



The Parish Pump

The Croxley Green Parish Council's House Magazine

Spring/Summer 2011

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Letter from the Chairman

It is nearly four years since the residents of Croxley Green went to the polls to elect 16 Parish Councillors. Early May will see a new list of candidates willing to give up their time for the interests of our village so I do hope there will be a strong turn out at the polling stations to endorse the role of the Parish Council. I have found my four years as a councillor interesting and challenging, I certainly did not realise how complicated local politics was!

One of the success stories of this Council has been the establishment of a Village Hall. This has enabled many community groups to meet locally at no charge. Many special interest societies are now taking advantage of this valuable facility. Our continued financial support of the Police Community Support Officers has also proved to be very popular. The visible presence of these fluorescent-jacket-clad figures around the village is very reassuring to many residents.

Your environment has

been preserved by the Parish Council through the work of our Rangers in Stones Orchard and Croxley Hall Woods and on The Green. Responsible dog ownership is encouraged by the distribution of dog 'poo' bags and the siting of 42 dedicated bins around Croxley Green which means unpleasant mess is seen as socially unacceptable and rare around our streets.

When I joined the Council we were being harassed by one individual who took up a lot of staff and councillor time, as well as causing unnecessary stress. Thanks to our Vexatious Complainant Policy, the blocking of electronic messages and understanding from the local press, the situation has greatly improved and we can go about our duties without fear of being under attack all the time.

I am delighted to report that this year's charity fundraising has been exceptionally successful. Our recent book sale at the Sportsman raised £305 and Councillor Christine Jefford's

popular quiz attracted over 90 entrants and made a fantastic profit of £862. I would like to thank Christine and her team of volunteers for all their hard work. We benefited from the participation of The Dogs Trust at Harefield during the year as they gave us a lot of promotional material and attended events themselves so I am pleased that we have been able to donate a total of £2,232 to them this year. I would like to thank the people of Croxley Green for their generosity and our MP, David Gauke, for his support at our events.

One of the advantages of being a Parish Councillor is that you meet many local people and get to know our surroundings much better. I hope you all will take advantage of our wonderful facilities and enjoy our forthcoming village events this summer like Croxley Revels, Classic Cars on the Green and Croxfest, our first music festival, in September. I look forward to seeing you there.

Cllr Marion Birch

Council News

New Year Fireworks

The Residents of Croxley Green once again enjoyed a fantastic display of fireworks on New Year's Eve. An estimated 2000 people filled the Green from Baldwins Lane to Watford Road to see the ever popular family show which once again (according to many local residents) outshone its larger rivals in London. To rousing music from composers such as Wagner, Puccini and Elgar, the New Year was brought in, with young and old all enjoying the mix of light and sound. Chinese lanterns were lit and their diaphanous sides took away many hopes, dreams and wishes for 2011.

This is a fantastic, free to attend, event which really brings the community together. So forget about going into London with all the associated hassle and bring your friends and family to this year's event on the 31st December 2011.

Cllr Mark Saxon

Christmas Lights

The Parish Council really hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Lights that adorned Scots Hill and Watford Road. We have entered into a further three year agreement with our contractors to supply the lights up to and including 2013. The price our contractor charges has been held for the last 3 years and our new contract keeps the same price.

Details of the Council budget are enclosed with this copy of the Parish Pump but for information, the Christmas Lights cost £7301.50 per year which includes storage, repairs, installation and removal.

Cllr Mark Saxon

Croxley Community Plan

The Parish Council has granted £3000 to support a Community Plan for Croxley Green which is being led by the Croxley Green Residents' Association. The plan is a chance for everyone in Croxley Green to have their say about the kind of community we want to live in.

The first stage is to form a Steering Committee to look at all the areas which the plan needs to cover. The major sectors are education, health, young people, businesses and community groups. The parish has a wealth of committed people who care about our environment and how it affects all our lives, and one of the aims of the plan is to get us all joining in. If you would like to contribute to the plan please email croxleycommunityplan@gmail.com

Charity Quiz Night

The Chairman's Charity Quiz night took place on Saturday 26 March 2011 and as normal, was a very successful evening. We even had to turn people away! Congratulations to our Chairman whose team won! The event raised £862 for the Chairman's charity, which this year is the Dog's Trust (Harefield).

Cllr Christine Jefford

Flowers 4 Croxley

The group recently had their first meeting for 2011 to discuss plans for the coming year. As usual we shall be planting out the Watford Road beds under Kath Perry's direction, and the barrels in New Road and Baldwins Lane will be planted with summer bedding plants. It is good to see the primroses and pansies recovering from a very cold (and long) winter.

The 400kg of daffodils planted around Croxley in 2008/9 look lovely, especially on some of the sunnier days we have had. I wonder whether any of the children who helped with the planting remember doing so?

Although we are in partnership with the Parish Council we are not funded by them, so we have raised our finances from donations from local shops and businesses and grants. However we have the use of the Council's Rangers when they are available as there are some things we cannot do, such as lifting heavy bags of compost, digging and the transporting of plants and compost from a local garden centre.

We have had a few setbacks during 2010, mainly to do with red tape and the dreaded Health and Safety! Hopefully we can resolve these or find a way round them. We have to thank Cllr Leighton Dann, Cllr Marion Birch and her husband Michael and all the people who water the beds, barrels and hanging baskets, for their help in making Croxley an even more pleasant place to live.



The Parish Council Rangers Jamie and Mark planting out the beds on the Watford Road

We hope that you enjoy the floral displays which we create, and that if you have a bit of time to spare you might like to offer some help to us through the summer.

Cllr Hazel Seeley

Our Environment

Adopt Your Street

Have you ever thought of adopting a street – your own street is a good one to start on! It's quite simple really if you are a walker on a regular basis, as it involves interest in the community with your own small effort to make the area you live in an even better place. I live in Oakleigh Drive and have adopted it. What does this mean? Litter: I always carry a small plastic bag with me to collect the occasional empty beer can, pizza box or other small piece of rubbish – especially after bin days when small items are lying around. Potholes: if I notice potholes I put down the number of the house adjacent and ring up the Highways Department on 01923 471320 or go online: www.hertsdirect.org/actweb/hfr/

They always try to fill them in within four working days. Many houses have large potholes outside them because so many people do not have time after a busy day's work to report them or do not know how easy it is.

There are many different streets in our Croxley Green; some are blessed with trees, others have grass verges but all can benefit from a bit of extra tender loving care. Adopting your street is your own secret decision – no one else needs to know but one thing is certain, everyone will benefit from the community orientated generous action that you have taken.

Cllr David Wynne-Jones

Malvern Way School Gardening Club

As the weather starts to get warmer we are looking forward to a bumper crop this year. The plots have recently been organised into fruit, vegetables and flowers and are maintained by children and

adults. We aim to have a special treat of spring, summer and autumn flowers so the children can study them all year round. We also hope that more varieties of flowers will help attract the butterflies and other insects. We are looking forward to June when we hope to have a good crop of strawberries, raspberries, gooseberries and blackcurrants. Our potatoes are ready to plant and other vegetables are just being sown ready for planting out soon. Year One are all busy growing seeds as part of their learning this term. All we need now is the sunshine!



Janet English, Head Teacher

Harvey Road School Garden

We have started running the Gardening Club at lunchtime on two days, thus enabling us to have both Infant and Junior groups. In the autumn, the Parish Rangers, Jamie and Mark, built us a new double height raised bed and the children sowed a 'green manure' seed mix in it. This grew over the winter, covering the soil and helping to deter the local cats from digging.

By March, when the Gardening Club began meeting again, the green manure plants, which included rye grass, vetch and field beans, had grown about 10 cm high. We had fun digging them into the soil and over the next month they died down adding

nutrients into the soil ready for the Infants to plant vegetables. Mark has been coming along to Gardening Club every few weeks and helped us build our new cold frame. The children sowed peas and broad beans in pots and put them in the cold frame to grow. These should be big enough to plant out before the Easter holiday. We have also sown carrots and radishes.

Onions and garlic have produced green leaves through the winter and we've dug up our leeks, trying them cooked in leek and potato soup, though not made with our own potatoes as we have only just planted our seed potatoes. The strawberries in the garden, and their runners we potted up in the autumn, are growing well. Our blackcurrant bush is covered with new green leaves and the Juniors have planted a couple of raspberry canes which we hope will bear some fruit this autumn.

Unfortunately we lost our rosemary bush to the very cold and wet winter, however, the thyme plants have stayed evergreen and the children love rubbing their fingers on the lemon scented leaves. The recent sunny, dry weather has meant we have been able to have most of our spring meetings outside in the garden; of course we do want rain too, just not on Gardening Club days!



Christine Cheek, Gardening Club Organiser

Dog Waste Bags

For those dog owners who have forgotten or were unaware, bio-degradable dog waste bags are **free** from the Parish Council Offices and we also supply them to the library. Please use them, and the bins around Croxley, to help keep our pavements, footpaths and open spaces clean and free from mess.

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Calling all Hertfordshire Open Gardeners

Two keen gardeners have hit upon a novel solution for publicising charity Open Gardens events - a website dedicated to town and village Open Gardens.

Run by volunteers, free from complex advertising, simple to use and with a clever search facility, the site allows people to find out about Open Gardens events in your local area, or indeed at the other end of the country.

The website supports the smaller event organisers, those volunteers who bring together gardeners and gardens, plant enthusiasts and hobbyists, Hosta lovers and Pelargonium fanciers - the melting pot of Middle England that is Open Gardens.



For the humble town or village Open Gardens organiser, the site offers a real opportunity to get much needed publicity. Contributing information is also very simple - fill in your event details, press a button and your event is there for all to see.

For people who enjoy visiting gardens open for charity, the site gives full details of events happening in your area. Go to **www.opengardens.co.uk** for more information.

* Remember also that Waterdell House, featured in the last edition, will be open on Sunday 26 June in the afternoon as part of the National Gardens Scheme. Do go and have a look at this beautiful garden, enjoy a cup of tea and a

cake and perhaps buy a new plant for your garden!

Parish Council to become a partner with British Waterways in a Voluntary Waterway Adopter Scheme

The Parish Council has agreed to enter into a voluntary partnership with British Waterways and other local voluntary groups to look after the stretch of Canal which runs through the Parish.

British Waterways, the organisation that looks after over 2000 miles of inland waterways in the United Kingdom, has introduced a scheme in order to provide local communities with the opportunity of having a real impact on sections of waterways which run through their area.

Known as the Waterway Adopter Scheme, it provides organisations such as local businesses, schools, community groups, Parish Councils and residents' associations the opportunity to make a real difference in the environment in and around a small section of the canal.

Such activities that take place by adoption partners include towpath clearing, lock painting, graffiti removal, improving wildlife habitats, bench installation and general cleaning up. They may also organise group events such as guided walks, boat trips or cycling events along the towpath.

We are fortunate in having a stretch of towpath between the two locks which is bounded by the SSSI of Croxley Common Moor and the protected status of the new Village Green.

The towpath itself has undergone some improvements by both British Waterways and local residents' associations over recent years but this agreement will provide for a more structured approach to the maintenance of

the area.

In winter especially, the Council could become involved in activities such as tree and bush clearance, lock painting and litter clearing in order that our stretch of towpath always looks at its best.

British Waterways will provide training, supervision and materials where possible to support the adoption and in some cases, the adoption groups can be self supervising.

If you are interested in helping out in any way please contact the Council and we can let you know how the scheme is progressing and how you can get involved.

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Our Community

Family History

I was recently asked if I could help a Canadian man research his family history because of possible connections with Croxley.

Larry Jorginson lives in Alberta and has himself been researching his family history for the past two years. He has found that his great-grandparents on the female side came from Bolney and Hickstead in Sussex, where her father, Ambrose Parsons, ran the Castle Inn Hotel.

Helen Elizabeth Parsons worked as a barmaid for her father, and married one Alfred Stephens, a draper, in 1898.

Now in my research I have found a copy of the marriage certificate which shows that the wedding was at All Saints' Church, Croxley Green. Both myself and Larry have been unable to trace Alfred Stephens up until his name appears on the marriage certificate.

My interest has been to check Croxley residents over the five years either side of 1898 when both Alfred and Helen, aged 33 years, stated that they were resident in Croxley, I have had little luck – HELP!!!

However, a small window has opened, there were two public houses at the top of Scots Hill; The Plough and The George and Dragon. The inn-keeper in 1899 appears to be one Ambrose Parsons. This may be completely misleading but I believe there is some logic in the following premise: a person needs to live in a Parish for at least three weeks in order to apply for marriage as a resident. Therefore, could Ambrose Parsons, inn-keeper, be the same person as previously at Hickstead and could Helen be his daughter, i.e. resident, then Alfred stayed at the inn for the necessary three weeks to be a resident?

Having reached this point in the research, after 1899 there is no record of any of the people named as being local.

I have searched local records - libraries in Watford, Croxley and Rickmansworth, as well as the National Archive and Private Archive yet I can find no trace of the birth of Alfred or the whereabouts of Alfred and Helen after they married.

If anyone can give me information to help in my research I would be most grateful. Also, I know that there is a photo in existence showing face-on the two pubs, The George and Dragon and The Plough – where is it? If you have it, could we have a copy please?

David Neighbour

Bess

Readers of the Parish Pump will know that Bess, your "Rover Reporter", contributed a number of articles on various subjects. I am now sorry to say that, after a short illness, your Rover Reporter has gone to the great kennel in the sky.



People who do not own a dog sometimes wonder why a person develops such a close bond with their pet, which of course is reciprocated by their pet. But

when you look at the fact that many dogs are with a family for between 10 – 15 years and sometimes longer, is it any wonder that a family bond occurs.

My Bess accompanied me on every walk and never left my side, "cupboard love" I think partly but there was more to it than just food. On our walks we met many other dog walkers - none went by without a greeting. Several of our friends have also passed on and will be sadly missed, but never forgotten, by their owners.

Signing off,

Bess your Rover Reporter

- We were very sorry to hear this news at the Parish Council, and we are certain that Bess, and her articles, will be greatly missed. Thank you to Bess for all her hard work in contributing to the Parish Pump in the past and we are all thinking of her owners at this time.


If anyone has a budding journalist for a pet who would like to continue the great work begun by Bess, please do contact the Parish Office, although it will be a hard act to follow!


The Editorial Team

Recycling your plastics

When you recycle your plastics do you find that your box from Three Rivers is too small, as I do? Beware – if you put your plastics, tins and cartons in an opaque bag they will probably be taken with the general rubbish rather than being recycled. In order to be taken by the recycling lorry they must be put into a CLEAR plastic bag so that the contents can be seen. I found this out when I saw my bag of sorted recycling being taken with my green bin waste so make sure the sorting that you do is not in vain!


Cllr Janet Martin






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Barton Way Play Area

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Don't forget the multi-skills court too! There are lots of markings: hopscotch, a maze, a number square, targets and so on for the children to play on, so take a ball or beanbag and enjoy this area, particularly during school hours for the younger children. Take their bikes or scooters and let them ride round the 'road' practising their skills. New, stronger, basketball hoops are being installed so there will be the opportunity for older children to play basketball again.



We have had a number of incidents of graffiti and vandalism which is a real shame as it spoils the area for everyone else! If you see any incidents please report them to Three Rivers District Council or to the Parish Council and we will pass on your comments. Three Rivers are aware of the graffiti and are working on covering it up. Please encourage older children and teenagers to respect the equipment and not to cause this damage. Perhaps they can pass this message on to friends so we can limit this anti-social behaviour.

We secured funding from the local area forum last year to purchase a

couple of benches: look out for a new picnic table in the play area and a bench outside the fence for everyone to use, as we were conscious that there was nowhere for people using the field to sit - enjoy these and have fun throughout the summer - let's hope the sun shines!



Cllr Janet Martin

Croxley School of Dance

2011 got off to a busy start at Croxley School of Dance! The school, situated at The Studio, Community Way, now has over 200 students who attend dance lessons every week with some coming up to 4 times a week!

In January, Nicola Mossman - school Principal, hosted a 5th Birthday party for all the students and their families to celebrate 5 years of the school. The event took place at Little Green School and over 300 people packed into the hall to enjoy an afternoon of entertainment and stalls which included nail painting, t-shirt decorating and gift stalls. The event was lots of fun for everyone, and best of all we raised £500 for the Peace Hospice. Gill Crowson, Fundraising Manager from Peace Hospice, is shown accepting a cheque from Nicola Mossman and students at the school.

Still to come this year will be performances throughout the summer at local school fairs and of course our annual performance

at Croxley Revels. Work has already started with Yorke Mead, Rickmansworth Park, Harvey Road, Little Green and St Mary's schools on their huge Revels routine and the Croxley Dance students have a Queen Medley up their sleeves, so it looks set to be a massive performance. There's also something special taking place in the arena at the end of the Croxley Dance performance - don't miss it!

Later in the year we return to Watersmeet to perform our bi-annual show on Saturday 1st October. The show will see all students performing routines in different dance disciplines with fantastic costumes. As the School has grown, so has the range of dance styles taught. Classes include ballet, tap, freestyle, hip-hop, boys' street dance and musical theatre.

This year has seen the introduction of a new Mini Movers class – a mix of funky/hip hop dance style aimed at 3 to 6 year olds. Classes for adults include ballet, tap and street dance and, not forgetting the very young, there are Mother and Toddler ballet classes for children up to the age of 3. Waiting lists are now in place for anyone wanting to join the school after the show in October. Get in touch to be added to the lists!

For all classes at The Studio check www.croxleydance.co.uk and now follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



The Parish Council Budget 2011-2012

<u>Finance & Administration</u>		Budget (£)	<u>103</u>	<u>Groundworks</u>	Budget (£)
101	<u>General Administration</u>				
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4007	Courses / Conferences	0	4006	Protective Clothing	300
4008	Training	1,500	4008	Training	2,000
4009	Travel	1,200	4010	Misc Staff Costs	650
4011	Rates	4,000	4017	Health & Safety	1,000
4012	Water Rates	900	4037	Grounds Maintenance	2,000
4013	Rent	100	4041	Equipment Hire	0
4014	Light & Heat	1,500	4042	Equipment Maintenance	550
4016	Janitorial	1,300	4046	Equipment Purchased	2,000
4017	Health & Safety	250	4051	Vehicle License & Insurance	2,200
4019	Consultancy Fees	2,640	4055	Fuel & Oil - LS08 WCP	1,200
4020	Misc Establishment Costs	500	4060	Fuel & Oil - Groundworks	750
4021	Telephone & Fax	1,500	4070	Maintenance - LS08 WCP	500
4023	Stationery, Printing & Postage	3,500	4071	Maintenance - Tractor	1,000
4025	Insurance	4,500	4072	Maintenance - Ride on Mower	300
4026	Photocopy Hire / Charges (see 4023)	0			
4027	Computer Software & IT	1,500		OverHead Expenditure	66,950
4030	Recruitment Advertising	500			
4036	Property Maintenance	2,100	1061	Agency Income - HCC Mtce	0
4156	Audit Fees - External	960	1062	Agency Income - TRDC Mrce	0
4157	Audit Fees - Internal	820	1080	Miscellaneous Income	0
4158	Accountancy Fees	790			
4963	PCSO	28,500		Total Income	0
	Tfr from Reserves re previous Pension Contrib	-6,000	103	Net Expenditure	66,950
	Tfr from Reserves (if required)	-15,080			
	Tfr from Reserves re 4019 Peninsular	-2,640	107	<u>Grants (incl S137)</u>	
	OverHead Expenditure	99,840	4200	Chairman's Charity Expenditure	1,000
			4711	S137 Grants	2,500
1076	Precept	245,200		Community Hall Membership Grant	9,600
1090	Interest Received	40			
				OverHead Expenditure	13,100
	Total Income	245,240			
			1077	Grants Received	0
101	Net Expenditure	-145,400	1200	Chairmans Charity Income	1,000
102	<u>Local Democracy</u>			Total Income	1,000
			107	Net Expenditure	12,100
4024	Subscriptions/Publications	1,900			
4033	Parish Pump Newsletter	5,100	150	<u>Community/Village Hall</u>	
4201	Chairman's Allowance	500			
4251	Election Expenses	5,000	4036	External Decoration	4,000
4300	Events - Revels on the Green	1,000	4036	Flood Prevention work	0
	OverHead Expenditure	13,500		Transfer from reserves	-4,000
1031	Map Income	0		OverHead Expenditure	0
1051	Advertising Income	1,500			
				Total Income	0
	Total Income	1,500	150	Net Expenditure	0
102	Net Expenditure	12,000			

Council Updates

The Parish Council Budget 2011-2012(cont'd)

<u>199</u>	<u>F & A Capital & Projects</u>	Budget (£)	<u>221</u>	<u>M S C</u>	Budget (£)
			4042	Equipment Maintenance	1,000
4175	Sale of Assets	0			
4823	Tfr to Vehicle Repl Fund	5,900		OverHead Expenditure	1,000
4824	Tfr to Equipt Repl Fund	4,100			
	Depot Extension (Phase 1 - Plans)	3,000	221	Net Expenditure	1,000
	Depot Extension from 2010/11	-2,000			
			<u>299</u>	<u>E & A Capital & Projects</u>	
	OverHead Expenditure	11,000	4932	War Memorial Updating	0
199	Net Expenditure	11,000		Development of Play Areas	10,000
				Transfer from Reserves (if required)	-6,890
Finance & Admin.	- Expenditure	204,390		OverHead Expenditure	3,110
	- Income	247,740		299	Net Expenditure
					3,110
	Net Expenditure	-43,350		Environment & Amenity	- Expenditure
					- Income
					31,850
					0
					Net Expenditure
					31,850
<u>202</u>	<u>The Green</u>				
4042	Equipment Maintenance	0		Planning & Development	
	OverHead Expenditure	0	301	Roads & Street Furniture	
			4042	Equipment Maintenance	0
202	Net Expenditure	0	4043	Salt Bins/Salt	1,500
			4047	Footpath Maintenance	1,000
			4050	Bus Shelters	100
			4056	Street Trees	0
				CMS Grant for Footpath Maint.	-1,000
<u>203</u>	<u>Open Spaces & Trees</u>				
4048	Plants. Shrubs & Trees - General	1,000		OverHead Expenditure	1,600
4049	Dog Hygiene	10,000		301	Net Expenditure
	Tfr ex trees	0			1,600
	OverHead Expenditure	11,000		302	Community Bus
1077	Grants Received	0	4702	Community Bus	6,900
	Total Income	0		OverHead Expenditure	6,900
203	Net Expenditure	11,000			
				302	Net Expenditure
					6,900
<u>211</u>	<u>Events</u>				
4601	Garden Competition	0	399	P & D Capital & Projects	
4602	Quiz Night	250		Village Plan Development	3,000
4605	Christmas Lights	8,000			
4608	Library Xmas Tree	50		OverHead Expenditure	3,000
4609	Craft Workshop Day	690			
4610	Fireworks on Green	5,000	399	Net Expenditure	3,000
4611	Senior Citizens Seaside/Outing	750			
	Revels (s145 LGA 1972)	2,000		Planning & Development	- Expenditure
					- Income
					11,500
					0
	OverHead Expenditure	16,740			
					Net Expenditure
					11,500
1080	Miscellaneous Income	0			
	Total Income	0		Total Budget Expenditure	247,740
211	Net Expenditure	16,740		Total Income	247,740
					Net Expenditure
					0

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Events

EVENTS - dates for your diary

May

Thursday 5 May 2011 - Parish Council Elections

Sunday 8 May 2011 - Classic Car Show on the Green

Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 May 2011 - Canal Festival, Rickmansworth

Tuesday 24 May 2011 - Three Rivers District Council Road Show at Barton Way to promote the new refuse and recycling service 9am - 1pm

Saturday 28 May 2011 - Croxley Great Barn Tour at 11am. Meet in the car park at St Joan of Arc School, Rickmansworth from 10.45am

June

Monday 13 June 2011 - TRDC's weekly collection of organic waste begins

Saturday 18 June 2011 - Revels on the Green

Wednesday 29 June 2011 - Senior Citizens outing to Brighton

July

Saturday 30 July 2011 - Croxley Great Barn Tour at 11am. Meet in the car park at St Joan of Arc School, Rickmansworth from 10.45am

Aug

Wednesday 3 August 2011 - Classic Car Show on the Green

Friday 26 - Monday 29 August 2011 - Brixton's Fun Fair on the Green

Sept

Saturday 3 September 2011 - Croxfest on the Green 12 noon - 8pm

Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September 2011 - Classic Car Show on the Green and Carters Steam Fair

Oct

Sunday 9 October 2011 - Craft Day (to be confirmed)

Nov

Sunday 13 November 2011 - Remembrance Day - parade and service at All Saints' Church followed by service at the War Memorial

Dec

Saturday 31 December 2011 - New Year's Eve Fireworks on the Green

Parish Council Meetings - general public welcome



Council meeting - last Thursday of each month (except May and August)

Annual Parish Meeting - last Thursday in April

Annual General Meeting - second Thursday in May

Environment & Amenity meeting - first Tuesday of each month (except May and August)

Planning & Development meeting - first and third Wednesday of each month

Finance & Administration meeting - second Thursday of each month (except August)



CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

COMMUNITY BUS

DO YOU USE THIS SERVICE?

TO WATFORD TOWN CENTRE – EVERY FRIDAY

1ST JOURNEY

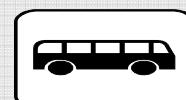
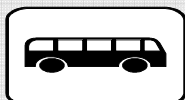
Winton Drive Approach	9.30am
Shaftsbury Court	9.32am
Malvern Way/Barton Way	9.34am
Fuller Way/Barton Way	9.36am
Hanover House	9.37am
Sherborne Way/Baptist Church	9.40am
Return from Watford	12 noon

2ND JOURNEY

Sycamore Approach	10.00am
Valley Walk (Green)	10.01am
Valley Walk/Beechcroft Ave	10.03am
Frankland Rd/Harvey Rd	10.05am
Chalmers Court	10.08am
All Saints Lane (outside church)	10.10am
New Road	10.12am
Return from Watford	12.30pm

3RD JOURNEY

Junction Links Way & Warwick Way	10.30am
Junction Links Way & Dover Way	10.31am
Junction Links Way & Little Green Lane	10.32am
Junction Little Green Lane & Durrants Drive	10.33am
Junction Durrants Drive & Dover Way	10.34am
Kenilworth Drive/Baldwins Lane Footpath	10.36am
Manor Way	10.38am
Grove Court	10.40am
Return from Watford	1.15pm



FREE SERVICE

*For the exclusive use of Senior Citizens and persons in sheltered accommodation.
You may be required to show proof of eligibility*



The Community Bus

Hi, my name is David Major and I am employed by Mullany's Coaches of Watford. Each Friday morning I take a group of senior citizens from each of the three wards in Croxley Green to Watford. The service is provided by the Parish Council who believe that these senior citizens still have a right in society to get out and socialise with each other and perhaps even find some bargains from the Watford Town market.

As a driver I am all for this and even more so because the passengers appreciate my efforts.

It is a lovely trip for them while I do my best to negotiate all the tight turns and poor parking that exists on these routes. I believe that this service is invaluable to such a lovely group of people and I am pleased to hear that it has remained in the budget for the next year.

David Major

As long standing members of the 'Friday Morning Coach Club' my wife Kathleen and I would be lost without our weekly foray into Watford with Dave the driver. Our thanks also go to Croxley Green Parish Council for keeping us mobile.

John Perry





Coach Trip to Brighton

On Wednesday 29 June 2011, the Parish Council will be taking a group of senior citizens on a day trip to Brighton. The coach will leave Community Way car park at 9am and will arrive back at 6pm. This is expected to be a popular event and as seats are limited, places will be decided by means of a lucky draw. If you would like to enter the draw, please complete the form below with your details and the name of your guest and return the slip to the Parish Council by Friday 10 June 2011 when the draw will take place.

✂ _____

To be eligible to attend you (and your guest) must be a resident of Croxley Green, a senior citizen and must be independently mobile. Good luck for the draw!!!!

Name

Address

.....

.....

.....

Telephone Number

Name of Guest

I would like to attend the day trip to Brighton on Wednesday, 29 June 2011 and I confirm that both my guest and I are residents of Croxley Green, senior citizens and are independently mobile.

Signed

Following a request for old photographs of Croxley Green, Mr Jim Hughes, PCC Secretary of St Oswald's Church kindly gave us some photographs which we thought Croxley residents might be interested in:

Scots Hill bombing—(Feb 1944) Mr Hunt's grocers shop



Scots Hill bombing—Gospel Hall and cottages behind



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