

What's on in Bucklesham?

Group	Date and Time	Venue
Walking Group	Mondays at 9am No need to book - just turn up	Meet in layby opposite the Shannon
Village Library	1 st Monday of month 10am-12pm	St Mary's Church
Geology Group	Monday mornings from 9:30am	Village Hall
Knit and Natter	1 st and 3 rd Monday afternoons of month	Village Hall
Pilates	Monday evenings	Village Hall
Baby Sensory	Tuesday mornings various sessions	Village Hall
Bucklesham Players	Tuesday evenings	Village Hall
Baby Fun	Wednesday mornings Booking essential	Village Hall
Carpet Bowls	Wednesday afternoons from 2pm	Village Hall
Community Singing Group	Alternate Wednesdays 7:30pm-8:30pm	St Mary's Church
Women's Institute	3 rd Wednesday evening of month	Village Hall
Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group	Thursday mornings 9:30am-11:30am	Village Hall
Ladies' Group	2 nd Thursday evening of month	Various venues
Evolution Karate	Thursday evenings Various sessions	Village Hall
Church Lunch	4 th Friday of month 12pm for 12:30pm	Village Hall
Danceasy Tea Dances	Various Saturdays Afternoons and evenings	Village Hall

To ask for your details to be passed on to the relevant group please contact the **Parish Council Clerk** at buckleshampe@gmail.com

The Bucklesham Bugle ~ Autumn 2023



We are pleased to inform you that we welcome another new Parish Councillor, Cllr Gemma Marriage, who was co-opted at the September meeting, meaning we now have a full cohort of seven Councillors. Gemma has many transferable skills and is keen to get stuck into village life. Representatives from the Parish Council attended another meeting with Suffolk Highways to address the many issues

we have here in Bucklesham but specifically the speed limit on Brightwell Road along side the school. Cllr Paul West has commissioned a traffic survey to ascertain the speed that vehicles pass the school. The report produced following the survey will be used by the Parish Council to lobby Highways to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph. We will keep you informed of our progress and may ask for your help with our campaign.

The Parish Council recently received £29,000 of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from the Castlemore Homes development on Levington Lane. 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 be spent, for example on specific things such as Open Spaces, Infrastructure and Community Facilities. Some of the money has already been spent on the renovation of the Bus Shelter, 3 new benches, the maintenance of the Play Equipment and some new signs on the Playing Field and Grit Bins on Levington Lane and Field View. The Parish Council also gave the Village Hall a grant for further improvements to the Hall. Please let us know if you have any ideas on projects you would like the Parish Council to consider for the rest of this money as, if it is not spent within the time limit, it will have to be returned. We are investigating the possibility of sowing some wildflower seeds on the edges of the Playing Field to improve the environment, encourage bees and other insects and for visitors to enjoy the natural beauty of the area.

As a team, your Parish Council continue to work together for the village in this voluntary role and happily give hours of our time attending meetings, planning committees and training; writing and delivering this Bugle; managing the Playing Field; and successfully completing grant applications for what we sincerely believe to be in the best interests of the village. As this is the final edition of the Bugle this year, thank you all for your support throughout 2023.

Bucklesham Parish Council

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

Final Parish Council Meeting Date of 2023 **Wednesday 1st November 2023 at 7:00pm**

in the Bucklesham and Foxhall Village Hall.

We occasionally have additional Planning Meetings which are advertised
on the **Bugle Bulletin**. All villagers are welcome to join us.

For details contact the Parish Council Clerk
buckleshampc@gmail.com

Bucklesham Village Website

For information on Bucklesham Parish Council,
Clubs and Societies, Amenities, Reporting Problems, News and
all things Bucklesham visit

<https://bucklesham.suffolk.cloud>



The Parish Council has an email alert service – the
Bugle Bulletin. This enables us to distribute
important news around the village. It could be to
inform you that a tree has come down and the road
is blocked or major road works are planned, maybe
a cat is missing or there is a stranger acting
suspiciously in the village. We have also been able to inform villagers
of important messages from East Suffolk and Suffolk County
Councils, such as planning applications. Any urgent village news can
be sent out on the **Bugle Bulletin**.

Whatever the news we will keep you informed, so why not add your
name to the growing number of villagers receiving the

Bugle Bulletin.

Please email the Parish Council Clerk at **buckleshampc@gmail.com**.

Bucklesham Primary School News

Bucklesham Primary School are pleased to welcome new families into our
school this term, and look forward to providing opportunities to support
and develop each child at our school as they learnt to 'work hard and aim
high'. We will be holding open mornings from 9:00-10:00am on 9th Oct and
6th Nov and the evening of 22nd Nov from 6:30-7:30pm. Come and see the
school in action, ready for applications for next September's intake - see
our website for more details.

We are very pleased to be working with the Parish Council to ensure a
speed survey will be taking place in October on the Brightwell Road, and
will be encouraging our parents to drive and park carefully when they
arrive at school.

Rachael Rudge, Head Teacher

St Mary's Church

We are delighted to announce that a new Rector has now been appointed
to the Benefice. The Rev Nicholas Williams and his wife will be arriving in
November and taking up residence in the newly purchased rectory here in
Bucklesham.

Our Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday 24th September at 10am and
all are welcome. Dried goods can be brought as a gift and will be donated
to FIND (Ipswich Families in Need). Also do please support our quiz (details
elsewhere in this publication) it is always a fun evening but we need more
teams!

Please see the church noticeboard or contact one of the Elders listed
below for further information on anything to do with the Church.

Rosemary Watson 01473 659505

Christine Bickers 01473 659412 Janet Ball 01473 727695

Bucklesham Village Hall News

We were very lucky to receive a grant from the Parish Council for some
improvements to the Hall. We have had the white lines in the Car Park
repainted, new security lights at the back of the Hall, and plan for an entire
repaint of the interior of the Hall in the week before Christmas.

For Hall bookings contact the Village Hall Clerk, Ruth Johnson
buckleshamvillagehall@gmail.com or 07854 712 734

Bucklesham Community Council

A group of willing and enthusiastic villagers met in the pub (needs must) to discuss a wide variety of exciting ideas for future village events. Some fantastic suggestions were put forward including:

Film Night – holding a film night once a month in the Village Hall

D Day 2024 – with the 80th anniversary of D Day next June we are planning an Afternoon Tea, music and perhaps getting everyone to dress up in 40's clothing (Village Hall booked for weekend following DD on 6th June 2024)

Craft Fair – tables for stall holders to sell gifts and crafts, teas and coffees and perhaps cakes if we have the volunteers to make them

Bucklesham's Got Talent – talent competition to be held to include singers, poetry, comedy, variety acts – (an event for next year)

Outdoor Event – event that may cover 'Butterfly Count' and an 'Art competition', also may include a Dog Show, suggestions for fun prizes 'waggiest tail', 'shaggiest dog' etc. This could be something that we could include the School in for them to help with the art work and to get involved in the butterfly count. Could also include rounders, table tennis tournament and mini sports day – planned for July next year

Alternative Therapy Event – holistic evening of therapies/massages

Community Meet Up – Friday nights once a fortnight, the Village Hall would be used where community can come together to play board games, card games etc. We have the offer of a pool table to be used, magnetic darts etc. Bring own food and drink

Charity Concert/Variety, Cheese and Wine Night and Christmas Event

There were some great ideas and it was lovely that we had so many people who came forward to help but we are still open to other suggestions. We have now had 2 meetings with the next one being held on 24th October 2023 in The Shannon at 7.30pm. It would be lovely to see all the original villagers attend again and hopefully some others may be able to join us. A sense of well-being and pride in your community is guaranteed 😊

Contact Lynda on l.seagroatt.bpc@gmail.com

Quiz Night

In aid of St Mary's Church, Bucklesham
Saturday 23rd September 7.30pm in Bucklesham Village Hall
£5.00 per person - Teams of up to 6 people
Bring your own drinks and nibbles
Also holding a Raffle so bring extra pennies
Contact Rosemary Watson 01473 659505
rosemary.watson717@btinternet.com

Blossom Appeal Coffee Morning

Come and join us in memory of Kath Scarff

On Saturday, 21st October 2023

At Bucklesham Village Hall, 10am to 12 noon.

£5 entrance to include tea or coffee with cake.

Raffle, Pink Stall, Tombola, Cake, Pickle & Jam Stalls
plus others.

All donations and gifts gratefully accepted.

Contact Mark Scarff on 07866 867 733 for further information



Community Council Craft Fayre

Saturday 11th November in Bucklesham Village Hall
10am to 3pm, Entry £1 per adult, Children free
Tea, coffee and cakes plus Raffle/Tombola
Pick up some gifts for Christmas or just come for a cup of tea and a chat
contact Jenny Cribb - Driver89@hotmail.co.uk.

Bucklesham in Bloom

The Parish Council has purchased another 1,000 daffodil bulbs and are calling on your help to plant them, for the benefit of all villagers. If your property has a kerbside boundary, if there is a suitable verge near your home, or if you are willing to plant them around the roadside signs in your Lane or Close, please get in touch and we will deliver a bag to you. They are going fast, so ask now before they are all gone.

Please contact the Clerk to ask for your bag at buckleshampc@gmail.com
or call 07854 712 734

20's Plenty for Suffolk

Representatives from Bucklesham Parish Council attended the '**20's Plenty for Suffolk**' information webinar on 22nd June 2023. This national campaign aims to reduce the speed limit in rural, residential areas.

The 20's Plenty Campaign Group are requesting that all Suffolk Parish Councils pass a motion to call on Suffolk County Council Highways to implement a 20mph speed limit on all roads where people and vehicles mix.

The arguments laid out by the 20's Plenty Campaign Group are as follows:

Why 20?

1. **Safer:** *The UK's Department for Transport estimates that a 1mph lower speed in built-up areas reduces road casualties by 6%. Successful 20mph schemes result in 30% fewer casualties.*
2. **Cleaner (and quieter):** *20mph reduces tail-pipe emissions by 25% compared with 30mph and is 50% quieter.*
3. **Healthier:** *20mph helps to remove the blight of vehicle speed and builds inclusive communities where human activity, including walking, cycling and social interaction, takes first place.*
4. **Popular:** *National and local surveys consistently find 70% support in residential streets; such support rises after 20mph limits are introduced.*
5. **Accepted as normal by UK local authorities where 28m people live, including all of Wales - where 20mph will soon be the default speed on restricted roads - and soon throughout Scotland. 20mph is global best practice where people mix with motor traffic.**
6. **Compliance:** *20mph is as enforceable as any speed limit. Even with no additional police enforcement, speeds reduce by up to 6mph on faster roads.*
7. **Affordable (and cost effective):** *Multiple economic, societal and environmental benefits at low cost. Entry signs plus repeaters remind drivers with no need for physical calming or additional enforcement.*

8. **Little journey time impact:** *Congestion, junctions and crossings are the determining factors in built up areas and 20mph rarely affects journey times or bus timetables.*

Bucklesham Parish Council have no jurisdiction over road speed limits and this is not something that we have the power to change ourselves. The purpose of passing a motion in support of the Campaign would simply be to demonstrate to Suffolk Highways the strength of feeling within Bucklesham about the proposal.

Before Bucklesham Parish Council discuss this motion we would like to know how you, the residents of Bucklesham, feel about the Campaign and its aims.

The Campaign will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting on **1st November 2023 at 7pm in the Bucklesham Village Hall**. If you would like to let the Council know how you feel about the request for the Parish Council to pass a motion in support of the campaign, please do come along.

Alternatively, you can show your support or opposition by contacting the Parish Council Clerk at anytime before Friday 27th October.

More information can be found at **20splenty.org**

You can also access our very quick online survey at

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6FNL6TK>

Playing Field News

The Parish Council must thank all those villagers who helped out in the Summer heat with the watering of the little trees we planted in the woodland walkway in 2021. We have lost some, but at least we know we did our very best to give them a chance to survive. Huge thanks to Gary Bareham from Castlemore Homes for supplying us with a 1,000l water bowser in the middle of June when it was really dry. Unfortunately, there has been some anti-social behaviour from some non-residents of the village over the summer. It seems that the combination to the goals had been widely shared and word soon got around about our lovely 'quiet' field, therefore the combination has been changed. The new code is available to all villagers, please just contact the Clerk. Please can we ask that the code is not shared with anyone who does not live in the village, that the goals are securely locked after use, and that they are only used by children when accompanied by an adult. Many thanks.