

YOUR COUNCILLORS

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Vice Chairman of the Council

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Vice Chairman – Playground Committee

Cllr Ms Jean Eldridge – 07946 506410

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Councillor Vacancy

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Mrs Val Evans PSLCC

01992 570870 eupc@bruindell.co.uk

USEFUL NUMBERS

POLICE - Non-Emergency 101 Emergency 999

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

03444 770 808 Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

EPPING FOREST COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

01992 579556

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

01992 564000 www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk

FLY TIPPING

- 01992 564608 (Office hours)
01992 564000 (Out of office hours, main number)

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

0345 743 0430 www.essex.gov.uk

HIGHWAYS

- to report a problem
0345 603 7631

<http://www.essexhighways.org/transport-and-roads.aspx>

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr Mrs Lynn Hughes – 01279 793854

COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr Mr Anthony Jackson – 01245 430233

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Rt Hon Eleanor Laing MP – 020 8508 6608

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Are you concerned about speeding through the Village?

A group is being formed in Epping Green. While we currently have 2 trained volunteers we could usefully add 2 more to bolster the core team.

Training will be given and you will work with Essex County Fire & Rescue who are coordinating the initiative.

Safety of the volunteers is paramount and once our assessment site has been approved our group can commence activity.

Community Speedwatch (CSW) is a national initiative where active members of local communities join with the support of the Police to monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices.

Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are referred to the Police with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds. In cases where education is blatantly ignored and evidence of repeat or excessive offences is collated (even across county borders), enforcement and prosecution follow.

Further details can be found at
<https://www.communityspeedwatch.co.uk/>

Let the Clerk know if you can help

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EPPING UPLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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NEWSLETTER SPRING 2018



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COPPED HALL ESTATE

In the last newsletter we told you about the sale of the Estate and the concerns we had for the future of the parish. We are pleased to say that we have met with the new owners who are keen to work with us and our residents. At present there are no plans that would be detrimental to the parish and indeed they appear to want to assist with any issues eg school parking. We all realise that things change but the parish council will monitor what is going on and seek to ensure that any development is sympathetic and beneficial to the parish.

LITTER AND FLY TIPPING

Many of you will have noticed the amount of litter that has appeared on the verges through Epping Upland and Epping Green as well as some fly tipping towards Jacks Hatch. We have again requested EFDC to deal with this although they have been slow on this occasion but we hope that by the time you read this it will have been cleared. You can report this to EFDC yourself and we find the best method is to 'phone EFDC on 01992 564608 for Waste & Recycling or through the main switchboard 01992 564000.

PICK IT UP

On a related topic there is still an amount of dog fouling not being cleared. It has been particularly noticeable on the greens fronting Elm Close, the verges on the access road to Elm Close and outside the properties at the front of Green Close.

There are now 4 poo bins around the Village: Village Green, Millennium Gardens, by the Travellers Friend car park and by the footpath from Carters Lane. The waste can also be put into the general waste bins on the Village Green but not the Playground bins! All waste must be wrapped and can also go with general waste in your black bin.

No excuse – unhealthy, unhygienic, unlawful

🌿 ALLOTMENTS 🌿

Spring is beckoning so now is a good time to take on an allotment and grow some nutritious fruit and veg, and a few flowers.

Rent: half plot £18, full plot £36
Deposit: £50 half plot, £100 full plot; returned if plot is left in a good condition.

Contact the Clerk for further details –
01992 570870 eupc@bruindell.co.uk

SUPERFAST ESSEX RURAL CHALLENGE PROJECT – GIGACLEAR UPDATE

Great progress has been made with the project and most of it is now complete, but unfortunately, due to a number of factors beyond Gigaclear's control including some unresolved negotiations to access private land, Gigaclear has had to re-evaluate some aspects of the project before continuing with the remainder of its network build. However, Superfast Essex has now received confirmation from Gigaclear that all residents and businesses in Epping Upland Parish which are due to be covered by the rollout, will be live on the new network by the 31st March 2018 at the very latest. Gigaclear has written directly to individual residents impacted by this news. Information on the Superfast Essex website and interactive map and the Gigaclear website and postcode checker, are also in the process of being updated.

Residents and businesses can find the latest rollout schedule information for their address on the Superfast Essex interactive map at: www.superfastessex.org/maps or via the Gigaclear postcode checker at: <https://www.gigaclear.com/superfastessex>.

Superfast Essex interactive map - where work is ongoing and some properties in an area have already been enabled to access the Gigaclear network the map will still say planned (show a green dot). When completed, the map will be updated to show fibre available (pink dots).

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Check website for precise details or contact the Clerk 01992 570870

Everyone is welcome to attend. Meetings are held in the Chapel, normally starting at 7.00pm Next scheduled meeting –

Monday 19 March

Planning, Playground and Neighbourhood Plan Committees meet as required.

RESIDENTS' MEETING 23 April

Parish Councillor Responsibilities

Allotment Gardens & Millennium Garden

Cllrs Barber, Buckle and A Jones

Broadband - Cllr Eldridge

Burial Ground

Cllrs Eldridge and A Jones

Community Safety Liaison

Cllrs P Jones

Emergency Planning - Cllr Buckle

Highways, Footpaths, Open Spaces and Village Green

Cllrs A Jones, P Jones and Pegrum

Local Councils' Liaison

Cllrs Buckle and Eldridge

Passenger Transport

Cllrs Buckle and Eldridge

BUDGET 2018-2019

The budget for 2018/2019 has been set at £33316 plus £6191 in Contingency/Reserves. This is an increase of 3% for the Local Council Tax for the parish totalling £15464 which gives a band D property equivalent of £37.95. Councillors thought that residents would prefer a smaller increase for a few years rather than a large increase at some future date. This gives almost £500 more towards future proofing expenditure eg War Memorial, Burial Ground, Playground, Neighbourhood Plan, and allows for inflation.