group	2 nd Thursday Evening of Month Various Venues	Trudi Woollard 01473 659654
Church Lunch	Every 4 th Tuesday of Month Village Hall	Elizabeth Fern 01473 659457
Community Singing Group	2 nd & 4 th Wed 7:30-8:30 St Mary's Church	Rosemary Watson 01473 659505
St Mary's Church Library	1 st Monday of Month Except B Holidays 10am-12pm St Mary's Church	David Butcher 01473 659260
Village Hall	All events and private hire bookings	Evelyn Bloomfield 01473 659504
Women's Institute	3 rd Wednesday Evening of Month Village Hall	Sue Brown 01473 736519
Knit and Natter	1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays of Month Village Hall	Kath Scarff 01473 659447
Parish Council	6 Public Meetings a Year Bi-Monthly 1 st Thursday 7pm Village Hall	Angie Buggs, Parish Clerk 01473 635341 angiebuggs@yahoo.co.uk

To advertise your event in the next edition contact Ruth Johnson
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The Bucklesham Bugle ~ New Year 2020



The Parish Council are delighted to bring you this New Year edition of the Bugle.

We are now in our 5th year of publication and it is clear from all the positive feedback we receive that many of you really enjoy hearing the village news in this way. The printing of the Bugle costs you, the Council Tax payers, around £500 per year. Why not join the growing number

of villagers who receive their copy online, just let us have your email address, this not only saves on printing costs but also saves paper...?

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a planning charge that the local planning authority impose on new developments. It is given to Parish Councils to spend in their area. There are strict guidelines on how the money can only be spent, for example on specific things such as Open Spaces, Infrastructure and Community Facilities. Bucklesham has recently been awarded CIL money following some new houses in the village. At the last Parish council meeting, following several previous requests, a decision was made to purchase a speed awareness camera for the village. This is a moveable camera, that will be positioned on 3 different sites on Main Road, and moved around on a regular basis to prevent complacency. Foxhall village have a similar camera you may be aware of. The camera tracks vehicles passing through the village and alerts them of their speed. If you would like to hear how other CIL money will be spent please do come along to the next Parish Council meeting. If you would like to help make decisions on how future money should be spent, or on any other Parish Council business, why not consider becoming a Councillor yourself?

Manor Oak Homes have now applied for Outline Planning Permission for the development in Levington Lane. There were many lengthy documents to study but we formulated a response on behalf of the village in line with planning considerations that we know the District Council will take into consideration.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to wish all villagers a very healthy and happy New Year. Let's hope it is a good one for us all.

Bucklesham Parish Council



Bucklesham, Brightwell & Foxhall WI

New members always welcome. We have a full programme planned for 2020
8th Jan ~ Beetle Drive

19th Feb ~ Helping Farming Community in need

18th Mar ~ Birthday Meeting ~ The Bruvs Singing Duo 50s & 60s music

For details call **Sue Brown** on **01473 736519**

Bucklesham Ladies' Group

Bucklesham Ladies' Group is for women who live in Bucklesham or have affiliations with the village, for example their children go to the school. A fun packed programme will be planned for the year ahead. Why not join us for some new experiences, some good laughs and a chance to make some new friends in the village?

New members always welcome

For details please phone Trudi Woollard **01473 659654**



Suffolk Mobile Library Service

The Mobile Library visits the village once a month. It parks at The Shannon at 11:10am on a Tuesday.

The first 3 visits of 2020 are
Tue 7th Jan, Tue 4th Feb, Tue 3rd Mar

Carpet Bowls Club

The Bucklesham Carpet Bowls Club meets on **Mondays**
at **7:30pm** in the **Village Hall**

Make your **New Year's Resolution** to 'get fit in 2020' and join us
phone **Derek Barrett 01473 659821**



Knit and Natter

On the behalf of the members of the Knitter & Natter group, we would like to thank the Parish Council, in their role as Community Council, for their grant enabling us to pay the rent for the Village Hall for one year. It will give us a breathing space. We started the Knitter & Natter group 3 years ago, to get people together to knit for charities. This we have done, and are still doing. If knitting is not your scene, how about a cup of tea, a slice of cake and a natter? Don't just sit at home on your own. Young and old, male and female, you are most welcome. Perhaps you could share your hobby or interest with us or just enjoy a cuppa. All are welcome to join us on 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Village Hall from 2pm til 4pm. You don't even have to knit, just natter with a cup of tea and biscuit. Looking forward to seeing you.

Kath Scarff 01473 659447 and Valerie Smith 01473 659619

A very big 'Thank You' to all the people who supported the Coffee Morning on 25th October. The amount raised was £902.75. Once again, a very big thank you. Kath Scarff 659447

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2020

1st Thurs of every other month at 7:00pm in Village Hall
2nd Jan, 5th March, 7th May, 2nd July, 3rd Sept, 5th Nov 2020

First meeting in 2020 will be Thursday 2nd Jan

The Next Bucklesham Bugle

Spring / April 2020 (adverts needed by 1st March '20)
This newsletter is the grapevine for the village. If you would like to advertise your event or group in future editions, **please** make sure you send us the details **as soon as possible** since space is limited and inclusion will have to be on a **first come, first served basis**.

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A Defibrillator is situated outside the Village Hall

12 Levington Lane - In an Emergency Dial 999

The Emergency Service Operator will instruct you and give you the keycode to unlock the cabinet and release the defibrillator

St Mary's Church

Another year has simply flown by and the season for making resolutions has arrived. I do hope you can stick to them much better than I can stick to mine. In Bucklesham we are greatly blessed to have such a beautiful church, open to all, every day. If you ever feel the need of some quiet reflection away from life's often frantic hustle and bustle, why not resolve to spend a few quiet minutes in the peaceful surroundings of the churchyard or in the unique serenity of the church itself. Better still resolve to come to a church service one Sunday. I know there will be a warm welcome for you. (The times of the services each month are on the notice board by the gate). We invariably have very popular hymns or songs sung with great gusto by everyone. We haven't raised the roof yet but I am sure we will one day! We now have a small group of instrumentalists to lead the music once a month and we would welcome anyone who might wish to play. If you are interested, please ring me. One particular date for the diary is Sunday 22nd March which is Mothering Sunday. Traditionally this was the day children, mainly daughters who had left home to work as domestic servants, were given a day off to visit their mother and family – probably taking gifts of flowers. This tradition is still maintained on the 4th Sunday in Lent, three weeks before Easter Sunday. Mothering Sunday is always a special service and all ladies present are given a locally made 'posy' to take home. Happy New Year. David Wardle, Churchwarden 01473 659713.

St Mary's Church Library

Mon 6th Jan, Mon 3rd Feb, Mon 2nd Mar
10am-12pm

borrow a book, make friends, enjoy a tea or coffee and cake

St Mary's Church Lunch

Bucklesham Village Hall from 12pm for a 12:30 start
2 Course Meal and coffee £4.00
Open to all village residents

Tue 28th Jan, Tue 25th Feb, Tue 24th March
'A sociable lunch amongst friends'

Contact Elizabeth Fern 01473 659457 or Valerie Smith 01473 659619

Bucklesham Playing Field News

The tidy up of the field boundary will soon be under way and huge thanks go to those villagers who are voluntarily undertaking the work. We have plans in place to apply for grants to purchase native trees, wildflowers and spring bulbs which will create a woodland walkway around the edges of the field. Thanks also to Karen Orchard from the Suffolk Lavender Farm who has kindly donated lavender plants to smarten up the entrance to the field. Many thanks to the Community Council for securing £3200 of funding for the new football goals. They are a vast improvement on the old rusty ones with broken nets. If you would like to get involved and offer some help with any of the jobs on the field please contact David Riddleston 01473 659760.

Bucklesham & Foxhall Village Hall

Weddings~Parties~Dances~Exhibitions~Wakes~Meetings

Suitable for all Social and Professional Functions

I can report that the hall has had another excellent year and business is thriving. Regular bookings by new groups and societies have increased again and we have had a more one-off bookings for parties, conferences, lectures and exhibitions. We have continued our renovation project with two new fire doors fitted in the kitchen, and a thorough face lift with a lick of new paint throughout the whole hall. We are thrilled to report we were successful in our application for a grant of £900 from the Suffolk Community Foundation. This allowed us to purchase new catering equipment for the kitchen such as glasses, cutlery sets, tablecloths, meat dishes etc. We are also indebted to the Archer Cartwright Charity and the Bucklesham & Foxhall Community Council for their grants helping us with the cost of the heating oil and funding the Christmas Supper. This had to be postponed until 9th Jan due to illness of the caterers. Thanks to a great team effort by a hard-working committee, we had a huge boost to the coffers with the very successful Sale Trail in April and our continued careful bookkeeping means for the second year in a row the hall has run at a profit, not at a loss.

**For all bookings contact Evelyn Bloomfield 01473 659504
Or Heather Owen 01473 659754 heatherjowen@hotmail.com**

Bucklesham & Foxhall Community Council

You may remember that following the resignation of all previous Community Council members early in 2019, your Bucklesham Parish Councillors all agreed to step forward as trustees to keep the Community Council as a working charity for the village. We are very proud to report that we have been working hard with our Community Council hats on and have boosted the coffers for forthcoming Bucklesham Village projects.

We gladly donated £200 to the Village Hall to contribute to the ever-increasing cost of the Hall's winter fuel bills. We have also donated £600 to the village Knit and Natter Group, which will fund the hire of the hall for them for the whole of 2020. We have spent £3200 on purchasing much needed new lightweight portable goals for the village playing field. As a team we were successful in our bid for a grant of £2000 from the Sports Fund for this project and we were also supported by Richard Kerry, Melissa Allen and Ed Thompson, our District Councillors, with a grant of £1000 from their Enabling Communities Budget, and Patricia O'Brien, our County Councillor, with a grant of £500 from her Locality Budget.

We will continue to ensure that the constitution is fully adhered to and that money raised is spent solely on village projects. If you know of a village project that may need help in 2020 please let us know and we will endeavour to find a way to support it.

In the interests of transparency, and to allow for full scrutiny by villagers, Community Council business is always discussed as an agenda item at Parish Council meetings. If anyone wishes to take on a role on the Community Council, they will be most welcome to join us.

St Mary's Church is holding a

Quiz Night

Saturday 8th February 2020 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Teams of up to 6 people £5 per head to include a light supper

We aim to make the quiz fun and not too serious so that everyone enjoys it and can certainly have a guess at all the questions. As many of you know we had to cancel the Plough Day this year and we had a wonderful tombola ready with many prizes to be won so we are not asking for donations of raffle prizes. Do come along for a fun evening and let's see if we can make up the loss of revenue for the Church, from the Plough Day.

If you would like to book a table please contact Rosemary Watson
rosemary.watson717@btinternet.com 01473 659505

Bucklesham Players Presents

CINDERELLA



The 50th Panto anniversary

by Ben Crocker by arrangement by Ben Crocker Pantomimes
16th 17th & 18th January 2020 at 7:30pm

Matinee on 18th at 2:30pm

Tickets ~ Adults £8 Child £5 Concessions £6 (Thur & Fri only)

Contact 01473 659619 or 07557 516774

buckleshamplayers@hotmail.com

or Facebook buckleshamplayers

Please do come and support us

Blossom Appeal Concert

Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice Choir

with Essentially Swing Band (15-piece band)

In Bucklesham Village Hall

On Saturday 14th March 2020

At 7:30pm

Tickets £10 Including Refreshments

Contact Kath Scarff 01473 659447

Tickets Limited so don't wait

Bucklesham 'Good Neighbour Scheme' Idea

The Parish Council has been approached by a villager who put forward the idea of a Good neighbour Scheme with particular emphasis on a car sharing scheme. Such schemes work in many other villages. Volunteers offer their time with transport, befriending, small DIY or garden tasks, help with shopping etc. These schemes can be a good way of bringing the community together and supporting people in times of need. Maybe you would be prepared to offer a fellow villager some of your time? Or perhaps you are someone who would benefit from some help? The Parish Council are researching such schemes and would be very supportive of anyone or a group of people willing to explore the idea of setting up a committee to organise the scheme if enough interest is expressed.