

South Brent Parish Council Newsletter

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South Brent Parish Council

As our Chairman is currently unavailable, it has fallen to me to write this brief editorial of activities in South Brent.

NEW CLERK: The Council has appointed a new Clerk, Lucy Bruckner who was formerly Clerk to Drewsteignton Parish Council. We offer our grateful thanks to Katharine Griffiths and wish her well for the future.

CASUAL VACANCIES: Applications are invited to co-opt two Parish Councillors. Please email clerk@southbrent.gov.uk or Telephone 01364 701900 for details and further information about how to apply. Applications of interest need to be received by the Clerk by 19th April 2021 with co-option of two new councillors during the council meeting on 26th April 2021. Further details can be found on www.southbrent.gov.uk

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: Last year the Annual Parish Meeting was cancelled due to the COVID19 pandemic. As we are now able to host meeting remotely, this year's Annual Parish Meeting has been scheduled to be held on Monday 29th March 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom. Details of how to join the meeting will be available on our website and social media nearer the date. The meeting acts as an annual democratic point of communication enabling the Parish Council to explain what it has been doing over the last year and providing an opportunity for the electors to have their say on anything they consider is important to the people of the Parish.

BRENT STATION: Through January to mid-February, Anthony Mangnall MP hosted a survey on the possibility of re-opening Brent Station. This initiative was supported by County Cllr. Richard Hosking, District Cllrs. Peter Smerdon, Guy Pannell and South Brent Parish Council. The results of this short survey will be used in creating a submission to the UK Government's 'Restoring your Railway Fund'.

VISION 2020: Work will soon be underway to improve the planting in the 'Queen Mother's Garden' located in Clobells. This is part of Sustainable South Brent's 'Brent Bees, Bugs and Butterflies (4BS) project'. Having successfully established the wildflower verge along Exeter Road and the orchard at the Health Centre in 2019, they are now working with the Parish Council on the recommendations of the 'Vision 2020 report' to enhance green spaces across the village.

How to contact the police:

1. Are you wanting to report a breach of Covid 19 restrictions? If you are reporting a breach of restrictions then you can do this using the national reporting form on the Police.uk website - www.police.uk
2. AskNED – the non-emergency directory. Need to ask a question but not sure who to ask for help, then AskNED - dc.police.uk/AskNED Go online – dc.police.uk On the Forces website you can find the answers to many of the questions people ask when calling the police plus lots of helpful information and advice.
3. Report Crime Online. If you need to report a crime or tell the police something, then why not report online using WebChat or the Crime Reporting Form - dc.police.uk Alternatively, you can email 101@dc.police.uk

Call - 101 – The national non-emergency number

Remember in an emergency, always call 999

Councillor Glyn Richards (Vice Chairman) South Brent Parish Council



Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 29th March 2020 7.30pm All Welcome

Remote Zoom meeting details available on the Parish Council Website and Village Noticeboards

There can be, and often is, confusion between the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council. So what is a Parish Meeting?

All Parish and Town Councils throughout England are required by law to hold an Annual Parish Meeting, which must take place between 1st March and the 1st June (inclusive). Meetings should not commence before 6.00 pm.

Purpose of the Annual Parish Meeting

The purpose of the meeting is so that the Parish Council can explain what it has been doing over the last year and it enables the electors to have their say on anything they consider is important to the people of the Parish.

Who can attend the meeting?

The Annual Parish Meeting is a meeting of all the local government electors for the Parish. It is NOT a Meeting of the Parish Council, which the public can participate in. Anyone may attend but only registered electors of South Brent Parish may speak and vote.

Will I be able to ask questions and make suggestions?

Yes, any registered elector may ask questions of the Council, which will usually be answered by the Chairperson, the Clerk to the Council, or a designated Councillor.

An elector may also make suggestions and comment on anything pertinent to the people of South Brent. This will be welcomed and is the whole purpose of the meeting.

Who will chair the meeting?

The Chairperson of the Parish Council will chair the meeting. If the Chair is not able to attend, then the meeting will elect a chairperson from amongst those electors present.

Will Parish Councillors be there?

Usually they do attend and will speak if need be. But the purpose of the meeting is to enable the ordinary electors to have their say. Councillors will listen with interest and as electors themselves, also have the opportunity to raise questions and make comments if they wish.

Will notes be taken of the meeting?

Yes, a written record of the meeting will be taken and will be presented at a future meeting of Council for their consideration.

What else happens at the meeting?

In recent years we have invited local clubs, societies and other voluntary and statutory organisations to provide an exhibition and/or a representative to speak about the work of their group.

How long will the meeting last?

As long as need be within reason. It really depends on those present and the number of questions and the discussion that is raised. Generally, the meeting will last no longer than 2 hours.

Nature and Wildlife in South Brent Parish

By Steve Hopper



Rain followed by rain followed by gales, storms and then a period of icy conditions even a couple days with a dusting of snow over January into February will hopefully be a distant memory by the time this Spring edition arrives with you, it would be nice to think that as a country we will be on top of Covid 19 given the winter lock down and the roll out of the vaccination programme, last spring Covid 19 was something that seemed distant, seemingly affecting only the rest of the UK, but come the winter it took its toll in the village and surrounding area and became a real threat to everyone's wellbeing and welfare. It will be good to be able to meet up and speak to people again without having to remind each other "to stay safe".

Late January saw the arrival of a female Reed Bunting around my garden feed station, a species that has taken to visiting my garden feed station for the last couple of years, most winters I see Starlings arriving in droves, their boisterous behaviour, chittering and chattering quickly taking over and dominating the feeders but for some reason this winter I only ever saw a handful coming into feed, yet I know of other parish gardens that were inundated with them, Firecrests and Goldcrest were seen by several people yet Chiffchaffs were conspicuously absent, over wintering Redwings made short work of holly berries as they roamed the parish in sizable flock's at times along with smaller numbers of Fieldfare, Song and Mistle Thrush, these winter thrushes provided a valuable source of food for both Sparrow hawk and Peregrine. Of the former I recorded 15 sightings over and around my garden in January alone, usually when the thrush flocks were feeding close by, two fly over Peregrines could also have had my racing pigeons in mind as they passed over Hillside.

Signs of spring approaching were well in evidence by early February, frog spawn was being seen in ponds across the parish, the garden visiting Heron that some of you will be aware of spent the first ten days of February alongside my field pond no doubt feasting on Frogs and the occasional Field vole, snowdrops were in flower and daffodils were just waiting to break into bloom, Blue tits were seen checking out nest boxes, Raven and Magpie were seen carrying nesting material and on the brighter sunny days both Buzzards and Sparrow hawks were seen displaying.

March will see the return of Swallow and House Martin to the village and not far behind them will be Swifts, which came close to setting a UK record last September when a late Swift chick left its Hillside nest to be the third latest departure recorded in the UK's avian records, the prolonged late summer weather encouraging many birds to produce a late brood of young. Hedgehogs did well, the initial spring lock down without doubt gave them a much needed boost, from what I have seen and read I suspect some Hedgehogs barely went into hibernation over the winter, certainly there were many reports of Hedgehogs roaming around well into the deepest of winter months, so as you get back into your gardens be careful as you turn over areas of gathered leaves, mounds of vegetation and log piles you may be surprised at what has taken up residence.

With luck by April all the concerns of the winter months and lock down will I hope be behind us and fading into memory, Cuckoo's, Willow Warblers, Whitethroats and a host of spring migrants will be returning to the parish, with luck the nest boxes I placed in a friends wood on the moorland edge of the village will again attract nesting Pied Flycatchers, last year's nest boxes need a check and clean out before being re occupied and I hope to add some more nest boxes before spring arrives.

A number of village gardens had the pleasure of hosting over wintering Blackcaps, if you were lucky enough to have them visiting the garden please make sure you let the Brent Birders team know, as I draft this article Peter Reay is just finishing off the Brent Birders 2020 year report and records of your sightings would be valued. It has been surprising to see how many people have turned to garden bird watching to help them pass the time during the winter lockdown, sometimes it is the simplest of pleasures that help you get by.

follow on facebook **South Brent Birders**



South Brent Assist Community Crisis Assistance

South Brent's Community Crisis Response

Over the past year, throughout the pandemic, villagers in South Brent have come together to support those vulnerable members of the community, including those self-isolating and experiencing financial hardship in the village and surrounding area.

At the beginning of the Pandemic in March last year, over 170 volunteers came forward, the community set up and launched village food bank for those experiencing financial hardship, and over 700 deliveries of shopping and prescriptions were made to those who are self-isolating. A phone befriending service was also set up and made over a 1000 calls to those in isolation.

A year on, many of the volunteers have maintained their friendships with those they helped and are continuing to help.

We are now also running a vaccine transport service for those unable to make the journey to the clinic themselves. So far, South Brent and District Caring volunteers have facilitated 40 vaccinations and counting. Over Christmas, our volunteers made and delivered 60 Christmas cakes to vulnerable people spending Christmas alone.

Jane Sullivan is the coordinator for South Brent and District Caring:

"I am amazed by the response of volunteers, local businesses and donors to the crisis. The community has rallied at this difficult time and Caring continues to support the vulnerable and isolated. We look forward to a time, in the near future, when we can return to some of our normal activities and meet together again."

We have further fundraising activities planned, as well as, initiatives to support vulnerable members of all ages in our community.

Ongoing Support

Ongoing restrictions mean that we can't have our usual activities but we will continue to support people by offering help with shopping, prescriptions, and other deliveries using our team of volunteers. We are looking forward to opening up again and being able to reconnect with all of our clients and volunteers.

If you need help or advice, call 01364 700282 and leave a voicemail message. Please include your name, phone number and address.

Things are moving quickly as the crisis and our response develops. All the latest information can be found at **www.sbadc.org.uk**. To stay up-to-date join the Facebook group: **<https://www.facebook.com/groups/southbrentassist>**.

Citizens Advice

Citizens Advice Video Booth every Wednesday from 10.00 - 12.00 at the Old School Community Centre, South Brent. Speak to an adviser remotely and confidentially. To book an appointment phone South Brent & District Caring on 01364 700282. Citizens Advice freephone Adviceline is available at other times on 0800 144 88 48.



- We held a series of inspiring online vision workshops, looking at how we'd like South Brent to be in 2030, and how we might achieve this. These workshops were attended by 55 SSB members and representatives of St Petroc's Church, The Village Hall, The Rec, and SBPC.
- * We've just completed a survey of our members, getting their great ideas about SSB and its future direction.
- * Several 'What's my Carbon Footprint?' online workshops were held, which attenders found helpful.
- * We've had two highly successful online quizzes. Look out for the date of the next one, and come and join in the fun!

COMMUNITY SCHOOL GARDEN

HEDGES AND WOODLAND

BRENT BEES, BUGS AND BUTTERFLIES (4BS)

THE MARSH COMMUNITY COMPOST AND RE-USE CENTRE - CLOSED DURING THE LOCKDOWN

FOOD@SB

BIKE BANK AND CYCLING PROJECTS

Young people especially welcome – the future starts here!

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Annual General Meeting

Please join us for the South Brent Old School Community Centre Zoom AGM on
Wednesday 31st March 2021 at 7:30pm.

The meeting will consider the Annual Report and accounts for 2020/2021, appointments of the Trustees and any matters raised by Members.

Members and Friends of the South Brent Old School Community Centre are invited to attend. Due mainly to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 situation, the date and time may be subject to change.

Please check the website (www.theoldschool.org.uk) or our Facebook page (Old School Community Centre, South Brent | Facebook) nearer the time for details of how to join the Zoom AGM.

NEWS FROM SOUTH BRENT RECREATION ASSOCIATION

We hope everyone is keeping safe and well during this difficult time.

CONSIDER JOINING OUR COMMITTEE We are very fortunate to have such a great facility at Palstone Park. It would be great if local people would consider joining our committee to help run the facility. We meet once a month for about an hour. There are currently a number of different areas where we could do with some help. If you are interested please contact Anne on 01364 72223 or Peter on 07836270576 for further information.

THANK YOU to everyone who has visited the Recreation Ground and other facilities for being responsible and observing social distancing rules.

We hope things will return to normal in the not too distant future.

Join our **MONTHLY LOTTERY** scheme £12 per year.. We currently have 44 members and last year the fundraising helped towards installing security cameras.

50% goes in prize money and 50% goes directly to help aspects of maintenance or development of facilities in your local community **Players must be 18 and over**

This lottery has been registered with South Hams District Council



- The census is a survey about all the households in England and Wales. The next census takes place on Sunday 21 March 2021
- Everyone must complete the census and provide accurate information. It helps decide how services are funded in your area.
- You must complete the census by law or you could be fined up to £1,000 -Some questions are labelled as voluntary. It is not an offence if you do not answer these.

Full details can be found here: www.census.gov.uk

South Brent Guides 1st

HEY YOU - YES YOU

Do you have a peice of land south
Brent Guides can plant nesserary trees
for the environment near south Brent -
don't worry the land stays yours we
just plant you some trees. If you
have land and like the sound of
this let know on ... Southbrentguides1st@outlook.com
or Leader Sarah Dymond on 07714645089



South Brent Guides meet on Thursday nights, 7pm to 8.30pm, Girls 10-14 years old. Contact Sarah Dymond on either southbrentguides1st@outlook.com or 07714645089.



THE MARSH COMPOSTING SITE OPEN FOR GREEN WASTE AND COMPOST 14 MARCH @ 10:00 AM GMT

The Marsh: SSB's composting site:

Having been closed during the National Lockdown, **the Marsh will reopen on Sunday 7 March on Sunday mornings from 10am-1pm**. Initially, on **7 March**, this will be for garden waste only. From **14 March**, the Marsh will be open both to leave garden waste, and to buy compost.

- No physical help can be offered to visitors and social distancing of 2 metres must be maintained – sanitising materials will be provided.
- Only two vehicles will be allowed on site at one time plus maximum of two allowed to stack in the entrance layby.
- When you collect compost, please place donations in a box – no change can be offered.

Full Information on the project can be seen at: sustainablesouthbrent.org.uk/projects/the-marsh-community-compost-and-re-use-centre/.

South Brent Parish Council Climate and Ecological Emergency (CEE)

Year 1 2020 to 2021

South Brent Parish Council are keen to know if you have carried out any activities to support action in the parish over the past year to support the Climate and Ecological Emergency 10 year action plan.

Already, despite covid lockdowns, local groups and residents have been active in contributing to the first year of the 10 year action plan and developing plans for 2021 to 2022 for South Brent Parish.

- Sustainable South Brent has developed a programme of online educational workshops and meetings Worked with the Parish Council's Land and Estates committee to form plans to Improve biodiversity on Council owned verges and within public spaces
Organising an amazing Climate Fair in South Brent for the year 2021 to 2022
- South Brent Councillor Glyn Richards has switched from a plug-in hybrid car to fully electric
- South Brent Guides have plans to plant tree's
- Vicarage Road Allotment Association have installed solar panels so their equipment such as strimmers and mowers that now run off rechargeable batteries rather than a petrol driven generator.

Have you changed your car or van from diesel/petrol to electric or taken any action in the last year in your shopping habits or have plans for the future to support reducing your carbon footprint or supporting nature and wildlife?

However small every contribution from you helps and we would love to hear about it as a record for the parish. So if you have swapped your plastic toothbrush for a wooden one, planted more flowers and fruit trees in your garden or in containers, cycle instead of using car for small journeys please let us know. Please state if you would prefer to be anonymous or happy to be named in the annual report.

Please send details of your activities for the 2020 to 2021 CEE report or if you have plans for 2021 to 2022 to lisette.granados@southbrent.gov.uk CEE Lead Councillor.

It would be great to bring all activities that you have done and intend to do together to support South Brent Parishioners, organisations, groups and businesses being at the forefront of Climate Emergency local action.

Cllr Lisette Granados CEE Project Lead Councillor
South Brent Parish Council

SOUTH BRENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

The Parish Council administers the community benefit fund and welcomes applications. The fund is the direct result of the solar farm operating on land at Marley Thatch Farm and is available for ten years from 2013. £6,300 per year is paid to the Parish Council for this fund.

Who can apply?

Community groups, charitable organisations and individuals residing in the parish may make an application and the fund is primarily for the benefit of the community of South Brent. Statutory bodies may not apply. Individuals not resident in the parish but associated with South Brent organisations can also apply.

Categories

The fund is to be used for charitable, educational, environmental and/or amenity purposes within the area of the community with preference being given to purposes that promote sustainability.

The fund cannot be used for political, religious, entertainment or hospitality purposes, or for any purpose adverse to the operator's interest in the scheme.

How much can be applied for?

Grants up to £1000 are available, though for awards over £250 there is a requirement for the funding to be matched by the organisation or individual

How to apply?

Full details, including application forms are available on the Parish Council website:

<http://www.southbrent.gov.uk/>

Cllr David Hancock
South Brent Parish Council

Covid19 Spring Lockdown Experiences in South Brent

Carried over from the Autumn 2020 Newsletter

Businesses, Shops, Trade and Services

South Brent Pharmacy



What a year so far! Who'd have known when the year started where we'd be in the present climate? Coronavirus has changed our lives and will continue to do so, long into the future. As you will know, pharmacies were exempt from closure and we have continued working right through. We had to close for just over 24 hours recently – my son developed a cough, which was not due to Coronavirus. I was back at work within 30 minutes of the negative test result. We all have to do the right thing to prevent transmission and I see this occurring for us all, more commonly, when coughs and colds develop over winter. This will be the new normal.....

We continue to offer a table service to reduce risk of transmission. Unfortunately a table on its own wasn't enough and we also need a barrier: some customers chose not to distance sufficiently. I do this to protect my staff and you as customers. We are constantly in contact with people and require distancing to prevent virus transmission from both you to us and vice versa. If you'd prefer not to speak in the doorway, we do have access to the side door where you can talk without being overheard. We are business as usual for the time being. We continue to offer all items we usually keep. You can call and place an order and pay on the phone to minimise contact, if you'd prefer. We have a variety of wholesalers so please ask if you'd like something we may be able to order for you. Deliveries come twice a day from some suppliers so there isn't often much of a delay.

I see flu as a difficult time this coming winter. I would encourage all those in the 'at risk' groups to get vaccinated this year, even if you haven't been previously. The government flu campaign is yet to be finalised but will be bigger than ever. I intend to support the NHS and will hopefully be offering vaccination in the pharmacy this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the village for your ongoing support. Pharmacies are having a tough time with increased costs and less remuneration from the NHS. All pharmacies have been given a loan by the NHS this year. At times where other sectors have had financial input to cover increased costs, we will be required to pay it back.

Online pharmacies have benefitted from lockdown as people have been isolating at home. Pharmacy2U continues its momentum. I have heard postal deliveries taking in excess of a week from these operators. Again, I thank the village for their local support. We haven't been hit too hard by the online presence and it is only by using your local pharmacy it will receive the income to continue to operate. Your custom is very much appreciated.

I also need to thank South Brent Caring and the volunteers that have been helping us to deliver medicines for those who really need it. This shows the kind and caring community we are part of.

Lastly, thanks to Trish, Russell, Rachael and Dee. I couldn't do it on my own.

Thank you.

South Brent Flowers



The Covid19 pandemic becoming serious coincided with our busiest time of year - Mothering Sunday. What is normally a pretty stressful, exhausting week became even more stressful and worrying. The uncertainty of Boris Johnson locking down the UK at any time combined with the uncertainty of whether we could get our flowers from Holland was a major headache.

We decided we would start our deliveries earlier, we were determined that the Mum's would get their flowers ! Thankfully our wholesaler continued to supply our flowers and plants. Myself and the team Debbie, Chris, Wendy and Veronica soldiered on and created many, many beautiful floral gifts, which were then delivered all over the South Hams by Guy, Juliet, Anthony, Matthew and Anna.

The following Tuesday lockdown was imposed, we worked the remainder of the week behind closed doors fulfilling the existing orders which included Funeral tributes. Sadly then the shop was closed for 5 weeks. Worried about the financial impact and the future of the business, with guidance from the British Florist Association I decided to return to work from the beginning of May, only providing flowers for contactless deliveries. Donna and Rob from The Village Shop agreed to sell bunches of flowers on our behalf, which I am very grateful for.

Initially I was creating the orders and delivering them myself, however due to the volume of orders and our huge delivery area this became impossible, therefore I brought one of my driver's back from furlough. Thankfully the business continued to receive plenty of orders and I was relieved when I could finally reopen the shop doors to customers in June.

Gradually one by one I have taken my staff off from full time furlough and they are enjoying being back at work. Due to distancing restrictions we are working on a rota basis meaning we only have two members of staff working each day. We are slowly getting used to working in a different way.

Unfortunately we have had so many of our wedding bookings cancelled, our brides have rescheduled and we are delighted to be able to accommodate them all on their new dates.

After my initial fears for the business I am very relieved that we have continued to thrive. I am grateful to all our customers for their continued support throughout this time. It has been wonderful to see the community spirit within South Brent.

Jacqueline Lugg
Proprietor South Brent Flowers.

Country Style Hair Salon



Like most of the country we had to shut down overnight after the Prime minister put the country into 'lockdown'. I wasn't surprised, I could see it coming, clients were cancelling from 2 weeks before, going into self isolation and shielding. The week before 'lockdown' it was so quiet, I managed to paint the toilet during opening hours!

The salon was closed for 15 weeks in total, I have never had so long off work, even my maternity leave wasn't that long. After the initial panic, I set about applying for grants and furlough pay for the staff and I have to say, when all the payment schemes opened, South Hams council and HMRC were very efficient. Then the decorating started, my home, the salon even the garden ornaments had a coat of paint!!

It took 2 weeks to properly prepare the salon for reopening, PPE was selling out fast and that was before the 4th of July was confirmed, as our opening date. We opened our doors on Monday the 6th of July, 2 days after Country Style's 25th Anniversary, at Station Road. We can only have 2 members of staff and 3 clients in the salon at any time for social distance guidelines, each station is sanitised after every client, then has to be left empty for 10 minutes while the sanitiser works. Door handles, card machine, toilet, new stock, just to name a few things that are sanitised on a regular basis. Lots of PPE, including face shields for the staff, lots of single use plastic (not good for the environment and not nice in the hot weather). We all did the Barbicide Covid -19 infection control course and passed.

We originally advised clients to wear a face mask but from the 8th of August the government made it mandatory. Then on it was announced from the 15th August we would have to wear face masks as well as the visor. This was not good news for two members of staff with Asthma, so this is why you may see a member of staff in the salon without a face mask.

Guidelines change all the time, we are doing our very best to adapt, to keep our clients and staff as safe as possible.

Ashleigh has been doing some online beauty training during 'lockdown', so we are now able to offer Dermaplaning, Lash lift & tint and Brow lamination. After the initial rush, appointments have slowed so we will be closing on Mondays from mid August and probably close Tuesday afternoons from September. However, we are all glad to be back and doing what we all love to do, making you all look and feel fabulous!

Thank you for your patience and continued support during this difficult time and throughout the past 25 years.

Toni

Goldie's



We moved to South Brent in 2018 from Plymouth where I have run a successful grooming business for the past 16 years. We soon fell in love with the village, it always makes us smile and feels so positive. My dream was to eventually open a grooming salon and dog boutique here but the shops available were few and far between.

My lovely neighbour messaged me a picture of a shop with a notice in the window for rent. I met with the landlords and planned to be up and running on April 1st, 2020

Lockdown struck – I was unable to work so spent my time by helping the vulnerable with shopping etc and some much needed quality time with my family. It gave us time to plan what we would do when we did eventually open. Many people thought we must be crazy to even contemplate opening a shop during these uncertain times, ever the optimist, I continued to remain positive.

The time off work during lockdown made us step back and re-evaluate our lives and what was important to us. We were in limbo, not knowing when I could return back to work and when we could open the shop. We got the keys at the beginning of June. We had a lot more to consider than just simply opening the doors. We had to ensure that customers were safe, only allowing one customer in the shop at a time, putting a barrier up to stop people walking in, contactless payment options were put in place and a hand sanitising station along with lots of customer notices in the window with reference to social distancing.

Because of the lockdown there were so many dogs who were in desperate need of a hair cut which meant I was very busy for the first few weeks.

Carl, my partner, who is a professional boxing coach, runs the shop during the day while I'm busy grooming. We equally have a huge passion for all animals. I started my career at 15 in South Brent. I used to run the veterinary surgery on a Saturday morning. I then went on to train as a veterinary nurse and decided that grooming was my forte. I studied at Shepton Mallet and gained my level 3 City & Guilds grooming qualification. I will shortly be undertaking two more courses to extend my knowledge of dog and cat grooming, my ambition is to teach cat grooming and hopefully write an accredited course for students. Carl is excellent with training dogs, he worked and lived at a zoo, he used to have a Lion who was rejected from the pride and had to be hand reared. He stayed with Carl until he was 18 months old, then was a little too dangerous to handle.

At Goldie's we try and keep the food natural and have a vast array of holistic health products.

We offer dog and cat grooming, microchip implanting and Emmi-pet Teeth cleaning. I use a high grade, vegan friendly shampoo which is tailored to your dog's skin type. We use hydro baths and offer various spa treatments from CO2 spa baths to banana facials and deep conditioning masks.

We are open Mon-Sat 9:30am – 5:00pm. We can take contactless payments by telephone and offer contactless delivery.

We would just like to thank everyone for their support on our new business venture, especially Graham and Buttons for being so patient and understanding with the lease during lockdown. If the lockdown has taught us anything it's not to take things for granted, appreciate what you have, enjoy your family, stay positive and keep smiling, even if it is behind a mask!

Sarah, Carl & JJ

Good Things



Good Things is an award-winning start-up based in South Brent. Good Things seeks out ethical and planet-friendly gifts, toys and games and shares their stories of social and environmental impact in their online shop. The start-up is on a mission to make it easy for people to find feel-good gifts, and reduce plastic waste.

“When the Coronavirus crisis first hit I felt really worried. Start-ups aren’t eligible for much of the government assistance available so this could have been devastating,” explains owner Lucy Willoughby. “I’ve been astounded by the support Good Things has received. People have told me they’ve been using this time to seek out and support ethical and sustainable businesses and I’ve really noticed this impact our online shop.”

“We stock products from enterprises and charities that provide life-changing work and opportunities around the world. Many of these projects were unable to keep running during the crisis and because people kept shopping with Good Things, I was able to place orders and help them continue to look after their employees.”

Good Things launched in July 2019 after a successful crowdfunding campaign. Since then the start-up has won Devon's Fast Track to Growth Award, the SJL Foundation's National Start-Up competition at the House of Commons, was featured on BBC One's Sunday Morning Live in November and has just been announced as a finalist in the Great British Entrepreneur Awards South West. Among them, Good Things’ suppliers provide a new start for orphaned young adults in Rwanda; empower disabled artists in the UK; and create eco-friendly recycled cards that plant trees too.

As the situation evolved it became clear that more than ever, people wanted to show they were thinking of others and celebrate special occasions from a distance. Good Things developed their gift wrap offer and introduced handwritten cards which have been popular. We’ve also taken part in some “virtual markets” in place of events which have been fun! (see photo attached)

Find Good Things and explore the stories behind the products at: www.goodthingsgifts.co.uk

Free home delivery for all orders over £10 within the TQ10 postcode.

Best wishes,

Lucy

Lucy Willoughby
Director



0330 113 4775

[Instagram](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Pinterest](#)

[As seen on BBC One’s Sunday Morning Live](#)

[Winner of the SJL Foundation’s National Start-Up Competition](#)

[Finalists in the 2020 Great British Entrepreneur Awards for the South West](#)

Elections May 2021

County Council and Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner

Are you, or a friend or family member, shielding? South Hams polling stations for the elections on 6 May will follow all government guidance to be safe. Alternatively, you can register now to vote by post.

Visit

www.southhams.gov.uk/elections
to find out more and how to register to vote



SOUTH BRENT

POST OFFICE:



Old School Community Centre.

Open: opening times

Mondays 9am-12noon

Wednesdays 9am-12noon

Fridays 9am-12noon

LLOYDS BANK:

in the Old School

Community Centre Car Park:

Mondays

9.45-11.15am

Every 2 weeks



Changing to your Recycling Collection 2021

In Spring 2021 South Hams District Council are rolling out a new recycling service, allowing residents to recycle more as part of their kerbside collection. The first area to receive this new service is Ivybridge. When South Brent residents receive their new containers this will be when the South Brent area starts. Look out for reports from the District Councillor on the Parish Council website for an estimate of when this may be.



More Recycling Collections

- Recycling and Food Waste will be picked up every week
- No more single use plastic sacks
- You can start putting your food waste and recycling out as soon as you

New Containers

- Each household will receive new containers for your recycling and food waste
- Each household will receive 2 recycling boxes, 1 reusable recycling sack and 2 food waste caddies (one to keep in your kitchen and one to put out for collection)
- Start using your containers as soon as they arrive and put them out on your next collection day

New items to recycle

- Plastic tubs, pots and trays
- Glass
- Printer cartridges and household batteries
- Plus everything that South Hams currently collect

Weekly Food Waste

- Food waste will be collected in a new container
- AND collected EVERY WEEK
- This will reduce the amount of time you have to store smelly waste
- Lockable caddy to keep wildlife out

Other Collections

- Refuse will still be picked up every fortnight in your grey bin
- Garden waste will still be picked up every fortnight in your brown bin
- Clinical waste collections will stay the same

Sorting Your Recycling

- The new system helps sort your recycling
- By sorting the materials into different containers you can help ensure we only collect items that are recyclable
- Our new recycling vehicles have separate compartments for each type of recycling



Summer Newsletter 2021

The next Parish Council newsletter will be published in **June 2021** Local organisations wishing to submit articles (approx. 150 words) for publication should send them to newsletter@southbrent.gov.uk (in Word or Rich Text Format) by **Sunday 16th May 2021** at the latest please.

How to raise an issue or bring items to the Parish Council meetings

- Send a letter to the clerk for inclusion under correspondence
- Attend and speak during the public session before the council meeting officially starts
- Contact a councillor to represent you at the council meeting

Contact details of the Parish Council Clerk and Councillors are below.

Parish Council Meetings

Full Parish Council meetings start at 7:30pm, usually in the Side Hall of South Brent Village Hall however is now by **remote access** until further notice and are usually on the **4th Monday** of the month.

Parish Council meetings are open to everyone 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 **22nd March 2021**.

Please visit the parish council website and click on the link provided to join Zoom remote meetings.

Parish Council meetings for 2021:

26th April	Annual Parish Council Meeting	17th May	28th June	26th July	23rd August
27th September	26th October	22nd November	13th December		

Planning Committee Meetings are held on the **2nd Monday** of the month - if required, please check website a week before the meeting date for details If you wish to attend . Please see the Parish Council notice board (near the Co-op entrance and outside the play park) or website for full details of all forthcoming meetings.

www.southbrent.gov.uk

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Parish Tree Warden:
Climate & Ecological Emergency Project

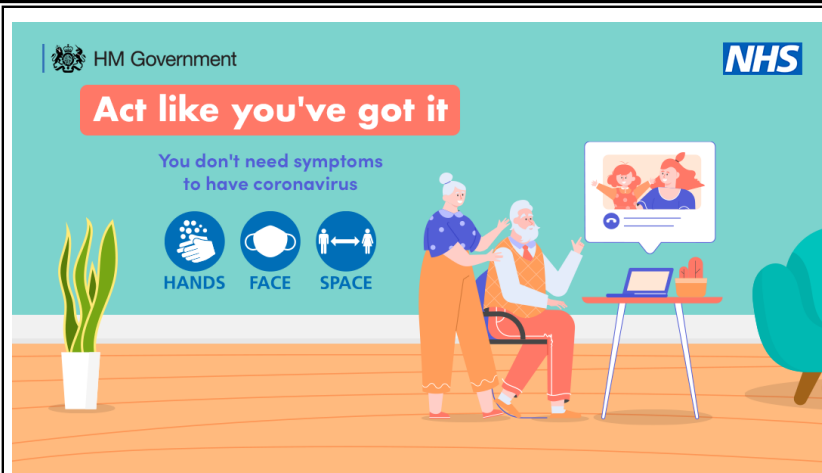
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Even after you've had your **COVID19** vaccination you still need to:

- ➡ Follow national restrictions
- ➡ Wash your hands regularly
- ➡ Cover your face
- ➡ Keep your distance

For further information please visit

www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-what-to-expect-after-vaccination

The government has published the 'COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021', setting out the roadmap out of the current lockdown for England across 4 steps beginning from 8th March.

STEP 1 8 March 29 March	STEP 2 No earlier than 12 April At least 5 weeks after Step 1	STEP 3 No earlier than 17 May At least 5 weeks after Step 2	STEP 4 No earlier than 21 June At least 5 weeks after Step 3 All subject to review
EDUCATION 8 MARCH - Schools and colleges open for all students - Practical Higher Education courses	EDUCATION As previous step	EDUCATION As previous step	EDUCATION As previous step
SOCIAL CONTACT 8 MARCH - Exercise and recreation outdoors with household or one other person - Household only indoors	SOCIAL CONTACT - Rule of 6 or two households outdoors - Household only indoors	SOCIAL CONTACT - Maximum 30 people outdoors - Rule of 6 or two households indoors (subject to review)	SOCIAL CONTACT No legal limit
BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES 8 MARCH Wraparound care, including sport, for all children	BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES - All retail - Personal care - Libraries & community centres - Most outdoor attractions - Indoor leisure inc. gyms (individual use only) - Self-contained accommodation - All children's activities - Outdoor hospitality - Indoor parent & child groups (max 15 people, excluding under 5s)	BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES - Indoor hospitality - Indoor entertainment and attractions - Organised indoor sport (adult) - Remaining accommodation - Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances)	BUSINESS & ACTIVITIES Remaining businesses, including nightclubs
TRAVEL 8 MARCH - Stay at home - No holidays	TRAVEL - Domestic overnight stays (household only) - No international holidays	TRAVEL - Domestic overnight stays - International travel (subject to review)	TRAVEL - Domestic overnight stays - International travel
EVENTS - Funerals (30) - Weddings and wakes (6)	EVENTS - Funerals (30) - Weddings, wakes, receptions (15) - Event pilots	EVENTS - Most significant life events (30) - Indoor events: 1,000 or 50% (plus pilots) - Outdoor seated events: 10,000 or 25% (plus pilots) - Outdoor other events: 4,000 or 50% (plus pilots)	EVENTS - No legal limit on life events - Larger events

Source: Devon County Council 23rd February 2021

South Brent Trade, Business and Services TakeAway food during Lockdown

The Packhorse Inn Open for takeaway: Friday: 5 - 8.30pm; Saturday: 5 - 8.30pm; Sunday: 12 - 3pm - roasts only; Tuesday: 5.30-8pm Pizza Night (buy any pizza and get a 9" half price!). **Call 01364 72283** to pre-order takeaway food.

Please visit www.facebook.com/packhorseinnsouthbrent for menu details

The Rowan Grill: 3 Station Road, next to the Village Shop, from 4.30-11pm, 7 days/week Our Takeaway menu offers delicious food at competitive prices. Pizza's, burgers, wraps, kebabs, and more. Choose from the entire menu, order your favourite dishes online or by phone and have them delivered to your door! www.therowan grill.com **Telephone 01364 72777**

The Friary: fish & chips: with Covid secure measures in place and on-line ordering. Open: Wednesday & Thursday 5-8pm; Friday & Saturday 4.30-8pm. Collection only - no walk in orders - Order on-line via the website or by **phone (01364 73933)** for a specified time slot; For menu and to order see www.thefriarysouthbrent.com

Fogg's Delicatessen Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5pm Saturday 8.30am to 1.30pm **01364 73308** Open for takeaway lunches, teas and coffee's made to order filled Baguettes and Sandwiches , pies, pasties, quiches, pastries and homemade cakes.

The Village Shop Monday to Saturday 8.00am to 6.00pm **01364 388316** Takeaway tea and coffee, hot pies, pasties and sausage rolls. Selection of cakes.

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