



# Bishopstoke Parish Council Newsletter

Winter 2016

***The Newsletter from Bishopstoke Parish Council for Bishopstoke residents with news of the Parish Council, local voluntary organisations and residents***

## News from the Parish Council

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, there was a well-attended Armistice Service which saw poppy wreaths laid by many village organisations, including the Parish Council, Royal British Legion and former members of the armed services, and Stoke Park Junior School.



Eastleigh Borough Council's Local Plan timetable has been published, which now sees the final adoption of the plan in June 2018 (previously 2017 had been the expected date), More information can be found on <https://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/planning-building/planning-policy-and-implementation/local-plan/emerging-local-plan-2011-2036/local-development-scheme.aspx>

Meanwhile, Bishopstoke Parish Council is pressing on with designing its Neighbourhood Plan. Following a meeting earlier in the year, volunteers are being selected to form a group to help drive the process forward. Cllr Sue Toher is leading the group, and is happy to hear from anyone with any thoughts on what should be included.

Back in September there was another successful Bishopstoke Carnival. The weather was damp on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> for the River Floats, Duck Races and Car Show, but Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> was sunny and dry. Many of you enjoyed the parade, and the fete that followed in Glebe Meadow

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who got involved in any way, but especially to Claire Potterton of Jiggly Wrigglers for stepping in at the last minute when another act had to pull out.

The street collection raised £445.12, all of which was given out as grants to various groups.

In addition to Carnival grants, the Parish Council is able to grant money to local groups and organisations to help with running costs, or even unexpected emergencies. So far this year, the Council has added extra money to the Carnival Street Collection so that Age Concern, ARK Eastleigh and New Hope could each receive £200 to help their ongoing projects.

Also, the Guides Association of Bishopstoke has been given £350 to purchase equipment that will help maintain their grounds, and Stoke Park Infants Association has received £1000 to purchase part of their newly designed play area – the Council is looking forward to seeing the new Storyteller's Throne. Information on grants can be found on the Parish Council website

## Travel Tokens

The Parish Council runs a Travel Token scheme allowing those with difficulty getting a bus, and who don't have a car, to get tokens to use with some local taxi companies. Anyone interested in receiving tokens should contact the Parish Office or see the website for more information.

## BISHOPSTOKE PARISH COUNCIL

You can call us on 023 8064 3428 or find us on [www.bishopstokepc.uk](http://www.bishopstokepc.uk). We are also on Facebook. The Parish Office is next to the Memorial Hall on Riverside and is normally open

**Mon 10:00 – 13:30 & 14:30 – 18:00, Tues 12:30 – 17:00, Thur 10:00 – 14:00, Fri 10:00 – 14:30**

The office will occasionally be closed for meetings – details will usually be given on the website

**PARISH CLERK: David Hillier-Wheal** email: [bishopstoke.pc@btconnect.com](mailto:bishopstoke.pc@btconnect.com)

**ASSISTANT CLERK: Mrs Cheryl Taylor** email: [acbishopstoke.pc@btinternet.com](mailto:acbishopstoke.pc@btinternet.com), phone: 07521 735539  
(allotments and cemetery)

Please note that all meetings of the council and its committees are open to the public

## Carnival Images



**Bishopstoke Carnival Court 2016**



**The Scouts entry - Superheroes**

This year Carnival added a new attraction – the Car Show on Saturday. This received a warm welcome and is something the Carnival Group hopes to include again next year. The Carnival Group is always looking for new volunteers – whether you can come to all the meetings and get involved in planning the whole thing, or whether you can only help on one morning of Carnival weekend – all are welcome. For more details please contact the Clerk of Bishopstoke Parish Council.

The dates have already been set for next year's Carnival – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Please help if you can, and look out for posters in the new year telling you how you can be involved.

## Questionnaires

As part of trying to build a better Carnival for everyone, there is a short questionnaire contained with this newsletter. On the other side there is also a questionnaire about the newsletter itself. Please spend a few minutes filling them in and then return them to the Parish Office, or to one of the "Have Your Say" boxes that should be appearing in local shops soon.

Thank you.



In September, the Pastor at Bishopstoke Evangelical Church left to move on to explore new work as a Hospital Chaplain

Paul Hatchard and his wife Judi had been with the Evangelical Church for just under 8 years and were fundamental in the church's mission to be "Church in the Community, and Community in the Church". As such he was not only involved in all their own activities, from Toddlers to TOP (Time for Older People), but also in working together with the other local churches of St Mary's, St Pauls and the Methodists.

Paul also helped us lead the Church's presence in the Carnival and many other local events throughout the year. In fact his last day as a Pastor in Bishopstoke was on Carnival Sunday.

He was part of the joint churches team called Open The Book, where a team from the different local churches get to share a drama of a bible story in both of the Bishopstoke Schools. He was much loved and will be greatly missed.

## Allotments

As part of the developments happening at the Cemetery and Breach Lane, the Parish Council will receive a number of extra allotments, and a Community Orchard. Anyone interested in applying for one of the allotments, or for a plot on our existing sites at Manor Farm (Underwood Road) and Jockey Lane, can contact Mrs Cheryl Taylor who will take a few details from you and add you to the waiting list.

## Local Government Funding

A recent government consultation on how local government is funded has been held. The Parish Council, in common with most Parish Councils across the country objected strongly to the proposals that would prevent them from seeking necessary funds to continue the work of allowing more decisions to be taken at a local level.

## WHAT'S ON?

### **Christmas Services at St Mary's and St Paul's**

Sunday 11 Dec 6pm Carols by Candlelight (St M)

Sunday 18 Dec 9:15am Carols and Readings for Christmas (St P)

Sunday 18 Dec 4pm Christingle (St M)

Christmas Eve 4pm In The Stable (St M)

and 11:30pm Midnight Communion (St M)

Christmas Day 9:15am Holy Communion (St P)

and 10:45am Christmas Morning Worship (St M)

[www.cofebishopstoke.com](http://www.cofebishopstoke.com)

### **Soup and Sweet Lunch at St Paul's**

In aid of the Winchester Night Shelter

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January 1pm, tickets £4

Janet Henderson 8061 9894

### **Bishopstoke Methodist Church**

Sunday 18 Dec 10:30am Nativity service

Christmas Day 10am Christmas Worship

### **Bishopstoke Evangelical Church**

Sunday 18 Dec 10:30am Christingle and

6:30pm Carols by candlelight

Christmas Day 10:30am Christmas morning praise

[www.bishopstoke-evangelical-church.org.uk](http://www.bishopstoke-evangelical-church.org.uk)

### **Bishopstoke Community Centre**

10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017 Community Lunch

### **Bishopstoke Players Panto**

Wed 25 to Sat 28 January: Bishopstoke Players presents "Much Ado About Panto" written and directed by Players Member and Bishopstoke resident Adrian Barratt.

Tickets available from £8 (£6 16 and under) from

[www.bishopstokeplayers.org](http://www.bishopstokeplayers.org)

[bishplayers@btinternet.com](mailto:bishplayers@btinternet.com)

023 8064 3109

## CONTACT DIRECTORY

### **LOCAL CHURCHES AND GROUPS**

#### **Evangelical Church, Stoke Park Road**

Secretary: Patricia Noyce 80601346

[info@bishopstoke-evangelical-church.org.uk](mailto:info@bishopstoke-evangelical-church.org.uk)

#### **Methodist Church, Sedgwick Road**

Minister: Greg Black 01962882539

[Revgreg@btinternet.com](mailto:Revgreg@btinternet.com)

Senior Steward: Annie Mole 80615688

Bookings: Betty Lewis 80692906

#### **St. Mary's (C of E) Church, Church Road &**

#### **St. Paul's (C of E) Church, Fair Oak Road**

[www.bishopstoke.org](http://www.bishopstoke.org)

Rector: Richard Wise 80612192

#### **Fair Oak – St. Swithun Wells RC Church**

#### **Allington Lane, Fair Oak**

Parish Priest: Fr. David O'Sullivan 80612430

Parish Coordinator: 80273882

[stswparish@portsmouthdioces.org.uk](mailto:stswparish@portsmouthdioces.org.uk)

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

### **12<sup>th</sup> Eastleigh 1<sup>st</sup> Bishopstoke Scout Group**

David McGregor 80692190

[www.12theastleighscouts.org](http://www.12theastleighscouts.org)

### **13<sup>th</sup> Eastleigh Sea Scout Group**

Stephen Bedford 80601779

[www.13theastleighscouts.org](http://www.13theastleighscouts.org)

### **1216 (Eastleigh) Squadron Air Training Corps**

[www.1216Eastleighsqn.org.uk](http://www.1216Eastleighsqn.org.uk)

### **Bishopstoke Guides**

Donna Drinkwater 07881208964

### **Bishopstoke Preschool** (based at St. Paul's)

Debbie 07542 559161

[www.bishopstokepreschool.co.uk](http://www.bishopstokepreschool.co.uk)

### **Centre Stage Youth Theatre**

Mike Mullen 80251037 [mikemullen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mikemullen@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Happy Days Preschool** (based at BCA Centre)

Sue 80601276

[sue.happydays@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.happydays@btinternet.com)

### **Little Coppice Children's Centre**

Botley Road, Fair Oak 80602799

[www.4children.org.uk/services/detail/Little-Coppice-Childrens-Centre](http://www.4children.org.uk/services/detail/Little-Coppice-Childrens-Centre)

### **Precious Steps Preschool** (based at the

Methodist Church, Sedgwick Road)

Helen Wilson 07941367531

[preciousstepspreschool@outlook.com](mailto:preciousstepspreschool@outlook.com)

### **Spirit Twirlers** – baton twirling for 3+ years.

Sun pm at the Memorial Hall.

Becky Yeats 07919410193

[spirit-twirlers@info.co.uk](mailto:spirit-twirlers@info.co.uk)

### **Stoke Park Infants School** Abbotsbury Road

80601773 [www.stokeparkinfantschool.co.uk](http://www.stokeparkinfantschool.co.uk)

### **Stoke Park Junior School** Underwood Road

80612789 [www.stokeparkjunior.co.uk](http://www.stokeparkjunior.co.uk)

### **YZone Youth Centre** Blackberry Drive, Fair Oak

Stella Furmedge 80693487

[y-zone@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:y-zone@hotmail.co.uk)

## ADULTS

### **Age Concern – Riverside Club**

Fri 2.00-4.00pm at the Memorial Hall Sue Toher (chairperson) 80651049

### **Bishopstoke Community Association** (BCA

Centre).; Book Swap – alternate 1<sup>st</sup> Tues in the month from April 2-4pm

Community lunch – usually alternate 1<sup>st</sup> Tues in the month 12 noon- 2.00pm

### **Bishopstoke Fifty Plus Club**

St. Paul's Church afternoons 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri in the month Fred House - 80692181

### **Bishopstoke History Society**

Chris Humby – 07973 194691

[chris@humby5.freemove.co.uk](mailto:chris@humby5.freemove.co.uk)

### **Bishopstoke Players**

Thur 7.30-10pm at the Memorial Hall Riverside

Wendy Shehan 80693032

[www.bishopstokeplayers.org](http://www.bishopstokeplayers.org)

### **Bishopstoke Women's Institute**

1<sup>st</sup> Mon of the month at 7.15pm at the BCA Centre  
Sadie Wright (Secretary) 80610794

### **Canine Solutions**

Wed & Fri 6.15-8.30pm at the Memorial Hall  
Sue Wild 07779 331589 [sue-wild@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:sue-wild@tiscali.co.uk)

### **Community Choir**

Wed 6.30-8pm at Wyvern (enrolment required) -  
80692678

### **Eastleigh District U3A**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month 2.30pm at Fair Oak Village  
Hall, Shorts Road <http://u3sites.org.uk/eastleigh/>

### **Fair Oak Art & Craft Society**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month 7.30pm at Fair  
Oak Village Hall- Eric Humphreys – 80695132

### **Fair Oak Gardening Club**

2<sup>nd</sup> Mon of the month 7.30pm – Fair Oak Village  
Hall – Marilyn Andrews 80694142

### **Fair Oak Welcome Club**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues of each month 2.00pm, Fair Oak  
Village Hall – Derek Davies 80692628

### **Lacemakers**

1<sup>st</sup> Wed in the month 10.00am- 3.00pm at the BCA  
Centre. Sue Jones - 80614154

### **Upholstery**

Thur 7-9pm at Wyvern (enrolment required) –  
80692678

## **SPORTS AND ACTIVITY GROUPS**

### **Bishopstoke Indoor Bowls Club**

Tues & Thur 2-4pm at the Memorial Hall  
Brian Stillwell 80611021

### **Bishopstoke Health Walks**

Bernie Bennett – 80611740

### **Bishopstoke St. Mary's Bellringers**

Roy LeMarechal (tower captain) 80615559  
[roylemarechal@gmail.com](mailto:roylemarechal@gmail.com)

### **Boot Camp**

Thur 6 to 7pm at the Memorial Hall Jenny Phillips  
07818 036625 [jphillips220@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jphillips220@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Glow Club Fitness**

6.30-7.15pm Thur Memorial Hall  
Janice Barfoot 07740358130

### **Legs Bums & Tums**

6.30-7.15pm Tues Memorial Hall  
Janice Barfoot 07740358130

### **Pure Pilates**

Wed 10.15pm BCA Centre Carmela Ogilvy –  
07791695594

### **Stepping Out Academy of Performing Arts**

(for adults and children) various days and times at  
the YZone Caroline Perrett 80643669 or  
07723324996

### **Solent Running Sisters**

Gin Tidridge (Organiser) Mon 7 & 8pm at The Hub,  
Bishopstoke Road SO50 6JA [www.srs.org.uk](http://www.srs.org.uk)

### **Tush Push** (line dancing)

Tues 7.30-9.00pm West Drive Scout Hut  
Mike Towgood 01489786387

### **Yoga**

Wed 9.45-11.00am –Memorial Hall  
Sharon Lovett 80474410

### **Yoga**

Wed 8-9pm, Thur 10.30-11.30am, Sat workshop  
once a month - West Drive Scout Hut, Stella  
Tomlinson [www.livingyogawithstella.com](http://www.livingyogawithstella.com)

### **Yoga Reflection**

Thur 7.00-8.15pm – BCA Centre Helen Baker -  
80695562

### **Zumba Gold**

Thursdays 11.00am-Noon – Memorial Hall  
Glenda Grocott -07929 016225  
[www.zumbasouthhants.co.uk](http://www.zumbasouthhants.co.uk)

## **ADVICE AND SERVICES**

**(HCC) Adult Social Care** 03005551386

### **Bishopstoke & Fair Oak Good Neighbours**

(voluntary drivers' scheme). Wendy - 80693032.  
DRIVERS WANTED TOO!

### **(HCC) Children's Services**

84-98 Southampton Road Eastleigh SO50 5PA  
03005551384

**Dial a Ride** - Organised by One Community –  
80902450 [dar@1community.org.uk](mailto:dar@1community.org.uk)

### **Eastleigh Borough Council**

80688000 Text: 07797877001  
[www.eastleigh.gov.uk](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk)

### **Eastleigh Citizens Advice Bureau**

101 Leigh Road Eastleigh 80613949  
[www.eastleighcab.hampshire.org.uk](http://www.eastleighcab.hampshire.org.uk)

### **Family Lives**

08088002222 [www.familylives.org.uk](http://www.familylives.org.uk)

### **One Community Information Support,**

16 Romsey Road – 80902405  
[ocis@1community.org.uk](mailto:ocis@1community.org.uk)

### **Open Sight** 25 Church Road 80641244

[www.opensight.org.uk](http://www.opensight.org.uk)

### **St. Francis Animal Welfare** Mortimers Lane, Fair

Oak 80693282 [www.stfrancisanimalwelfare.co.uk](http://www.stfrancisanimalwelfare.co.uk)

### **Victim Support** – supportline 08081689111

[www.victimsupport.org.uk](http://www.victimsupport.org.uk)

If you have upcoming events; if you want to add,  
change or remove your entry from the Contact  
Directory; or if you would like to put something in  
the next newsletter, then please contact  
[bishopstoke.pc@btconnect.com](mailto:bishopstoke.pc@btconnect.com) and the Clerk will  
be happy to help you.

### **Upcoming Parish Council Meetings**

13<sup>th</sup> December: Planning and Finance Committees

The office will be closed from Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>  
December and reopen on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January  
Details of Parish Council meetings are available on  
the Parish website: [www.bishopstokepc.org.uk](http://www.bishopstokepc.org.uk)