

Useful contacts:

Police: PC 'Batch' Batchelor via: **08454 087 000**

or email him at: jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Aldbourn Theatre Group		Dr David Robertson	541464
Baydon Stores & Post Office		Debbie & Alan Moxon	540266
Brownies	Brown Owl	Pat Barnes	540448
	Snowy Owl	Jayne Dominy	540450
BYPA Hall	Chairman	Venice Marriott	540091
	Bookings	Diane Choules	540422
	Secretary	Kate Norman	540424
Church Wardens		Enid Johnson	540408
		Tony Topp	541171
Clergy	Team Rector - Revd	Dr John Railton	520235
	Team Vicar - Revd	Sandy Railton	520235
Cricket Club		Rick Maycock	540951
Friends of Baydon School		Leo Snipe	01793 741164
Lambourn Theatre Group		Dr Roger Burdett	01488 72394
National Trust		Geoff Slater	540144
Parent and Toddler Group		Alison Jones	540608
Baydon	Chairman	Kev Barnes	540448
Parish Council	Clerk	Liz Carmichael	540942
Patient Group Rep' (Lambourn)		Joele McGowran	540784
Patient Group Rep' (Ramsbury)		Sue Grove	540896
Pre-School	Supervisor	Denise Dawson	07810 790142
	Secretary	Amanda Dore	541468
Ramsbury Flyer	(Bookings)	Muriel Lye	520555
Red Lion		Kathy & Simon Snow	540348
'Scene in Baydon'	Editor	Mo Lafford	540384
St Nicholas School	Headmaster	Peter Chambers	540554
	Governors	Sylvia Bailey	540727
Thursday Club		Peggy Slater	540144
Womens Institute	Secretary	Tina Evans	540250
Young Vines		** Vacancy **	

Note: All names and contact numbers are subject to change at short notice.

Welcome to Baydon

Baydon Parish Council has compiled this booklet primarily for the benefit of all newcomers to the village to provide the essential information that you need to settle in.

The total population of the Parish of Baydon is approximately 530 souls, including those from outlying farms, and encompasses about 200 residential properties, however, a new residential development is being planned for 24 new homes off Aldbourne Road and work is expected to start sometime soon.

St Nicholas' Church is the cornerstone of the village whilst the Red Lion and the village shop cum Post Office provides both the essentials and luxuries that make living in a hilltop village location worthwhile.

To keep you up to date with village events, Baydon has its own locally produced, bi-monthly periodical 'Scene in Baydon', and a very comprehensive web-site at: www.baydon.org

The Baydon Cricket Club is very successful in the local league and socially, very active, but new members are always needed to help keep it going. The cricket field is privately owned and is ideally situated on the edge of the village and due to the generosity of the landowner, it has been the venue for numerous social events over the years.

Placements at the village primary school (St Nicholas - C of E) are highly prized due to the personal qualities and teaching skills of the Headmaster and his staff.

Maintaining the quality of life within the village depends on a certain amount of community participation so if you want to get involved in any village project, club or activity, or even start a new one, don't be shy.

Finally, the members of the Parish Council are all volunteers and not professional civil servants and they can only look after the village with your help and support. Litter, dog-fouling and parking on the pavements are constant problems so some individual responsibility is expected on your part. If you have any concerns or need advice about any village matter, the names and contact numbers of all Parish Councillors are displayed on the Parish Notice Board outside the village shop.

A few polite reminders

There are a few points that villagers should be aware of about individual responsibilities which have all been raised at previous Parish Council meetings:

- **Parking** - Please park on the road or your driveway and not half on the road and pavement or grass verges. This is for one reason – it's **illegal**, but if you do . . . don't be too surprised if you end up with an on-the-spot fine from the Police, alternatively, there may also be unexpected or tragic consequences as well as:

Pedestrians, especially mothers with pushchairs or the partially sighted would have to move into the road to get past your vehicle but be aware that in law you would then be liable for any consequential accident or injury claim.

The Parish Council cannot enforce the 30 mph speed limit in the village, especially on Ermin Street or Aldbourne Road, but the Police have advised us that legally parked vehicles on the side of a road serve as an excellent means of traffic calming.
- **Garden hedges** - Please be aware that there are two sides to your garden hedge and if yours backs on to a road or pathway, then it is your responsibility to keep it trimmed so that it doesn't inconvenience pedestrians or restrict the visibility of road users.
- **Garden bonfires** - There is no definitive legislation on garden bonfires but the accepted approach, as recommended by the local authority, is to clear your intentions with your neighbours first. Bearing in mind that smoke usually travels sideways as well as up there can be no quicker way to upset your neighbour than ruining their washing or smoking out their house with your burning garden waste. Please be aware that KDC Environmental Services may send out an inspector to gather evidence for a prosecution even on an anonymous tip-off.
- **Dog fouling** - Having constantly repeated the health warnings and the legal consequences of not cleaning up after your dog, it is only a matter of time before someone is convicted for this offence.
- **Litter** – Despite Kennet DC being forced to 'rationalise its services due to budgetary constraints' (bureaucratic speak for 'you carry on paying your ever increasing taxes but the services provided will get reduced'), this has resulted in several of the village litter bins being withdrawn. However, this situation does not provide an excuse for dropping litter, especially as KDC has recently provided every house with a free 240 litre capacity black wheelie bin.

Bonfire Night (November) – Held on the cricket pitch.

Carols on the Green (December) – Carol singing around the Christmas tree on the village green before retiring to the Red Lion for mulled wine and mince pies.

The Ramsbury Flyer -----

The Ramsbury Flyer is a 14 seater Community Bus that serves the local area and is particularly useful for getting to and from Ramsbury Surgery.

A regular timetable is available from: Muriel Lye on **520555**,

or via email at: ramsbury.flyer@ramsbury.com

This bus is bookable for group outings however you need to phone Muriel first to confirm availability and destination details.

Police -----

As a village, we share the services of our 'Area Beat Officer' (PC 1661 Jeremy 'Batch' Batchelor) with five other locations; *Aldbourne, Ogbourne St George, Ogbourne St Andrew, Ogbourne Maizey and Rockley*. He is assisted on his patch by two PCSO's (support officers) but it is still a fairly large patch to cover, however, if a situation arises or you need to speak to him, he can be contacted via the Police 'call handling centre' (08454 087000) during working hours or you can email him on:

jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

If your call is routine but out of office hours, then all police enquiries are diverted to: 01793 528111.

Obviously, if you feel that the emergency warrants it then dial **999**.

County & District Council Offices-----

Wiltshire County Council
County Hall
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
Wiltshire BA14 8JN

Enquiries: **01225 713000**

Web: **www.wiltshire.gov.uk**

County Cllr: **Chris Humphries**

Kennet District Council
Browfort
Bath Road
Devizes SN10 2AT

Enquiries: **01380 724911**

District Cllrs: **Brian Twigger**
01672 520353

Susan Findlay
01672 520346

Regular annual events (Check the village web-site: www.baydon.org)

Beating the Bounds (May) – Usually held on Rogation Sunday and revives the old tradition of walking around the entire Parish boundary (approx' 12 miles). As our boundary is roughly butterfly shaped (with the village as the body), it is most convenient for those who only want to do the first half of the walk. Start and finish at the Red Lion.

Parish Assembly (May) – Held in the school hall. This is a public meeting for the benefit of everyone where representatives of the various clubs and organisations within the village can provide a summary of their activities so far and their aspirations for the future. So if you want to know what is going on in the village then, who knows, you may find something that interests you.

Village & Church Fete (July) – This is probably Baydon's busiest annual event and is held within the school grounds. Essentially a fund-raising event for School and Church but involves most organisations in the village. Attractions range from a variety of bring and buy stalls to a coconut shy, skittles, pony and trap rides to cream teas - a very worthwhile day.

Cricket Club Fun-Day (August) – Essentially, this is an all day, mini-cricket tournament for mixed teams of 6. Other village clubs may host their own fund-raising stalls subject to a nominal donation to the Club.

Living in Baydon

Public Transport (Buses) -----

Timings

Baydon - Marlborough
Baydon - Swindon
Baydon - Newbury
Baydon - Hungerford
(via Ramsbury)

There is a limited bus service.
An up-to-date timetable is available from the shop and is also published on the village web-site via the **Travel** and **Links & Contacts** pages.

Baydon Stores (Post Office) -----

Mon 9:00 ~ 13:00
Tues 9:00 ~ 13:00
Wed 9:00 ~ 13:00
Thurs 9:00 ~ 13:00
Fri 9:00 ~ 13:00
Sat 9:00 ~ 13:00
Sun Closed

Royal Mail Collections:
10:30 & 16:00 daily but the Sunday collection is soon to be withdrawn.

Royal Mail Deliveries:
Between: 9:00 & 11:00 daily (except Sundays)

Baydon Stores (Shop) -----

Mon 06:30 ~ 19:00
Tues 06:30 ~ 19:00
Wed 06:30 ~ 19:00
Thurs 06:30 ~ 19:00
Fri 06:30 ~ 19:00
Sat 08:00 ~ 18:00
Sun 09:00 ~ 13:00

- For all your everyday needs -

Debbie and Alan can order everything from magazines to free range meat.

Local Doctors Surgeries -----

Lambourn Surgery Enquiries: 01488 71715
Bockhampton Road, Lambourn, Appts: 01488 72299
Berks.

Ramsbury Surgery Enquiries: 01672 520366
Whittonditch Road, Ramsbury, Appts: 01672 521234
Wilts

Graham Jones Pharmacy 01488 71464
The Broadway, Lambourn, Berks

Local Hospitals -----

Great Western Hospital Marlborough Road, Swindon	01793 604020
Savernake Hospital London Road (A4), Marlborough	01672 536231
Newbury Community Hospital Andover Road, Newbury, Berks	01635 32500

About Baydon Parish Council

Any member of the Parish Council should be your first point of contact if you have any questions about issues within the village. The contact details for all councillors and the Parish Clerk are displayed on the notice board outside the Shop.

The Parish Council is made up from volunteers and consists of 8 members (including the Parish Clerk). The Chairman is elected annually at the AGM (in May), which is held the Monday after the annual Parish Assembly.

Vacancies on the Parish Council do appear from time to time as individuals move on to pursue other interests, so the next time a vacancy appears and you feel that you would like to be more involved in village matters . . . apply in writing to the Parish Clerk. When vacancies do occur, posters advertising the fact are displayed on the Parish Notice Board and, if time permits, a notice will be put in the 'Scene in Baydon'.

Parish Council Meetings

Held in the BYPA Hall in Manor Lane. There are seven meetings a year held approximately 6-7 weeks apart. Dates are displayed on the Parish Notice Board outside the shop along with the draft minutes of the previous meetings' minutes and, one week prior, the Agenda for the next meeting.

Public attendance is positively encouraged so that your views can be heard and to raise any local concerns or issues. Subject to his availability our village bobby has an open invitation to attend so that you can have the opportunity to discuss any policing issues face to face.

Local Schools -----

St Nicholas (C of E) Primary School Ermin Street, Baydon	01672 540554 Headmaster: Peter Chambers
John O'Gaunt Secondary School Priory Road, Hungerford	01488 682400
St Johns Community College (Secondary) Orchard Road, Marlborough	01672 516156

Local Libraries -----

Aldbourne Library South Street, Aldbourne 01672 540632	Mon & Thurs (Only):	14:00 ~ 17:00 18:00 ~ 20:00
Lambourn Library High Street, Lambourn 01488 71350 (Registrar: Thurs at 14:00)	Tues: Wed: Fri: Sat:	14:00 ~ 17:00 10:00 ~ 12:30 10:00 ~ 12:30/14:00 ~ 17:30 10:00 ~ 12:30

A mobile library visits Baydon on alternate Thursdays and parks on the road outside the school (11:00 ~ 11:40).

Rubbish & Recycling Collections -----

Tuesdays AM **Bulky items:** Tel: 01380 724911 (ext: 665)

- Kennet District Council (KDC) collects your household refuse on alternate weeks i.e. the black wheelie bin (household rubbish) is emptied one Tuesday and the recycling boxes and green wheelie bin (garden refuse) is collected the following Tuesday. DO NOT overfill the wheelie bins (the lid must be closed FLAT) or the KDC bin men will not empty them!!
- The green wheelie bins can be 'leased' from KDC for an annual payment of £26. To order one, contact KDC on: 01380 724911. The black recycling boxes are free.
- A variety of heavily discounted compost bins (from £5 – 30) are also available on 0845 073 2002.