



# Bearsted Parish Council Newsletter

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## Annual Parish Meeting and Alfred Mynn Awards 2021

The Mynn Awards run annually to award local people who have made an outstanding contribution to Bearsted neighbourhood, or by helping others on a regular basis. Past winners have included volunteers, charity workers, sportsmen and women and supporters of many organisations, including our churches as well as volunteers of local healthcare that have gone above and beyond the call of duty. Due to restrictions last year our APM and Alfred Mynn Awards did not take place. We hope to have our APM at some point during the year subject again to any restrictions. In the meantime, all nominees that were proposed for 2020 will go into this year's nominations. We are looking for that special person who has contributed to our community during this pandemic who deserves special recognition in our village. We will also have Community Award certificates in recognition to services in the community and our youth award allowing schools and residents to nominate someone who has made a significant contribution to their school, club or the community at large.



There is plenty of time to get your nominations in and the process is very simple. All we need is your nomination details with the reasons you feel recognition is deserved. Please remember that all nominees should be sent in confidence. This can be done by dropping the information in letter to the parish council office or by email to: [mynnawards@bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:mynnawards@bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk). We will acknowledge all emails and provide updates on the success of each nomination.

### Ware Street Double Yellow Lines



Following a formal consultation by KCC we can confirm a new stretch of double yellow lines have been implemented on Ware Street. The 28m stretch along the

northern side of Ware Street are positioned between Sandy Lane stretching westwards to a point opposite the start of the row of cottages. The installation of the double yellow lines on a slight bend in the road will ensure that driver's sight lines are not impaired by parked cars.

### Parish Councillor Vacancy

BPC have one vacancy on the Parish Council. If you feel that you can contribute to our community why not consider joining us. We have many projects in the village which need help.

Members of the council spend between 3—5 hours a month volunteering and full training can be given. If you feel that you have some time to join us, please email the office for more details on what is required:

[admin@bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## Play Area Improvements—The Green and Woodland Trust

We are pleased to announce that local firm Glebe Fencing Limited worked through the rain in January to finish the new fence around the play area on The Green.

The new fence is now safer for our smallest residents and features a much needed new gate to keep little fingers out of danger.

Essential maintenance has also been carried out at the Woodland Trust play area to replace the climbing net, rope walk and beam. Over the coming weeks the gate will also be fixed along with improvements to the flooring and shackles of the buddy swing.



## Reporting issues to your local authority—who does what?

If you need to report an issue within the Parish here are some helpful details on who to contact:

**Kent County Council** [www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem](http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem)

Visit the KCC website if you need to report issues with footpaths, drains, fallen trees, road signs, street lights and pot holes.

**Maidstone Borough Council** [www.maidstone.gov.uk](http://www.maidstone.gov.uk)

Visit the MBC website to report issues with bus shelters, fly tipping, litter, parking or street cleaning.

If you are unsure you can find all the information you need and links to the correct authorities on our website [www.bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk/report-an-issue/](http://www.bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk/report-an-issue/)

## Elizabeth Harvie Field Plaque



It was highlighted to us that the plaque located within the Elizabeth Harvie Field had become weathered and hard to read.

Local resident Peter Schmoeger was approached to inquire if he was able to refurbish the plaque to bring it back to its former

self. Mr Schmoeger took on the task and has done a superb job in returning it to its bright former glory. Now anyone passing will be able to read a little bit history about our much loved playing field.

**CALL FOR POETS**

To brighten up our community noticeboards we are inviting residents to send us a poem they have written and would like to share.

We hope that these poems can be read by those taking a walk around the Parish for exercise and will brighten their day in these gloomy times.

PLEASE SEND POEMS TO  
ADMIN@BEARSTEDPARISHCOUNCIL.GOV.UK  
OR AS A FACEBOOK MESSAGE.

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