

Buckden Parish Council News

Council Website

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Planting in Lucks Lane

Each year the Parish Council through the Green Infrastructure Group tries to plant a new area of flowers and shrubs to improve the biodiversity across the village. You can see some of the work we have done if you follow the walk in our Trees and Bees leaflet. If you use the following link you will find the leaflet <https://buckdenpc.org.uk/the-parish/walking-in-buckden/#BuckdenTrees>, which you can print off. The latest project is to improve the planting and biodiversity at corner of Lucks Lane and Stirtloe Road. We wish to thank the intrepid group who carried out the planting just before Christmas, the conditions were not very good but thanks to their hard work we hope that the plants will blossom and thrive over the years.

Tree planting

We are working with HDC to both replace dead trees and add more trees and hedges across the village. There will be some trees being replaced at the end of Silver Street and new planting of a small group of trees at the allotments. Also at the allotments we hope also to plant a hedge, as hedges are as good for biodiversity as trees if not better.

Reminder: Buckden's Second Repair Café

We look forward to seeing you at the Village Hall between 1.30 and 4.30 p.m. on Saturday 8th February with your items for mending for free. To pre-book, contact us at Buckdenrepaircafe@gmail.com or you can just turn up on the day but may have to wait. Never mind though, there'll be tea, cakes/savouries to purchase at the Café. If you've nothing to be mended, please do join us for a cuppa.

If you are interested in joining the team of helpers or would like to become a volunteer repairer, please contact the Parish Clerk clerk@buckdenpc.org.uk

Shakespeare at the Towers

You may already be aware that Shakespeare will be relocating from the George in Huntingdon to the Towers, performing in June/July. Details of performances will follow. This is a really exciting development for Buckden. We have had an initial meeting with the team who are very keen to introduce themselves and identify ways in which they can support the village and any community activities. We will be contacting several groups where we think this may work but please feel free to contact us via the clerk with any suggestions you have.

Book Exchange

We are still looking for volunteers to help manage the Book Exchange in the old Telephone Box in the High Street. Without extra help we will lose this valuable resource. Please contact the clerk if you are interested.

Highways

Just a reminder if you spot an issue with roads, pavements or footpaths these are generally the responsibility of Cambridgeshire County Council please report it on CCC website via this link: <https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/>

Trunk roads such as A1, A14 and A428 are the responsibility of National Highways. Please use their website to report any issues. <https://report.nationalhighways.co.uk/>

Flooding

Major downpours can happen at any time of the year. If you are concerned and need any of the flood equipment held by the Parish Council please contact any of the councillors below for the access code

John Thelwall	07831580625
Anne Howell Jones	07557025241
Caroline Underwood	07739249036
Aidan Joy	07485054085

Council Meetings

The next Council meeting will be at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 11th February. The meeting will include a 15-minute open forum. If you want to speak at the meeting, please let us know what you want to say, by contacting the Parish Clerk. You will get a three-minute slot. The Council Planning Committee will also meet if required. Agendas for both meetings are posted on the Parish notice boards no later than the Saturday preceding the meeting.

Thermal imaging camera

Don't forget, the Parish Council has a thermal imaging camera for you to borrow. If you want to know more contact the Clerk email clerk@buckdenpc.org.uk or call 07483 033357

Office opening hours

The Clerk operates flexibly between the office and home. If you wish to meet with the Clerk, please call on. 07483 33357.

All of the papers and reports for Council Meetings are available on the Thursday before meetings on Council website www.buckdenpc.org.uk. This provides the opportunity to see the agenda, reports of work carried out by the Council as well as reports from our County and District Councillors. Any questions or comments on this report should be addressed to the Parish Clerk at: Buckden Parish Council, Buckden Village Hall, Burberry Rd, Buckden, PE19 5UY. Telephone 01480 819407 Email: clerk@buckdenpc.org.uk.