



Any organisation in South Brent may use the parish crest.

Your New South Brent Parish Council



The Parish Council election on 2 May was uncontested as only 7 of the 12 existing South Brent Parish Councillors stood for re-election. Cllr. Cathie Pannell; Cllr. Carol Doree; Cllr. Paul Fennessy; Cllr. Sue Gaskin; Cllr. Peter Kelly; Cllr. Ian O' Connor and Cllr. Glyn Richards were therefore all returned unopposed. Paul Astal-Stain; Jane Maunder; John Rawlinson; Heidi Rodriguez and Greg Wall had all decided not to stand for re-election. The council is grateful for their past service. No new candidates put themselves forward for election as Parish Councillors and therefore the new Parish Council started its term of office with only 7 of its 12 places filled. Since then, at the Annual Parish Council meeting on **Monday 20 May**, Jill Cruz, Lisette Granados, Charlotte Power and Rachel Rafiqi offered their services and were co-opted and welcomed as councillors (*more details on [page 5](#)*). Cllr. Cathie Pannell was re-elected as chairman, Cllr. Paul Fennessy was elected vice-chairman and Cllr Glyn Richards as chairman of the Planning Committee. The council is still one councillor short and further candidates are invited to put themselves forward by contacting clerk@southbrent.gov.uk by **Friday 21 June**.

Cllr. Peter Smerdon was re-elected to South Hams District Council for the South Brent ward and is joined by new District Councillor Guy Pannell, who was welcomed to the Parish Council meeting on Monday 20 May.

In addition to the changes brought about by the election, the clerk, Mrs Julia Willoughby will be retiring in July and the council has expressed huge gratitude for her very professional and valued support to the Parish Council over the last 23 years. Mrs Katharine Griffiths, currently also part time clerk for Buckland Monachorum Parish Council, has been appointed to succeed her and South Brent Parish Council looks forward to working with her.

Environment & Climate Emergency: Towards a Carbon Neutral South Brent



Following key events including: the publication of the IPCC special report on Climate Change in October 2018, the IPBES report on biodiversity and ecosystem services in May 2019, pressure from the public including the School Strikes for the Climate, Extinction Rebellion protests and David Attenborough's programme on climate change in April 2019, Parliament voted unanimously to declare an Environment and Climate Emergency on 1st May this year. South Brent Parish Council and several other local councils, has shown leadership on this by declaring an 'Environment and Climate Emergency' and will work with Sustainable South Brent's new 'Zero Carbon South Brent' sub-group to pursue further local measures/projects that help to reduce the carbon footprint of the parish. To find out more please email jeremysabel@gmail.com. (*Continued on [page 6](#)*)

Community Champion Awards 2018-19



At the Annual Parish meeting on Monday 1 April 2019, the **Community Champion** award for 2018-19 was presented to **Mr Frank Noble**. The idea of starting a community school garden was raised in 2009, under the umbrella of SSB. Frank was doing some gardening with the pre-school; he was instantly enthusiastic and quickly volunteered to help. He was at virtually every gardening session from then on - a huge commitment lasting from 2010 until this year. The garden is now run by the group of volunteers along the lines that Frank established - all his traditions will remain for many years to come! Frank was also key in setting up the Vicarage Road Allotments- which continue to go from strength to strength. Frank's involvement with 'The Marsh' also pre-dated the establishment of the facility - he has been a massive influence on this project, as with many of the other aspects of SSB's work. He was then involved with all the stewards and volunteers at the compost site for an equally impressive length of time and recorded the temperatures of the compost bays every week. His connections with the Primary School and South Brent Folk, meant he could teach lots of children the Floral Dance, which he, and Ruth, could then lead as they danced across the playground into the village.

The **Young Community Champion Award** for 2018-19 was presented to 18 year old Judo player, **Lewis Widdicombe**. At the end of 2018 Lewis won the British Junior Championship for his weight category. Last month he won the English Junior open and consequently he is ranked as the number one player in his weight category in Great Britain. He is a member of the England Talent Development Squad and the GB Elite Development Squad. The purpose of the latter is to train those players with the potential to represent GB at the Olympics in Paris (2024) and Los Angeles (2028). In the past 12 months Lewis has represented England and GB at competitions across Europe, including Spain, Italy, Lithuania, Germany and Denmark. Lewis also enjoys coaching and last year qualified as a British Judo Association coach. Every Monday evening, except when he is away competing, he teaches the youngsters at South Brent Judo Club. Finally, last year Lewis achieved his 2nd Dan Black Belt and he also won the Judo Club's 'Player of the Year' award for 2018.



Annual Chairman's Report 2019

Delivered at the Annual Parish Meeting on 1 April 2019

Councillor Cathie Pannell reported:

Your present Parish Council is almost at the end of its four year term of office, with just a month to go before elections for the 12 member council. I would like to extend very grateful thanks to my fellow councillors, on behalf of the parishioners, whether they have served the full four years or have joined us during that period. All have given of their time and talents, for which I am sure the Parish of South Brent is most grateful. During this past year the council, has as ever been very busy, with the various committees and working groups supporting the work of the Parish Council. The reports of these, prepared by their Chairman follow:



Open Spaces: Cllr Peter Kelly:

In the Sanderspool Cross Playpark the main achievement of the Open Spaces Committee and the Parish Council has been the replacement of worn out play equipment with a modern alternative. This has been funded by \$106 money from the housing developments at Middle and Lower Green. It is hoped that in the coming months repairs or replacement of the gates and fencing at the playpark will be possible. All the seats and signs in the parish have been inspected and repairs and renewals carried out as necessary. The three bus shelters have been redecorated and any graffiti removed. The Parish council employ contractors to cut various areas around the Village supported by payments from the District and County councils for the work done on the areas they own. In the Station Yard car park, a collapsed drain was repaired during the year. We are aware that there are a number of potholes appearing in the surface of the car park, the Parish Council is endeavouring to get them repaired in the near future. Railway Wood and Cutting are inspected on a regular basis.

Speed indication signs have been installed during the year in Exeter Road in both the Eastern and Western directions, with a data logging system which gives a read out of the speed of vehicles. This will give useful information for deciding the way forward in trying to control excessive speed in this area.

The Parish Plan has been reviewed for the key items that require the attention of the Committee, and the considerable work carried out by Sustainable South Brent across many different projects is very much appreciated by the Council.

Planning: Cllr. Glyn Richards:

As this Annual Parish Meeting is earlier than usual, these figures refer to the 2018 calendar year as opposed to the previous reports being for the Council year.

46 planning applications have been received during 2018, an increase of 48% over the previous year. 40 were in Dartmoor National Park. 26 granted, 2 refused, 4 pending, 4 withdrawn with 2 certificates of lawful use or development issued and 2 not issued. 5 were in South Hams District Council area. All these were granted. 1 commercial application submitted to DCC was granted. Only 1 decision made by the planning authorities differed from the view of the Parish Council, this was granted, to which the Parish Council had objected.

The types of application were as follows: 6 commercial, 23 householder, 6 agricultural, 6 prior notification, 1 major residential development, 1 change of use, 2 listed building, and 1 county matters.

The major residential development application is as follows:

This is referred to as "land adjacent to Fairfield, South Brent. Erection of 40 dwellings, including 14 affordable and associated infrastructure". This application is still pending following a deferral at the Development Management Committee meeting held at DNP on 1st March 2019.

Changes: Whilst the overall number of applications has increased by approximately 48%, the number of Certificates of Lawful use or development applications has risen significantly to account for 13% of applications, also the recommendations of the Parish Council accorded with the planning authorities in 98% of applications.

Annual Chairman's Report, April 2019 (continued)

Finance: Cllr. Glyn Richards:

The following comments and information should be read in the context that the accounts have not yet been audited as the financial year only ended on 31st March. This coming year the budget has been set at £64,050, this is an increase of £2,029 on last year. The total Parish Council part of the tax bill will increase by 3.3%, due to this increase and the local support grant from the government falling by 9.85%, equal to a reduction of £270. This increase will equate to 17 pence per month for a band D property.

The increase is due to the following factors:

- 1) The introduction of a new budget line of £2,250 to cover the cost of cleaning services for the Stockbridge Lane toilets. This figure would have been £4,500, had not the South Hams District Council decided not to transfer responsibility of these toilets until September 2019.
- 2) During the budget setting process, a sum of £4,000 was included to cover induction of the new clerk, this was amended to £1,500 as the transition period will be considerably less than anticipated.
- 3) The reserve fund of £500 towards repairs and replacement of the three defibrillators now fitted at the Chemists, Old School Centre and Moortek will continue as will a grant to South Brent and District Caring.

The above increases amount to just over £4,000 but by prudent management of other budget lines the increase has been reduced to just over £2,000. I would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested to attend the Finance Committee meetings.

Media Committee: Cllr John Rawlinson:

The committee's main role is to provide information to parishioners. This is achieved primarily via the Parish Newsletter and Website, and posting press releases as required. The committee meets at least twice a year, with much of its work managed by email. The Parish Council website is in the process of an update and review, following the implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation in May 2018. We are most grateful to John Shepherd for continuing to fulfil the role of webmaster. The Newsletter is edited by John Rawlinson supported by the media committee members.

GDPR has meant that all email and postal recipients of the newsletter, have been required to complete a consent form for this to continue. Unfortunately to date, very few have responded, which means that they no longer receive the newsletter. Because of the changes to data protection following GDPR, reviews of email procedures, how we deal with our database of village groups, clubs and organisations is being revised. We aim to keep the parish informed and welcome items for publication from parishioners and organisations. We welcome feedback and suggestions about the various ways we communicate with parishioners. The next newsletter will be published in June 2019. A joint contribution from the Parish Chairman and the Chairman of the Media Committee appears in the bi-monthly 'Around Buckfastleigh and South Brent' publication. The committee also monitors Freedom of Information (Fol) requests, however, the level of use of the Act locally remains very low.

As mentioned in the Open Spaces report, the parish has received S106 funding following recent housing development. To get the best from this money an Open Spaces and Recreation Plan was formulated by a group of interested members. After much work, the new Multi Play equipment and roundabout were installed at Sanderspool Cross playground, and the surfacing of the Car Park, Basket Ball Court Upgrade and the provision of practice nets for the cricket club (also funded by the English Cricket Board) were decided upon as the top priorities. These three are on the point of completion. An upgrade of the Multi-games area and repairs to the Adventure trail have also received funding. The remainder of the funds have just been allocated for the outside play area and entrance at the Old School Centre. These initiatives have, all together, benefitted the Village to the tune of over £91,000, including extra match funding from other sources. The grateful thanks of us all should go to the Recreation Ground and its committee for all the work they have put into these projects, together with many other willing volunteers.

One of the main occasions in the Parish during 2018 were the events to commemorate the end of the Great War. These were held in November and December, the first being a commemorative "Poppy Festival" held in our Parish Church of St. Petroc in the week leading up to the Civic Service of commemoration and rededication on the 11th November. This was made extra special by the dedication of a new memorial with the names of those, who for whatever reason, were omitted from the original. This was funded with help from the Parish Council, South Brent Feoffees and personal donations. The last event, held in December at the Village Hall was 'Homecoming', with music and various entertainment suitable to the end of hostilities.

Annual Chairman's Report, April 2019 (continued)

We hosted 3 'Moor Otters' in the Village in conjunction with Dartmoor National Park, the funds raised from the sale of these and many others, roughly 3 times scale models, decorated by well-known artists raised £60,000 towards various activities to improve enjoyment and conservation of Dartmoor.

Some of the problems we have faced, worked on and hopefully progressed, though not necessarily solved are as follows; one is the problem of our severely undersized Post Box in the middle of the Village. The Parish Council has been working on this with Royal Mail since before Christmas 2017. Each time we think we are getting somewhere, another reason why we can't have what we need seems to arise. We have just been told that yet another survey of the ground near the telephone box is being done. We live in hope that something will be done before next Christmas. Frustration also arises from the lack of reports from the Police. We do not expect a Police Officer to visit our meetings, but we constantly ask for some kind of report on activity within the Village, mainly to alert parishioners and possibly assist the Police in their work. During this past year I think we have only had one communication from them.

As mentioned in the Finance report, the parish will be taking on the responsibility of funding the Public Toilets in Stock Bridge Lane, from this coming September as the South Hams District Council would have closed them. We are still waiting to hear what plans there are for the future of those at Shipley Bridge, which are also threatened with closure. It is hoped that a partnership arrangement can be found, for as I am sure you will agree it would be a very serious matter if they were closed.

The Parish Council has been made aware by many of our parishioners, of problems with various issues with regard to traffic in the village. It is an ongoing problem, the Parish Council is working with the County Council, who is responsible for all matters regarding our roads and pavements to try to find some solutions. With a village such as ours, there will always be conflict between the safety of pedestrians and vehicles, but we hope that by working together a way can be found to ease the problems.

On to more positive things: The Parish Council, through the Community Benefit Fund, and other Parish Funding, have been able to assist many groups in the parish. You will hear from some of them in a few minutes. In this wonderful community of ours there are always volunteers who will go the extra mile to help others. There are far too many to mention them all, but just two groups come to mind this evening, the first is our "Refugee Support Network" fundraising and running events to help refugees who have been settled in nearby areas, and the latest initiative 'Central Station' which has brought together lots of organisations to find a way to help everyone join in activities, feel valued and welcome in our many clubs and organisations.

As mentioned in the Open Spaces Committee report the Parish Council is very grateful for the work that SSB is undertaking. The activities they are undertaking at present which support the Parish Council Key Action points are as follows: Under the heading of Village Environment are their work with the Marsh compost and re-use centre, Talking Rubbish- information sessions about local recycling and their work with local traders to reduce the use of plastic and litter pick. Under Rural and Moorland Environment, a fairly new group called 'Brent Bees, Bugs and Butterflies' ('4Bs') are doing work which includes planting a community orchard and wildflower meadow in the grounds of the Health Centre and sowing wildflowers on the grassy bank at Sanderspool Cross in conjunction with South Brent School. Work is also done coppicing at Penstave Copse, hedge laying and the biennial Wood Fair plus working on Railway Wood. They also work on projects fostering Safety, wellbeing and ethos, these include work with the School Gardening children and workshops and cafes in the school holidays, when the children serve food to older members of the community and IT help for members of the community. They also work on traffic and transport through the Bike Bank and community energy through the wind turbine project.

In closing I would like to offer my thanks to all the Committee Chairman and also particularly those councillors who are not standing for re-election at the upcoming elections on May 2nd. I wish also to thank on everyone's behalf the various people who assist us in our work. Firstly, our member of parliament Sarah Wollaston, then our County Councillor Richard Hosking, and our two District Councillors, Peter Smerdon and Robert Steer, who have all given of their time to assist us in our work. I would also like to thank our previous Village Crier, John Gaskin, who retired recently, after several years' service and to welcome his successor John Parr, and our grateful thanks go to Zoe Richards, who does invaluable work for us around the village. Last but by no means least, we thank Julia Willoughby our wonderful clerk. As some of you know Julia is retiring from her post in the summer and she will be sorely missed. We are very fortunate that she has assisted in the appointment of her successor who joins us later on this year. Thank you, Julia, so much.

Cathie Pannell, Chairman, South Brent Parish Council. 01/04/2019

Your New Parish Councillors



Above: New South Hams District Councillor for South Brent Ward
Guy Pannell

Left to right:
Charlotte Power;
Rachel Rafiqi;
Lisette Granados
Jill Cruz

Charlotte says: "I have lived in Lutton with my three school age children for the past 6 years. I live on a farm and enjoy keeping chickens, geese and goats. Originally from West Yorkshire, my background is in Environmental Science and prior to relocating to Devon, I worked as a Water Quality Manager for a large water supply company. I am currently part time organiser for the Lib Dems in Totnes. I believe that South Brent is a wonderful community which offers something for everyone and am looking forward to being able to give something back to this village by supporting the Parish Council."

Rachel says: "I live in the heart of South Brent with my partner, 3 kids, dog and 4 chickens. I firmly believe in Community Rights and Sustainable Living. We hold a truly beautiful part of the world, I sincerely hope I can help to preserve and enhance our village."

Lisette says: "South Brent has been very much part of my family's life over the past 27 years and I feel honoured to have been co-opted to join the Parish Council team in continuing to support the vibrant and warm community of South Brent and surrounding villages. My daughter went to school in what is now the Old School Community Centre and now I am a grandma. I trained as an Ecologist and worked on Dartmoor as a seasonal Information Ranger whilst publishing a study of a rare flower to help with conservation plans in the Park. My grandparents were farmers on Dartmoor in the 1930s and '40s and I love the connection that South Brent has with nature, wildlife and farming; there are some beautiful walks. With a background in sustainable horticulture, commercial food production, teaching and ecology I hope to bring skills and experience to support you as your Parish Councillor; please don't hesitate to contact me if I can help in any way or you have ideas your Councillors could consider that would benefit the South Brent community."

Jill says: "I have lived in South Brent for over 30 years, firstly running 'The Pantry', now called 'Foggs', for 21 years. I have two sons who both attended the primary school and went on to KEVICC in Totnes. The eldest is living in the village and my youngest lives in Buckfast. I have been on the council before, but at the time I was running my own business. For the last 3 years I have been a school escort for Bidwell Brook School, so fewer hours and lots more holiday."

South Brent Parish Council Year End Accounting Statements 2018-19

		Year ending £	
		31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1.	Balances brought forward	59,439	53,207
2.	(+) Precept or Rates and Levies	52,495	59,280
3.	(+) Total other receipts	38,448	66,237
4.	(-) Staff costs	22,311	23,872
5.	(-) Loan interest/capital repayments	3,183	3,091
6.	(-) All other payments	71,681	82,479
7.	(=) Balances carried forward	53,207	69,282
8.	Total value of cash and short-term investments	53,207	69,282
9.	Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	139,803	185,733
10.	Total borrowings	23,650	21,600

South Brent Focus



This section is also available to voluntary organisations within the village to publicise their activities. Contributions should be sent to the Clerk or Editor for consideration; whilst there is no formal charge, any contributions towards the cost of printing and distribution would be appreciated.

Environment & Climate Emergency: Towards a Carbon Neutral South Brent

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The formation of the SSB 'Zero Carbon South Brent Group' and the declaration of the 'Environment and Climate Emergency', will push the parish towards the fulfilment of some of the aims in the 'Parish Plan 2016+'. Refer to the plan on the [Parish Council website](#) for more detail, but the overall aims in this respect were that:

- "The community will take steps to sustain itself, socially and economically and with opportunities for all who wish to make their lives here. This will include affordable and environmentally friendly homes to enable families and individuals with low to moderate incomes to continue to live and work within South Brent. It is also about our broader impact on the environment, which in turn impacts on us, economically and socially. We will play our part in the global efforts to mitigate climate change and resource scarcity, in ways that are compatible with the need to maintain and improve the quality of life in the community for all. We will therefore include locally produced energy solutions such as hydro, wind and other renewables, encourage more domestic recycling and in so doing strengthening the local community and protecting the long term economic, social and environmental health of the village." and "Work to assess the Parish's carbon footprint and identify and incentivise a programme to reduce it to an agreed series of targets compatible with UK goals and the need to achieve sustainability across the community."

In making this declaration the Parish Council would:

1. Pledge to do whatever is in its power to make South Brent carbon neutral by 2030
2. When making other decisions, including planning decisions, take into account the effect on the progress towards the carbon neutral target and increasing biodiversity
3. Where necessary consider a partial diversion of funds to reinvigorate the actions in the Parish Plan that help achieve the target
4. Place this issue on Council and Committee agendas to agree strategies and action plans
5. Work with other local authorities, neighbouring local councils, appropriate government departments and other organisations to determine, implement and deliver best practice methods to limit Global Warming to less than 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels
6. Regularly review progress, taking action on recommendations to address this emergency
7. Explain and inform people through the Newsletter and the website, about the implications of the emergency, about the measures we are supporting, and actions individuals can take themselves to mitigate the crisis
8. Support the SSB Zero Carbon Group and provide a link Councillor as point of contact



Some Summer Events 2019



South Brent's Traditional Summer Carnival Week:

Saturday 22 June: **Carnival Summer Fair** from 2pm - **VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED**

Sunday 23 June: **Carnival five-a-side Football Tournament** at the Recreation Ground.

Tuesday 25 June: **Carnival Bingo** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Thursday 27 June: **Floral Dance** starting at **7.00pm** from South Brent Primary School Ball Park.

Friday 28 June: **Carnival Dance:** music by John Westlake at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Saturday 29 June: **Grand Carnival Procession** starting at 6.15pm from Station Bridge

Sunday 30 June: **Carnival Knock-out Cricket & Children's Sports** from noon at the Recreation Ground FFI, or to join South Brent Carnival Club contact Jean Cleave, South Brent Carnival Secretary, Middle Stidston, South Brent. Email: jangcleave@gmail.com; Tel: 01364 73292; mob: 07973 443318 or see <http://southbrentcarnival.org.uk/> or [Facebook](#).

Brent Singers present **Brent's Own 'Last Night of the Proms'** for their annual Summer Concert on **Saturday 29 June** of at 7.30pm in St Petroc's Church. Free entry with retiring collection.

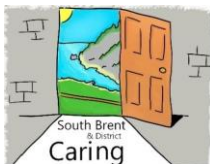
South Brent Folk presents the 8th annual **South Brent Folk Day** on **Saturday 6 July 2019** with singing, music, dancing workshops (ukulele and tambourine) and concerts around the village.

The headline evening **concert** is at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (with Reel Ale bar) and features:

Kathryn Roberts & Sean Lakeman: Dartmoor-based, award winning duo who have established themselves as one of the UK folk scene's most rewardingly enduring partnerships.

Granny's Attic: a folk trio of exceptional musicians and fine singers with verve, energy and style.

FFI: Contact Eileen McKee: email eileen.southbrentfolk@gmail.com or call 01364 73699.



South Brent & District Caring

SB&DC or '**Caring**', offers support services, not normally available from recognised service providers, to improve the quality of life and promote the independence of isolated, vulnerable or older people living in South Brent & the surrounding areas.

This is provided by matching volunteers to people's needs, which include: befriending; transport to local activities or health appointments; prescription collection; carer support; light gardening; shopping; help with form filling and DIY.

Let us know: if you think you, or someone you know, might benefit from this sort of help.

Become a Volunteer: this can be immensely rewarding with much to gain on both sides. New friendships can form, new skills can be learned and your past experience can be put to good use. Volunteers are of all ages and come from all walks of life; they are fully supported in their work and no-one is ever asked to do anything they do not wish to do. A little of your time can make a huge difference to someone; if you can help us, we would love to hear from you.

Become a Member: In order to raise funds we offer a membership of £10 a year for individuals and families. Of your £10, £8 goes to the running costs of the service, and £2 is put into a fund for cash prize draw – (the size of which depends on the number of members!)

Contact us: to find out more: Office: 01364 700282; Transport: 01364 700289; email: info@sbadc.org.uk; website: www.sbadc.org.uk

Volunteers needed at 'The Marsh'

"To keep South Brent's compost flowing at [Sustainable South Brent](http://www.sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk)'s community composting site at '[The Marsh](http://www.sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk)' in Exeter Road, we need new volunteers. The volunteers greet people coming to the site, feed the solar powered sieve, bag the compost, enjoy the company **and** get a free bag of compost for every hour spent on site. We will fit in with your availability and we aim to make the 3-hour Sunday sessions a pleasure. Curious? Contact Martin Duckworth at martinsduckworth@gmail.com or talk to any of the volunteers at 'The Marsh' 10am - 1pm most Sundays".

See www.sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk/projects/the-marsh-community-compost-and-re-use-centre/.

Invasive Alien Species in South Brent

Invasive Species in South Brent: A survey is being conducted by an ecologist for [Dartmoor National Park](http://www.dartmoor-national-park.gov.uk) to investigate invasive alien species. Initially a plan will be put together to survey for the control of Himalayan Balsam and 'American Skunk Cabbage' (but also noting Japanese Knotweed and Monkeyflower) with South Brent as one of the target areas (focusing on the river Avon). No practical works are planned at this stage as initially he is scoping the scale, ascertaining land ownership, getting permissions and information gathering etc.. If anyone has a particular interest / knowledge of the issues / knowledge of potential locations, please contact Mervyn Newman on mervynnewman@btinternet.com. Project funded from the 'Moor Otters' arts trail.

Talking Rubbish – again! - Reduce, Recycle, Reuse

Sustainable South Brent's '**Talking Rubbish**' Group is keen to continue to keep us informed about what we can do to '**Reduce, Recycle and Reuse**'. See: www.sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk/projects/talking-rubbish/.

Roadside plastic and other litter: South Hams District Council is responsible for litter picking on local B roads but responsibility for litter picking on the A38 in our parish is shared between SHDC and Devon County Council Highways. SHDC is responsible for litter and fly tipping on the verges and laybys within the parish; DCC Highways is responsible for the banks and central reservations. To report plastic and other rubbish on our roadsides SHDC can be contacted on 01803 861234 and DCCH on 0345 155 1004 or online via www.devon.gov.uk. Or raise concern with your local councillor.

If you are unsure about who to contact you can report any trouble spots on www.fixmystreet.com. This independent website set up by the charity [mySociety](http://www.mysociety.org), aims to help people inform local authorities of problems. Devon County Council should be contacted directly, see: www.devon.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling/.

Plastic Bag Recycling: Some supermarkets have introduced recycling collection points for carrier bags and any plastic bag carrying the **recycle logo** and the message '**Recycle with bags at larger stores**'. Check with the Customer Service Desk or staff member to find out if your local store has a plastic bag collection point. More information about local recycling schemes can be found on the website www.recyclenow.com/bank-locator.

Email the 'Talking Rubbish' group at talkingrubbish@sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk.

News from South Brent Recreation Association

NEW AT THE REC - Wednesday Coffee Mornings: The Rec will be open on Wednesday mornings from 9am-Midday for coffee, tea and biscuits, or just a chat. We are trying to raise money for a dog trail, to enable dogs to play if perhaps their walkers cannot walk far, and a bench for people to sit and relax and possibly watch their pooches play. The coffee morning is open to all, not just dog walkers, as 'The Rec' is for the whole community, young and old, and we need to fundraise to add and keep what is already there. Contact Avril for more info avrilkelly@spxservices.co.uk or just pop along.

We have applied for [Tesco's 'Bags of Help'](#) grant but won't hear until July if we have been entered.

Pavilion Hire: The hall is available for hire at £7 per hour plus £5 for kitchen. We are particularly keen to have more daytime bookings. Contact Anne on 01364 72223 / nichollsbenzie2@gmail.com.

Monthly Lottery: Pay £1 a month for 12 months = £12 a year. 50% will go in prizes and 50% will go to help maintain the facilities at Palstone Park Recreation Ground. You can join online at <https://southbrentrecreationassociation.weebly.com/>

If anyone is interested in helping us to look after the Rec. or becoming a committee member please contact Peter Kelly (Chairman) on 07836270576 / peterkelly@spxservices.co.uk or Anne Nicholls (Treasurer) on 01364 72223 / nichollsbenzie2@gmail.com.

Please beware: The Rec has become aware of an **unauthorised** door to door collection on its behalf.

See website: <https://southbrentrecreationassociation.weebly.com/>

The next Parish Council newsletter will be published in **September 2019**. Local organisations wishing to submit articles (approx. 150 words) for publication should send them to newsletter@southbrent.gov.uk (in Word, PDF or Rich Text Format) by **1 September 2019** at the latest please.

Council Meetings

Full Parish Council meetings start at 7:30pm, in the Side Hall of South Brent Village Hall and are usually on the **4th Monday** of the month.

Parish Council meetings are open and there are opportunities for members of the public to raise issues which are not on the agenda in an open forum before each meeting and to speak to inform the council on issues which are on the agenda.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday 24 June 2019**

Parish Council meetings for the rest of **2019**:

22 July 2019	19 August 2019	23 September 2019
28 October 2019	25 November 2019	9 December 2019

Planning Committee Meetings are held on the **2nd Monday** of the month - if required, in The Old School Community Centre.

Please see the Parish Council notice boards (near the Co-op entrance and outside the play park) for full details of forthcoming meetings.

SOUTH BRENT POST OFFICE:



Now permanently located in the [Old School Community Centre](#). Open:

- **Wednesdays** 9am-1pm
- **Fridays** 9am-12noon
- **Saturdays** 9am-12noon

LLOYDS BANK:



in the [Old School Community Centre](#) Car Park:

- **Mondays** 9.45-11.15am
- **Thursdays** 2.00-3.30pm

South Brent Parish Council as at June 2019

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