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Bearsted Parish Council Newsletter

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Bearsted Parish Sign



Alfred Mynn, nick named the Lion of Kent was credited with the invention of cricket pads, a hop farmer by trade but became famous as one of the greatest cricketers of the round-arm era. Alfred has been part of The Bearsted village sign since 1951. The sign was designed by Alan Warland and was erected to mark the Festival of Britain. As cricket is central to our village history, having been played here for over 250 years, Bearsted Parish Council are looking to update the image of Alfred. A local artist is currently working on a new design to show Alfred's face and give him the recognition he deserves as our village mascot.

The Queens Platinum Jubilee

2022 will see Her Majesty The Queen celebrate her Platinum Jubilee. In honor of her 70 years of service to our country, Bearsted Parish Council are to mark the occasion by planting an English Oak tree on The Green as part of the Queen Green Canopy. We are hopeful the new tree will arrive within the next few weeks.

There will be a change to the bank holiday next year to incorporate the Platinum Jubilee and Bearsted Parish Council plan to celebrate this milestone with a community event on Sunday 5th June 2022. More details will be published in 2022 of further celebrations.

Jubilee Beacons will be lit on 2nd June 2022 throughout the United Kingdom, BPC would like to hear resident thoughts on a location within the Parish for our own.



Fireworks— Children go free!



To celebrate the community being able to meet again we are offering families free children's tickets to our Fireworks display taking place on 5th November at the Elizabeth Harvie Field.

Gates open at 6pm where the Scouts will be offering hot food for sale along with lots of light up goodies (peddlers outside the event are not associated with the event). Our local Girl Guides will be selling drinks and sweets, so please come and support our local groups.

Tickets on sale at www.bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk

Keeping Bearsted Residents Safe

We are receiving regular correspondence regarding dangerous parking on pavements, corners, and at junctions. In line with rules 243 and 244 of the Highway Code, you must not park opposite or within 10 metres of a junction or up on the pavements. In order to avoid the unnecessary expense of having to place double yellow lines on every junction, please can we ask residents to refrain from parking close to junctions and to be respectful when parking of people with buggies, the visually impaired, wheelchair users and all pedestrians.

We are happy to hear about any traffic or transport issues you are experiencing. Alternatively, if the issue relates to verges, potholes, blocked drains, line refreshing etc, these can be reported direct to KCC Highways report a problem or via the Bearsted Parish Council website: bearstedparishcouncil.gov.uk

Autumn Replanting

We have just replanted our planters and we hope they brighten up the Parish.



Traffic and Speed Survey Update

Our September newsletter reported on the results of the traffic surveys, which were carried out in the village in May. Unfortunately, there was an error

Location	Av. Daily volume East-bound	Av. Daily volume West-bound	Speed limit	% of vehicles exceeding the speed limit	Average daily speed
The Street	1,790.4	1,944.6	30mph	East-bound: 19.5%	East-bound: 26.1mph
				West-bound: 26.6%	West-bound: 27.3mph

(duplication) made by the survey company, in the reporting of the results for The Street, Roundwell. The correct results are given below:

Christmas Light Turn On

Join us on the 28th November 2021 at Bearsted Green to begin the Christmas celebrations when our festive lights will be turned on. Musicians from the Kent Police Band will be playing a number of seasonal songs for us all to join in from 4.15pm.



Old Time Music Hall

Bearsted Parish Council and The Players Theatre proudly present Old Time Music Hall. This is a free event for Bearsted residents. Being hosted at the Bearsted WI hall on the 16th October 2021. For free tickets please call 01622 630165.

