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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale
Community Association

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Brookvale Permit Parking Join the Debate! Tues 29th Mar 2:00pm

Many local residents living on Queens Rd, Alexandra Rd. and George St. have noticed a rise in college parkers that is resulting in local people finding it difficult to park near their homes during the Day.

Brookvale Community Association is working with local Councillors to plan a **local meeting** to consider the issue in more detail.



Meanwhile, Basingstoke and Deane's County Councillors are to discuss transport work programme priorities, including consultation on an extension of the residents' parking scheme for Brookvale on:

Tuesday 29th March at 2pm in the Cedar Suite, Beechdown Park, Winchester Road, RG22 4ES.

You are welcome to book your place to attend this public meeting, please confirm your attendance to::

Jo White at Hampshire County Council on 01962 847854.

For all the latest local news , events and information, visit our website:

www.brookvale.org.uk

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Committee Meetings

You are very welcome to join us to raise Community issues and help plan events, maybe become a Committee Member!

3Cs Coffee Morning

At each 3C's meet Colin Puddephatt of Shaw Trust to learn about their South Ham garden project work and their over 60s external garden services.

Brookvale In Bloom

**BROOKVALE IN BLOOM!
OUR LOCAL FUN GARDEN
COMPETITION**

This is the time to look out for hardy plants that will be interesting all year.

Lavender and Hebe come with different colour leaves and flower in the summer.

Perennials come back every spring, like penstemmons and Scabious that have flowers ranging from white to purple.

Herbs are good too – Chives, Oregano, Thyme and Sage come in different colours – and are useful too!

It will be too cold to put out annual bedding plants before May, but we can make a start with hardy plants in the next few weeks.

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<p>7 Deep Lane, Basingstoke Telephone 01256 468727</p>

BCA Matters

Volunteers please contact us for:
* Village Plan (Malcolm)
* Hall Booking Agent (Rebecca)
See rear page for contacts.

Our Facebook page tells us that **Residents' Parking** is becoming impossible in both Queen's and Alexander Roads and so we ask for your involvement in planning our Brookvale consultation. Contact: Councillor Shaw.

The **Hall Energy** costs are continually increasing and we are looking to reduce these by investigating insulation and renewable energy generation.

Also, a lot of people have asked "What can we do to make Brookvale a cleaner and greener place to live?" The **Greening Campaign** has been set up all across Hampshire and beyond. The aim is to get small communities to start doing their own thing on climate change, recycling and rubbish. This will help us all in doing the small and simple things that can make a difference and save money.

Each Brookvale person daily wastes the equivalent of a 25Kg bag of cement in pouring CO2 into the atmosphere. If that CO2 is cement dust we would all be soon knee deep in dust and do something about it! Contact: Martin: 07771 805000.

Concessionary Fares

Paul Midgley at The Disability Forum thanks us for our responses. Meridian TV covered this issue: <http://www.itv.com/meridian-west/moves-to-halt-bus-cuts56880/> Paul: 01256 423869

<p>Do you need ... ??????????????</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> more time with your family? to supplement your pension? to pay school & university fees? to improve your health? to boost your income? personal development? <p>Phone 0844 453 1295 to find out how we can help you</p>

BCA Bygones

**Prof. Morris Entertainer 1950-2010
NORMAN DAVID MORRIS B.A.
(Hons.) continued...**



Cleggie My Mate Norm.

A Eulogy By Tom Gilvear:

Under Norman's leadership the Bonfire Boys celebrated their 25th Anniversary with a spectacular display on Victory Green in Brookvale. Such was the size of the fireworks used, I recall, the police took an Emergency Call from a resident in Sherbourne Road, who thought Eli Lilly was being attacked by Terrorists, or Animal Activists, as she could hear explosions. Fortunately my Mother worked on the Switchboard at the Police Station, and suggested it may be the Firework Display at Brookvale. No more was heard.

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<p>marco polo Hair and Beauty</p>	<p>★★★★★ 5-star rated salon Open weekends (including Sundays) and until late during the week</p>
<p>47a Queens Road (01256) 812635 www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk</p>	

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Norman continued...

People in Solby's Road were never safe when Norman was around especially on April the 1st (April Fools Day) – you never quite knew what was going to happen. This included the delivery of a Rare Tropical Plant in a 6' high box (containing Norman) to a house opposite, to the complete surprise of Ted Blackmore-Squires, only when Ted remonstrated with his Wife for some foolish purchase did Norman jump out the Box. There was also the case of the Missing Gnome, again full sized – just happened to be sat on someone's else's garden seat at the rear of their house – yes it was Norm in a Gnome's costume – only a few weeks ago one of our friends who was in the process of acquiring new Windows for her home, received a telephone call from a Double Glazing Salesman, who would not take no for an answer, it took some time to realise it was Norman – such was his skill in disguising his voice, or just catching you when you least expected it.



To be continued...

Development SubCtte

We have been advised that character lamps will be fitted throughout the Conservation Area and our thanks to Councillor Shaw for making this possible.

Still waiting on the Old Post Office back garden to be cleared.

Concerns expressed about removing the character roof and the lack of energy saving/generation measures over and above insulation at 193 May Street.

The New Inn relaxing of licensing by removal of door staff application has been responded that we do not want a return to the previous problems that existed in the area.

The County Local Transport Plan 3 consultation (Front Page) see:

http://www3.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings/advsearchmeetings/meetingsitemsummary.htm?sta=0&tab=1&item_ID=1680¤tpage=1&cancel=n

The challenge is to get the needs established and the money allocated. This consultation ends on Thursday 31st March 11.

The Sustainable Communities Act has some updates which include back gardens now not designated a "previously developed site", no cut price alcohol promotions, encourages Renewable Energy, Councils to maintain the Post office network, and Business Rate discount for small businesses.

Pickle's Localism Bill is proceeding to the House of Commons:

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/localism.html>

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Graffiti

From your Community Safety Patrol Team:



As you may know there is currently a problem with graffiti in the area. To combat this we are appealing to residents to contact us to arrange removal.

Although Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council will remove any offensive graffiti wherever it appears, any other graffiti will not be removed unless it is on Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council land.

The removal of graffiti from private land/buildings may attract a charge. However a small amount of graffiti can lead to a big problem, making the area look unsightly. This then leads to other problems in the area such as littering and dumping rubbish which increases the fear of crime amongst residents in the community. Please contact:

01256 844 844

to arrange removal if you see any graffiti and or dumping.

You can also contact the Community Safety patrol team by calling us on:

01256 845700 Email:

safetypatrolservice@basingstoke.gov.uk

or stop us when we are out on patrol for a chat. We will also be having monthly area surgeries, so keep an eye out for the dates.

CSPO Martin Lee (077)

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Lottery Winners**3Cs Lottery Winners:****December 2010**

1st £50 Lottery number 491
 2nd £30 Lottery number 975
 3rd £20 Lottery number 15

January 2011

1st £50 Lottery number 60
 2nd £30 Lottery number 266
 3rd £20 Lottery number 707

February 2011

1st £50 Lottery number 897
 2nd £30 Lottery number 58
 3rd £20 Lottery number 44

For £1 per month, and an annual membership fee of 10p, there is a chance of winning each month either, £50, £30 or £20. Our other request is to ask for help with the collection of the subscriptions. If you would like to become a lottery member or help please contact:

Pam 01256-324313

Friends of Willis Museum**April 21st**

Basingstoke Canal -
 the last 6 miles -
 Roger Cansdale

May 19th

Inside / outside at Heckfield
 Place - Robert Louth

June 16th

"Living on the Breadline"-
 the workhouse system -
 Rosemary Rawcliffe
 Museum: 01256-465902

Shaw Trust Open Day/Plant Sale**May 21st 10am-1pm**

Elizabeth Road Allotments,
 South Ham, RG22 6AX
 Free entry for information,
 plants and photography.

Age Concern Annual Holiday**Mon 29th Aug - Fri 2nd Sept**

Russell Hotel Weymouth
 £249 per person
 Tracey: 01256 423875

Upcoming Events**Committee Meetings****Management Committee:**

Tuesday 11th January, 7.30pm

Development SubCommittee:

Tuesday 22nd March, 7:30pm

committee@brookvale.org.uk

3Cs Coffee Morning

Normally held each First Monthly
 Saturday without a Bank Holiday:
 Sat 5th Feb:

10am - 12 midday

Pam on (01256) 324313

Brookvale Baby & Toddler Group

Term time, Mondays:

10 – 11.30am

Brookvale Village Hall

£1 per session, per family

Alison on (01256) 814377

National Childbirth Trust

Each Friday:

10 – MIDDAY.

Brookvale Village Hall

£1 per session, per family

Stephany Cox 07974 935353

coffee-chat@basinstoke.org.uk

The Vale Youth Club

Term time, Wednesdays:

7pm – 8.30pm

Minimum "Year 7" upwards

Entry £1 on the Door

All New "Toddler Time"

Term time Tuesdays:

10.30-12noon

Essex Hall on Essex Road

Free of charge

Contact-Cil: 07731980824

Green Fair**Saturday 17th Sept**

Activities Information Prizes

Malcolm: 01256 364498

Brookvale In Bloom**Saturday 23rd July**

2011 Theme: Platinum & Gold

Cathy: 01256 462688

BCA Information

info@brookvale.org.uk

<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>

Hall Booking Agent:

(01256) 462688

(between 9am and 7pm only)

info@brookvale.org.uk

Brookvale Lottery:

Pam Mansfield,

Lottery Agent

(01256) 324313

pam.mansfield@brookvale.org.uk

Disability/Mobility issues:

Chris Hall,

Vulnerable Person's Officer

(01256) 351074

chris.hall@brookvale.org.uk

Local Development issues:

Malcolm MacInnes,

Chair, Development-Sub Committee

(01256) 364498

malcolm.macinnnes@brookvale.org.uk

Your Ward Councillors are:

Councillor John Shaw

(01256) 461776

cllr.john.shaw@basinstoke.gov.uk

Councillor Doris Jones

(01256) 415062

cllr.doris.jones@basinstoke.gov.uk

Your County Councillor is:

County Councillor Ron Hussey

(01256) 415840

ron.hussey@hants.gov.uk

Your Town MP is:

Maria Miller MP

(020) 7219 5749

millerm@parliament.uk

Police—Kings Furlong/Brookvale/Grove:

[http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/](http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/northeast/basingstoke/town/Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm)

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Your Borough CSPO is:

Martin Lee (077)

01256 845700

martin.lee@basinstoke.gov.uk

Your Area PCSO is:

PCSO Stephanie Bradley

0845 045 45 45

stephanie.bradley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Your Beat Officer is:

PC Ian Wonnacott:

0845 045 45 45

ian.wonnacott@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

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